

August 2021



It's never too early to get started on your Christmas items and ornaments are always a great gift to make on the lathe. Tom Shields will be demonstrating how to make another Christmas ornament this year. Over the past several years, Tom has continued to have a new and exciting ornament to challenge us with.

Featured Demonstrator
Saturday August 21st



Tom Shields



President's Corner



David Delker

Recent FHW Board Action

Our Board decided at its August 9 meeting to **continue meeting virtually through September 2021**. The Board's decision was based on our firm belief that the safety of our members, their families, and their respective communities is of the utmost importance. While we all would like to attend in-person club meetings again to share our passion for woodturning, the risks of exposure to COVID-19 and contracting that disease are just too great to consider meeting in person at this time.

We are fortunate to have the equipment and expertise to bring interactive remote demonstrations (IRDs) to you in the comfort and safety of your own homes. Our August 21 virtual meeting will feature Tom Shields demonstrating how to make a Christmas ornament. On September 18 Bob Holcombe will demonstrate the basics of bowl turning. In addition, each of us will have a chance to share our own creations virtually during Show and Tell time.

I hope the alarming COVID-19 infection statistics, accompanied by our community's low vaccination rate will turn around soon so we can get back to in-person meetings. We will determine the format for the meetings scheduled for October and beyond as we get closer to those dates. I look forward

to writing a Newsletter column someday that does NOT have to mention COVID!

Other Board Topics

The Board discussed several other topics. Let me know if you have questions or want a more detailed explanation of any of them:

- Monitor stands and other equipment for setting up meetings in the Armory.
- Backup person(s) to assist with audio and video equipment setup and operation.

Dues collection for 2022. Membership dues for 2022 will be assessed and collected in December.

We have a new home!

In case you missed my July 15 email, we have secured a new meeting place: the **Kansas National Guard Armory**, located at **721 Levee Drive in Manhattan** (off US-24 North of Griffith Lumber).

Our scheduled meeting days will change so the facility can accommodate our Saturday morning meetings. Future meetings *usually* will be the **third Saturday of the month (with the exception of the November meeting)**. Here is a *tentative* schedule for upcoming demonstrations:

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President's Corner



David Delker

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August 21: *Christmas Ornament* by Tom Shields

September 18: *Back to Basics: Bowl Turning* by Bob Holcombe

October 16: *Interactive Remote Demonstration* by Rudy Lopez (topic TBA)

November 13 (the second Saturday):
Back to Basics: Fundamentals of Segmented Turning by Vaughn Graber

December 18: *Photography for Woodturners* by David Delker

Remember that our program schedule may change at the last minute due to unexpected circumstances. Please read future email messages to stay informed about the latest developments!

Show and Tell Reminder

Yes, Show and Tell will happen this month after taking time off at the July meeting due to our guest demonstrator! Send me photos of your latest woodturning achievements to include in the PowerPoint slideshow for our meeting and in a future newsletter.

Please limit yourself to three items, with one or two pictures of each item. Send them to me by noon Friday at: fhwpresident@gmail.com

Conclusion

I would be remiss if I didn't give a closing "thank you" to the many volunteers, under

the leadership of Tom Boley, who helped us find a new meeting facility, moved equipment out of the old location, moved equipment into the new location, and offered moral support and encouragement during this difficult transition time. Once again, FHW members have proven that "great people make a great organization!"

I look forward to seeing you at our meeting, and (as always) I invite your feedback, questions, and suggestions. I may be reached at fhwpresident@gmail.com.

David Delker

July 10th 2021 club meeting minutes

A total of 20 people participated in the FHW zoom meeting including members from the South Kansas Woodturners Club of Wichita.

Reports:

- President – David Delker welcomed our invited presenter Phil Rose from Rochester, NY. To provide Phil enough time for his presentation there will be no Show & Tell.

