

The Burl

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Next Meeting: 6:30-8:30 PM, Nov 11, 2021
Salem 50+ Center

President's Message, November, 2021

Board Elections This Month

The club's nominating process at the October meeting resulted in the following slate of candidates for your 2022 Officers and Board of Directors.

President: Marc Vickery
Vice President: Larry Curry
Treasurer: Henrik Aberg
Secretary: Brian Skaar
Board Position #1: Bruce Stangeby
Board Position #2: Randy Nichols

I hope that as many members as possible are able to attend November's meeting to vote on your representatives for 2022.

Club Website

At our last board meeting, the Board endorsed the idea of revamping the WVV website to make it more visually attractive and more useful to the membership. As a side benefit to a more up-to-date appearance, the board believes the website could function as a recruiting tool for new (and ideally younger) members. I will play a role in this effort after my term in office wraps up this year, and I invite and encourage all club members to contact me either by email or on the phone with your thoughts about how a revamped website could be more effective for our membership. Creating a new website from scratch is a big undertaking, and we want to get it right the first time. There is a lot of functionality on the current website we need to preserve – like the club order process – and a lot of room for improvement. It's the improvements I would like to hear about, so please let me know what you would like the site to do for you.

AnchorSeal and PVA Sealers and Walnut Oil

We now have samples of both a PVA-based sealer from Franklin International and a bit of AnchorSeal II, and we are putting both to the test. We have traditionally purchased AnchorSeal I, the original formula, and want to evaluate these other products for effectiveness before we purchase a new 55-gallon drum. More on this as reports come in. We are still in good shape with walnut oil, so if you need some for your Christmas and other holiday gifts, grab your gallon containers and let me know when you'd like to come over.

As we head toward Thanksgiving, I hope this time of year finds you all in good health, with sharp tools, out in your shop, where you

Let the Chips Fly!

~~Jeff Zens

Events and Happenings (from Marc Vickery)

Upcoming Demonstrations

| Date | Name | Website | Topic | Saturday Class |
|--|----------------------|---------|---|---|
| 11/11/21 | Member Demonstrators | | Holiday Items: SEE BELOW! MORE HELP NEEDED | No Sawdust Session |
| <i>There is a class Nov 13-14 but it is full at this time.</i> | | | | |
| 12/9/21 | Member Demonstrators | | To be determined | Please ask if there will be a Sawdust Session |
| 1/13/22 | Dan Tilden | | To be determined | YES. This will be a sign up class. |
| 2/10/22 | Dale Larson | | | |
| 3/10/22 | Nick Stagg | | | |

PLEASE NOTE:

MORE HELP NEEDED AT THIS WEEK'S MEETING: We have a few member demonstrators who have volunteered or agreed to join in showing their version of a Holiday Item. For October we had Carl Jacobson show his skills on 5 items on a short period. I am still hoping to hear from other members who want to do an item. The idea is to do something, not necessarily what Carl showed, but simply your idea of a holiday thing. Hopefully this can be produced in 15 to 30 minutes

UPCOMING UPDATES and reminders:

End of the year stuff: We will need to determine what the members would like to do as far as December regarding Christmas and meetings and fundraising.... No demonstrators have been scheduled yet. So I am hoping to have a member or two do a demonstration on any topic they like.

EMPTY BOWLS:

Help Needed: The event is still planned for **November 19th and 20th** with **setup and takedown set for the 18th and 19th and 21st**. I would still like to get a few more folks to sign on for any of the sets, Please call, text or email to let me know when you are interested and discuss if a time fits your day. We have a collection of about 150 bowls already set aside. The event is also hosting the Willamette Art Center and they are selling about 1800 bowls. The Capital Woodcarvers have provided about 70 spoons.

The Sawdust Session for January is a **full class** of beginners hosted by Terry Gerros and Paul Hirt at Terry Gerros' shop the weekend following the January meeting.

GOOD JOB GUYS!

A Sawdust Session for December is not set yet. PLEASE contact me to let me know if interested and if you have any special interests on topics.

Feel free to reach out to me on any of this.

