



The Burl

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Willamette Valley Woodturners

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**Next Meeting: 6:30-8:30 PM, January 12, 2023
Salem 50+ Center**



January President's Message:

Hello Willamette Valley Woodturners!

Welcome to 2023. May you find the year bringing Health and Happiness to you and all your friends and family and safety to all us woodturners!

It seems this might be a year filled with events and transitions.

Right off the bat, the club has been looking for a new Treasurer. Yup, our long time Treasurer, Henrik Aaberg has officially resigned. This is a well-deserved and long delayed resignation; he has been a mighty support for the club since 2015. I don't have the full history, but I might guess he has held the position the longest, 7 years, and through four presidents and eight other guys as VP and Secretary! For my own part, Henrik has been amazing to work with. Always has an answer in quick order, has filled in as editor and who knows how many other hats he's worn. AND, combine the clubs' financials and keeping order with the fact that he has ALSO been the treasurer for the Oregon Woodturners Symposiums all these years. That's a lot of work. **Thank YOU So Much!**

On that note, we have a transition to a new Treasurer in process. A note was sent out a couple weeks ago to the members and at this very moment the Board is getting ready to certify a member who has stepped up and once officially on board, will be announced.

Along with Henrik's position, we are also planting the seeds for changes that will come up in October - November this year. As ALL of the board positions will have reached the maximum two year term limit, the entire board will all need to be replaced. Please consider stepping up for the club you are a part of. If you want to become involved sooner, we can provide any sort of ground work info you like. In reality, it is not hard. In fact, I have really enjoyed certain parts of this responsibility. All it really takes is commitment.

Several January events are coming up and all can be fun with enough helping hands.

January 14 is an event that many will want to join in. It will be a Woodgatherers day on Saturday January 14th. Our Woodgatherers coordinator, Randy Nichols, has been a turner for several years, but he has found it a good diversion to run his sawmills and processing wood for a wide assortment of customers.

Here is the deal for Saturday: The club has been provided a large amount of Myrtlewood. You read that right, Myrtlewood! Randy has picked up the logs and dropped them in Shaw at his property next to the mill. Beginning about 10:00 am, we will be treated to a process of milling the log(s). He can mill a log into slabs and once circles are drawn indicating a bowl blank, these can be cut out and possibly even made into round bowl blanks on site. THANKS SO MUCH RANDY!

Randy Nichols
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Speaking of Woodgatherers; Thanks to Henrik, we now have a way to maintain the woodgatherers list. From all available resources, I sent a note out to ALL who are supposed to be on the list. If you wanted to be included but did not get the note last week, please email Marc at the email address of: prezwvw@gmail.com using **I Want to be a Woodgatherer** in the subject line. I'll be sending out a note in the future about the woodgathering process. There can be lots of variabilities in how it works depending on the actual wood available.

The meeting this month on the 12th is a compilation of Gadgets and Gizmos and will be demonstrated by members. I can hardly wait for these shortcuts and timesavers.

FYI, your cameraman is still hoping *someone* will step up and be at the meeting early to set up. He is there from about 4:45 and can always use the help. YUP that's me still asking for help. Hey, learn to be a Camera Guy at the meetings so you can be one at the SYMPOSIUM!!!!

AND of course there is a Sawdust Session on Sunday the 15th at Darcys as usual. Thanks Again Darcy!

For March we have the Oregon Symposium. Get signed up!

<https://www.oregonwoodturningsymposium.com>

As Mark Choitz has indicated, we should be making Beads of Courage boxes for the symposium. I'm still behind by one good box. It's a great opportunity to stretch your skills if you are still learning the lidded box thing. Thanks Mark!

It seems I haven't provided adequate means for everyone to get signed up to volunteer. Yes we need movers and shakers and camera folks and helping hands of all sorts. The following sheet shows times and jobs. Reach back to me so I can fill in your name.

Use the email address of: prezwvw@gmail.com using **Volunteer OWS** in the subject line.

<u>Oregon Woodturning Symposium 2023</u>			
<u>Volunteer Signup Sheet</u>			
<u>03/16/2023</u>			
<u>(Thu. 1:00pm - 6:00pm)</u>	<u>Salem to Albany</u>	<u>Load up, transport (6)</u>	<u>Marc Vickery</u>
<u>03/17/2023</u>	<u>Willamette Valley Woodturners</u> <u>Demo Room 4</u>	<u>10:30 - 12:00 - Camera</u>	<u>Marc Vickery</u>