We are still looking at a few more places as potential meeting spaces. If members know of a place that would work for our monthly meetings, please contact David Delker. The space should accommodate 50 people, able to tolerate sawdust, have internet connectivity, and preferably, the ability for us to set up and store our lathe and TV's so we do not have to trailer in and set up our equipment each time.

AAW is hosting a virtual symposium in July 17-19 with a full slate of activities to include 12 interactive demonstrations, gallery, and vendor products. As of the time of the meeting, registration was still open with a cost of \$45 for AAW members, \$60 non-members. Demonstrations are being recorded and there is a planning guide available to help you set your own schedule.

- Operations – Tom Shields reminded the Club of the Manhattan Pumpkin Patch event on Oct 8-9. The Club will have a booth and welcome members who want to help demonstrate and talk with folks.

- Programs - Steve Bietau reported that we

have many great demonstrations for the remainder of the year. The schedule is posted in the newsletter. Matt Monaco may do an on-site demonstration after the first of the year.

- Past President/Communications – Members are encouraged to submit articles (tips & tricks, safety information, favorite tools, etc.) for the newsletter and videos for our YouTube channel.

- VP, Secretary, Member at large-AAW Liaison: no reports

Demonstration: An interactive remote demonstration of a square edged wavy bowl was provided by professional woodturner Phil Rose from Rochester, NY (dragonsrose.studio). Phil is known for his creative wood-based art that starts on the lathe and then embellished with wood burning, carving, coloring, and/or fused glass. The demonstration was recorded, and handouts were provided to attending members.

Our next meeting will be August 7th with a demonstration of turning a Christmas ornament by Tom Shields.

Meeting adjourned 11:45 am.

Barbara Drolet—Secretary



Ya Gotta Eat



Tuesday

September 14th

Noon

Back room of Vista



**Show and tell
always welcome**

Flint Hills Woodturners YouTube Channel



Flint Hills Woodturners
74 subscribers

Check out the latest video that has been posted to the club channel. Subscribe to receive notice if a new video has been added to the site. You, as members, are always welcome to make short or long videos that we can post to our channel. Just send an email to rcase164@gmail.com letting me know about your video and we can get it posted.

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Sneak Peek at upcoming demonstrations

Date:	Topic:	Demonstrator:
August 21,	<i>Christmas Ornament</i>	Tom Shields
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Rockler's New Store Near Us.



Rockler has opened a new store in Olathe. The address is 15340 West 119th street. That is basically 119th and Blackbob. I was there on Tuesday August 10. The store is large and has a good selection of wood, bowl blanks and pen blanks. They also have a good selection of pen kits and project kits.

They have what they call a Guild Discount for club members which is 10%. If you are in the area it is worth stopping in for a looksee.

Submitted by Ross Hirst

Pen Turning Camp

The Independence Woodturners have for several years conducted a pen turning activity for the campers at Camp Tomah Shinga, a Lutheran Outdoor Ministries camp south of Junction City. The Vice-President of Independence Woodturners, Mike McReynolds, is a friend of the camp director which is why the Independence Woodturners sponsor the pen turning activity at the camp. Since we are the local club, they have invited us to participate in the activity.

Due to Covid, the camp was closed last year but opened on a limited basis this year. I helped on July 12 and 15 and Steve Bietau helped on July 15. On the 12th the participants were all youth campers. On the 15th the campers were foster parents and kids. On the 15th both the kids and some of the foster parents turned pens.

Independence Woodturners provided the slimline pen kits and had the blanks prepared and ready to turn. They had 10 lathes available and used carbide tools for the turning. Some of the pens were unique and interesting and all the kids left with a completed pen. It was a fun activity and I hope to participate again someday.

