

PRESCOTT AREA



WOODTURNERS

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President's Message



Prescott Area Woodturners is a local chapter of the American Association of Woodturners. We are an organization that provides, within the Prescott area and beyond, a forum for those interested in woodturning. Our goal is to inspire, educate, and share not only with ourselves, but also with the larger community, the technical and artistic aspects of lathe-turned work.

One of the things that I love about woodturning is that it brings people of all ages together who share a common interest, to bond and create friendships and memories that last a lifetime. I, personally, love to teach young people to turn. The look on the young one's face when they realize that, *yes, I can do this!* is all the reward I need!

What I really want to talk about is what a great group we have and how I love seeing so many faces at our meetings, both old (no pun intended) and new. We have lots of interesting demos coming up this year, thanks to our program coordinator, Dave Madden. Just a reminder to all: not only do we have demos at our monthly club meetings, but we also have demos scheduled for every other week after our Tuesday morning breakfast at the Prescott Junction restaurant. If you have not attended breakfast, please feel welcome to join us. Members are

welcome to bring in a piece of work and have an informal “show and tell” and an excellent breakfast and camaraderie.

We are experiencing some small problems with our club’s web page. The Members Only area, that is password protected, keeps reloading and requesting the password page. This has been a great aggravation to me, as the page works well when I sign in as administrator but does not work for the general public. I have submitted a “ticket” to the hosting service and hope to have this problem fixed soon. I have also added a “link” to the AAW home page. Now if you click on the AAW banner that is located on the club’s home page it will open a new window and load the AAW site.

Our club’s past president, Don Milburn, had the opportunity to attend the Savannah River Woodturners meeting while on vacation. Don has a write up about the club and some pictures which will be included in this Newsletter.

For those that are traveling this summer, I encourage you to also visit any woodturning clubs that might be in the area where you are vacationing.

I thought I'd give a brief safety reminder this month: Even those of us who have turned for over 20 years are injured if we fail to use our most valuable tool (our brain, not our bowl gouge).

A reminder to all, we have the Mountain Artist Guild sale coming up May 11th and 12th. You don’t have to be in the sale to help setup on Friday May 10, or come down and wander around the other sales tents that are going to be setup at Courthouse Square. Do sign up as a demonstrator either Saturday, Sunday or both days.

Whatever it is you do this summer, I hope you have a great time and safe travels.

Regards to all,

Barry Walter,

President Prescott Area Woodturners

March 9, 2019 General Meeting

The 38 members attending this meeting learned that the PAW website is in transition to a new host. (FYI, the transition is now complete and the website is functioning well.)

Wayne Hunt collected donations for the Kiwanis Auction (see picture later in this Newsletter).

Member Jim Sexton described the process he uses to create turning blanks using Alupalite. He showed us the corrugated plastic material he uses to make molds. After mixing the Alupalite and filling the mold, the mixture is inserted into a pressure pot to cure at 45 psi for about 2 hours. He stresses that it is necessary to use a release agent on the mold, something he learned after chipping away at a mold to get at the blank.

Once the piece is turned to pen size, Jim uses micro-mesh followed by polish to finish the piece.

April 13 General Meeting



The April General Meeting featured our own Dick Kelly, who instructed us on creating the boxes he shows us here.

The base, top rim and lid are all turned, but the body of the container, the "secret ingredient" if you will, is a piece of PVC pipe.

Kelly demonstrated the application of glue to the pipe and then applied fabric in a child-friendly design. After drying, the fabric is coated with ModPodge. Dick completed the demo by turning the base, top and lid.

The time Dick spent preparing for this demonstration and creating detailed handout was apparent.



SHOW AND TELL - always impressive!

Woodturners to Know

This series features turners and other makers who are important for their artistry and craftsmanship. Each has something to say through their work. Many have been my teachers and all have influenced my work. Link through to their websites and see what they have to say for themselves. – Dick Kelly



RON LAYPORT

When I started turning a few years ago, I was already carving small fish, birds and bugs. So I looked for turners who were also combining turning with carving. It didn't take me long to find Ron Layport, and he has remained my favorite turner/carver since. After designing and building one-of-a-kind furniture and an award-winning forty-year career in advertising, Ron was introduced to turning by David Ellsworth and began turning wooden vessels in 1992. His work is instantly recognizable and was featured in the Merging Exhibit at the 2015 AAW Symposium. The best overview of him and his work is on the Collectors of Wood Art website the pictures there can be supplemented with an internet search for his images. This “**Voices from the Rim**” vessel was used with

permission from the artist.

