




Flint Hills

WOODTURNERS

May 2023

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This demonstration will feature once-turned and dried walnut blanks to twice-turn a bowl. A technique using a detail spindle gouge will be used to decorate the bowl.

May Club Event

Chunk Bowl Turning

with Dennis Biggs

May 13, 2023

Faith Evangelical Free Church, 1921 Barnes Rd, Manhattan, KS 66502

8:30 AM Social Time, 9:00 AM Meeting Opens



President's Corner

by David Delker

Thank you!

Many thanks to everyone for helping move the club's equipment and supplies from Tom Boley's shop after the April meeting! I know that many of you sacrificed some precious storage space (and got a few sore muscles) to make that happen, but I want you to know how much I (and the rest of the club officers) appreciate your willingness to help our club!

May Meeting

We will have the first meeting in our new location (see map on page 21) on May 13 (the second Saturday of the month). Subsequent meetings will be back on schedule for the first Saturday of the month, starting with the June 3 meeting.

Don't expect everything to work perfectly at the May meeting. Just like when you moved into a new home, certain things will not work quite right in a new space. Be patient as we work out the inevitable kinks!

Don't forget to bring your own chair to the May meeting!

Upcoming Programs

The May meeting will feature Dennis Biggs demonstrating how to "twice turn" a bowl and then use a detail spindle gouge to decorate it. Dennis is a great demonstrator and always shares valuable tips for turners of all skill levels, and I would expect this demonstration to be no exception!

President's Corner

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The lineup for the rest of the year looks great, as well!

June 3: **NAME** (topic TBD)

July 1: Steve Bietau ("Finials")

August 5: Tom Shields ("Christmas Ornament")

September 2: Bob Holcombe ("Yarn Bowl")

October 7: Ross Hirst (topic TBD)

November 4: Dave Davis ("Offset-turned Christmas Tree") and **NAME** (topic TBD)

December 2: Vaughn Graber (topic TBD)

Help Wanted

While we have recruited a few willing members to help with some of the technical tasks of running our club, we still need someone to manage our website and keep it up to date. Let me know if you are willing to learn how and take on that task!

Conclusion

I look forward to seeing you at our new location for the May 13 meeting. In the meantime, I invite your feedback, questions, and suggestions. I may be reached at fhwpresident@gmail.com.

-David Delker



AAW Bulletin

News from the American Association of Woodturners
by Heather Marusiak

- **Congratulations to our very own Melissa McIntyre on participating in the 2023 Virtual WIT Exchange!** [Click here to view the event presentation of projects or to view the picture slideshow.](#)

Rigid Talent

Wood and resin

8 x 15 x 8 inches | 20.3 x 38.1 x 20.3 cm

Twisted Turners

Bobbi Tornheim, Fletcher, North Carolina, United States

Kathryn Casebolt, Bellevue, Nebraska, United States

Melissa McIntyre, Kansas, United States





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News from the American Association of Woodturners

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- **AAW 37th Woodturning Symposium, Louisville, KY, June 1-4, 2023.** Join woodturners from around the world for the valued symposium experience you look forward to. More than 100 compelling presentations and demonstrations over three-and-a-half days. Learn from world-class demonstrators. Evaluate and buy the latest equipment, tools, and supplies in the Trade Show. Make new woodturning friends! [Click here for more information or to register.](#)
- The AAW WIT (Women in Turning) Committee agrees that to further its mission to increase participation of women in the field of woodturning, it will work with chapters to help grow the number of women in AAW. Currently, women comprise less than 9% of AAW membership. To encourage women to join AAW, the WIT Committee offers a limited number of WIT-sponsored half- and full-price AAW memberships to women for a one-year, full "General" AAW membership. For more information, contact Heather Marusiak at heather.marusiak@gmail.com
- To become an AAW member, or to renew your AAW membership, please visit: [AAW Membership Home.](#)



Mentoring Opportunities

Several of our members have volunteered to be available to those looking to practice, learn new techniques, and improve their woodturning skills. These mentors will lend their time and skill help. Just give one of the mentors listed below a call or e-mail so we can determine how best to help and to set up a time to meet. The club is very interested in this new skill building effort and we are looking forward to hearing from you.

- Steve Bietau, West Manhattan, (785) 317-3179, sabietau@gmail.com
- Tom Shields, West Manhattan, (785) 537-3032, 5tommyshields@gmail.com
- Dennis Biggs, Abilene, (785) 479-6601, dbiggsgolf@yahoo.com
- Randy Zelenka, West Manhattan, (785) 564-7182, randall.m.zelenka.civ@mail.mil
- Tom Boley, Near Wamego, (785) 456-7890, tboley10@gmail.com
- Ross Hirst (penturning), Topeka, (785) 249-7936, ross.i.hirst@cox.net
- Robert Kloppenborg, Marysville, (785) 713-0658, bjklop@sbcglobal.net

Vista
DRIVE IN

Ya Gotta Eat!