Thanks Everyone,

Marc Vickery

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Oct 14, 2021 WWV Meeting

In attendance:

41 total (including Carl) +1 dog

6:30 **President Jeff Zens** gavelled the meeting to order

*Opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

*3 visitors were introduced

*2 new members were introduced: welcome Kathy and Jonah Miller!

*Reminder of Craft Supplies order offer accessed via WWV website
(Members Only; Place Group Order)

-10% off on tool or supplies

-13% off if ordering multiple tools

-Free shipping

Marc Vickery announcements

-Empty Bowls event Nov 18-21 at Cascade Hall at Oregon State Fairgrounds

*pricing of bowls to take place after Sawdust Session Oct 17

*See WWV website for more info.

New Coordinators needed for both Wood Gathering group and Librarian

Sawdust Session for Sunday, Oct 17, 9-12 noon, at Darcy's

Set up help for WWV meetings is needed-Marc often begins around 5 PM, but even 5:30 would be appreciated

Jeff Zens club business

-reminded club of supplies (glue, tape, tools, etc) for sale at meetings via **Jerry Lelack**

-nominations made, seconded, accepted for following board positions

*President: Marc Vickery

*Vice President: Larry Curry

*Treasurer: Henrik Aberg

*Secretary: Brian Skaar

*Board member: Bruce Stangeby

*Board member: Randy Nichols

-Vote will be held at November meeting-must be present to vote



Carl Jacobson-demonstrator (introduced by Marc Vickery)

Carl brought his usual positive energy and expertise and entertained and educated us on the turning of 4 holiday themed projects: a snowman, an inside-out ornament, an angel, and a gnome.

Snowman: Carl demonstrated a number of tools used to rough turn advising that all work, just find what you like. His design was a simple maple body and head (emphasized undercutting base so it will stand well). He then used a small block of black walnut to turn a top hat which would be glued on later.

Inside-out ornament: Carl discussed the steps briefly and referred us to videos for more complete instructions. His main focus was on specific points that may not be covered including:

- don't use hot glue (too bulky) but merely a drop of glue reinforced by packing tape for the first turning
- full surface glue for second turning
- holes result in air cutting; be careful
- sand forward and reverse as hollows get sharp only going one way

Angel: Carl again did a two piece figure pointing out the idea of the implied angel, not life-like, being the goal. Carl turned a small disc as a halo out of black walnut.

Gnome: Carl did a rapid turning of a bullet shaped body and a separate cone shaped hat. He told of how during a workshop participants used whisk broom pieces to make adorable beards and hair. He has a video of doing this project on his YouTube channel.

After the demo and meeting was adjourned, Carl generously stuck around to visit with members until the room was mostly empty. It was a pleasure to have him with us again!



Jeff Zens: Final words

-forwarded request from Brian Skaar for Burl content

-Thanks to all for coming and our volunteer staff!

Gallery: 5 excellent pieces were displayed. Presenters included Marc Vickery, Steve Barlow, and Jim Devorss whose burl platter took the top vote. Congratulations!

Raffle: Large set of lots this month! Thank you to all who donated! \$83 brought in.

Meeting adjourned about 8:30



Willamette Valley Woodturners 2019
Name Jim Powers
Item Bowl
Wood B Maple
Finish Walnut oil



Willamette Valley Woodturners 2019
Name _____
Item _____
Wood _____
Finish _____



Willamette Valley Woodturners 2019
Name Steve Barta
Item Bowl



Burl Request (from Brian Skaar-Burl editor)

This is reiteration of the request for content sent via email recently.

Some ideas:

Your workstation(s): 3-10 photos and maybe a brief description would be great.

Classifieds: for sale or trade items

Humor: stories, quotes, pictures, etc

“Ask a Turner”: My thoughts are that this would be a “get to know” type piece where a turner would answer a few standard prompts.

Gallery pics: Only a few of the wonderful items created by our club actually make it to our meetings. Most of you take a pic or two of your items (or should). Send them in so we can share what we’re doing on the lathe!

I welcome your input in this process.

Please send contributions to me at brian62skaar@gmail.com

Featured Turners: Dick Powell and Ron Freshour

A huge thank you to Dick and Ron for sending in the content for the following two articles!

