



Great Falls Woodturners Newsletter

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Just a few Words...

We had our 2017-2018 Club Election on Aug 1st and the results are:

President – Sam Sampedro
Vice President – Roger Wayman
Treasurer – Chuck Kuether
Secretary – Dirk Johnson
Directors: Tom Krajacich
Paul Snyder
Wayne Petrini

Thank you very much to those individuals for serving the club for another year.

Sam announced that this would be his last year to run for president. With that in mind, you should start giving thought to running for office on August 7, 2018.

Club Demonstrations

**Great Falls Woodturners –
July 19th**

Club Tag Team Turning

On Saturday the 19th our club held its first Tag Team Turning Event.



We had three teams of two turners with two roving turners that took turns at each of the three turnings.

Turning Teams:

Tom Krajacich and Roger Wayman

Terry Hill and Kent Holtz

Harry Boughton and Sam Sampedro

Roving Turners:

Paul Carlson and Randy Setzer

Time Keeper and Photographer

Paul Snyder

We selected the teams randomly by drawing ticket numbers. When the teams were selected, we randomly drew the lathes that the teams would use.

Two of the attendees did not participate in turning: One member was not able to turn due to medication he was taking and the other was our photographer who was busy keeping time and taking pictures of the activity.

We decided that each turner would have five minutes before turning over the action to the next turner. You can't believe how fast five minutes goes when you're having fun!

Paul Snyder provided three nice pieces of maple stock for the bowls. The three pieces were the same size that would fit the large and smaller lathes.

The blanks were mounted on the lathes. The teams were given 10 minutes to plan and scheme. Then the clock was started. The two Roving Turners were the fill in turners on the three teams.

We turned until the bowls were at the sanded stage and were taken home by the teams to have them finished. These bowls will be donated to the YWCA Empty Bowl Program when we make our club donation to the YWCA.

Please see the Paul Snyder photos of the Tag Team Event following the Instant Gallery.

Dirk Johnson – Aug 1st

Mounting Objects on a Lathe

Since I was unable to attend Dirk's Demo, I was unable to write a column about it. My apologies to Dirk. Please

see some photos of the demo after the Instant Gallery.

*Thank
You*

TIPS

Shop Tip – Wayne Petrini

Solving Tear Out Problems

Jimmy Clewes said that if one had issues with tear out of end grain on dried wood, to spray with a little water to soften the wood. I tried that on some dried ash and didn't have any luck, even with a little dish soap as a lubricant.

I brushed mineral spirits on the piece and it worked great. The solvent soaked in to the wood, didn't raise the grain, dried slowly for plenty of work time, and dried without staining the wood. The mineral spirits soaked in far enough to allow the use of gouges and really worked well with scrapers. After applying the solvent, spin the piece to "throw off" any excess, and be sure to wear face and eye protection. Also, this will not rust the bed ways.

This valuable tip is from Wayne P.

Tips From The Past

Entertainment Tip – Barry Rockwell: Trees

As woodturners we have seen all types of trees, but in some cases “you ain’t seen nothing yet”. Take a look at this site to see some incredible trees.

<http://www.duskyswondersite.com/nature/trees/>

Special Thanks

A very special thanks to **Jay Eklund** for his willingness to do the Sep 5th Demo on short notice. Jay has consistently volunteered to do demonstrations for the club. He has always been an avid supporter of our club.

Club Officers

President: Sam Sampedro - 761-4145

Vice President: Roger Wayman - 460-0507

Treasurer: Chuck Kuether - 727-2442

Secretary: Dirk Johnson - 899-0728

Directors: Tom Krajacich - 727-3464

Wayne Petrini - 868-8420

Paul Snyder - 750-1999

Meeting Location: Great Falls Fire Training Station
1900 9th Ave South
Great Falls, MT 59405

Meeting Days: First Tuesday of the Month and
Third Saturday of the Month
(Unless otherwise noted in
The club schedule)

Meeting Times: **Tuesdays:** 6:30 PM
Saturdays: 12:30 PM





Thank you to our hosts, the ***Great Falls Fire Department*** for allowing our club to use their facilities.



