

PRESCOTT AREA



WOODTURNERS

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President's Message



While attending the Oregon Symposium in April, I had a conversation with Mike Mahoney and mentioned I would be in his neighborhood soon, visiting family near Plymouth, CA. He invited me to come out to his farm and workshop. So I accepted his offer and what a treat, to

visit one of the best turners in the world! He was very cordial, loved talking about all the wood and bowls in his shop (and making wine too). Also mentioned he remembers doing the demonstration for our club and said to say “hello” to everyone.



The June General Meeting (picnic) proved to be a fun time. It was great to see so many people (58) there, and all the food was a challenge to my waistline. I was happy to see so many pieces of turner's artwork on display. Our next meeting will feature the Tool Auction...more details on that later. You won't want to miss this one!

We have several events and opportunities for club members coming up. I'm not going to outline them here, but keep watching your Email and, by the way, a lot of club information is available on our website.

Happy turning,

Mark Oglesby
President, Prescott Area Woodturners

May 13 & 14, 2023 Sale on Courthouse Square



This is what sales on Courthouse Square are all about: a PAW member (in this case Kathy Allen) demonstrating to passersby who could be hearing about PAW, or wood turning in general, for the first time.

Yes, some of our members had pieces

for sale. Weather each morning was glorious, but at noon on Saturday, and later in the afternoon Sunday, rain put a damper on crowds.



Doug's shirt says it all:

"Education is important, but Woodturning is importanter"



PAW General Meeting May 20, 2023

At this meeting the results of the Logo Committee's work were revealed. The purpose of this committee was to determine the PAW logo going forward. 20 suggestions were considered, and 3 were presented, along with the original logo, for a vote of the membership.

The winning logo was:



If it looks familiar, that is because the club overwhelmingly voted to retain original logo.



Today's program featured a demonstration by member David Kohler. David likes segmenting because of the colors and designs. He often uses Spectra Ply, lengths of pre-glued veneer that is available in myriad colors. He showed examples of glue-ups and the jigs he uses.

On the lathe, David had two halves of a vessel glued and attached to separate faceplates which he fastened to the tail stock and the head stock, then pressure fitted together. Turning them together in this manner established the profile on both halves. He could then turn the inside of each half before gluing them together as a finished vessel.



We had a lively group of Show & Tell participants.



Learning continued on Tuesday May 23, when David offered a close-up, hands-on look at his processes. These **Tuesday Demos** are a valuable club resource.



PAW in Print!

Find our own **Bill Kram** on Page 17 of the June issue of American Woodturner, the AAW Magazine. He writes of his method of preserving finishes. The article is titled "*Exhalogen preserves stored finishes.*"

Congrats to Bill!

June 24, 2023 General Meeting/Picnic

58 of us gathered at the YEI building for our annual Pot Luck Picnic.



There was time to visit with one another, and to marvel at the skill represented on the "Show Only" table. (Pieces were not discussed individually>)



Memories captured throughout the year were begun by Marge Hunt and added to and enhanced by Ken Allen. The PowerPoint program ran in loop.

Bruce Peek put a face on the Beads of Courage program in the person of Harper Harrell, a vibrant young lady who is the recipient of heaps of Beads of Courage. The *best* news is that she is now in remission. PAW sent a BoC container to Harper; it arrived on her birthday! Harper spent time that day choosing which of her beads would reside in her new container.

Bruce Peek is now our contact person for Beads of Courage.



So many amazing pieces to look at! Our folks do wonderful work!



Woodettes Social Group



Women, both turners and spouses of member turners, on the second Thursday of each month, take part in a luncheon at a local restaurant. These lunches provide an opportunity to know each other, while enjoying delicious food.



We tried Murphy's in Prescott on May 11. We were in this intimate room beneath the stairs. Pretty, but the hard surfaces made it a bit noisy. Otherwise, the food was delicious and the conversation lively.

We went back to Gabby's Grill on June 8, 2023. The food and service never fail to please!



Several of the Woodettes are quilters. Three of those, Sari Butler, Jeanne Davis and Chris Sommerfelt, participated in the quilt show presented by Thumb Butte Quilters' Guild, on June 16 & 17, 2023.





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 7:00 a.m. on Tuesday. Contact Barry Walter for more information.

Online Discussions (Chips & Grits)

Because COVID restrictions kept many members from gathering in person, then-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.