Tuesday, May 23 at 12:00 PM

in the back room of

VISTA DRIVE IN

1911 Tuttle Creek Blvd, Manhattan, KS 66502

***Show and Tell
is Welcome!***

*...Food!
...Friendship!
...Woodturning!*



April Meeting Minutes

Recorded by Barbara Drolet

April 1, 2023, 9:00 am at Red Oak Hollow Lathe Works

A total of 33 people participated, including 3 visitors and 2 attended by Zoom.

Officer Reports:

President – David Delker: Members are encouraged to bid for items in the silent auction and bring wood working items in to donate. All proceeds go to the Club. Cash, check, and PayPal (to fhwtreasurer@gmail.com) are accepted. The call for volunteers to help with many aspects of running the meetings had some responses but we need more people to step up. Heather Marusiak is now doing the newsletter, David is covering programs and sending out all Club emails, Daniel Dubois will edit and upload videos to our YouTube channel, Mike Ballard and Mike Roediger are helping with camera setup and running the software to enable our hybrid meetings. As far as volunteers for storage, Joe Beck will take the monitors and stands and the midi-lathe. Anyone storing Club items must agree to providing a secure location, arrive at monthly meetings by 7:30 AM, and make accommodations if they are not going to be able to make it to a meeting.

VP – Joe Beck: Klingspor and Penn State vendors have been sent the list of members wanting their contact information shared for the 10% discount. If members did not get their name added to the list, please contact Joe.

Treasurer – Ross Hirst: The Club treasury balance is \$2702.43. This does not include additional money received before the meeting started for membership dues and skill enhancement.

Programs – (Vacant, Delker Acting): The Club is still in need of a Program Coordinator. Please contact David if you are interested in that position. Dennis Biggs will demonstrate for the May 13th meeting. June is TBD. In July, Steve Bietau will demonstrate finials. The August demonstration will be Tom Shields and in September, Bob Holcombe will demonstrate yarn bowls. October we be Ross Hirst, November will be Dave Davis, and December will be Vaughn Graber.

Operations – Tom Shields: Club members participated in the Flint Hills Discovery Center Meet the Makers in March and it was well attended. Thanks to Tom Shields, Robert Kloppenborg, Stevie Bietau, Dennis Biggs, and Ross Hirst for volunteering. The Flint Hills Festival is May 6 in Blue Earth Plaza. We will be outside with power to run a lathe and under a tent provided by Steve Bietau. Tom Shields will bring a lathe and sharpener. Volunteers willing to turn should bring their own tools and wood. Other volunteers are needed to talk with the crowd. If members want to sell items, there is an additional \$50 cost that will need to be covered by them. Set up will be at 8 AM and teardown at 5 PM. Please contact Tom if you are interested in participating.



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Newsletter/AAW liaison – Heather Marusiak: AAW updates can be found in the newsletter. Derek Weidman will demonstrate sculpting wildlife using multi-axis turning on April 15. The AAW's Women-in-turning (WIT) Virtual Exchange Presentation of Projects will be April 29. Registration is free. WIT offers half and full-price AAW memberships to women for one year. For more information, please contact Heather.

Secretary – No report

Other business: Skill enhancement will no longer be provided due to lack of participation. Instead, five members have signed up as mentors and will do one-on-one mentoring. Contact Tom Boley, Randy Zelenka, Tom Shields, Ross Hirst, or Steve Bietau if interested.

The next Ya Gotta Eat gathering at Vista Drive-In will be April 12 at noon.

A reminder that the next meeting will be the second Saturday of May and at our new temporary location: Faith Evangelical Free Church, 1921 Barnes Road.

Show & Tell: Presenters included: David Delker, Dan Zeller, Tod Salfrank, Robert Kloppenborg, Tom Shields, Janet George, Vaughn Graber, Daniel Dubois, Tom Boley, and Heather, Jason, and Petra Marusiak.

Demonstration: Member Daniel Dubois demonstrated eccentric turning, which is multi-axis turning without a fixed tail stock axis or support. This results in the axis of rotation being in a different alignment than the geometric axis of the workpiece. Information included safety considerations, preferred wood species and size, lathe speed, preferred tools, chucking, shaping, and finishing techniques. An informative handout was provided. More information about Daniel's turning can be found on his Facebook page (TournageDubois).

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.



