

The Burl

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Next Meeting: 6:30-8:30 PM, November 10, 2022
Salem 50+ Center



November President's Message:

Hello Willamette Valley Woodturners!

Feels like winter is arriving. World record for the Shortest Fall or the Longest Summer? Anyway, turkey dinners are coming soon to a table near you.

Speaking of which, the **Empty Bowls** event is also this month. As you may recall, the event is a fundraiser for the **Marion Polk Food Share**. It's a great way to support folks like **Meals on Wheels** and emergency events like wildfires and floods. They also have a youth food grow program and community gardens. I think we can see the event as another way for WVV to reach out to the community and create interest in turning. Even though it is only a two day event, we will have demonstrators and will be on hand to talk up woodturning to people actually picking up and buying wood-turned items.

Please be sure to sign up at the next meeting for any time slots you would like to volunteer. At this time we have all sorts of ways to join in including demonstrating, being on the floor of the sale talking up wood stuff, and set up/takedown etc. Not making the next meeting but want to get in on the fun? Call or email Darcy Tatayrn or me. The more the merrier. And of course, we have about 100 items already boxed up and priced. BUT we can always use more. Last year we had about 165 pieces. Bring any items you wish to donate to the next meeting or again reach out to Darcy or me.

But if you can't commit to volunteering, you could spread the word to your friends and family. It will be a great display of all kinds of stuff made from pottery and wood. There is also a collection of amazing things from the Capital Carvers. If for no other reason, you should go to look at Darcy's walnut platter made for the silent auction. It's just over 20 inches and magnificent. (See pic below)

Date of the event open to the public at the state fairgrounds **Cascade Hall** is on November 19 from 9 to 5. The hours of the Empty Bowls event are:

Thu, Nov 17-Setting up. TBA, probably 9:00 am until setting up is relatively complete

Fri, Nov 18-Sales events starts 5:30pm to 7:30pm (for Marion Polk Food Share sustainers and event Sponsors)

Sat, Nov 19-Open to the public Sales event 9:00am to 5:00pm

Sun, Nov 20-10:00am to... for cleanup only

And continuing the theme of the next meeting, I look forward to seeing one of our founding members do a demonstration. Yup, our own Walt Thies is on board to show us a way to make some beautiful Ornaments, just in time for Christmas!

And a side note about the meeting, we will need to complete the voting process for Board members for next year. OK, no one wants to hear about any more election junk. But come and vote.

Speaking of things decided in a meeting, the annual dues were ratified last month to continue to be the same as the last many years. Yup, \$35. What a bargain!

Looking forward, the **Oregon Symposium** is rolling along. There has been one change in demonstrators. Stuart Mortimer was on board, but he canceled and Stewart Batty has joined the list.

Oregon Symposium

<https://www.oregonwoodturningsymposium.com/>

The list of demonstrators is remarkable: **Eric Lofstrom, Keith Gotschall, Trent Bosch, Mike Mahoney, Stewart Batty, Nick Cook, Nick Agar, Rebecca DeGroot, Sally Ault, and Curtis Seebeck**. These are woodturners who are well known in the US and internationally. It would be difficult to go to see any one of these folks, But Guess What! They are coming here!

And PLEASE Get on Board with creating a Beads of Courage lidded box. These boxes are delivered to kids going through difficult medical processes. They get Beads for each procedure and need a collection box to hold them all. Look at <https://beadsofcourage.org> for more info

This part of the event is headed by our own **Mark Chiotz**. He has done a great job on this for many years. Thanks Mark! I just started one (of two I hope) and note there is a required interior dimension of 6 inches wide (5" minimum) by 5 inches deep (4 minimum). Read the description for more details about knobs and bases for the kids to be able to handle. I recall the last symposium had a huge table full of some of the best looking boxes I have ever seen. Since I failed to get going soon enough, I had nothing to put on the table. I'll be on the table this year!

And on a special note, I'd like to Thank **Paul Hirt and Terry Gerros** for once again putting on a weekend beginner turning class. That's a big part of what this club is all about.

In case you missed it, the class is the weekend following the regular meeting this month. And as I understand it, this session is full. Check with Paul on when the next session might be announced.

As is usual though there will be a sawdust session at Darcy's the Sunday following the meeting. Great opportunity to either learn something or teach something!

Stay Sharp for Happy Turning,
Marc Vickery

Upcoming Presenters and Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Presenter/Event</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Follow-Up/Sawdust Session</u>
11/10/22	Walt Theis	Wood n' Wire Ornaments	Yes! Sawdust Session 11/13/22, 9 AM-Noon, Darcy Tataryn's Studio -Walt will be on hand to assist with those wishing to make the ornaments shown at the meeting



November demonstrator:

Walt has been turning for the past 40 years. Walt can't settle down to doing one type of turning, with the exception of mushrooms which he does at the club's public demos. He turns a variety of items bowls and platters us to 24" diameter to thimbles. His current favorites are Christmas ornaments.