The Good Wood Guys
816 20th Street North
Great Falls, MT 59401
406-231-WOOD (9663)

Please support The Good Wood Guys. They have been very generous and provide great support to our club!

Instant Gallery

Photos

(Great Photos by Paul and Kevin Snyder and Sam Sampedro)



Kevin Snyder (Photographer and Grandson of Paul Snyder)



Paul Carlson



Paul Carlson



Team 3



Team One



Team Two



Dirk Johnson



Wayne Petrini



Roger Wayman



Roger Wayman



Gary Campbell



Tom Krajacich



Tom Krajacich



Terry Hill and the Tale of the Two Dragons



Ben and Terry Hill





Terry and Ben Hill

Great Falls Woodturners One Day Symposium

Featuring



Kai Muenzer

Vessels with a Foot on the Rim

An excerpt from the Handout....

A foot on the rim allows for the vessel to stand on its side! All in one piece. This provides a lot of flexibility in the design of both sides of the vessel, as well as options for extensions at the rim - for example a foot. Although asymmetric and hollow forms are possible, there are ample design opportunities with symmetric vessels. Examples of practical applications are a standing lamp, a standing clock, picture frame or a hand-mirror.

When: September 23rd, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Where: Great Falls Fire Training Station
1900 9th Ave South
Great Falls, MT 59405

Cost: Free Admission; \$5.00 for Lunch to be provided
(If enough people attend)

Tag Team Event Photos





Dirk Johnson Demo - Aug 1st



Great Falls Woodturners Meetings/Demonstations Schedule

August 19th	Club Picnic
September 5th	Meeting and Demo – Jay Eklund
September 23	One Day Symposium: 9 AM – 4 PM
October 3	Meeting and Demo – Paul Carlson
October 21	Demo – Tom Krajacich
November 7	Meeting and Demo – Wayne Petrini
November 18	Demo – Sam Sampedro
December 5	Meeting and Demo
December 16	Demo

Please Note: Tuesday Meetings start at 6:30 PM, Saturday Meetings start at 12:30 PM

Director's Meeting Schedule

Aug 16th	6:30 PM	December 20th	6:30 PM
September 20th	6:30 PM	January 17th	6:30 PM
October 18th	6:30 PM	February 21st	6:30 PM
November 15th	6:30 PM		

Great Falls Woodturners

Seventh Annual Family Picnic

August 19, 2017 - Noon until 5 PM

**Burgers, hot dogs, sodas, & water will be provided.
Please bring a hors d'oeuvre, hot dish, salad, or
dessert to share.**

Family & Friends Are Welcome

Location:

Dirk & Tamara Johnson's Place

Dirk's address is 700 33rd Street South, across from the Water Tower pool and by Fuddruckers. He moved so it's not at the same house as last year.

Please RSVP to:

Dirk Johnson

Dirk Johnson coopjord04@gmail.com

Or

Sam Sampedro

csampedro@bresnan.net

**We need the RSVP so we can have adequate food and
drink for all attending**

A New Twist on Bottle Stoppers



When I turned my first bottle stopper, I proceeded with the accepted method of drilling a 3/8" hole about 3/4" in my blank and gluing in a short length of dowel. When the glue dried, I mounted the dowel in my drill chuck in the headstock and began turning. Unfortunately, the dowel soon squished, twisted, and splintered.

Figuring there had to be a better way, I came across a short length of threaded electrical tubing used in lamps. I threaded the tubing in the 3/8" hole in another stopper blank, then mounted this into my drill chuck. The tubing threaded on easily and went in straight and true yet held firmly – even with the tailstock pulled back.

Going one step further, I filled the tubing with solder, which created a solid threaded mandrel that easily chucked up and held my blanks firmly. When the stopper was complete, I glued the dowel and cork in one easy step. Brian Ziff Watertown, Connecticut