<u>(Fri. 10:30am - 8:00pm)</u>		<u>1:00 - 2:30 - Camera</u>	
		<u>3:30 - 5:00 - Camera</u>	
		<u>7:00 pm - 8:30 pm - Cam</u>	
		<u>10:30 - 12:00 - Helper</u>	
		<u>1:00 - 2:30 - Helper</u>	<u>Roy Alvarez</u>
		<u>3:30 - 5:00 - Helper</u>	
		<u>7pm - 8:30 pm - Helper</u>	
<u>03/18/2023</u>	<u>Willamette Valley Woodturners</u>	<u>8:00 - 9:30 - Camera</u>	
<u>(Sat. 8:00am - 5:00pm)</u>	<u>Demo Room 4</u>	<u>10:30 - 12:00 - Camera</u>	<u>Marc Vickery</u>
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<u>03/19/2023</u>	<u>Willamette Valley Woodturners</u>	<u>8:00 - 9:30 - Camera</u>	
<u>(Sun. 8:00am - 6:30pm)</u>	<u>Demo Room 4</u>	<u>10:30 - 12:00 - Camera</u>	
		<u>8:00 - 9:30 - Helper</u>	
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Please get on board early for the best times and jobs.

The next event has usually been the Steam Up in July. Jim Devorss and I (Jim mostly) went through a lot of hoops last year at the last hour, but could not get in. IF anyone has an interest in coordinating this event this year, it may be an uphill battle, but we would support anyone taking on the effort. It has always been a fun event.

The Oregon State Fair will again take place in late August-September. Very fun to be there as a demonstrator. And just talking to the crowd can be a hoot. WHO wants to step up and coordinate it?

In November there is once again the Empty Bowls event. We can use a coordinator for this. It is really quite easy for the club members to join in. The Willamette Art Center does a lot of the heavy lifting, but we still need volunteers for the event. AND make some items to donate for sale (Hey maybe a lidded box?). In our non-profit mandate we are always looking for ways to donate to a charitable organization. Proceeds go to the Marion Polk Foodshare.

And last but not least at the end of this year, YUP, as mentioned elsewhere, Nominations and voting for your Board members takes place October-November. GET ON BOARD! Support the club! We will all be termed out in our positions. Generally it is not difficult; it just requires the commitment! Just so ya know, this is your club too.

So Thanks everyone for a great 2022. It was a good year to have eased out of the Corona Virus junk. And looking forward, 2023 has lots of good stuff going on.

Join the fun,

Stay sharp for happy turning,

Marc

Upcoming Presenters and Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Presenter/Event</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Follow-Up/notes</u>
1/12/23	Club Members et al	Gadgets and Gizmos	Scheduled members will present
1/14/23	Wood gathering		See description above
1/15/23	Sawdust Session	As needed	9 AM-Noon, Darcy Tataryn's Studio Contact Darcy for directions

January demonstrators: Our own Jeff, Dick, and Walt will be our presenters this month. Looking forward to their tricks of the trade!

December Sawdust Session: Once again, Darcy's studio was thick with activity of all types including sharpening, spindle and bowl work, and a monster piece of wood being roughed out! All that and a great grandpa-grandson experience.





Notes from December club meeting:

President Marc Vickery gavelled the meeting to order at 6:30 with 50 people in attendance and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcements:

Pres. Marc: Symposium volunteer incentive: 2024 dues will be covered! (see signup info above)

*January 14th wood gathering event hosted by Randy

VP Larry: Eric Lofstrom will be our July presenter and will teach 2 classes after.

Jeff Z: last of walnut oil going out. Discussion on getting another barrel from supplier (possible driver in discussion)

*Craftsupplies order at \$260 (as of writing is about \$780)

Josh: Looking for volunteers to teach wood turning to Vets in Salem area

Mark C: Beads of Courage call

Pres Marc: Show 'n Tell format discussion-asked for input on how this time goes

-some like brief comments about pieces; others wish to allow members to look on their own

-suggestion to put pieces on separate tables-one to be discussed; the other not

-in end, folks seemed to like light comments and that they were done in time for 7PM demonstrator start time.

Warren: looking for Drill Wizard

Marc: small group collected a load of eucalyptus and laurel wood and gifted it to the group to be picked up during the break. Asked that a small \$ donation be given by those picking up some wood.



Demonstrator: Roy Alvarez-platter

some notes

Roy began with some of his history and discussed some theories of teaching he uses to guide him

Platter vs bowl: the main difference is a bowl has no straight surfaces and is designed to "float" off floor

Platter wood choice: likes to get closer to heartwood for the better/more interesting color

Base of platter

Roy likes to use a faceplate to begin

-reminded us to use good screws (not drywall)

-match the screw type to plate (pan head or

countersunk)

-screw lathe into plate for better control

-cut toward headstock (very secure/no tailstock needed)

Lathe start up: always be aware of speed setting (told story of starting up lathe with large blank on it after a spindle turner demo-piece went flying!)