Let the bidding begin!

The tools donated by **Woodcrafters** (thank you Dwayne!) will be auctioned off with proceeds to benefit the club at this month's meeting. The tools each retailed from \$45-\$65. They look like they were lightly used. The JoolTool sharpening system is brand new and retailed for about \$280.

There are 4 handles, each holding different sized diameter tools: $\frac{3}{8}$ ", $\frac{1}{2}$ ", $\frac{5}{8}$ ", and $\frac{3}{4}$ ". As shown in the pics, the flat carbide tools fit either $\frac{3}{8}$ " or $\frac{1}{2}$ ". There are no tools matching the $\frac{5}{8}$ " handle. 2 tools fit the $\frac{3}{4}$ " handle. 2 tools stand alone. All the handles have the allen wrench used to lock the tool housed in their base.

Bidding will be silent with each lot having a sheet for your name and bid. Bidding will end at the conclusion of break. Winners will be announced at the end of the meeting. Cash or check accepted!

Good luck!



Notes from October club meeting:

The meeting was gavelled to order at 6:30 by VP **Larry Curry** and began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Once again, we had a full house of nearly 50 people!

Larry covered the following announcements:

- Empty Bowls (see note in Marc's message above)
- Membership dues: \$35 per year, due by Jan 1, 2023. Pay online or at a meeting (See **Henrik**).
- Board nominations: all present board members up for reelection for 2023 and were nominated by **Jeff**. Voting to happen at November meeting.
- Craft Supplies order: Jeff announced we'd made the \$1K threshold and the order had been placed (current order as of this writing is at \$143).
- 3 visitors were introduced.

-Dwayne from Woodcrafters in Portland visited bearing gifts of hats and tools! The hats were given to any and all and the tools were donated to be used as a fundraiser as we wished (See note above). Thanks much, Dwayne! Show and Tell was emceed by Walt with many amazing member projects presented.

Presenter Tom Willing

Tom began promptly at 7PM with his presentation on how he makes spheres. Tom told a bit of his history as a teacher and turning hobbyist which has blossomed into a busy schedule as a presenter.

Tom's detailed notes generously donated to the club are found in the **Members Only** section of our website and found under the heading **Presenter Files**. If you haven't seen them, they are well worth the look and are way more detailed and useful than any description I could provide. Check them out!

Tom provides great detail from beginning to the end of the process. The only note he mentioned in his presentation that I didn't see in the sanding section is that he primarily sands with the lathe in reverse. Of course, I may have just missed it. His detail is quite remarkable!

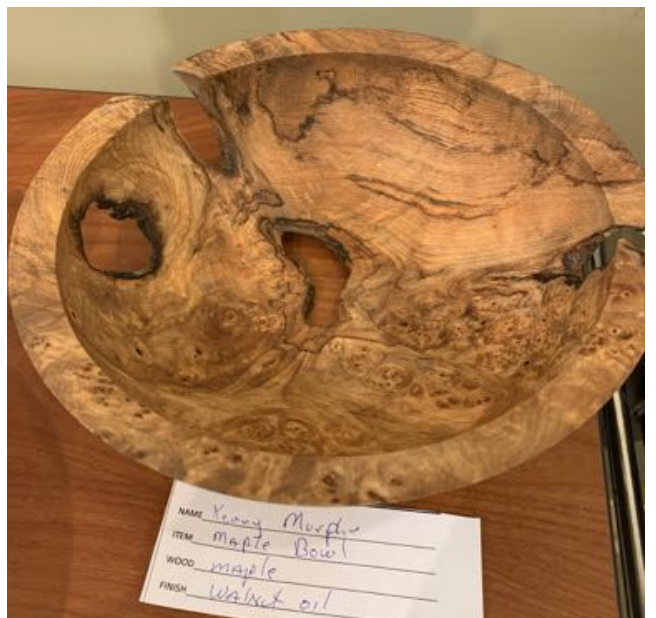
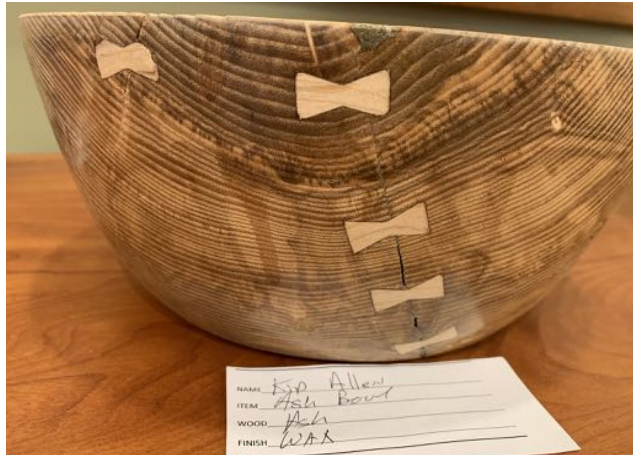
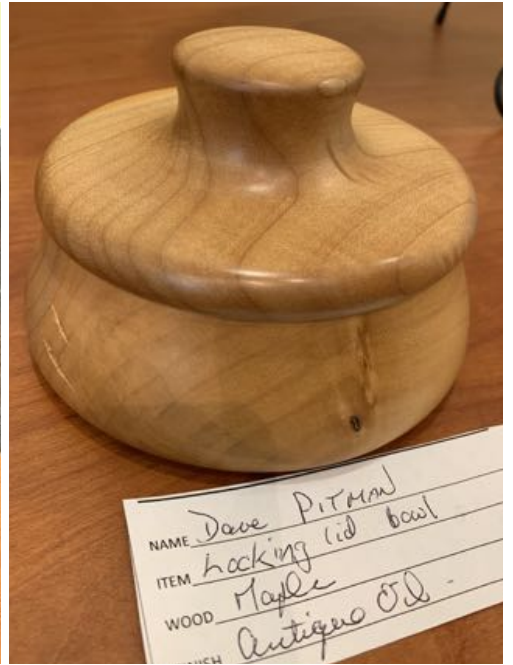
Tom sells his spheres from \$20-\$65 depending on size, species, figuring, and other interesting features.

