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Next Meeting  
Thursday, April 8, 2010

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### The President's Chatter

I have noticed some new names joining our ranks at WVW. It has been nice to see that we are recruiting new turners to join us in the fun of our hobby. Thank you for taking my invitation to bring a friend seriously. The club can only benefit when we have a strong, dedicated, membership base.

For purposes of disclosure, I want to share something with you. The next Board meeting will be Wednesday April 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30. For this meeting, I have invited all of the positions to attend. I believe this means that 18 positions were invited. First, the group will be larger but only your *actual voted officers* will vote when and if voting becomes necessary. All of the positions in the club were invited to infuse a greater amount of ideas into the board's conversations. The end goal for me is still to put forward the best possible result or product for the club and our members. I am hoping for a good turn out and spirited discussions.

Apparently Murphy, (the guy who came up with Murphy's Law,) has it out for me. Things were going a little too smoothly in my life so he decided to mess with me a

bit. He scheduled two of my little league team's games during regular meeting times. This means I will be late in April and May to those meetings. Despite being promised that they would not do this to me, my schedule has been tampered with. I appreciate your patience with my tardiness for the next two months. I am leaving some of the opening duties to Bruce, so the club will still be in excellent hands. I imagine that by the time Molly gets cooking, you won't even know I'm gone. That was my best pun, so I'll stop writing now.

Keep those chips flying!

Jon

Club Business

Current & Upcoming Events

April

(Thursday, April 8, 2010)



**MOLLY WINTON** was introduced to woodturning while in high school. A pottery class introduced her to the form and design which became the foundation for embellishment of her turning, be it branding, pyrography, coloring, texturing or carving. The inspiration for her design is Native American and prehistoric art. Go to [www.turningmaven.com](http://www.turningmaven.com) to see more examples of her work.

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May

(Thursday, May 13, 2010)



**Larry Miller** is the president of Woodturners of Olympia. He is a professional turner offering woodturning classes for groups, individuals or youth. He also does custom, production woodturning spindle work to order, as well as detailed repair work on everything from spinning wheels to antique chairs and tables.

At the May meeting he will demonstrate his method of turning boxes without sanding. Larry is going to turn a Capitol Dome Box for us that will be featured in the May issue of Woodturning Design.

June

(Thursday, June 10, 2010)

**JIM HALL** will make a presentation on carving and flutes on turned shapes.

July

(Thursday, July 8, 2010)

**PHIL LAPP** will make a presentation on turning a bowl with the lid from the core.

Post meeting note: *From the March Meeting, a letter from Eric Lofstom*

Dear Willamette Valley Woodturners,

Thank you very much for the opportunity to demonstrate Woodturning Basics for your club. I truly had a great time meeting members of your club and sharing a bit of my experience with those attending the demo. I also want to thank you for your hospitality and warm welcome. Many club members went out of

their way to make sure my needs as a demonstrator were met. Questions and comments showed thought and were pertinent to the demo as well.

I will keep you up to date with progress on tools (the large skew) and jigs which are in various stages of development. Please drop me a line through email or in my website's guestbook if you would like to share your thoughts or questions.

Thanks again for making my first visit to the Willamette Valley Woodturners a memorable one. I look forward to visiting your club again in the future.

Sincerely,  
Eric Lofstom  
[eric@ericlofstrom.com](mailto:eric@ericlofstrom.com)

Membership Rewards (available to club members only)

## ***LIBRARY***

A friendly reminder to members with books and /or videos checked out from the library. Please return them at this next meeting.

## ***Wood Gathering***

Sign-up sheets will be available to indicate your availability to help with wood gathering. Anyone who learns of a tree or log that is available to the club should notify Jerry Lelack (503 510-1577) or Bob Hutchinson (503 508-3279). The intent is to gather wood, process it to usable pieces, store it at the home of Terry Gerros', and then make it available to members. Terry can be reached at 503 580-5013.

From Terry....People need to come get some of the wood that is being stored here. There is English walnut, chinaberry, black locust, birch and cherry. First come, first choice. You are invited to come anytime M-F between 9-5pm, Saturday 9-5pm. The wood pile is continuing to grow so please come and take your share. Drive behind the clinic and take as much as you like, cherry pick, be greedy, but come and get some wood. Those of you bringing wood....Call and schedule the drop off with me before you arrive. Remember this storage is for harvested wood

only. Do not under any circumstances bring wood from your wood pile and leave at my place.