A video of the latest meeting is available on our website.

www.prescottareawoodturners.com.



First aid kits for the workshop.

You can't have too much in a first aid kit - as long as you can find everything - but these are some things that you should have. Think of them as a base line.

You should have a cell phone handy, with preprogrammed numbers. Call for help if you can.

Things like bandages, disinfectant, sterile pads for putting pressure on a wound, tweezers, scissors, arm-wrist sized tourniquets and eye wash. You can put more in, but remember this is first aid in the shop near your house, not a polar expedition.

Put the kit where you can get to it. The most complete kit will not be helpful if it's on the top shelf and you are laying on the floor.

A phone is really important, and don't hesitate to call for help.

Finally, remember: it's easier to prevent than heal.

Dan Hall

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 2022 PAW donated 73 bowls. Bowls donated for this event are collected at every PAW meeting.

Beads of Courage

As with much of life in general, Covid wreaked havoc on the Beads of Courage program. We wondered whether it was even still in existence. Everyone was disappointed. Bruce Peek took over the search for information, even using his title as MD to go directly into the BoC office at a hospital. He found that Beads of Courage is definitely still operational. However, they are understaffed and overwhelmed.

Many, many thanks to Walt Spencer for administering, gathering and delivering Beads of Courage bowls for so many years.

The good news is that we can continue to create lidded bowls for this program, and bring them to any PAW General Meeting. Bruce Peek will deliver them to the BoC program managers in batches that they can handle.

2023 Club Meetings and Events

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

- January 28 IRD Scott Grove, Pen Class: DIY molds, UV resins & casting w/o pressure pot
- February 11 Super Bowl Saturday at Dean Humphrey's Shop
- February 25 ☺ Walt Spencer, Threading
- March 25 ☺ John Armstrong, review of T. Bosch program
- April 22 ☺ Kathy Allen, Nutcracker
- May 20 David Kohler, Segmenting
- May 13-14 MAG Sale on Courthouse Square
- June 24 Picnic (members only)
- July 22 Photo Shoot and Tool Sale
- August... whole month Display at Prescott Library
- August 26 Doug Forsha .. live .. Platter
- September 23 IRD Kirk DeHeer
- October 28 ☺ John Armstrong, Airbrush
- November 11 Holiday Sale at Grace Sparkes Activity Center
- November 18 Resin, Zimmerman, Davis and Loden
- December 4 Holiday Dinner (members only)
- December 16 Stocking Stuffer Sale

☺ Scholarship Recipient

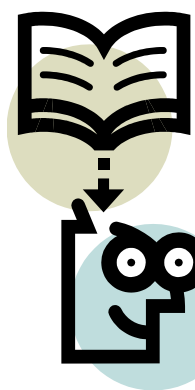
*Interactive Remote Demonstration

Member Discounts

Over the years, PAW has managed to maintain a membership of 80 members or more. Given this level of participation, PAW deemed it sufficient to approach vendors that support woodturning and seek discounts for our members.

After a few months of dialogue, Jay Loden has lined up 11 vendors that are offering special discounts to PAW. The vendors range from tools and materials to safety equipment. The discounts are available to *members only*.

A list of the vendors and how to take advantage of the discounts can be found on our website. Select the **membership** drop-down menu and then select the bottom link, "**Supporting Vendors, Members Only**". You will need to use the previously provided password.



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

Our club library has three large lidded tubs filled with books that have been donated or purchased over the years. Those tubs have been carted into meetings to be available for checkout by our members. However, in this era of YouTube education, few books are checked out each month. In the four years I've been librarian, I've found that many books were donations that have never been checked out. With the agreement of the Board of Directors, I'm going to reduce the library collection to the more recently published books that are of greater interest to our members. I'll retain books that provide fundamental and advanced woodturning tips, books by well-known woodturners, project ideas, and a broad range of topics.

The July PAW meeting will be the tool auction, a time when our members can clean out their extra tools or gather some new ones. I will use this opportunity to 'clean out' the library. I'm planning to have a table at the July meeting with discarded books that will be free for members to take home. (Please don't donate them back once they've been removed from the library.) Any books that are left will be donated to the public library if the librarians are willing to take them.

I have added one new book to our collection this month: Woodturning with Resin by Keith Lackner. It gives tips on using resin with wood, has project ideas and is filled with lots of pictures! Visit the library if you're interested in checking it out.

Kathy Allen, Librarian