Tom shared that spheres are not like bowls in how they are seen as aesthetic mainly in function, but that the skills needed and honed in their creation are vital in all other turning. (On a personal note, spheres I've given to teachers I work with are reported as the most handled by students on a daily basis.)



Gallery

The raffle table was full! Darcy's platter is much bigger than it appears here. So many great pieces!





NAME ROBERT A. J.J.
 ITEM SEGMENTED PLYWOOD
 WOOD PLYWOOD
 FINISH DEFT



Willamette Valley Woodturners
 Instant Gallery Date 10-13-22
 Item vase
 Wood maple with turkey feathers
 Finish Watoo teak oil
 Comments rough turned, inserted feathers,
 soaked in resin in pressure pot
 and then finish turned
 Name Dick Powell
 RLP Initial to give permission for the WVV to take
 and publish photos of this item.



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Roy Alvarez
 Pen
 Gaboon - EBONY

NAME Roy Alvarez
 ITEM Pens
 WOOD Aortic
 FINISH Buffer wheel



Willamette Valley Woodturners
 Instant Gallery Date 10-13-22
 Item paper weight (?)
 Wood maple burl
 Finish Watoo teak oil
 Comments resin in pressure pot
 Name Dick Powell



NAME Dave Pitman
 ITEM Bowl
 WOOD Mimosa
 FINISH Walnut oil



October Sawdust Session:

Wow! What a turnout! It was a full house! I think we counted at least 25 folks there for some or all of the time. Bowls, some skew learning, some coves and beads learning and practice, and even a sphere were worked on. And donuts!

Darcy set up a long makeshift table for our Empty Bowls donations. It was an impressive collection! Well done members. And thanks to those who helped with the pricing!



From Mark Choitz: The Oregon Woodturning Symposium 2023 is just around the corner! For the fourth Symposium in a row, we will be collecting Beads of Courage boxes at the event. You made 50 boxes for the last OWS!



The Beads of Courage program teams up with doctors and nurses to help children with long term illness. As kids go through their journey, they receive beads to commemorate their operations and treatments.

Of course they need somewhere to keep their memory beads and that's where we can help. We will be donating our turned boxes to Mary Bridge Children's Hospital in Tacoma, WA.

There are a few details to keep in mind when designing and turning a Beads of Courage box. You can get the details here:

2020-AAW-handout-guidelines.pdf (beadsofcourage.org)

*****IF YOU WOULD LIKE A BEADS OF COURAGE BEAD TO USE IN YOUR BOX**

CONTACT

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- Recommended **interior** dimensions for turned boxes are: 6" diameter (5" min.), 5" height (4" min.)
- Lids for Beads of Courage boxes should be easy for small or ill children to remove or lift
- Wood choice should not have voids, inclusions or cracks in them

How about helping a child today and start a lidded box for the next symposium?



Sawdust request!!

Club member Lisa and family raise a number of pigs, cows, and goats and are in a great need of sawdust for their pens. She has seen the amount we create with our chainsaws and turnings and would love to take it off our hands.

The best way to get in touch with Lisa is by text at **541-248-7973**.



Membership Rewards

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.

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 (\$6), 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.

Wood Gathering

Anyone who learns of a tree or log that is available to the club should notify **Randy Nichols**.

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 Supplies 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 Supplies 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 **January 2022 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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