



# FRONT RANGE WOODTURNERS

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## Upcoming Events

**August** – Meeting is scheduled for 6:30 pm, Tuesday, August 6. Several lathes will be set up for simultaneous, 25-minute demonstrations by several demonstrators – you can move from one to the next.

**September** – Meeting is scheduled 6:30 pm, Tuesday, September 3. Pete Holtus will be demonstrating Christmas (or any holiday of choice) ornaments.

**October** – Meeting is scheduled for 6:30 pm, Tuesday, October 1. Bruce Knuth will be demonstrating segmented bowls.

December – Tuesday, December 3. This will be our annual Christmas/Holiday party to be held Red Rocks Community Room. Details to follow. ❖

## News

### ***CORRECTION - Front Range Woodturners Symposium***

In previous issues of the FRW newsletter, it was reported that the Rocky Mountain Woodturners would not be having their symposium this year. This is incorrect.

They *will* be having their Symposium this year on Saturday, October 26, 2002. It will be held at the Chilson Recreation Center in Loveland (where it was located in the past). More information will follow.

They are asking for volunteers – contact Allen Jensen at 907-663-1868 or e-mail him at [rajconst@aol.com](mailto:rajconst@aol.com).

### ***Wood Sealer Resale***

Our club has purchased a quantity of Anchorseal wood sealer. It will be available for sale to members. Club members price will be about \$8.50 a gallon (less if we can reduce the repackaging costs)

Information, availability, and final pricing will reviewed at the August meeting.

### ***Special Thanks!***

The latest wood team used most of their Friday the 12th in cutting, loading, and hauling a huge Russian Olive tree from Aurora. The team included George Adams, Tom Algra, Cy Carpenter, Ron Embury (the sun worshiper), Jerry Smith, Brandon Mackie, and John Montague.

This may not be all of the group because half of us went to Mike Tatum's (our great friend and past long time member) house to pick up some of his vintage wood supply which he has generously donated to our club. We will be raffling and auctioning these items at our future meetings. Thanks again Mike for your gift.

Additional special thanks goes to Bear Limvere for the extra work getting the roster together and printed. Bear and Alisa have accomplished what we have been trying to do for the last year or two. Great job, we all really appreciate having an up to date roster.

### ***Christmas Party***

Kathy Kula is getting ready to set up our annual Christmas/Holiday Party. It will

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be held on Tuesday, December 3, at the Red Rocks Community Room. Directions will be provided in a later issue of the newsletter.

She is asking for help: suggestions for the program and assistance with the food. If you are interested in helping, please call Kathy after 6:00 pm at (303) 274-5012.

## *Volunteers Needed*

We are asking for people interested in volunteering in the following:

- We would like a safety shield for the lathe to protect the audience.
- We need help in setting up and breaking down for each meeting. This includes setting up and breaking down the equipment and chairs, and clean-up around the equipment.

## *Miscellaneous*

### *Courtesy During Meetings*

We have been requested to please stay seated and quiet during the meeting and demonstration as a courtesy to our demonstrators and fellow members. You feel the need for conversation during the meeting or demonstration, please feel free to step out into the Schlosser store.

### *Shop Tours*

We are trying to set up shop tours for interested members. Phil Houck has the sign-up sheet for those interested in

giving a tour or going on a tour. Just remember – no one expects a sparkling clean shop, so don't worry about putting it off because you don't have time to tidy up.

### *Wood Suppliers*

Contact Steve Claycomb at the meetings for information about sources of wood. ❖

## *Show and Tell*

There was no Show and Tell for the June meeting. We went immediately into the demonstration.

## *Demonstrations*

### *July Demo*

Jerry Smith and Gene Wentworth demonstrated how to chainsaw blanks from logs.

Both used bucking stands, which are wooden stands that hold the logs during cutting. Wood is recommended because it is inevitable that the chain saw blade will contact the stand.



Picture of Gene's bucking stand. It is shaped like a slanted sawhorse with the top supports separated. Note the two wooden dowels in the front to keep the log in place.



Picture of Jerry's bucking stand. He prefers to work at waist height if possible and sized his stand to place it on a table if desired. His stand is a series of crossed supports with side beams to hold them together.



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Wrestling a log onto the bucking stand in the correct position to cut. Gene recommends that all cuts go lengthwise and vertically to allow for maximum control of the saw. You'll want to cut to optimize the use of the wood for either volume or beauty, and to remove or minimize any faults.



Jerry supporting a piece as Gene cuts a slab. You must be careful to support a log so that it does not roll while cutting. Be careful at the end of the cut as the two pieces fall away from each other. Note the hearing protection in use.



Another cut. A slight rocking of the saw helps to clear the chips.



The payoff in beautiful crotch figure.

Gene recommends sealing all cut surfaces of the blanks, not just the end grain. This helps to prevent undue splitting as the green wood continues to dry.