Dick Powell's lathe set up

My intent is to avoid having shavings fly all over the shop. I want gouges, accessories, etc. close at hand rather than dumped in drawers or scattered on the workbench behind me. I also wanted the gouges close at hand but free of shavings plugging up their assigned slots on the tool board.



View from behind headstock

The plastic curtains behind the lathe (in front of the tool board), at the tailstock end, and behind the stool are mounted on conduit. These curtains (like shower curtains) move easily and keep virtually all wood shavings close to the lathe; i.e., not all over the shop.

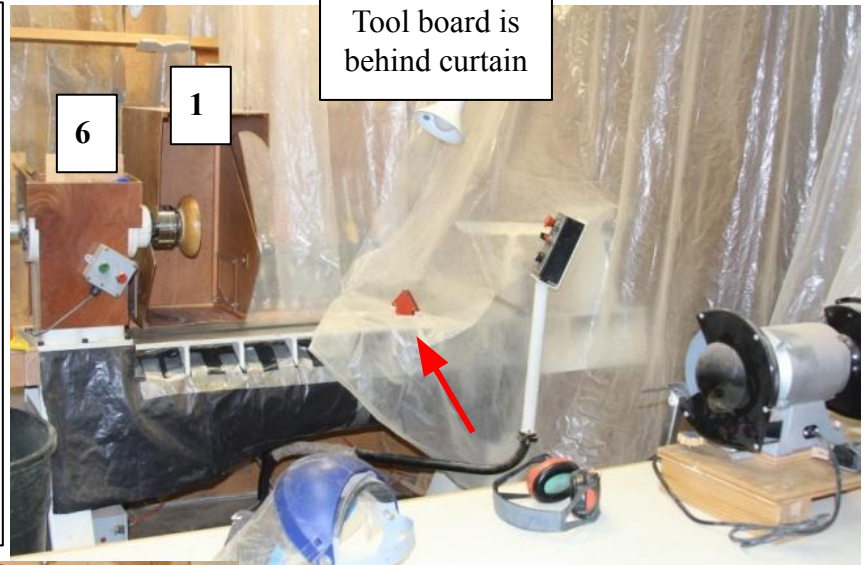
The workbench behind the stool has the grinder, face shield, sand paper, etc. close at hand.

FRONT VIEW

The curtain at the tailstock end limits shavings flying to the right and is held in place on the lathe by the red welder's magnet. When not in use, the tail stock and tool rest go behind this curtain to minimize exposing the bed to wet shavings; i.e., it keeps the bed dryer/cleaner.

A pleated curtain is in front of the tool board.

1. Dust hood when in use.
6. Home-made shelf placed over the head stock keeps pencils, safety glasses, measuring tape, etc. handy.