Terry Gerros is currently selling turning blanks for a friend. The blocks are at wholesale price or below and consist primarily of figured walnut (both claro and english). The blocks are dried and waxed, ready to turn to the finished product. Also available are stabilized pen blanks (figured maple, speckled maple, myrtlewood, buckeye burl), bottle stoppers (buckeye burl), and spindle stock of varying sizes and types of wood. I do not make a penny on these sales. You are welcome to come see the wood and purchase on Saturdays, please call to make sure I am available.

All bowl blanks are 3" thick give or take a bit, and are both english and claro walnut, some have both types grafted together, lots of fiddleback, marbling. These blocks are cut from gunstock material. Some maple pieces are available. Will be expecting more maple, buckeye burl and myrtlewood in the future..

Pricing is as follows:

4 x 4.....\$2.00	8 x 8.....\$8.00
5 x 5.....\$3.50	9 x 9.....\$10.00
6 x 6.....\$4.50	10 x 10..\$12.00
7 x 7.....\$6.00	11 x 11..\$14.00

I also have the following: Stabilized pen blanks...3/4 x 3/4 x 5 \$2.50 each  
Bottle stoppers.....3/\$1.00

I also have large blocks of figured and spalted maple now available.

## ***Workshops / Presentations***

**MOLLY WINTON** hands on workshop

Molly Winton will give a hands-on workshop on **April 9th from 9:00 AM-4:00 PM**, it will be held at Bruce Stangeby's: 432 Stoneway Dr NW, Salem. The cost is \$95.00. She will show the basics of wood burning and branding, Participants will learn to use the basic equipment, make brands and how to use them to decorate turned objects.



Go to [www.turningmaven.com](http://www.turningmaven.com) to see more examples of her work.

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**Allan Batty** will be at Nick Stagg's shop for a three day class May 17th, 18th., and 19th. Come and learn from one of the few remaining turners who's a Time Served Apprentice and a second generation turner. The class will be structured a little differently this time with everyone working on a specific project each day, for example: boxes one day, platters the next, and bowls the last day. A final Class Project Schedule will be available in a couple of days. With this approach the class has a common goal with everyone doing the same thing..... that way we can all learn from each other. You are encouraged to bring your own tools so you can learn to free hand sharpen from one of the Masters of Woodturning. The cost is \$300, from 8:30 until 4:00 each day. The class size is limited to 6. Contact Nick Stagg.

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The Woodturners of Vancouver BC are presenting the West Coast Roundup wood turning Symposium for 2010 titled "Creativity in Woodturning" from September 10 – 12, 2010. For more information and a list of demonstrators go to [www.gvwg.ca](http://www.gvwg.ca) .

### **Supplies**

The club purchases a few supplies in bulk and sells it to members at club cost. We routinely have superglue (\$5), black or brown superglue (\$10) accelerator (\$6) and Anchor Seal (\$10/gal). Recently the club purchased a small supply of half round protractors (\$6) used to measure the angle ground on a tool, HSS rods (\$3) ¼" x 8" used to make the round skewers demonstrated by Bill McCoy at the October meeting, and depth gauge (\$5). Bob Quadros will have the resale items still available at the meeting. Please bring the correct change for the items you want.

## Club Member Discounts

From Terry Gerros: The Craft Supply order did not reach the minimum last month. I am more than happy to attempt to place another order in April. If you would like to order some supplies, please have your order in to me by Sunday (March 14) 5 pm. We are very close to filling the order so I would like to close this one out. Email your order to gerrost@yahoo.com

Club members are registered with Klingspor's Woodworking Shop at [www.woodworkingshop.com](http://www.woodworkingshop.com) or 800-228-0000, they have your name and will give you a 10% discount.

Hartville Tool will give club members a 20% discount for the next year and a 15% discount after that: [www.hartvilletool.com](http://www.hartvilletool.com) or 800-345-2396

If you show your club card at checkout time to the cashier at Woodcraft in Tigard they will give you a 10% discount (may not apply to some machinery).

Exotic wood is offering a discount of 15% off any orders placed at: [www.exoticwoodsusa.com](http://www.exoticwoodsusa.com). (This includes sale items and free shipping on orders over \$300). Use promo code ewusaAAW.

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