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## Chip Chatter

November is an important meeting for the Willamette Valley Woodturners. Our by-laws provide that a nominating committee will be appointed by the executive board to find and select one member who is willing to serve in each of the executive committee positions. After approval by the board, this slate was presented to the club at the October meeting. The board-approved slate of officers includes several relatively new members who will bring a host of new ideas to the club. At this meeting we elect the club officers for the next year.

A member may only be elected to an office for two consecutive terms. This forced turnover of officers has served the club well and promotes a constant supply of new ideas. The club is fortunate to have many members well qualified to be officers. In addition to the slate proposed by the board, nominations will be accepted from the floor. Any club member in good standing may be nominated.

The following board-approved slate was presented to the club at the October meeting:

President – Bruce Stangeby for second term

Vice President – Terry Gerros

Secretary - Richard Lyle

Treasurer – Elling Hoem

Board Position 1 – Jerry Lelack for second term

Board Position 2 – Bob Hutchinson

Many of the routine function of our club are run by volunteers. Members have been great about stepping up and taking responsibility for making things happen. We have nearly all positions filled but need one more person to help Pete Peterson with the Library and one more person to step in for Nick Stagg when he is not able to run the camera at the meeting. Please contact Pete, Nick, or Bruce if you would like to get involved with helping out the club. Our list of great volunteers is what makes this club helpful to members and fun to be an officer.

Keep the wood turning and the chips flying.

Bruce Stangeby, President

# **Club Business**

## **Current & Upcoming Events**







**November** (Thursday, Nov 11, 2010)

<u>Dean Jordan</u> will show us how to marble wood. This is a process of coating the wood in alum and adding another agent to the paints and gently pulling a stick through the mixture until you are happy with the result. The turned piece is then immersed into the paint. You end up with a spectacular effect that can't be repeated. I've never seen it done so I'm looking forward to seeing Dean do it. This is another way that you can add something different to your work.

Here is a brief bio that was provided to us by November's demonstrator, Dean Jordan:

I have been turning off and on since my grandfather, a myrtle wood turner, taught me the basics when I was 11 yrs old. I have been turning seriously for about 12 yrs now. Ten years ago I was one of the founders of the Beaver State Woodturners.

I sell my turnings in several galleries on the Oregon coast. I usually focus on large hollow form turning after spending 2 weeks with the late Frank Sudol in Saskatchewan.

I have tried to take my basic woodturning skills to the next level with carving, piercing, color and work off the lathe. I still do a lot of functional work with basic forms, but I have been doing more sculpture type of work.

I feel that woodturning is an opportunity to bring beauty and form out of wood. Some wood speaks for itself and some cries out for embellishment.

#### **December** (Thursday, December 9, 2010)

#### Christmas auction

Over the years our December meeting, the club's annual Christmas auction, has evolved to be a social event. Everyone is encouraged to bring their spouses and any other guest they think would enjoy the evening. You are also encouraged to bring a special woodturning project or two to donate to the auction. Our dues are kept low in part because the auction has provided one third to one half of our budget needs. So, invite some friends, attend the auction, and buy some really nice Christmas presents.

# Membership Rewards (sorry, 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.

Jerry Lelack is still hoping for donations of mini-lathe size rounds, oblongs, or squares of any type of wood that will be used as gifts to new members – some way to get them started in the world of wood turning.

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From Terry Gerros: I have managed to accumulate a number of turning blanks for sale from several people. Oh wait, I brought this on myself.......what started out selling blanks for a buddy who is a disabled vet, has spiraled into.....well, a lot of fun. So, listed below is what I have available. The blocks are close to wholesale price or below and consist primarily of figured walnut (both claro and English), ambrosia maple, persimmon, mimosa, black locust, myrtlewood, figured maple, maple burl, and figured myrtlewood. Most of the blocks are dried and waxed, ready to turn to a finished product. Some of the blocks are green, but waxed. Also available are stabilized pen blanks (figured maple, speckled maple, myrtle wood, buckeye burl), bottle stoppers (buckeye burl), and spindle stock of varying sizes and types of wood. You are welcome to come see the wood and purchase on Saturdays or at my discretion, please call to make sure I am available. I try to make it convenient for everyone, especially those who want to talk woodturning for a bit. My cell number is 503-580-5013.

