

**PRESCOTT AREA**



**WOODTURNERS**

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**President's Message**



As COVID-19 vaccinations have increased it is pleasant to see our members return to monthly meetings at the YEI building and to Tuesday breakfasts at the Backburner Restaurant. Although we are not yet free of this awful virus, life is beginning to return to a new version of normal and it is very nice to have more social contact with our woodturning friends.

We were happy to have a sales booth in the Mountain Artists Guild Mother's Day Fine Art and Chocolate Festival on the Courthouse Square in May, especially since all of the possible sale events were cancelled in 2020. Several members did well at this sale but there were a few problems that we are trying to resolve before future sales.

We will resume our annual PAW Potluck Picnic at the July monthly meeting this year. Our talented member Doug Rowe invited the club to hold the picnic at his home this year to show off the new workshop that he has been building. Please look for the email announcements with details.

The August monthly meeting will begin the first of three interactive remote demonstrations (IRDs) to be given by professional woodturners scheduled for August, September, and October. Pat Carroll will demonstrate from Ireland, showing us how to create a square box. This IRD will be available only at the YEI building, and at no charge to members, so we hope you will join us

there on August 28<sup>th</sup>. This demo will be live and interactive, so you can ask and get answers in real time during his demo. This is a new technique for our club but I expect it to work out well. Look for the reminder email in August.

Our Chips & Grits discussions are now held via Zoom on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month for the summer. Look for email announcements with the link and please share your own woodturning experiences with the rest of us.

The American Association of Woodturners (AAW) will again host a virtual symposium this year because of COVID-19 concerns. The 2-day symposium will be on July 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be professional woodturner demonstrations, panel discussions, vendor demonstrations and you can participate from the comfort of your home with no travel expenses. The demos will be recorded and will be available after the symposium. I encourage everyone to take advantage of this symposium to advance your own woodturning knowledge and skills. Please visit the AAW website ([www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org)) for details and registration.

The Empty Bowls fundraiser is coming in September. Please donate at least one bowl for this worthwhile charity and turn them in no later than the August 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Keep on Turning!

Ken Allen  
President, Prescott Area Woodturners

## May 22, 2021 General Meeting

PAW was the recipient of a great deal of wood, to be sold with profits to the club. This was the "stash" accumulated by founding member Wayne Wolfe. Members chose among the pieces of obvious quality and donated a total of \$410 dollars to the PAW treasury. A letter thanking Wayne has been sent.

Roger Harlow demonstrated his unique way of creating segmented vessels.



Today he showed how he uses vertical segments that show off the grain in the zebra wood he selected for this bowl.

Roger told the story associated with each layer of the large vessel displayed on the table.

Show & Tell provided a glimpse of the work being done by our members, and also provided hints learned from that work.



## June 26, 2021 General Meeting

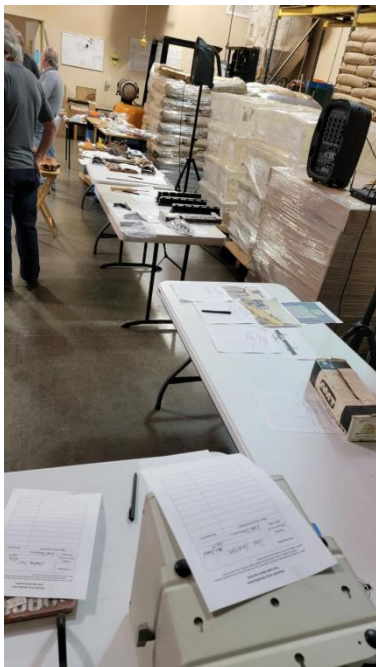
At this meeting the members present unanimously accepted the changes updating the PAW By-Laws.

John Armstrong and Gerry Allen brought objects they had created in response to the challenge issued before COVID took over our lives.



The next challengers up will be Denis Leuders and Joel Brooks.

Librarian Kathy Allen coordinated disbursal of the woodturning library donated by John Garner. The PAW library benefited, as did members present and, finally, the Prescott Valley Public Library.



But the main program for this meeting was the annual Tool Sale, whereby members can bring those tools that they were sure they needed, but don't actually use, and sell them to other members. This sale used the silent auction method of bidding.



# **Mark your calendar!**

## **July Meeting & PAW Picnic**

**Saturday, July 31, 2021**

**1:00 p.m.**

Doug and Stephanie Rowe have invited us to picnic in their shady back yard, located at 4125 N. Kearny Drive in Prescott Valley.

Come and enjoy an opportunity for members and spouses to share a pot luck lunch as we become better acquainted.

Watch for an email with further information, but for now be sure to make note of the date. **This meeting will take place on the 4th Saturday in July.**





**Tuesday Breakfasts** are an informal gathering of PAW members who chat over good food. Topics range from current projects (perhaps with examples) to problems or new-found solutions. Breakfast goers can be found at the Back Burner Restaurant in Prescott Valley at 8:00 a.m. (show up at 7:30) on Tuesday. Contact Barry Walter for more information.

