



Pikes Peak Woodturners

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

December 5, 2019



No meeting in December

Next club meeting at Bemis:

Friday, January 3, 2020 @ 5:30
Demo TBD

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Message from the Prez

Christmas is right around the corner. Reminder, there is no meeting in December. Been spending time hauling hay for the horses and wood for the wife's wood stove. In fact, I'm burning more wood than I'm turning. I'd like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. It's been a good year and I'm looking forward to the next.

The demonstration by Don Prorak, from Front Range Woodturners was awesome! It inspired me to splurge on an early Christmas present. I ordered up Robert Sorby's full size texturing tool. Now I just need a day warm enough to get out in the shop and turn an Off-Center Bowl.

We haven't finalized the January demo as yet. Any suggestions? Does anyone have a burning desire to show us their favorite project? Don't be shy, just volunteer.

We held our elections at our November meeting. With the exception of Secretary, our officer positions will remain the same for 2020. Jo Murto has obligations on the same Fridays as our meetings. Therefore, we need someone else who can take minutes and track the perpetual bowl winners. Any takers?

Speaking of the perpetual bowl. For the new members, the perpetual bowl is the first prize awarded during the monthly raffle. It's called perpetual because the winner will then make a bowl that will be the first prize awarded the following meeting. We do understand that not everyone turns bowls so any item you turn is acceptable. If you don't feel comfortable about making the next month's prize, you may decline the prize and we will draw again. We've lost track of the winner and who needs to turn one for the January meeting. So, I'll make an item to kick start next year's raffle.

The Presidents Challenge for January 2020 is to turn an "Off Center Bowl". See you all at the next meeting on Friday, January 3rd.

Until then be safe and keep on turning.

Vic

Happy Holidays!



Don Prorak Demo from November



UPCOMING DEMONSTRATIONS

December – no club meeting

January 3, 2020 5:30 at Bemis School of Art, 818 Pelham Place: DEMO TBD

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.

PPW dues are \$30/year. Dues are used for guest demonstrators, to purchase and maintain club equipment, and to expand our Technical Lending Library. AI will be collecting 2020 dues at the January Club Meeting. Bring cash or check.

MONTHLY RAFFLE

Nice turnout for the club 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

Robert Brewer -- 640-5325

Bemis School of Art Turning Classes

The classes for Bemis are tentatively set for Saturday, February 8 (bowls) and Saturday, March 7 (platters)

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



Woodturning in the Community

Jo Murto represented our PPW Club at the Pikes Peak Region Girl Scouts Secrets to Success Day. Girls in grades 6-12 connected with professional women in a variety of fields of work. Girls had a chance to meet with more than 20 women leaders in the fields of technology, construction, healthcare, finance, nonprofit administration, entrepreneurship, the arts, and more. This event joined today's leaders with the



next generation, to share their expertise and provide inspiration for success.

The Girl Scouts reached out to our club looking for a female artist. Vic forwarded the email to Jo. The day consisted of 2 hours of demos and short discussions about the business of being an artist. Then Jo joined other women creatives for a panel discussion. A special shout out to Rich Aldrich for providing the tabletop lathe for the demo.



A note from Rich Aldrich

My sister and brother-in-law attended the November meeting, Renee and Ben Carlson. Ben turned his first bowl the day after. (Not an off-center.) Cherry. 7-3/4 by 2-3/4 and a hair under 3/8 thick. No ridges no tear. The bowl gauge never left his hand. Every cut was his.



BEADS OF COURAGE

Members please support the Beads of Courage
These boxes are a big encouragement to kids going
traumatic medical procedures. Your participation is
helpful.

Beads of Courage: The size of the box, as a minimum,
5 inches wide x 6 inches deep. These boxes do not
be round, they can also square. Of course, you can make them larger, to allow the kiddos to put all their beads in a safe
place. Go to www.beadsofcourage.org to see to whom you will be making these boxes. Don't forget to bring your boxes
to the meetings and put them into the instant gallery. Steve Maikell will be the point of contact to turn in the BOC bowls
to the Denver club for the children's cancer hospital.

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