All the walnut 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.

Pricing for the walnut is as follows:

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      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

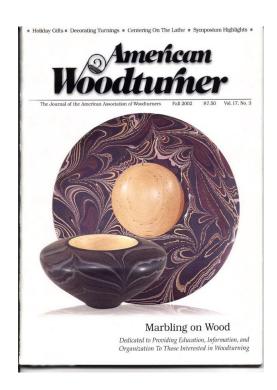
      7 x 7....$6.00
      11 x 11..$14.00
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I also have the following:

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Stabilized pen blanks...3/4 x 3/4 x 5 $2.50 each Bottle stoppers......3/$1.00
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The other blanks have the price marked on them. So if you are looking for some killer blanks, give me a call.

#### Workshops / Presentations



Willamette Valley Woodturners Projects class

WHEN: November 20th <u>TIME: 9:00 am</u> for a three hour class COST: \$20

This class will be a practical application class lead by Walt Thies. He will show the participants how to make bottle stoppers, Christmas ornaments of several styles, tool handles, and small bowls as time allows. This is a hands on workshop class and wood will be provided. Bring your own tools if you have them. This class is open to all members of the Willamette Valley Woodturners.

Sign up and collection of the \$20 fee will be handled during this month's meeting.

## 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) ½" x 8" used to make the round skews 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: Club orders will be going out on November 14th. If our order equals or exceeds \$1,000, Craft Supply gives us a 13% discount plus free shipping. If you order from the sales items, you will receive the club discount in addition to the sale discount, making many items available at very attractive prices.

Club members are registered with Klingspor's Woodworking Shop at <a href="www.woodworkingshop.com">www.woodworkingshop.com</a> 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: <a href="https://www.hartvilletool.com">www.hartvilletool.com</a> 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: <a href="www.exoticwoodsusa.com">www.exoticwoodsusa.com</a>. (This includes sale items and free shipping on orders over \$300). Use promo code ewusaAAW

Minutes of the Willamette Valley Woodturners Association Meeting on 10-14-10, 6:30 PM.

The meeting was called to order by President Stangeby and the Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance. We had in attendance four visitors, Dick and Jo Kraus,, Gary John-Stone, and Theresa Dunbar. We also had one new member present, Ed Gossien. All visitors and our one new member were welcomed. President Stangeby also read a list of those running for office the coming year.

After this announcement President Stangeby made the following announcements:

Walter Thies will be offering a project class on November 20 and 21st directed at tool handles and Christmas ornaments.

There will also be new turners classes on November 6 and 7 for a fee of \$20 and a follow up class on November 20 and 21st.

The end-of-year auction which is our biggest money maker for the club and supports the monthly demonstrations at our meetings. We need donations of turnings to offer at the auction. See President Stangeby for further details.

The presentation for the evening was given by Eric Lofstrom of Kent, Washington. The topic of the presentation was End Grain Turning. Eric discussed the basics of end grain turning and they turned some wood. He turned the wood using large skews made of M42 steel and used madrone wood and turned the wood using a modified drive center. Eric gave an extensive explanation of his use of the large skew to rough his blank. Eric said he only uses the large skew for spindle turning. Eric also showed his techniques for hollowing end grain vessels. His demonstration was both informative and intense for the members and guests.

When the demonstration concluded we had the nightly drawing for wood and the meeting concluded.

These minutes submitted by Acting Secretary: Rick Lyle

#### **Club Announcement**

Gordon Little has been a loyal member of WVW for many years. Gordon died on March 30, 2010, of either a stroke or other heart related problems. I had forgotten about Gordon and had lost contact with his niece. I have finally been in contact again and have found out some interesting facts about him. Gordon was never married. He lived alone and worked for OSU as a radiation inspector. I have not seen any woodturning work that he has done, but I am trying to get several pieces to display at our next meeting as a gesture to Gordon. He also has three tons of Wood that has been given to the clubs for the wood raffles. There will be many tools and equipment for sale.

We plan on selling Gordon's tools between 6:00 to 6:30, before the meeting starts. I will take care of the money and will make sure the proceeds go to the family. I will have everything documented to keep track of the transactions. I feel this will help the family and also provide the members an opportunity to add to their tool collection.

Submitted by J.J. Jones

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