

Great Falls Woodturners Newsletter www.gfturners.org

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We've Moved

On Saturday the 11th we moved from the College to the Great Falls Fire Training Station on 9th Street South and 19th Avenue South.

Thanks to the following members for assisting in the move:

Dirk Johnson

Dell Johnson

Paul Snyder

Chuck Kuether

Darrell Young

Dave (The Glue Man) Manix

David Stratton

Sam Sampedro

The move went off very efficiently and without a hitch thanks to the above members.

Well, that's not exactly true. Sam, genius that he is, had purchased a combination lock to secure the club's gear. When he arrived at the Fire

Station, he had the lock and thought that he had set it down while unloading the trailer. When the time came to secure the storage area, Sam went on a snipe hunt to find the lock. After several minutes of looking, the genius (Duh) found the lock in his pocket. That was the humor of the move and Sam has a red face..........

YWCA Empty Bowl Program

Please be aware that the Empty Bowl Program is in motion for our club. The soup bowls that you turn and donate to the YWCA is for a very worthy cause. Please bring your donations to the Club Meeting on April 18th so we can get them to the YWCA by April 22nd. Thank you for your consideration.



Ken Quaschnik – Mar 21st

Ken Quaschnik gave us a demo on two items for the price of one.



First he demonstrated making a ring holder. He pointed out that you must determine the sizes of the rings to be stored so as to not make the stem too small. Then proceeded to turn the example. It is a good utility piece to place jewelry.



And second item demonstrated was an eyeglass holder. A cool place to store those spectacles so you can easily find them. Again he emphasized the need to turn the correct size for the glasses. He reminded us to leave a square base to preclude easy tilting of the holder.





Thanks Ken for doing a two for one demo for us.

Thank You

Jay Eklund - Apr 7



Jay Eklund gve us a head start on gifts for Christmas by providing a demonstration on creating an inside-out tree ornament.



Building on Reb Bishops previous demo on inside-out turning, Jay went through the steps of taking four pieces of wood, gluing them together, turning the piece to create the inside of the ornament.

Then he separated the four pieces, reversed them and glued them back together again to turn the outside of the piece.



He showed is how to make the hole in order to mount an object (a minature tree, snowman, etc.) in the middle of the piece. Then you can create a finial and mount it at the top and/or bottom of the ornament.

In addition to the inside-out method of making the ornament, he gave us the method of drilling out the inside of the ornament using a forstner bit then turning the shape of the outside of the object. Note the finials at the top and bottom of the ornament.





Club Meeting and Demo Schedule

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see the Meeting and Demo schedule below on the full page version. We will no longer have the schedule in two locations of the newsletter.



A very special THANKS to:

All of you that come in early to help set up for the meeting and those of you that stay after the meeting to clean up and secure the equipment. It is deeply appreciated.



Thanks to **David Stratton** for doing the camera work at Mar 21st Demo.



Thanks to **Chuck Kuether** for videoing the Apr 7th Demo.

Thanks to **Chuck Kuether** and **David Stratton** for their time and effort to create and duplicate the DVDs of the demonstrations.

Instant Gallery

Photos (Great Photos by Paul Snyder)



Barry Rockwell



Del Johnson



Del Johnson



Dirk Johnson



Tom Krajacich



Barry Rockwell



Terry Hill



Jerry Hall



Dirk Johnson



Del Johnson



Jerry Hall



Dirk Johnson



Jerry Hall



Jerry Hall



Del Johnson



Jay Eklund



Terry Hill



Paul Snyder



Paul Snyder



Roger Wayman



Terry Hill



Paul Snyder



Terry Hill



Roger Wayman



Paul Snyder





Paul Snyder



Sam Sampedro



John Dees

Rich Charlson - Western Art Show March 2015



Each year Rich Charlson creates an incredible selection of segmented items as well as creating bangles, crosses, corian items, etc. He represents woodturning and woodworking at the annual Western Art Show. It gives the community a wonderful insight to the world of woodturning and paves the way for the rest of the club to offer our creations for sale.

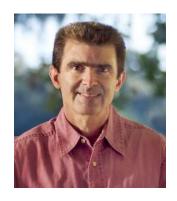


Great Falls Woodturners 2015 Symposium

Featuring











Rudy Lopez

http://www.rudolphlopez.com/gallery.html

Turning Bowls, Creative Shapes and Much More

When: September 26 & 27, 2015 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Place: Great Falls College, MSU 2100 16th Av S Great Falls, MT 59405

Door Prizes

Silent Auction

Registration Fee: Per Person: \$125.00

Discount if PAID on or before September 1^{st} : \$125.00 - \$30.00 = \$95.00

One Day Attendance: \$60.00 (no discount)

Children Under 18 Accompanied by Adult: \$15.00 College of Technology Students \$30.00

Includes lunches on Dates of Attendance (All Currency U.S. Dollars, Check or Money order)

WOODTURNING DEMONSTRATION AND WORKSHOP

The Chinook Woodturning Guild

is pleased to host

CINDY DROZDA

Master woodturner and artist

Saturday, Sunday and Monday, May 23-25, 2015

Cindy Drozda is among the most accomplished and innovative woodturning artists working today in North America. See her art and craftsmanship on her website: www.cindydrozda.com

There will be an all day demonstration.

