



# Pikes Peak Woodturners

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

January 30, 2020



Next club meeting at Bemis:

**Friday, February 7, 2020 @ 5:30**

Demo: Raleigh Lockhart (Postponed)  
Turning Maple Leaf Platter

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## Message from the Prez

It's nearly February and that special day is just around the corner. Have you been working at turning that special item for that special person? Or, maybe you have promised to stay out of the shop, for a change that day, and spend some quality time with them. Whatever you're doing, I hope you have a

Happy Valentine's Day!

Looks like we're starting the year with the "3 Rs"! No, not Reading, wRiting and aRithmetic; it's Richard, Raleigh and Robert as our 1<sup>st</sup> three demonstrators. Despite some lathe compatibility issues, Rich Aldrich gave an excellent demo with his threading jig.

Raleigh Lockhart will be our February Demonstrator showing us how he turns his maple leaves. Moving on to March we have Robert Brewer. The subject has not been finalized. Something you'd like to learn from him? Let us know.

In April we will bump the meeting a week to facilitate a demo by Matt Monaco. He does several different demos and we are seeking your input as to which one he presents. We are looking at possibly having him teach a class the next day if we have folks who want to attend.

You may or may not know that the Chapter conducts classes at Bemis. These classes help to pay our rent in lieu of cash money. The classes have become very popular and there are more signing up then we can handle in one session. Robert has agreed to add three extra classes each in February and March. Some will be on Sundays. The benefit of the extra classes is allowing us the use of the classroom for our own workshops. Want to help out? We need a few folks each session to cleanup, monitor safety of turners and assisting with instruction. If you're interested, contact Robert Brewer.

Please, Please, Please, we are still in need of a Chapter Secretary. Are you interested in helping out? No heavy lifting involved. If you can take the job, let me know at the meeting or shoot me an email. [vicvickers@elpasotel.net](mailto:vicvickers@elpasotel.net)

There are still open dates on our 2020 demonstration calendar. Do you have a demo you'd like to see? Better yet do you have a demo you would be willing to present? Either way get with Steve Maikell our Program Manager.

A reminder, there's no Presidents Challenge for February 2020 meeting. See you all at the next meeting on Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup>.

Until then be safe and keep on turning.

Vic

**Picture from our January Club Meeting with Rich Aldrich and Threaded Box Demo**



## UPCOMING DEMONSTRATIONS

February 8: Raleigh Lockhart – Maple Leaf Platter



March 6: Robert Brewer demo TBD

April 10 (note date change) Matt Manaco (with possible workshop for members on April 11) What would you like to see Matt demo or teach in a Saturday workshop?

## **DEMONSTRATORS**

Let any officer know if you are interested in doing a demo or if you know of a National turner you would like to see. Let's not rely on the same people every year. If you've done something interesting or think people will be interested in your work, PLEASE volunteer, even if it's something we've done in the past. There is always something to be learned.

## **NOTES FROM OUR JANUARY MEETING:**

28 members attended.

The President's challenge from November's off-center turning participation was Kay Liggett, Richard Aldrich and Keith Smith.

Red Norden has the perpetual bowl for February!

We had four visitors: Brian, Kerry, David and Dianne.

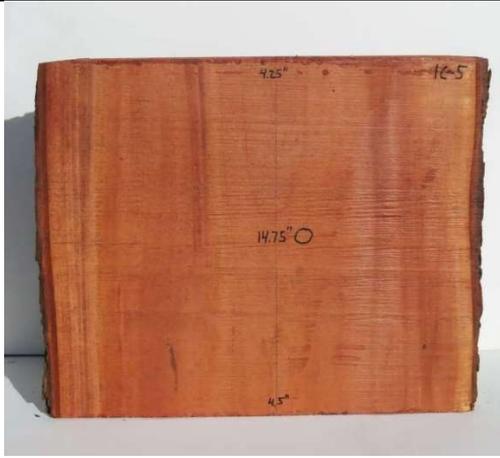
## **Don't forget to renew your 2020 Membership dues!**

Individual Membership \$30/Calendar Year (CY)

Family Membership: \$50/CY

Reciprocal membership \$20 (for those members who already belong to the Front Range or Pueblo Clubs)

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**Robert Chappe will have some mahogany for sale at our Feb 7 meeting**



**Great deal on greenwood sealer. \$20/gal. Contact Tony Bevis- [asawyerb@comcast.net](mailto:asawyerb@comcast.net)**

**MONTHLY RAFFLE**

Keep bringing in those pieces of wood or other turning supplies cluttering up your space!



**Club Mentors**

Dr Bob Gibbs -- basic turning techniques, bowls, platters, hollow forms, coring, drying and storing, bottle stoppers, natural edge work, winged bowls and boxes 488-9487

Dennis Korth -- teacher-coach 634-1260

Tony Bevis -- a professional turner 660-8305

Dennis Liggett -- a twist work specialist, teacher; 481-8754

Vic Vickers -- pen specialist, 683-3350

Scott Longberry -- 494-1265

Robert Brewer -- 640-5325

## Bemis School of Art: Turning Classes for 2020

All classes held 9:30-3:00

Saturday, February 8 Turning a Bowl  
Sunday, February 9 Turning a Bowl  
Saturday, February 15 Turning a Bowl  
Sunday, February 16 Turning a Bowl  
Saturday, March 7 Turning a Platter  
Sunday, March 8 Turning a Platter  
Saturday, March 14 Turning a Platter  
Sunday, March 15 Turning a Platter

**Don't forget that we have a training workshop this Saturday, February 1 (10am - 2pm) at Bemis for those interested in attending one of the classes above and helping out.**

**Interested? Contact Steve Maikell 719-963-9931 [semaike@hotmail.com](mailto:semaike@hotmail.com)**

### Show and Tell Form

You'll find a form like the one below on the table when you bring in pieces to share. These forms will help us credit pictures of your work in the newsletter. It should also make our Show and Tell time a bit more constructive.

