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IFIINT HILLS WOODTURNERS



Featured Demonstrator
Saturday September 18th



Bob Holcombe

"Back to Basics"

Turning a bowl from green wood.

Our "Back to the Basics" series will feature our own Bob Holcombe demonstrating his technique of turning a bowl from green wood. For many years Bob has used a "once turned " method of making bowls and he will walk us through this variation on making a bowl.



President's Corner

David Delker



Fall is in the air!

I enjoy the fall season and look forward to the cooler weather and watching the trees and prairie grasses change color as the season progresses. For some of you with shops in garages and outbuildings, that may mean more hours of pleasant temperature suitable for woodturning!

I also look forward to our September 18 meeting, which will feature our own Bob Holcombe demonstrating 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. Watch for the Zoom link coming soon!

Recent FHW Board Action

Our Board decided at its September 13 meeting to continue meeting virtually through October 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. The scheduled demonstration in October is an Interactive Re-

mote Demonstration (IRD) by nationally known woodturner Rudy Lopez, so we will not have an opportunity to watch an in-person demonstration that month, anyway. 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 still too great to consider meeting in person at this time, based on health department community transmission statistics from Riley County and surrounding communities.

As I said last month, I hope the alarming COVID-19 transmission statistics, accompanied by our State's low vaccination rate will turn around soon so we can get back to in-person meetings. We will determine the format for future meetings as we get closer to those meeting dates. I look forward to writing a Newsletter column someday that does NOT have to mention COVID!

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President's Corner

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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:

Dues collection for 2022. Membership dues for 2022 will be assessed and collected in December. Dues will remain the same (\$35) for 2022.

Officers for 2022: We will elect officers for 2022 at our November meeting. Offices include President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Program Director, Operations Director, and At-Large/AAW Liaison. Most of our current officers have agreed to be nominated for another term, but Vice President Vaughn Graber and At-Large/AAW Liaison Tom Boley expressed interest in bowing out at this time, if possible. Any of you members may choose to run for those or any other office if you wish. Let me know if you are interested in serving as an officer. It's a great way to use your leadership skills and help our club continue to prosper!

Future Meetings:

September 18: Back to Basics: Bowl Turn-

ing by Bob Holcombe

October 16: Interactive Remote Demon-

David Delker

stration by Rudy Lopez (Long stemmed natural edge goblet from a limb)

November 13 (the second Saturday):

Back to Basics: Fundamentals of Segment-

ed 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

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 up to two or three pictures of each item. Send them to me by noon Friday at: fhwpresi-dent@gmail.com

Conclusion

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

David Delker





Thursday
October 14th Noon
Back room of Vista



Show and tell always welcome



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.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2HZn0FA9r5EwcoRbubFArQ/videos

Updates coming soon











Thin Stem Natural Edge Goblet from a Limb

We will be turning a thin stem natural edge goblet from a green limb approximately $1 \frac{1}{2}$ " $- 2 \frac{1}{2}$ " dia. I will show attendees the simple techniques I use to easily turn a thin stem natural edge goblet from a green limb using mostly a $\frac{1}{2}$ " or $\frac{5}{8}$ " side ground bowl gouge. I will explain limb selection, pith orientation, different techniques used for stabilizing thin stems, the use and sharpening of Negative Rake scrapers and drying to help avoid cracking.

Participants will learn to use the side ground bowl gouge for spindle work with emphasis on tool control, improving their skill with the bowl gouge and also learn the technique and finesse needed for turning thin stems on goblets. (Length and thickness of stems can be adjusted to the ability/comfort level of the participant).

Skill level / Experience: Beginner with good basic knowledge of the lathe & tool use, turns currently. Wood required; Green Limb sections approx... 13/4" - 21/2" dia. about 12" long. Best to be left in long log sections to be cut to length the day of class to avoid end checks.

Tools & supplies; Face Shield recommended, Safety Glasses required, Chuck for 1"X 8 mini-lathe or lathe that will be used, 1/2" or 5/8" side ground Bowl gouge, 1/2" to 3/4" Round nose scraper, Parting tool.

David Delker













Heather Marusiak











Victor Schwarz



Vaughn Graber





Steve Bietau

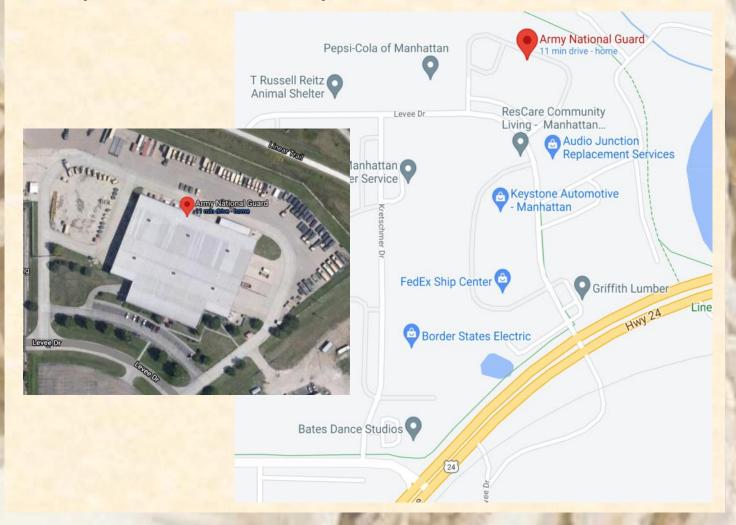




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Flint Hills Woodturners is a 501(c)(3) non-profit composed of individuals who are interested in learning and promoting the art of turning wood. Formed in March 2015 for hobbyists in the Flint Hills region of Northeast Kansas, the club welcomes all 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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AAW OF WOODTURNERS

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.