

### **President's Message**



Welcome to a new year of woodturning with the Prescott Area Woodturners!

I want to thank Barry Walter and the 2020 Board members for leading the club through a difficult year with the uncertainty and changes required by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Unfortunately, as we enter 2021, the cloud of COVID-19 is still with us and will probably continue for part of this year. This will continue to present some challenges for the club and provide some new opportunities. To minimize health impacts to our members, we are considering a hybrid approach to our monthly club meetings. We hope to provide both in-person meetings and, simultaneously, remote broadcasts of the meetings. When we get everything arranged, members who are comfortable with wearing masks and social distancing may attend the monthly meetings at YEI and those who are not yet comfortable may attend from home, or elsewhere, via the internet to view the meetings and demonstrations. Please bear with us as we purchase necessary equipment and figure out how best to do this. Due to the uncertainty of having meetings in person or online, be sure to check your meeting notice emails to confirm monthly meeting details. We will resume the Tuesday demonstrations in members' shops when it is safe to do so.

Many professional woodturners now provide interactive remote demonstrations over the internet instead of traveling to woodturning clubs for their demos. The equipment we will use to broadcast our monthly meetings will let us take advantage of these remote demonstrations. No professional demos are yet

planned because we don't have all of the necessary equipment, but watch for announcements later in the year.

IMPORTANT: Beginning in January the PAW Monthly General Meetings will be held at YEI on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month, except the November meeting will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday. The Board changed the dates to avoid some scheduling conflicts. Please update your calendars and join us on the correct meeting days.

Thank you for electing me as your president. I will do my best to ensure the club continues to provide value to all of our woodturning members. Feel free to contact me if you have suggestions to make our club experiences better.

Keep on turning!

Ken Allen President, Prescott Area Woodturners

# Last Chance for 2021 Dues!

The 2021 Roster will include only paid members.

Annual Dues are \$50/individual or \$60/family

Please mail a check TODAY to

P. O. Box 12346, Prescott, AZ 86304



Every Tuesday morning there is an informal gathering of woodturners. They meet at around 7:00 or 8:00 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 updates.)

Tuesday breakfasts are still happening, although often with fewer participants. This was the group on June 30. Contact Barry Walter on Mondays to check the location and time for the next breakfast.



## **PAW IS GENEROUS**

## **Kiwanis Auction**

This auction is a piece of Prescott history that has been watched and listened to by generations of Prescottonians. 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. PAW members have donated pieces for this auction for many years.

## **Empty Bowls**

*Empty Bowls* is a fundraiser for local food banks, for which local ceramic and wood artisans donate "empty" bowls. In 2020 the event was done as a drive-through. PAW contributed more than 100 bowls and was mentioned in the Daily Courier article printed on November 1, 2020, recapping the success of the event. Empty Bowls donated \$2,000 to St. Vincent DePaul, a charity that our Dennis & Carolyn Egan support by delivering meals every Monday.

## **Beads of Courage**

Due to corona virus quarantine, there were no hospital visits for a long time. However, the Woodturners have been busy. Beads of Courage Coordinator Kristy was able to visit this winter and sent us the following report.

From: Christy Puetz | Beads of Courage <cpuetz@beadsofcourage.org>

Date: December 13, 2020 at 8:32:00 PM MST

To: Walter Spencer <wmspencer@cableone.net>

**Subject: Bead Bowl Smiles email 1** 

Hello Walt,

I hope that you and your family are healthy and happy.

Today I had the privilege to pass out bead bowls at the annual Children's Cancer Network Winter Wonderland event. To be safe, families drove from station to station picking up food, gift baskets and holiday toys.

I brought all of the remaining bead bowls made by the Prescott Area Woodturners to share with children and teens that are currently receiving treatment for or have recently completed treatment. As you can see in the photos, the bowls were quite a hit. Even with masks on, you can tell that the kids had huge smiles! Everyone was thrilled and couldn't believe that they were getting such a beautiful piece of art.

I will send a list of all the woodturners in the next email along with more photos.

I cannot thank you all enough.

Best wishes, Christy

Christy Puetz Artist in Residence, Creative Program Director Beads of Courage, Inc. www.beadsofcourage.org

#### Bowl list:

• Phillip Bird: Ash (5), Walnut, Plum (2), Russian Olive (2), African Sumac (2), Carob

• Dave Madden: Walnut/oak (2), Black Ash/maple, Alder, Walnut

• William McDonald: Walnut/White Oak, Walnut/Maple, mixed woods (2)

• Gary A. Frank: Cherry, maple

• Wayne Hunt: Maple/Bubinga/Sapele

• No Name: stipe wood with smiley face sticker on top

• Dan Hall: Mountain Ash (carved rabbit)

Sorry that I didn't get photo with every bowl, but they were all appreciated!!!!























## 2021 Club Meetings and Events

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

•	January 23	Doug Rowe – resin accented bowls
•	February 27	Gary Frank - wave bowls
•	March 27	
•	April 24	
•	May 9 & 10	Sale on Courthouse Square
•	May 22	
•	June 26	
•	July 24	
•	August 14 & 15	Sale on Courthouse Square
•	September 25	
•	October 23	
•	November 13	Holiday Sale at Grace Sparks Center
•	November 20	
•	December ?	PAW Holiday Party
•	December 18	Stocking Stuffer Sale at Grace Sparks Center

#### **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 Jay Loden 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.

### PAW Library News

Many of the woodturners in PAW have advanced skills and have met many well-known turners at conferences or demonstrations throughout their years of turning. As I begin my second year of woodturning, I've heard names of some of these well-known turners or have now watched some of their demonstrations on AAW or Worldwide Woodturners virtual events but know little about many of them. This year, I want to learn about some of the turners whose resources we have in our library and share that information in the Library News.

In our library collection, we have two series of DVDs by Jimmy Clewes. That really had no meaning to me until I read his bio online and gained a greater interest in watching them. Jimmy was an engineering apprentice before he found his niche in woodturning and design. Since I'm a retired teacher, his attitude captured my interest. "My energy comes from those around me. When I can stir the creativity of one's mind, that for me is very satisfying." As Jimmy says in his bio, 'personal tutelage is by far the best way to learn.' However, since that's not often possible, DVDs and demos can provide ways for us to continue learning.

I see that type of energy within the PAW club when we watch a demo to gain ideas and then find our own creative ways of turning projects from those ideas we've observed. Checking out books or videos from the library can give resources between meetings to keep us inspired. I've been glad to see how many books and DVDs have been checked out to members this past year.

For any who are interested, Craft Supply just started posting their Woodturning 101 classes with Kirk DeHeer for free at this website:

http://blog.woodturnerscatalog.com/2020/12/woodturning-101. If you want to continue developing your skills, this can be a helpful resource.

Kathy Allen, Librarian