



The Burl

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Next Meeting
Thursday November 12, 2020 6:30 pm
using ZOOM

President's Message November 2020

Not-So-Random Musings

Last month I wrote about the "State of the Club" in my President's Message and outlined some of the subjects and matters that would be discussed at the October club meeting. My sincere thanks to the members who attended, offered insight and suggestion, and voted on the issues before the membership. For those unable to attend in October, the fact that business can continue to be conducted, even in these CoVid times, even over Zoom, confirms for me that in the face of adversity, we are able to move ahead.

Election Fatigue

As if we all aren't full to the brim with elections, we have another one this month, this time for your Club's officers and Board members. The slate of candidates is as follows:

President: Jeff Zens
Vice-President: Marc Vickery
Secretary: Milt Engelke
Treasurer: Henrik Åberg
Board Member: Jerry Lelack
Board Member: Scott Morrison

Darcy Tataryn will continue to serve in the Past President's position.

Any member in good standing can serve in any of the elected positions, and nominations will be entertained up to the vote. If you are interested in any of these spots feel free to attend the November meeting and have someone nominate you. The vote will happen during the business portion of the club meeting, before our demonstrator.

Art Liestman

And speaking of demonstrators, we are in for a treat this month. If you haven't seen Art Liestman do his "Lost Wood" demonstration, it's pretty cool. Art was a demonstrator at the last Oregon Woodturning Symposium, and he wowed the crowd with this process. I won't spoil the fun here: you have to see it yourself. Be there! Thursday, November 12, at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom: watch your email inbox for the meeting invitation.

Empty Bowls

As of this writing, and to the very best of my knowledge, it's still happening the weekend before Thanksgiving. HOWEVER: The Oregon governor has issued additional directives that may – or may not – impact the event. The club is still planning on it: here is what we need you to do. First, finish up your bowls, and get them to Jerry Lelack. We need them in hand no later than November 19 so they can be priced, labeled etc. Second, get in touch with either Darcy Tataryn or Marc Vickery and tell them what you can do to help out. We need the event staffed on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, and we are planning to do some demonstration turning as well. All hands are welcome and encouraged to participate. Now: Get out to the shop, sharpen your bowl gouges, and...Let the Chips Fly!

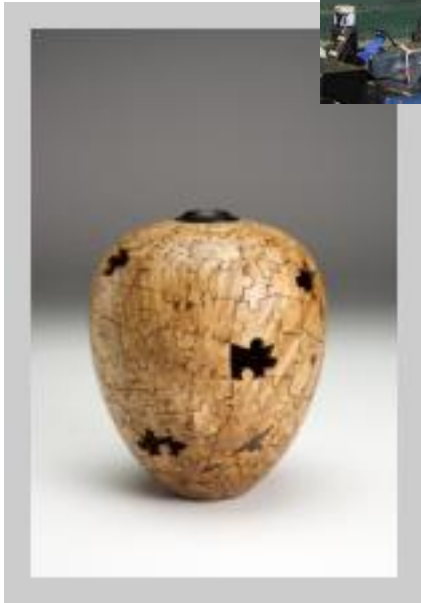
~~Jeff Zens

Art Liestman:

- The Lost Wood Process - I turn spindle blanks that are made up of three laminated layers. After turning, the middle layer is removed and the two outer layers are rejoined to give a turned object that isn't round. More details can be found in my American Woodturner article "Beyond Round: The Lost Wood Process" (August 2012). This should be understandable and within the abilities of any of your members.

Bio

- I was born and raised in Kansas, but I have now lived in the suburbs of Vancouver, BC for more than half of my life. My day job (as a University professor) keeps me busy and provides lots of stimulation, but I turn to making wood art whenever I can spare the time.
- Although I had a brief and unimpressive exposure to woodworking in a junior high school class, I began working with wood more seriously when I was a graduate student. At that time, I was interested in designing and making experimental musical instruments.
- After moving to BC, I fell in with a rough crowd at the local woodworking club. One of the most interesting things that the club did was to hold an annual 2x4 challenge in which members were challenged to make something using only an 8 foot long 2x4, glue, and finishing products. One of the 2x4 projects that I decided to make was an automated programmable xylophone. It needed some roundish parts which was a good enough excuse to add a new tool to my small arsenal - the lathe.
- While completing that instrument, I quickly discovered that turning wood on the lathe was quite addictive. At that point, I began to focus on woodturning rather than instrument building. I spent a few years making the usual functional turned items, but a demonstration by Frank Sudol opened my eyes to the possibilities of expression in artistic woodturning. After taking a particularly illuminating class with Jacques Vesery, I started making my puzzling illusion vessels. Since then, my life in wood art continues to evolve.
- In addition to the puzzling illusion, I've enjoyed exploring other surface enhancements using pyrography, carving, and coloring. I have a particular interest in making pieces on the lathe that do not necessarily appear to be turned. I'm not opposed to working off of the lathe, but virtually every piece that I make is based on a turned form.
- I have demonstrated at many national and regional symposia, as well as for dozens of local woodturning clubs. I have also taught week long courses at the John C. Campbell Folk School and at the Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts as well as some single day classes for local clubs. My work has been seen in numerous exhibitions and is available through galleries across North America.



