

PRESCOTT AREA



WOODTURNERS

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President's Message



The past couple of months have been very interesting, considering the virus information and misinformation. We have had to cancel the club's Tuesday Breakfast meetings. The Board members have had to meet using "Zoom", and social distancing has this club and many others across the country closing the doors and not having any meetings.

Marge Hunt suggested that we have a Virtual Show and Tell, for which members sent in pictures of their work. It seems to have created some interest and pictures were posted on the club's website.

One of the problems that the club experienced these past few days was that the club's website was placed in quarantine by the web site hosting service. Kind of strange to have our website placed in quarantine with all of the information regarding the human virus that is going around. Well, after working with the hosting company, we have the site "up and running". We did lose some information on the site, mostly pictures that were posted, but I plan on getting the pictures back on the site.

The Prescott Area Woodturners have decided to have a “Zoom” club meeting. Doug Rowe, who has experience in demonstrating his work for Facebook and other social media, is going to perform a club demo on...get this...how to set up your shop to do an online demo!

The club’s May meeting will be held on the second Saturday of the month. At this Zoom meeting we will have reports from board members like in our regular “in person” meetings. Once the board has finished, we will ask Doug to begin his demo. At the end of Doug's demo we will shut the meeting down.

So please take time to download the free “Zoom” app and get familiar with it. Stay safe and keep in touch with your families.

Regards to all,

Barry Walter
President Prescott Area Woodturners

PAW Scholarship for 2020

Unfortunately, no applications were received, so no Scholarship will be awarded.

March 14, 2020 General Meeting

The March PAW meeting took place at the YEI building. While there was already considerable talk about the Corona Virus in the media, Arizona was not yet on lock down.

PAW members Sapphire, Travis and Savannah Murphy have turned bowls with their mentors, Dean Humphrey, Don Milburn and Barry Walter, for the express purpose of donating them to the Empty Bowls event in September. They brought the finished bowls to today's meeting for Show & Tell. Their bowls are now displayed in the PAW cabinet at the Prescott Junction Restaurant.



Our own Jerry Walter was the featured speaker. He discussed the various finishes he uses in his work. He told us that it is his mission to honor the natural beauty of the tree in the pieces he creates.



Jerry talked about preparing the piece. He also talked about sanding, and the need for patience. Proper sanding simply takes time. His talk was illustrated by three PDF files, and he sent links to those in an e-mail to the membership.

At the conclusion of his prepared talk Jerry welcomed questions. A large group came forward with questions and comments.



Every Tuesday morning there is an informal gathering of woodturners. They meet at the Prescott Junction Restaurant at around 7:00 a.m. Members get regular scheduling information via e-mail. After breakfast they often go to a member's shop for a short demonstration. (Look for e-mails with schedule

Dean Humphrey took this at an earlier Tuesday demo. He says Jerry was trying to explain something, but no one was listening...



PAW IS GENEROUS

Kiwanis Auction

This auction is a piece of Prescott history that has been watched and listened to by generations of Prescotttonians. It's a tradition for the folks in the Prescott area to tune in and bid on items, not so much for the deal, but to be part of this annual event that raises money for the kids of our communities. This year the auction was scheduled to run weeknights from March 23 through March 27 and from March 30 through April 3. However, at the very last minute, the City of Prescott closed the venue and Kiwanis had to cancel the Auction.

PAW has long participated in this event. More than a dozen works of art by PAW had already been delivered to the Auction site. Given the option to retrieve their donations, members generously told Kiwanis that those items now belonged to them, for sale in any way that they could.



Beads of Courage

Due to corona virus quarantine, there have been no hospital visits.

2020 Club Meetings and Events

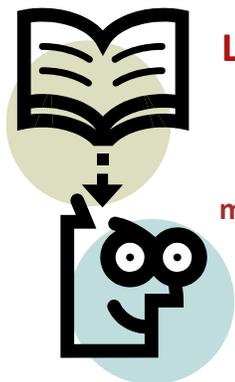
Programs are subject to change as necessary. Notices will be sent prior to each meeting.

- January 11 All-day with Michael Alguire
- February 22 All Day Demo with John Beaver **NOTE DATE**
- March 14 Finishes/Finishing with Jerry Walter
- ~~April 26 Annual Club Pot Luck~~ Canceled due to Corona Virus
- May 9 Via Zoom: How to do Zoom Video with Doug Rowe
- ~~May 9 & 10 Sale on Courthouse Square~~ Canceled due to Corona Virus
- June 13 Chad from Turner's Warehouse
- July 11 Long Stem Nat. Edge Flower with Gerard Merchant
- August 8 Tool Sale
- September 12 Natural Edge Bowl
- October 10 Platters
- November 7 Mini Symposium
- November 14 Holiday Sale at Grace Sparks Center
- December 7 Christmas Party (members only)
- December 19 Stocking Stuffer Sale

VENDORS WITH CLUB DISCOUNTS:

Note: You should show your current Membership Card when asking about a discount. If you don't yet have your card, check with Dennis Egan at the next meeting.

- Artisan Woodworking, Prescott 10%
- Carter & Son Toolworks, 10%
- Craft Supply, 13% on orders of \$1000 or more
- Hartville tools, 10%
- Klingspor, 10% (excludes anything mechanical)
- Northwest Figured Woods, 15%
- Rockler, 10%
- Wood Carvers Supply, 10% over \$400 or \$500
- Woodcraft, 10% (exclusions apply - ask at desk)
- Woodworkers Source, 10%



LIBRARY NEWS

Prescott Area Woodturners maintains an extensive library, consisting of books, magazines and DVD's with ideas and instructions useful to woodturners.

You will find it in tubs at the back of the meeting area. Management of this resource has been assumed by Kathy Allen. At each meeting you will find her near the tubs that comprise the Library. She will be happy to check out your choice and/or to check it back in again.

The PAW library continues to grow as new books and DVDs are added. In order for members to know what is available, new media will be listed in the newsletter.

PAW Library News

Since we are confined to staying home and doing woodturning or exploring other hobbies, it's not currently possible to check out items from the library. If you do have materials already checked out, I'll email a reminder to you when a future meeting allows us to exchange DVDs or books.

It is, however, a good time to order some new materials for the PAW library. A book distributor is offering discounts on woodturning books and I chose to take advantage of this sale. Several books were chosen to add more topics and project ideas to the PAW collection. The following books will soon be added to the library:

- Contemporary Woodturning by Nick Arnull
- Turning Hollow Forms by Mark Sanger
- Hogbin on Woodturning: Masterful Projects Uniting Purpose, Form and Technique
- Ellsworth on Woodturning
- Turning Wood with Carbide Tools by John English
- All New Turning Projects with Richard Raffan
- Weekend Woodturning Projects by Mark Baker
- Classic Woodturning Projects with Bonnie Klein
- Woodturning Projects (DVD) with Rex and Kip Vol. 4 (adds to the set in our collection)

AAW has started an interesting video series called the "Voices Video Series." Topics so far have included design, planning, and aesthetics with more topics to be available in the coming weeks. In each segment, several artists give their viewpoints prompting us to consider our own view of creativity when woodturning. While watching a few episodes, I was reminded of the variety of viewpoints within PAW and the many opportunities to learn from other members of our club. For example, some artists completely plan a project before starting to turn while others just start turning and let the wood determine the design. If you are interested, the videos can be found on the AAW (American Association of Woodturners) website.

Kathy Allen, Librarian