Roy used the tool rest to draw a line from the center out to use as an aid to place tool rest at ideal height.

Grinding tip: Roy sees wings get very thin resulting in short lived holding of an edge

Roy spent some time discussing flute shapes including the V, parabolic, and U shapes (prefers parabolic)

Cutting angle: Roy teaches to open flute to between 1 and 2 o'clock

Roy demonstrated shear **cutting** to true the face of the wood

-right foot forward, pull from wood center toward edge

-handle is steeply down and wing is used to cut

-looks at far side of piece for shaping/must feel the wing bevel and edge

True the outside with controlled push cut

Roy talked about foot design

-bowl foot is a 5:3 ratio (the foot the smaller portion)

-platter foot is a 50:50 ratio (Roy measured and drew a line to demo)

Mortise: vital to check the outside angle of your chuck jaws (his Vicmark jaws are at 70°)

-Roy used a sharp square scraper to make a 2mm mortise

-He used his skew to set the inside angle (the angle he said is based on the effective cutting angle discovered in the development of the French guillotine!)

Roy then refine the Roman ogee shape which is defined as having 2 curves

-He demonstrated raising the tool rest and dropping the handle to the point of using the wings of the bowl gouge like a skew

Sanding: Roy sands his platters using mineral oil





-Roy said the starting grit should not be a matter of ego, but at the requirement of the piece

-He started at 150 dipping his sandpaper in the oil resulting in a constant slurry

-He then did the same with 220 and 320

-Wet sanding, besides cutting down on dust, also can be done at higher speed (he sanded at 650rpm)

Top of platter

Chuck tip: don't use chuck key as lever to remove chuck-can distort the body

Reverse piece and place in chuck

-use tailstock **w/o** livecenter to press piece into chuck (he often uses a golf ball)



Roy used pull cuts to face the piece

Bead: Roy used his skew to shape the bead starting with the back

-He used the skew also on the front to define the thickness of the rim of the platter

-Roy constantly moved the tool rest for optimal support to prevent vibration

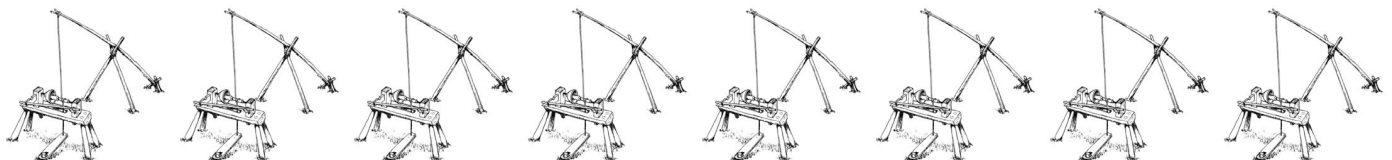
-He also carefully cut out to the rim bead with the lathe in reverse explaining that this allowed for much greater control

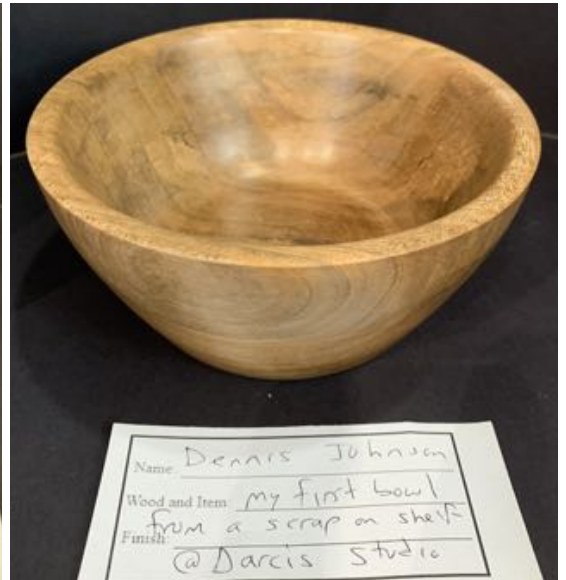
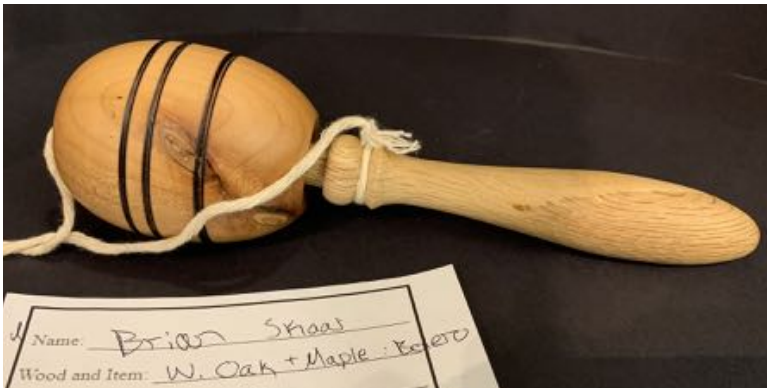
Roy completed the rest of the inside of the platter with bowl cuts (using his 50° and 70° bowl gouges and his heavy scraper)

Thank you Roy for sharing your well thought out presentation! There are techniques shown that I think I'd have to dedicate serious time to learning to feel confident in employing, but they seem well worth the effort! Much appreciated.