October 8, 2020

Willamette Valley Wood Turners Club Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Milt Engelke

Call to Order at 6:30 PM by President Jeff Zens via Zoom with Marc Vickery as Host

15 In attendance

Announcements:

- 1) Craft Supply – explanation of process of ordering via the www.willamettevalleywoodturners.com link.
- 2) UPCOMING MEETINGS
 - a. November – ZOOM MEETING
 - i. Demonstrator: Art Liestman on the Topic: The lost wood process” more information is available on our club website.
 - ii. Election of Officers
 - iii. Vote on Dues for 2021
 - b. December meeting format to be determined
 - i. basic show and tell submit offerings to Marc Vickery at woodbowls2017@gmail.com and he will coordinate their display during the ZOOM meeting
 - ii. Christmas Ornaments
 - iii. Selection of Best Project of Year
- 3) Empty Bowls Program – Darcy Tataryn – Past President
 - a. Event November 21 – November 23 (Weekend prior to Thanksgiving)
 - b. Have more than 55 bowls. Cutoff date is November 22. Bowl can be dropped to Jerry Lelack – call before delivery (503 510 1577)
 - c. Looking for numerous volunteers
 - i. Assist with the event Friday night, Saturday and Sunday morning
 - ii. Demonstrations turners throughout the weekend
- 4) By-Law Revisions. Proposals are presented in the Burl
 - a. ARTICLE III – WVV Club Address
http://www.willamettevalleywoodturners.com/files/ByLaws_2016_501c3.pdf
 - i. *Proposed changes are posted in the October Burl*

Discussion: *Presidents address should not be public. The P.O. Box shared with the Oregon Woodturners Symposium (OWS) and paid for by the OWS is located on S. Lancaster and closely monitored by our Treasurer frequently.*

Contact via the club address is minimal with most contact through the web site.

Marc Vickery Moved to accept the proposal to change the club address, second by Henrik Aberg, motion carried.

- b. ARTICLE VIII – OFFICERS
 - i. Responsibilities of the Treasurer (VIII-5)
 - ii. **CURRENT** The Treasurer shall collect all membership fees and all other monies belonging to the WVV. The Treasurer will be responsible for keeping current and accurate records of all monies that flow through the WVV and for ensuring that a current roster of member is maintained. In general, the Treasurer shall perform all duties incident to the office of Treasurer. The Treasurer shall keep current the Business Registration with the Oregon Secretary of State and renew the filings as required by said office. Hence, Page 4 of 7 Bylaws of Willamette Valley Woodturners 2/9/2017 the Treasurer shall be the Authorized Representative for the WVV Club as defined by said office.
 - iii. **Proposed Revised Language see highlighted and underlined sections below:**
VIII- 5.Treasurer: Duties. The Treasurer shall:

1. • collect all membership dues and ensure that a current membership roster is maintained and published;
2. • maintain current and accurate records of all receipts, disbursements and accounts of any sort that flow through or belong to the WWV;
3. • *develop and promulgate cash handling procedures that ensure accurate accounting of all club cash transactions.*
4. • *maintain an accurate and detailed inventory of the physical assets of the club and prepare an annual inventory report for the Board of Directors' first quarter meeting each year. The Treasurer shall obtain the assistance of other club members, as needed, to complete this inventory. The annual inventory report shall contain, at a minimum, detailed information about the type of asset, its approximate value or purchase price, if known, and its current location.*
5. • prepare a budget proposal for the Board of Directors first quarter meeting each year that provides, at a minimum, the following information:
 - a. The previous year's adopted budget and actual experience, in a form developed by the Treasurer and approved by the Board.
 - b. A proposal for the current year's operating budget for consideration and adoption by the Board.
 - c. Detail sufficient to track all income and expenditures by category (membership dues, equipment purchases, demonstrator fees, demonstrator expenses, etc.)

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- iv. **MOTION TO ACCEPT LANGUAGE CHANGE: Steve Barlow, Second Marc Vickery, Motion carried.**

5) Board recommends slate of officers for 2021.

- a. DISCUSSION: During September meeting it was proposed motion and carried that the club would suspend term limits (ARTICLE VIII – 6 Term Limits) for the President and Secretary would be suspended for the current year due to the pandemic. Motion passed.
 - i. The Board will present the following slate of officers for 2021 term”
 1. President – Jeffery Zens
 2. Vice President – Marc Vickery
 3. Secretary – Milt Engelke
 4. Board members at LARGE:
 - a. Jerry Lelack
 - b. Scott Morrison
 5. Past President – Darcy Tataryn

6) Setting Dues for 2021.