Tool board is behind curtain

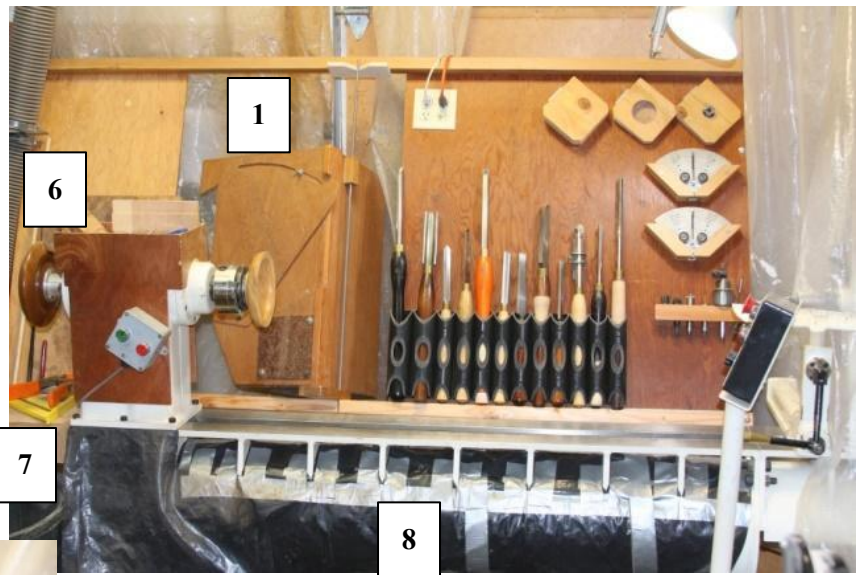


THE TOOL BOARD

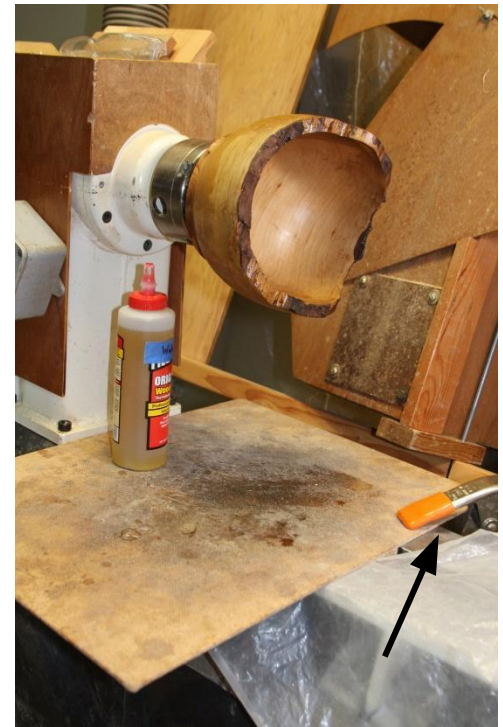
A curtain (normally in front of the tool board is pulled back for visibility) is pleated so tools are accessed simply by reaching through the pleats.

1. Dust hood when in use
2. Dust hood switch with an outlet for electrical drill, etc.
3. Scroll chuck jaw boxes
4. Jumbo jaw storage
5. Storage for spur drives, Jacob chuck, etc.

1. Dust hood rotated back and out of the way when not in use
6. Shelf placed over the head stock keeps pencils, safety glasses, measuring tape, etc. handy
7. Home made shelf extension attached to left end of lathe
8. The barrel of the lathe is wrapped in plastic sheeting to keep it clean



6. Close-up of shelf which fits over the headstock to keep frequently used tape measure, safety glasses, and misc. lathe accessories close at hand



Auxiliary shelf (when not in use, it sits behind the headstock on the tool board). This is a handy temporary shelf for finishing, sanding, etc. and helps keep the lathe's bed clean. (The shelf is not visible in other photos.)

Next to it on the tool board are the knock-out bar and the dowel used for measuring depth of bowls. When in use, a spring clamp holds in on the lathe's bed.



Storage boxes for three different scroll chuck jaws – ½ inch holes on upper right corners fit on dowels at upper right corner of the tool board. These have a hinged cover to keep jaws in the box (see the closed container on the left).

Ron Freshour: Hiking Sticks

Greetings,

I am writing this non-woodturning article to give you a little insight into what I've been up to. I have recently moved to my Willamette Riverside home, but my lathe and equipment haven't quite made the trip across town just yet. To remain engaged, I scraped together a few handy, hand carving tools to create a few one-of-a-kind walking sticks. I used paracord wrap to finish off the handles and give a little individual personality to each stick.



A few weeks ago, I loaded my faithful four-legged companions into the rig where we zigged and zagged over Mount Hood. There I spent a few days with six of my 12 Great-Grandchildren that reside in Sunny Central Oregon. I handcrafted each child a walking stick with an attached hand-carved whistle. After the kids drove their mothers nuts with the root-a-toot-toot of the whistles, I took them out into the wilds of the high desert. Once we were deep in the dangers of Juniper and Sage Brush (in reality just a frisbee park across the street from my granddaughter's home) I set them off for a game of "Find the Lost Child" teaching them to use their imagination. Oh, to be so carefree again!