Saturday 23 May, 2015, 9am-4pm Registration: \$60 (Students \$30) includes lunch (Non-members \$70)

Location: CASA Building, 230 8th Street South Lethbridge, Alberta T1J2H2, Canada

Please register to attend by contacting: Vern Miller 403-892-6729 (verntheturner@gmail.com) or Dan Michener 403-331-9177 (danmichener@shockware.com)

<u>ALSO</u>

Cindy will lead two full-day hands-on workshops on Sunday, 24 May, and Monday 25 May, 2015. (If enough woodturners register.) Registration for the workshop is \$175 (non-members \$190) The workshop is limited, so please call Vern or Dan if you would like to attend. Register before 31 January, 2015.

Woodturners of Olympia Present

Creativity in Woodturning Symposium 2015



A Day With RICHARD RAFFAN Saturday July 25, 2015

Workshops July 26-29, and August 1&2 2015

Richard Raffan is perhaps one of the best known woodturners in the world and is the 2012 recipient of the AAW Professional Outreach Program Merit Award. At this symposium Richard will share his life-long knowledge of and passion for woodturning.

Symposium Demonstrations: Workshops:

Back to Basics Basics Revisited

Bowls Bowl

Lidded Bowls Boxes

Suction Fit Boxes

A couple of years ago, Richard noted that 'he is drifting into his retirement years' and may not be coming to the 'States' much anymore. Now, after he had to cancel his participation in our 2014 Symposium, we are **thrilled** to have another opportunity to host him in 2015. *Consider this Symposium a 'must attend' event.*

Register at http://www.woodturnersofolympia.org/

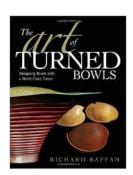
Don't miss this rare opportunity!

RICHARD RAFFAN July 25, 2015 in Olympia Washington!









Great Falls Woodturners 2014 Turning Club Meetings/Demos

From April 18 until September 2015 all meetings will be at the Great Falls Fire Training Facility at 1900 9th Street South (behind the Boy Scouts Headquarters)

**Sat Apr 18 Demo - Chuck Kuether

*May 12 Meeting/Demo - Barry Rockwell

(Please Note: This is the 2nd Tuesday of the month due to scheduling conflict.)

**May 23 Demo – Tom Krajacich

*Jun 2 Meeting/Demo – Wayne Petrini

**Jun 20 Demo- Roger Wayman

*Jul 7 Meeting/Demo – Sam Sampedro

*Aug 4 Meeting/Demo/Club Elections – Demo - Dirk Johnson

**Aug 15 Demo – ?????????

Aug 22 Move back to college (This is tentative assuming the college conversion

is completed)

*Sep 1 or 8 Meeting/Demo - Ken Quaschnik

Please note that there is a possibility that we may have a gentleman from out of state to give us a demonstration. If it occurs, we'll be providing information as soon as we have it.

Sep 12 Move equipment to the college (if they weren't ready for us on Aug 22)

Sep 26 & 27 Rudy Lopez Symposium

Easy Lathe Upgrades

posted on July 29, 2014 by Rockler



Tool rests: Quality can be all over the board when it comes to the tool rests that ship standard with lathes. Often they'll need to be filed or sanded to achieve the flat, smooth surface you want for your turning tools to glide across. (Any irregularities in the tool rest will transfer to your turning.) Rockler offers 4", 6" and 10" replacement Lathe Tool Rests that incorporate a 5/16" bar along the top edge to provide a smooth surface for your tool and a contour underneath to provide comfortable support for your finger while you turn. Special curved tool rests also are available to provide support while turning the inside of bowls.

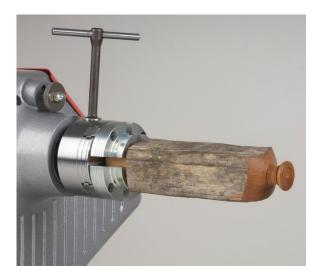


Bed extension: One of the limitations of mini lathes is that you typically can't turn stock that's longer than 18" or 20". If you want to turn legs for an end table or side table, that's not enough capacity. But with many mini lathes, bed extensions are available to expand the distance between centers by about double. So if you want to turn longer stock but aren't in a position to buy a bigger lathe, a bed extension can be a great solution. (Bed extensions also are available for some larger lathes.)

Live center: If you have a "dead" center in your lathe's tailstock (i.e., it doesn't have bearings that allow it to spin freely with the workpiece), you might want to step up to a "live" or revolving center for less friction and smoother turning. Even if you have a live center on your lathe, you might want to upgrade to another if it includes a ring at the tip that prevents full access to the end of your turning stock.



Lathe tool holder: Some turning projects require a number of tools, and it can be a challenge to keep them organized, protected and close at hand. Save time and avoid the frustration of misplaced tools or damaged cutting edges with an organizer like Rockler's Lathe Tool Holder, which attaches to most lathe beds and features a flat area for supplies and slots for up to 12 turning tools.



Four-jaw chuck: Sooner or later, you're going to come up with a project that can't simply be turned between centers or doesn't lend itself to faceplate turning. It could be a decorative finial that tapers to a delicate point or a bowl where screw holes would present a particular problem. So how are you going to mount your stock in the lathe? With

a four-jaw chuck. The four jaws are self-centering, and they adjust in unison to either tighten around the outside of the turning stock or to expand tightly against the inside of a recess you turn in the stock. The jaws also are interchangeable, and many different sets of specialized jaws are available for a range of turning applications.



Drill chuck: If you need to drill an absolutely straight hole perfectly centered in your turning stock, it's hard to beat a drill chuck (also sometimes called a Jacobs-style chuck). The chuck fits onto a Morse taper (sometimes sold separately), so you'll want to be sure to get the right taper for your lathe.