Gallery





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**

MARK CHOITZ msc6990@gmail.com

- 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?

From JJ Jones:

I have a neighbor with some tools to sell. They are:

Rikon 70-220VSR, 6"x18" Lathe \$350

Lathe Chuck \$40

Jet DC 65RC Dust Collector \$200

Pen Drilling Vise \$35

Turning tools \$20

Porta Mate 23"X 25.5" \$50

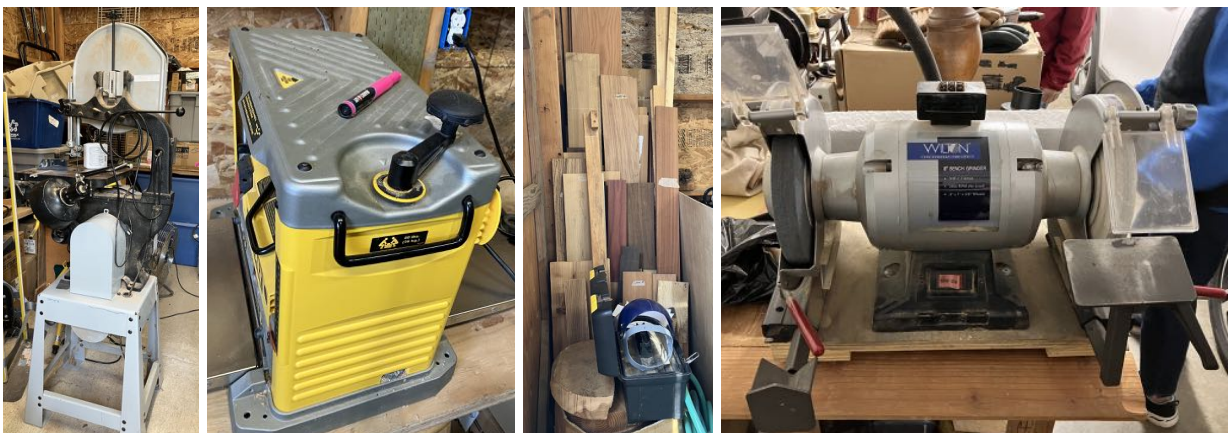
Please call JJ if interested, (541) 745-3802

From Mark Choitz: A couple in Lebanon are clearing out tools and wood as they are getting ready to move into a retirement community. They would like to see the tools find someone who needs them and would pay something for them in order to help defray costs.

Some tools are almost new and barely used; others need a little TLC.

If you are interested in finding out more about what they have please email kindfox2@gmail.com and include in the subject line **WVWC** so they will know this is someone from our club interested in finding out more about the items for sale.

There are many hand tools, lathe tools, clamps, routers, handheld power tools of all sorts. Here are a few pictures:





For Sale by Gary Dahrens

Email or phone at
503-260-9778



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

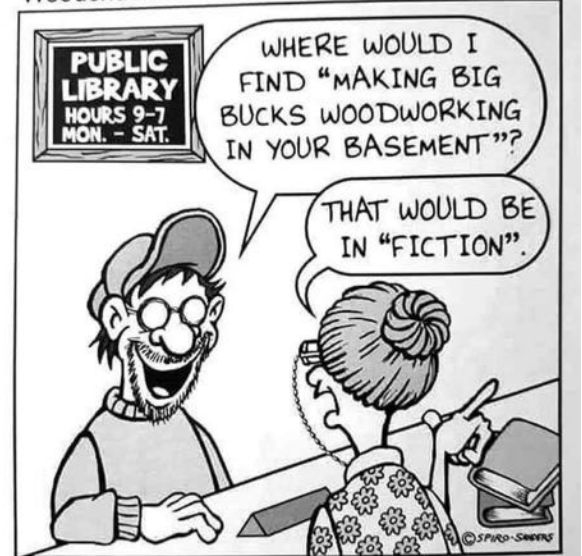
The club purchases a few supplies in bulk and sells them to members at club cost.

*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)

Woodchuckles



*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)

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