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A skewed view.....

September is here and a great month is ahead, especially if it doesn't rain like last year. We just finished State Fair and I'd like to thank all of those who participated and especially a huge THANK YOU to Bob Hutchison for once again taking the responsibility of putting this all together. I had a ball turning tops for any kid who stood there long enough for me to make one. The fascination in their eyes as the top was formed was incredible, well worth the price of admission, fourfold.

I've heard nothing but good things about Ron Gerton's demo, other than it was a bit short. So, did anyone videotape the demo? I'd love to be able to see it. Did anyone take the plunge and try using the strobe? September's demonstrator is John Beaver, from southern California. John is known for his wave bowl, which will be the evening demo. He will be doing an all-day demo on Friday followed by a two day hands on workshop. There are 3 slots open for those interested in participating in the workshop. Remember the all-day demo is free but the two day workshop is \$225.00. It should be an excellent workshop, learning a few new techniques. All you need to have prepared is a round bottom bowl.

We are getting ready for registration for the symposium to open. September 15 is the date, so get ready to sign up! We are still calling for volunteers. Whether you want to work in registration, demo area, vendor area, instant gallery or even clean up (definitely the hardest job) we need your assistance. The more people helping out, the less each individual has to do. Heck, if everyone took part, we may only have to work 20 minutes each. Spread the workload boys and girls.

In October, Rex Burningham will be our demonstrator. More to follow when the details are in. Rex will also be doing an all-day demo and 2-day hands on workshop. Remember, there should be at least 6 dvds in the library which Rex has done with Kip Christenson, so check one out see what he does and take the workshop!

Empty Bowls and Lumber to Legacy programs are winding down, so get the items you've completed turned in so we can help the success of those programs!

ALSO, CHECK OUT CRAFT SUPPLY ON LINE. ROBERT SORBY TOOLS ARE 20% OFF, WHICH SHOULD TRANSLATE TO 30% DISCOUNT. LET'S NOT MISS THIS AMAZING OPPORTUNITY!!

Well, it's time to head to the shop,

Terry

Club Business

Current & Upcoming Events

September Demonstrator: John Beaver

Wave Bowels

September 11, 2014







I enjoy including a certain "how did he do that?" factor into my pieces while staying true to good design. Having lived my entire life near the Pacific Ocean, the motion and rhythm of the ocean's waves are a major inspiration for my work. Contrast is also an important element for me, not only aesthetically but in the process of turning a functional object, like a bowl, into an "object d'art." Artistically, I like to combine multiple woods with dyes and textures to enhance the rhythmic lines that are a part of my work. The technical genesis of these works lies in my ability to deconstruct and reconstruct a turned vessel in a number of different ways while maintaining grain and wall alignment. I hope that my pieces will evoke a feeling of movement and energy in an otherwise static environment.

While the focus of my demonstration is on my unique "wave" technique, my goal is for the audience to see a lot of tips and tricks that can be applied to their own designs. The genesis of my work comes from the ability to deconstruct and reconstruct a turned vessel in a number of different ways while maintaining grain and wall alignment. The advantage of my technique is it allows the turner to begin with wet logs and still build constructed turnings.

October Demonstrator: Rex Burningham *To Be announced* October 9, 2014







Rex Burningham, Utah, was introduced to woodturning by Dale Nish and worked as an assistant in woodturning courses while in college. Working alongside some of the world's best-known woodturners, including Dale Nish, Rude Osolnik, Richard Raffan and Ray Key, gave Rex the chance to learn from the best.

Rex has co-produced 8 instructional woodturning DVDs and is co-author of "Turning Pen and Pencils". He is a nationally recognized woodturner, teaching and demonstrating throughout the United States. He has given many national and several international presentations at workshops, conferences, and symposia.

Lumber to Legacy: Wood Artisans Needed.