<http://www.collectorsofwoodart.org/artist/portfolio/18>

SAVE THE DATE

Special all-day General Meeting

June 8, 2019

**Guest Demonstrator Lynne Yamaguchi will
focus on design techniques.**

Look for further e-mails, but your first chance to
secure your reservation is by turning in your check for
\$20 at the **May meeting**.

PAW on the Road

From Doug Rowe. Sent on Friday April 29, 2019

"Hi Marge.

Well it's Friday morning for you and Friday night for me. This is my last night in Kuwait. I'll be flying back to TX tomorrow evening for me and tomorrow morning for you. I'll hit the ground in Texas sometime around 10:00am Arizona time on Sunday. Unfortunately I have to stay there for most of May. I am really looking forward to getting back and seeing you all soon. Doug"

Report from Vacationing Don Milburn

Howdy.

While visiting my brother in Augusta, Georgia I visited the local woodturners club, who just happened to have their monthly meeting [yesterday \(April 20, 2019\)](#).□

Their club is approximately 12 years old and has 70 some members. They are fortunate to have a very large woodshop to hold their meetings in. The Show and Tell was excellent and the work presented showed the depth of skill and knowledge within the club.



All the members present were very welcoming and I had a great time visiting.

The club president demonstrated how to begin with a large piece of wood (from a ceiling beam in an old house) and turn it into a hollow form winged bowl. His example finished piece was carved and painted by him as well.

I would encourage all traveling PAW members to try and visit local turning clubs wherever you are visiting.

Cheers.

Don

PAW is well represented at Oregon Woodturners Symposium



Jerry Shugars, Dave Madden, Gary Frank, Walt Spencer, Guy Roberts, Bill McDonald and Bruce Butler

Walt Spencer says, "Great Symposium, could not have been better. I will go again in 2021."

Gary Frank: "Great weekend, venue and friends.. The symposium was very well organized with very interesting demonstrations with many ideas for future projects. The venue was located next the hotel and the venue also has electrical hookups for campers."

Dave Madden: "The Oregon symposium was well done and, I'm sure, enjoyed by all. There were many great demonstrations by some of the world's best turners, a great venue that was easy to access with two motels right next door to demo rooms. There were plenty of vendors with tools, toys and wood that made it very easy to put the credit card in serious jeopardy! Kudos to the many turning clubs of the northwest that provided a first class event."

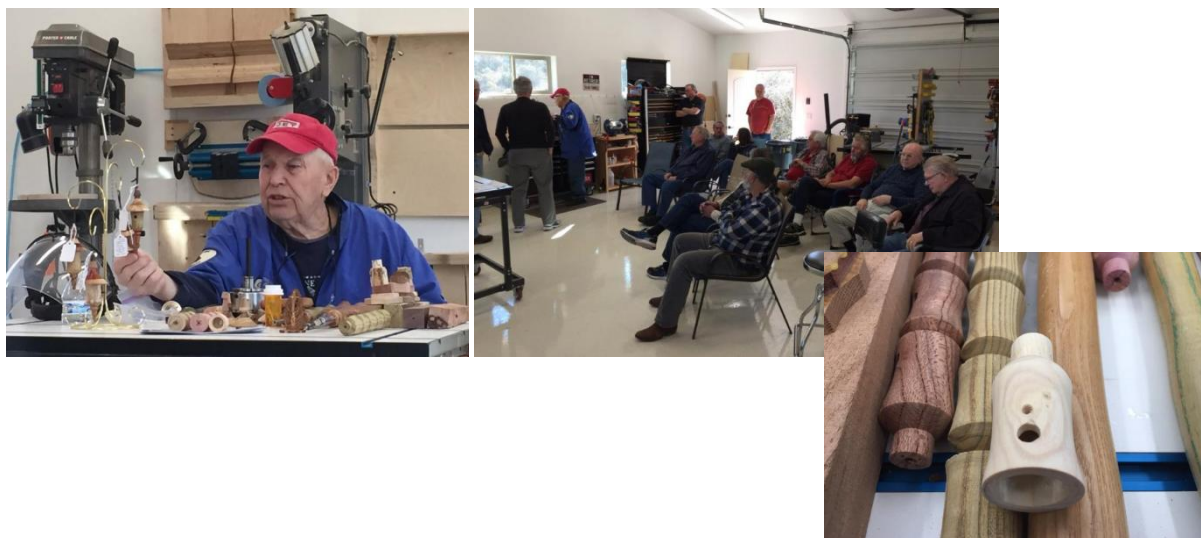
Per Bruce Butler: The trip to Portland was so much fun - just like being back in college:

- Did not have to work
- Had a nice guy as a roommate.
- Got up early for class.
- Learned something new every day.
- After classes were over went to the bar with good friends.
- Doesn't get any better than that!



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 updates.)

On March 19, Jim Dotseth demonstrated his much sought-after bird houses.



PAW IS GENEROUS



Items donated to Prescott Kiwanis Club for their 2019 Auction, which ran from the last week in March and the first week in April. Depending how you count, there are twelve items, plus either one batch of bangle bracelets or eight individual ones. This array was waiting for the Kiwanis representative to log them in. PAW members donate to this event each year, and are proud to be a part of Kiwanis' support of local kids charities.

Latest Beads of Courage Donation



The last bowl (Philip Bird - Russian Olive) went to a very shy and sweet 7 year old named Lily. She wasn't talking much, but nodded and gave a little smile when she saw the bowl.

As you can see by the photo, her dad really liked it too.

Thanks Walt and all of the Prescott Area Turners!

Christy

This is Christy Puetz

Christy is the person who goes to a number of hospitals around Arizona, talking to parents and children who are receiving therapy. Children in this program receive a bead for each procedure they undergo, and over time their collection of beads can become significant. When Christy hands the child a bowl as a container for these beads (one she has determined suits this particular child), she must often convince the parent that this is a *gift* without any charge. Once that is understood, the child


breaks into the big smile that Christy photographs and then sends to us.

Here Christy is posing with the latest delivery of Beads of Courage bowls from Prescott Area Woodturners as delivered by Walt Spencer.



2019 Club Meetings and Events

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

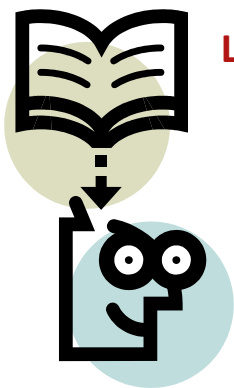
- January 12 Coring with Walt Spencer + a Basics Interactive Practice
- February 9 All Day Demo with Kirk DeHeer
- March 9 Resin Casting with Jim Sexton
- April 13 Tolly-style Box by Dick Kelly ----  -
- May 11 & 12 Sale on Courthouse Square
- May 18 Laser Engraving with Dennis Egan and Barry Walter
- June 8 All Day Demo with Lynne Yamaguchi
- June 9 Hands-on with Yamaguchi. Creative design (no turning)
- July 13 Beading enhancement on bowls by Phil Brown
- August 10 & 11 Sale on Courthouse Square
- August 17 George Hatfield, turner from Australia
- September 14 Annual Picnic (members only)
- October 12 Tips and Tricks by several members
- November 9 Sale at Sparks Center
- November 16 TBD
- December 9 Christmas Party (members only)
- December 21 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.

- 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 Barbara Walter. 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, magazines, and DVDs are added. In order for members to know what is available, new media will be listed in the newsletter.

At the PAW Library

Reminder: *please return DVD's and books after 2 months.
Other members may be waiting for what you have checked out!*

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*The PAW library contains instructional DVD's and instructional books and informational books (i.e. identifying wood). **Check out your library!***

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I believe the librarian for PAW should be a wood turner. A wood turner has more frequent contact with PAW members who may have traveled to conferences and art fairs and become aware of demonstrators, methods, and vendors that may be of interest to the PAW members. A librarian who is a woodturner is likely to read journals and instructional books and seek other sources concerned with the many aspects of woodturning.

**Whoever is interested in being the librarian,
please contact a Board member.**

Barbara Walter,
Librarian