Leaving the others with their fathers, I took one wide-eyed grandchild at a time up a winding trail and hid them behind a Juniper tree. I gave the "lost child" instructions to pretend they were lost and start blowing their whistle so the search party could find them. The other three would set out on their rescue mission, weaving and bobbing through the trees, following the whistle sounds of the missing child. Once found, the quest would be conquered and the others would clamor for their turn to become lost. Of course, this was repeated several times until the little ones got too tired to play. Well truth be told, I seem to recall it was the fathers who wore out first and headed us home for a well-deserved rest.



Great-Grandpa made marvelous memories for those kiddos and I tucked away a few of those sweet moments for myself to reminisce. The creativity of imagination was a highlight for all of us and a good chance for the children to learn what to do if they ever became lost. Fun and educational all in one day, how do you beat that? Now to top it off and end my cheerful note, each child received a handmade hiking stick and whistle crafted with care by their very own Popsy. A gift of legacy and memories to last a lifetime ... in my humble opinion ... both valued treasures.

Best Regards,
Ron Freshour

Sawdust Session, Sunday, Oct 17 (Hosted by Darcy Tataryn)

A fine time was had in the hills near Turner as about a dozen folk met to teach, learn, and socialize. There were a couple young brand new turners and a good time was had.

After a few hours of turning, the many bowls created by club members were priced and organized for the upcoming Empty Bowls event. Well done, all!



Membership Rewards

Supplies-See Jerry Lelack at club meetings

The club purchases a few supplies in bulk and sells them to members at club cost.

*CA superglue (\$5), black or brown superglue (\$10) accelerator (\$10).

*Half round protractors (\$6) used to measure the angle ground on a tool

*Depth gauges (\$5)

*HSS 1/4" x 8" Round Tool Bits rods

*Anchorseal (\$9/gal) and walnut oil (\$20/gal) are available through **Jeff Zens**. You will need to bring your own gallon containers; contact [Jeff](#) to make arrangements.

Chain Sharpening Service from Jeff Zens: I have an electric chain sharpener and can accurately sharpen your chains and adjust depth stops for your saw chains. This service will restore the chain to "factory-new" condition. Most chains for 18" and shorter bars can be sharpened for \$10.00. Longer chains (up to 30" bars) are \$20.00. Badly damaged chains might be a little bit more. I will also tell you if the chain has reached the end of its useful life, and will not sharpen a chain beyond that point. This price is only available for club members.

Wood Gathering

Anyone who learns of a tree or log that is available to the club should notify **Gary Dahrens**, (503) 260-9778.

From Terry Gerros

I am a distributor for Stick Fast CA glue, Sharpfast Sharpening systems, the Holdfast vacuum chucking system and Saburrtooth Carving bits. If you have an interest in these products, give me a call or send me an [email](#) for details.

Club Member Discounts

Club Member Discounts at Craft Supply: The club's order is processed the Monday following our Club meeting if it equals or exceeds \$1,000. Craft Supply offers us a 10% discount **plus** free shipping on almost all items (lathes and other heavy items are excluded) and occasional additional discounts on certain other items and quantity purchases. If you order from Craft Supply's current sale items, you will receive the club discount in addition to the sale discount, making many items available at very attractive prices. For detailed instruction for ordering see the **article in the November 2015 Burl**, available on the club's website.

Questions? See [Jeff Zens](#).

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

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. (This includes sale items and free shipping on orders over \$300). Use promo code ewusaAAW

Gilmer Wood now offers our club a 10% discount on purchases made there. If you haven't been to Gilmer's, it is well worth the trip to Portland, if only to make your mouth water and make you cry if you leave empty handed.

Club happenings in our area

(Please visit the club's website listed below for additional information)

Northwest Woodturners (Beaverton, OR)

www.northwestwoodturners.com

Cascade Woodturners (Portland, OR)

www.cascadewoodturners.com

Beaver State Woodturners (Eugene, OR)

www.beaverstatewoodturners.com

Oregon Coast Woodturners (Newport, OR)

www.oregoncoastwoodturners.com

Southwest Washington Woodturners (Vancouver, WA)

www.southwestwashingtonwoodturners.com

South Coast Woodturners (Coos Bay, OR)

www.southcoastwoodturners.com

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| Roster Editor | Henrik Åberg |
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| Craft Supplies | Jeff Zens |
| Orders | |

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