PPW Show and Tell	
Name of Turner	
Experience	Beginner / Intermediate /Advanced
Description of piece	
Description of turning	
Type of wood	
Type of finish	
Turner's comments: What was successful, and what not? If you were to make another piece, what would you do differently	
Critique? Do you want your piece critiqued>	Yes /No

## For Sale:

If you would like more pictures or information please call, text or email.

Richard Aldrich

678-378-5990

[bringiton2@bellsouth.net](mailto:bringiton2@bellsouth.net)

	
Monster hollowing system. \$400.00. Many different cutters and bars and cutter holders. For Powermatic 3520	Jet 1014 lathe with stand \$350.00
	
Tormek T-7 with woodturners sharpening package \$525.00	Dewalt DW 705 with extension side brackets \$150.00.

## Basic Woodturning Safety Checklist

by Warnie Lore

<http://www.mountaineerwoodturners.com/resources/article-library/warnie-lore/basic-woodturning-safety-checklist.html>

### 1. Prepare the turning blank

When preparing a turning blank for mounting on the lathe, inspect it for cracks, splits, bark inclusions, knots, or irregular shapes that could result in separation of the blank into flying fragments or chunks as it spins on the lathe.

## **2. Mounting the blank on the lathe**

Make sure that the method you use to mount the blank on the lathe is appropriate and provides the necessary security for the size, shape and weight of the blank.

## **3. Live center for security**

Use a live center in the tailstock for added security whenever conditions allow.

## **4. Lathe locking devices**

Check that all locking levers on the tailstock, the toolrest and the toolrest base are tight and that any index locking device is disengaged.

## **5. Rotation interference**

Rotate the wood blank by hand after mounting it on the lathe to ensure that there is no interference.

## **6. Tools**

Select the appropriate tool for the operation that is to be performed (e.g., never, ever, attempt to use a roughing gouge on a bowl). Sharpen the tool! Gouges, skewers and such must be essentially razor sharp. You may have to frequently sharpen/hone the tool as turning progresses.

## **7. Face and eye protection**

Face and eye protection are mandatory. A full face shield meeting or exceeding ANSI A87.1 is best. As a minimum, safety goggles or safety glasses with side shields should be used.

## **8. Lung protection**

Protect your lungs. Collection of wood dust at the source through a hood connected to a dust collector, by an overhead room air cleaner, or both, are good aids in protecting your lungs; but, they do not do the full job. A dust mask meeting or exceeding the NIOSH N95 standards is highly recommended.

## **9. Hearing protection**

Hearing protection may be needed in some circumstances, particularly during long turning sessions.

## **10. Dress**

Make sure that shirtsleeves, long hair, etc., cannot catch on the spinning wood or lathe parts.

## **11. Chuck key, wrenches, index lock**

Make sure that chuck key, wrenches, etc., are removed and that the index locking device is disengaged before turning on the lathe.

## **12. Lathe speed**

Check and adjust the lathe speed before turning on the lathe. Start at a slow speed for large or unbalanced blanks and incrementally increase the speed as the blank is trued up and comes into balance.

## **13. Standing at the lathe**

Stand to the side of the project blank, not behind or in front of it, when turning on the lathe. This applies to spectators as well as the turner. Be ready to switch the lathe off immediately in case of emergency.

## **14. A-B-C rule**

Engage the gouge or skew with the wood, keeping in mind the A-B-C rule:

A- Anchor; first, anchor the tool on the tool rest

B- Bevel; second, rub the bevel against the wood

C- Cut; start the cut by rotating and/ or lifting the tool handle as appropriate for the tool

### **15. Toolrest adjustment**

Always turn the lathe off before adjusting the toolrest.

### **16. Tool reach**

Do not overreach the tool beyond the toolrest. The distance from the end of a turning tool handle to the toolrest must be at least five times the distance from the toolrest to the tip of the tool. For example, for a gouge reaching 3 inches beyond the toolrest the tool handle should extend a minimum of 15 inches out from the toolrest.

### **17. Safe footing**

Maintain proper footing and balance. Keep the floor clear of wood dust and shavings under your feet to avoid slipping.

### **18. Stay alert**

Pay close attention to unusual sounds or vibrations while turning. For example, sometimes a live center will become loose (i.e., lose its grip on the wood blank) and emit a squeal or allow the wood to vibrate.

### **19. Turner limitations**

Know and acknowledge your capabilities and limitations. If you are unsure or uneasy about performing a certain operation at the lathe, then stop and call a more experienced turner friend for advice.

#### **Note**

This checklist is not intended to be a comprehensive list of safety considerations for wood turners. Please use the AAW Lathe Safety Guidelines (<http://woodturner.org/resources/safety.htm>) and other sources of woodturning safety tips for more information.