A Benefit for the City of Albany's White Oak Conservation and Restoration Effort: The city of Albany seeks to promote and raise money for its resource conservation efforts, in particular our Oregon White Oak Restoration Program. The purpose of the restoration program is to enhance existing oak habitat and to reestablish the species in publicly protected conservation areas through a strategic planting initiative and educational activities. The recent removal of 8 mature Oregon white oak trees from the site of a new development has inspired us to focus attention on the heritage of Albany's Oregon white oak (Quercus garryana) habitat. These 8 trees were remnants of the Hackleman Grove named in honor of Abner Hackleman, one of Albany's founding fathers. The Hacklemans settled on the edge of the grove in 1845. At that time several of the trees were already 100 years old. To raise money for white oak habitat restoration efforts, the Albany Parks & Recreation Department, in partnership with the Albany Tree Commission, is seeking wood artisans willing to work this historically precious wood into unique wood products and art for auction or resale. Both kiln dried and green wood are available for turners. All proceeds from this community driven volunteer effort will be used to enhance existing Oregon white oak habitat and to re-establish the species in publicly protected conservation areas. Do you want to participate or just learn more? Contact Mark Azevedo of the Tree Commission at AzevedoM@onid.orst.edu or call 541 990-4574. Here is a link to an article on Lumber to Legacy: http://democratherald.com/news/local/from-lumber-to-legacy/article_ce0e52b2-49cc-11e3-96ad-001a4bcf887a.html

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.

From Terry Gerros:

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

ITEMS FOR SALE....Contact Terry Gerros (gerrost@yahoo.com)

50+ Bottle Stoppers....Cone style or droplet style......\$4.25 each or the whole lot for \$200.00

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). The club purchased a small supply of half round protractors (\$6) used to measure the angle ground on a tool, 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 Jeff Zens: The club's Craft Supply order will be going out on **September 15**th if our order equals or exceeds \$1,000. Craft Supply gives us a 10% discount plus free shipping in all items, and occasional additional discounts on certain other items and quantity purchases. 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. When filling out the web site order form, please use the item number and complete item description from Craft Supply's web site. Do not use an old catalog item number, as these might not be current. Occasionally, Craft Supply is out of an item, and I'm notified that it is on back-order. I will assume that if an item is ordered, it's wanted as soon as it becomes available. If you do not want an item if it is back-ordered, make that comment in the "Notes" column on the club's order page on the web site. I work with Craft Supply to have back-ordered items shipped directly to the member's home address ad no additional cost. For this to work effectively, the entire order must be paid for when your in-stock items are picked up. While I'm not equipped to accept credit cards, cash or check are both fine.
 - Contact me with any questions at <u>jeffzens@custombuiltfurniture.com</u>.
- 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.
- Hartville Tool will give club members a 20% discount for the next year and a 15% discount after that: 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 . (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 Gilmers, it is well worth the trip to Portland, if only to make your mouth water and make you cry if you leave empty handed.
- North Wood Figured Wood can be viewed at North Woods Figured Wood. Here's our website www.nwfiguredwoods.com. Please take a look! We're happy to offer you our courtesy 15% discount. Anyone from our club can simply type in "WOODTURNERS" at check out to receive the sale price. No minimum purchase. We've got beautiful Big Leaf Maple, Black Locust, Madronne, White Oak, Ash, Elm and Yew.....turning blanks, slabs, burls and lumber.

Club happenings in our area

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

Northwest Woodturners (Beaverton, OR)
http://www.northwestwoodturners.com/
Meet first Thursday at Franklin High School

Cascade Woodturners (Portland, OR)
http://www.cascadewoodturners.com/
Meet Third Thursday at Franklin High School

Beaver State Woodturners (Eugene, OR)
http://www.beaverstatewoodturners.com/
Meet fourth Thursday at Woodcraft

Southwest Washington Woodturners (Vancouver, WA)

Dan Baker (President), email: ridgewoodworks@aol.com

Meet fourth Wednesday at the Friends of the Carpenter's Center

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