One last note: Gene suggests keeping your mouth shut as you cut, unless you like the taste of wood. ❖

*Schlosser*



Schlosser has a Clearance Center in the store with lots of new items (over a 100). These are overstock items, discontinued items, floor models, and so on. Some stuff has sold and new stuff has been added. They are excellent deals – one of a kinds, at about the lowest prices you will see. Once they are gone, they are gone.

In addition, keep in mind that on FRW meeting nights, members of FRW get 5% discounts on equipment and 10% on other products. **Note:** Clearance items *are* included in member discounts.

*Please note* – Schlosser also provides the service of special ordering for items that they may not have in stock. If it is available to them through their providers, they can get it for you. Talk to Phil at Schlosser for more information.

Schlosser web page:

<http://www.schlossertool.com> ❖

*Web Stuff*

The Front Range WoodTurners Web site address:

[www.harrispress.com/frw](http://www.harrispress.com/frw)

Get the latest information about upcoming events, meetings,

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and view the excellent photos of the show and tell gallery.

Other sites of interest:

(Rky Mtn Woodturners, Ft Collins)

[www.verinet.com/-](http://www.verinet.com/-drmeli/rmwt.html)

[www.lathes.co.uk](http://www.lathes.co.uk)

[www.woodworkingbasics.com](http://www.woodworkingbasics.com)

[www.treelineusa.com](http://www.treelineusa.com)

[www.woodturnerscatalog.com](http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com)

[www.kestrelcreek.com](http://www.kestrelcreek.com)

[www.choicewoods.com](http://www.choicewoods.com)

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## Classifieds

PowerMatic 12/16 lathe. Excellent condition, new bearings, variable speed. \$950 firm. For additional details and information, call 303-794-1679.

Union Graduate 12" X 30" lathe. All cast iron construction with electric and drive controls. Axminster Four Jaw Self Centering Super Precision Scroll Chuck System. Approximately 25 high quality turning tools:

- Union Graduate Variturn Lathe \$3950.00
- Administer chuck & jaw system \$1,230.00
- Turning tools \$800.00
- Total cost new \$5,980.00

SALE PRICE \$3,400.00

Contact John Leitch  
2366 Via Colibris  
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505-988-5070.

For Sale – Big lathe: 24" over throat; 220V; 1 ¼" shaft; 4-speed with safety slip clutch; 2 ½" Vicmarc chuck; 8" faceplate; 4" face plate; 7 chisels; \$2,000 takes all. Call Gary (970) 593-1901.

For Sale – Alltrade scroll saw. *Perfect condition*. Basic, \$100; with quick blade and access, \$125. Call Chuck Kubin, (303) 733-0254.

For Sale – Velcro Sandpaper Disks, 2" are \$1 per 10 disks, 3" (not too many available) are \$1 per 6 disks. Various grits available. Contact Cindy Drozda or David Nittman at 303-449-7170, [cdrozda@nyx.net](mailto:cdrozda@nyx.net), or at the FRWT and RMWT club meetings.

For Sale – Swivel-head Grizzly Wood Lathe. Price \$200. (Was \$295+\$55 shipping new.) This is a great starter lathe. Cast iron headstock, bed, and dual flat ways. Swing: 12" over bed, 35-1/2" between centers. Outboard swing: 20". Spindle 1" x 8 TPI, #2 MT, 3/8" bore through spindle. Self-ejecting tailstock with #2 MT, 3/8" through bore. 10 Speeds: 580 - 2850 RPM (Reeve-drive). Swivel head stops @ 0, 45, 90, 135, & 180 degrees. Sealed and permanently lubricated bearings. Motor: 1/2 HP TEFC, 110V, 60 Hz, 1720 RPM. Weight: 190 lbs. Included accessories: 12" (25mm dia.) tool rest, tool rest extension, 4-jaw scroll chuck w/ 2" jaws, 4-spur center, live rolling center, 6" face plate, knock-out bar, steel 4-leg stand, and extension bed for out-board turning. Call Bear or Alisa, 303-648-3414 ❖

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In addition, the following Chairpersons were appointed and accepted:

*Membership & Publicity Chairman:* Ron Embery  
*Librarian:* Jim Applegate

*Raffle-Wood Director:* Steve Claycomb

*Shop Tour & Mentor Program*

*Chairman:* Phil Houck

*Internet Chairman:* Dane Harris

*Video/TV Chairman:* Cy

Carpenter

## General Meeting Information

Normal meetings are the first Tuesday of every month, unless otherwise rescheduled.

Meeting place is at Schlosser Tool & Machinery, 301 Bryant Street, Denver, CO.

Meetings are 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM.

## FRW Newsletter Contact Info

Alisa Limvere  
Feel free to send her ideas, photos, corrections, and information. Advertising in the Classifieds is free (unless it gets so large that it adds to the newsletter's distribution cost).

In addition, Alisa has made the offer to assist any demonstrators in creating hand-outs of their demonstrations.

Deadline for submitting material for inclusion in the newsletter is 15 days before the next meeting. ❖

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