## **Mid-week Chats (Chips & Grits)**

Because COVID restrictions kept many members from gathering in person, President Ken Allen initiated a "meeting" via Zoom, at which members can chat informally. Subjects are provided as a jumping-off place. Conversations can, and do, range far from there.

Even though COVID restrictions have eased, and folks are comfortable meeting in person, participants said they want to continue with this discussion group since it serves a different purpose as a skill development session with comments from beginners to advanced turners.

Chips and Grits meetings occur on the second Wednesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. Watch for an e-mail with the ZOOM information and suggested topic.

# 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. 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. Bowls donated for this event are collected at every PAW meeting.

## Beads of Courage

**Beads of Courage, Inc.** is a non-profit organization that is dedicated to improving the quality of life for children and teens coping with serious illness, their families, and the clinicians who care for them through an Arts-in-Medicine Program.

Patients are given a bead for each procedure undergone; sadly, some children have enough beads for a string longer than they are tall. PAW members create unique lidded containers that are given to patients in this program, to be used to store the beads they earn. It is our hope that the child will fully recover and keep their BoC box for display in their grown-up home.

The pandemic has made visits to patients difficult, but we will receive pictures of the recipient and her/his special box as soon as visits can resume.



Shown are the bowls awaiting delivery as of April, 2021.

# 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 Barry Walter - fabric pens
- April 24 Gene Perryman - using resin in bowls & salt & pepper mills
- May 8 & 9 Sale on Courthouse Square
- May 22 Roger Harlow - segmenting
- June 26 Tool Sale
- **July 31 note date** PAW Pot Luck
- **August 28** Pat Carroll via IRD\* - Platter w/texture
- September 25 Mike Mahoney via IRD\* - Quartersawn Oak Platter
- October 23 Trent Bosch via IRD\* - Decorative Utility Bowls
- November 13 Holiday Sale at Grace Sparks Center
- November 20 Dean Humphrey - Captured Hollowing Systems
- December 6 PAW Holiday Party at Redwoods Grill in Dewey
- December 18 Stocking Stuffer Sale at Grace Sparks Center

\*Interactive Remote Demonstration

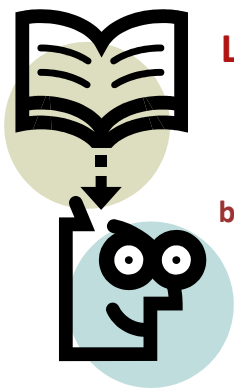
## **VENDORS WITH CLUB DISCOUNTS:**

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*

There were eight books added to our library this past month thanks to a donation by John Garner.

- A question often asked when looking at someone's project is: 'What did you use for finish?' Two of the donated books pertain to finishing wood and perhaps will offer some guidance: Understanding Wood Finishing by Bob Flexner and Complete Woodfinishing by Ian Hosker.
- The library didn't have any books on penmaking so two books now fill that gap: Pens from the Wood Lathe by Dick Sing and Turning Pens and Desk Accessories by Jeffrey Snyder.
- The Good Wood Handbook by Albert Jackson and David Day helps with wood identification and characteristics and has photo examples of woods in color.
- Three of the books give woodturning techniques and project ideas: Woodturning with Ray Allen by Dale Nish focuses on segmenting; Woodturning and Woodturning Techniques by Woodturning Magazine both have a variety of projects.

In the March/April PAW newsletter, I referred to an article found at Kent Weakley's website, 'turnabowl.com,' that gave woodturning wisdom Kent had learned from Glenn Lucas. When another PAW member told me about some YouTube videos he'd been enjoying from 'the turnabowl channel,' the site sounded familiar and I remembered browsing that website while writing my article.

(<https://turnawoodbowl.com/>) He inspired me to look at the YouTube videos on Kent's channel and I found them to be informative and well done. Whether you enjoy making pens, bowls, containers or other turned objects, there are a variety of topics on that channel that may be helpful to you. The one that caught my attention first was about avoiding 'spectacular tool marks.' There are videos on

sharpening tools, working with 'rock hard' woods, and using jam chucks or tenons, as well as many topics pertaining to bowl making. When you want to learn something new, try a few of the 60 videos on Kent's channel at

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDwV2Djnj756vpXL51zd4Uw/videos>.

Another member shared this website on catches in a recent email:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jOvF5f1phhY>

Craft Supply has continued its Woodturning 101 videos given by Kirk DeHeer. The most recent video is on platters. The link is at

<https://blog.woodturnerscatalog.com/category/woodturning-videos/woodturning-101/>.

If any other members have videos that have been especially helpful, please share them. I'll try to group them in the library news for easy reference.

Kathy Allen, Librarian