Submitted by Ross Hirst

Pen Turning Camp Pics



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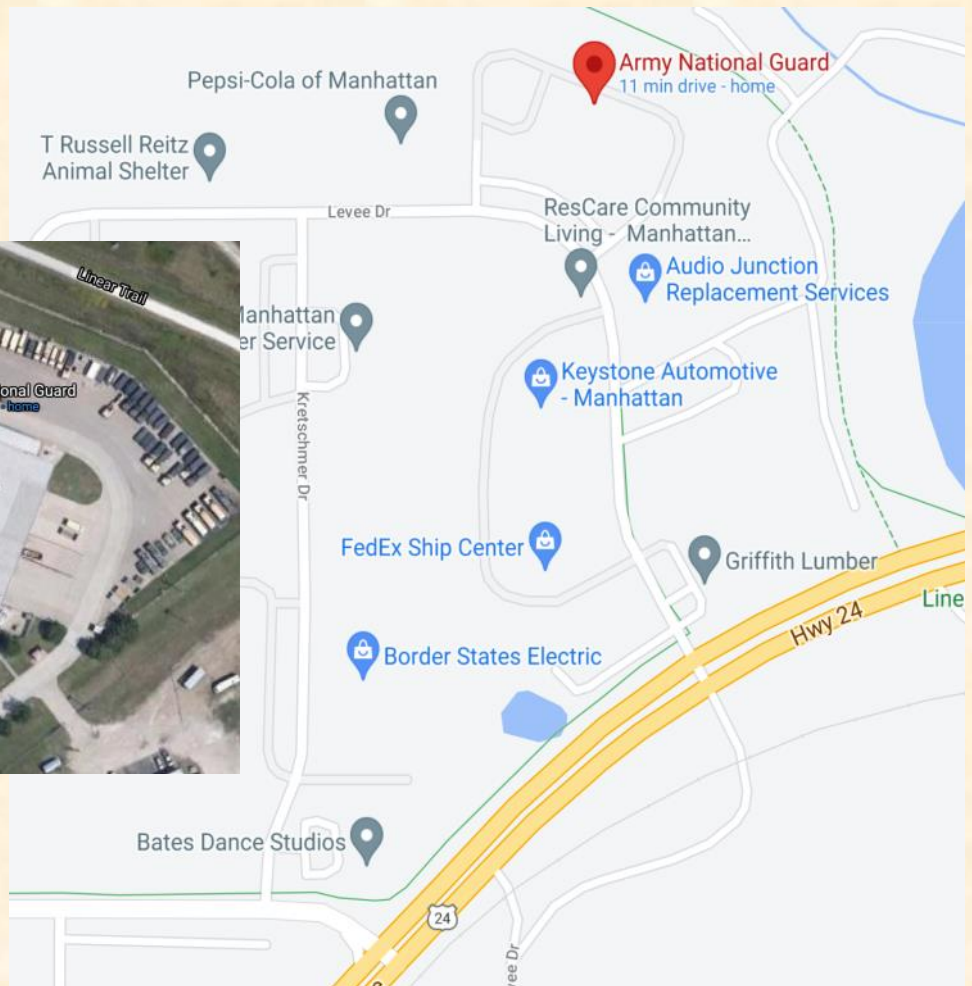
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Future Home of the Flint Hills Woodturners club



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Flint Hills Woodturners is a 501(c)(3) non-profit composed of individuals who are interested in learning and promoting the art of turning wood. Formed in March 2015 for hobbyists in the Flint Hills region of Northeast Kansas, the club welcomes all interested people to visit our meetings to get a sample of this inspiring hobby. You will find warm people from novice to expert willing to share with you. Flint Hills Woodturners is a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners. (AAW).

We are meeting virtually by Zoom. If you would like more information about our club and its activities please email:

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The American Association of Woodturners (AAW) is a nonprofit 501 (c)(3) organization, dedicated to advancing the art and craft of woodturning worldwide by providing opportunities for education, information, and organization to those interested in turning wood. Established in 1986, AAW currently has more than 15,000 members and a network of more than 350 local chapters globally representing professionals, amateurs, gallery owners, collectors and wood / tool suppliers.