DISCUSSION:

A member had proposed that we wave dues for 2021 due to the Pandemic and recognizing that we have not been able to have in-person meetings during the past several months, (A major objective of the club)

Several opinions were offered including the following:

- i. SOURCES OF INCOME TO SUPPORT CLUB OPERATIONS:

1. CLUB DUES Main source of income for the club and although significant donations have been made to the club in the past couple of years there is no indication of philanthropic donations to continue – Donations are a wind-fall and should not be considered in the general revenue expenditures of the club
 2. RAFFLES – during in person club events – none received during 2020 due to pandemic.
 3. Oregon Woodturners Symposium – share in revenues on a biennial basis (not in 2020)
 4. Club Supplies sales – on a break even basis
- ii. RECURRING EXPENSES:
1. Rental of space at 50+ Center
 2. Insurance
 3. Budget \$2,000 per demonstrator during in-person events.
 4. While classes are intended to be break-even by paid attendance occasionally the club must cover short falls.
 5. ZOOM DEMONSTRATIONS – less expensive and will average between \$300-\$400 per event.

Numerous ideas and thoughts were shared on the level of dues including the value of the on-line demonstrations, quality of on-line instructors but we also recognize the value in social interaction and gatherings and encourage the club to resume in-person meetings as soon as allowable and sensible. A motion was set forth by Scott Morrison to propose holding the dues at the current level of \$35/year, with second by Bruce Thompson, with unanimous consensus.

- 7) Proposal made to remove the financial data from the Burl which is generally open to the public and make this member only information. Treasures books are open to the membership but does not need to be open to the public. All agreed.

8) SHOW AND TELL – Marc Vickery

- a. Several items were presented by members for show and tell – Brian Skaar offered numerous finials and his excellent command of skewers and spindle gouges.
- b. Had an excellent discussion on finishes:
 - i. Carnauba
 - ii. Bees wax
 - iii. Paraffin
 - iv. Shellac – provides a good shine followed by #0000 steel wool
And combinations thereof.
 - v. SHINE JUICE was mentioned as being equal quantities of
 1. Alcohol (isopropyl ?)
 2. Shellac
 3. Linseed oil (Boiled or raw?)

All the above requires liberal applications of ELBOW GREASE. The perfect formula

Many Thanks to Marc for the logistics surrounding the use of ZOOM. Your efforts are appreciated by all Marc.

Meeting adjourned 8'30 pm.

Upcoming Demonstrators for 2020

NOTE: due to the Coronavirus, the next several months are undetermined including the ones shown as scheduled. Scheduled meetings are all subject to change.

Date	Name	Website	Topic	Saturday Class
11/12/2020 SUBJECT TO CHANGE	Art Liestman	http://artliestman.com/	Demo and class are on the “lost wood process”	Not yet
12/10/2020	Show and Tell your best work for the year and /or Christmas ornaments Please refer any ideas to Marc Vickery – THANK YOU			
FOR 2021: Please express an interest of ANY Demonstrator or weekend workshop you would like to see to Marc Vickery				

PLEASE NOTE:

November meeting:

Zoom meeting will include the club business of voting for the officer slate for 2021. Again, this will be a very important meeting to attend and get your opinion heard. Based on the input from the October meeting, there may be a final decision made for several board positions and bylaw changes.

Following the club business, we have a demonstration by **Art Liestman**.

December meeting:

Show and tell for members favorite work of the year and Christmas ornaments.

No demonstrator scheduled.

Sawdust sessions:

We are temporarily changing the day from Sunday to Saturday. The plan has always been to offer this as a drop in, but it is helpful to know if you plan to attend.

Please let Marc know if you are planning to attend or if you have any questions.

As for scheduling for 2021, member input is requested. Bear in mind we may not be able to continue to provide as many demonstrators on a paid basis as there is very little income coming in to support demonstrators and other expenses.

If members have ideas about fundraising please feel free to bring it to the table!

To bring the photos for Show and Tell to the meeting, PLEASE forward by email to me at my address below.

In the world of technology, I discovered some members found Zoom a bit of a hurdle. IF YOU want a practice session, please email me a note asking to be invited.

And if you have a best time include it in the email me and we can discuss a time that works for you.

Please feel free to reach out to Marc Vickery if you have questions, observations, ideas, or any other concepts.

Thanks,

Marc

Email to halepaumarc@gmail.com

Call if I can help in any other way.

Membership Rewards

Chain Sharpening Service from [Jeff Zens](#)

I have recently purchased an electric chain sharpener and can accurately sharpen your chains and adjust your depth stops for your saw chains. This will restore the chain to “factory-new” condition. Most chains can be sharpened for \$10.00, but longer chains or badly damaged chains might be a little bit more. This service is only available for club members.

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 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.

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 (\$10) and Anchorseal (\$9/gal). The club has a small supply of half round protractors (\$6) used to measure the angle ground on a tool, and depth gauges (\$5). HSS Round Tool Bits rods (1/4" x 8") are also available (\$3). Jerry Lelack will have the resale items available at the meetings, except for Anchorseal which is available through [Jeff Zens](#). You will need to bring your own gallon jug; contact Jeff to make arrangements.

Club Member Discounts

- **Craft Supply:** The club’s order will be going out on the Monday following our Club Meeting if our order equals or exceeds \$1,000. Craft Supply gives us a 10% discount plus free shipping on 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. For detailed instruction for ordering see the article in the [November](#) 2015 Burl. 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)

<http://southcoastwoodturners.com/>

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