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April Show and Tell

Photos by Bob Holcombe



David Delker



Dan Zeller



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Tod Salfrank



Robert
Kloppenborg



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Tom Shields



Vaughn Graber



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Daniel Dubois



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Tom Boley



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Heather Marusiak



Jason Marusiak



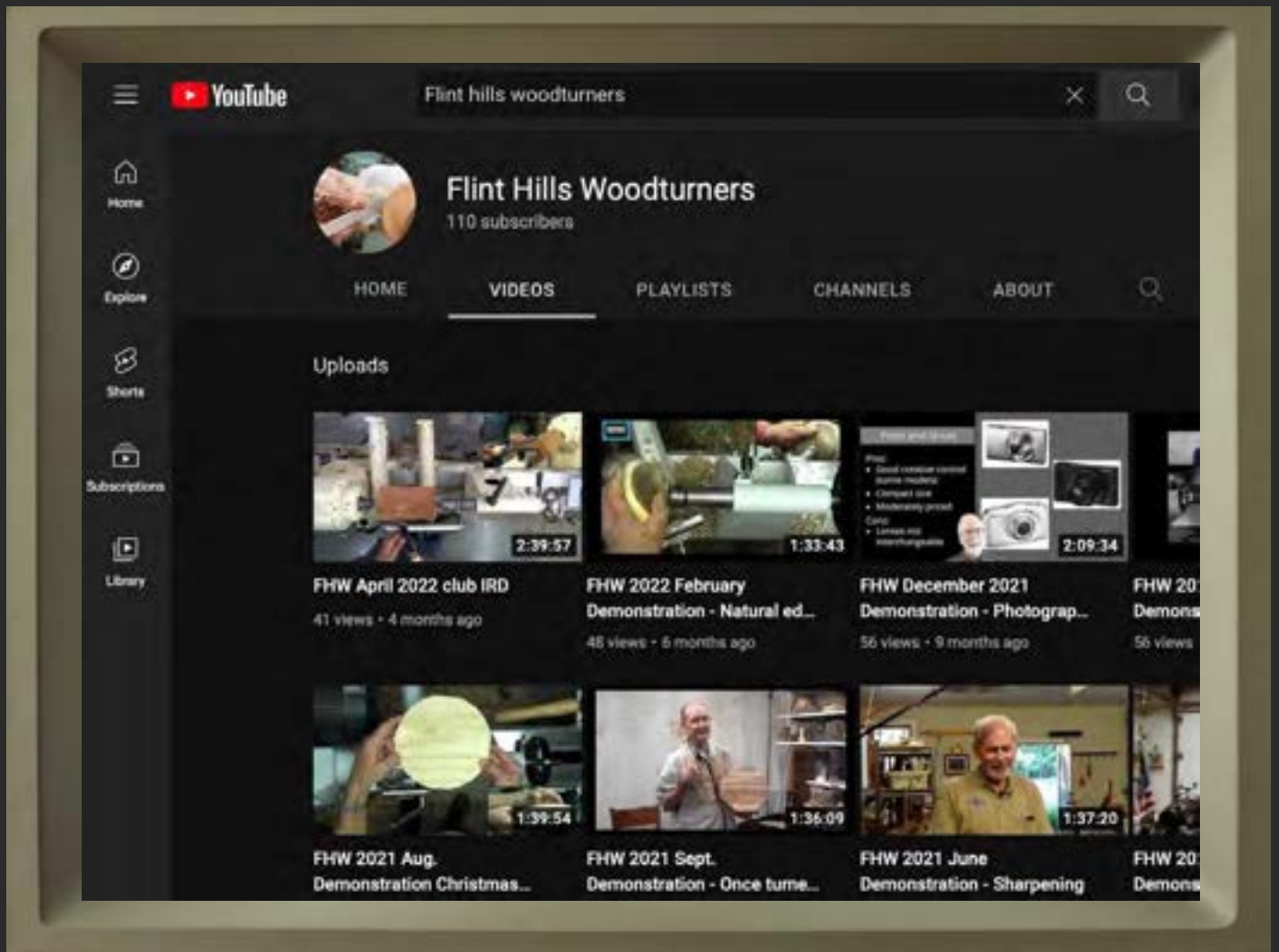
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Don't forget to follow, comment, like, and share FHW content on Facebook

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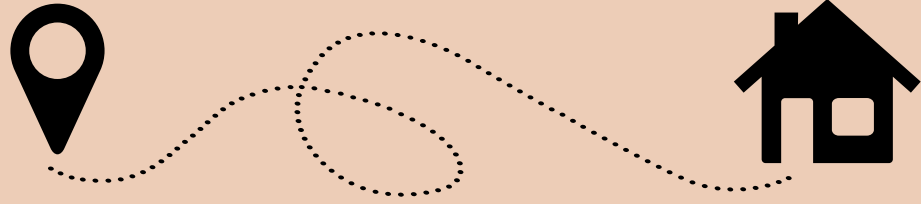


We're on  YouTube

[Click here to view demonstrations hosted by the Flint Hills Woodturners](#)



WE HAVE MOVED!



Faith Evangelical Free Church
1921 Barnes Rd
Manhattan, KS 66502



Don't forget to bring
your own chair!



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Secretary
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Ross Hirst



Operations
Tom Shields



**AAW & WIT Liaison
Newsletter Editor**
Heather Marusiak

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.

If you would like more information about our club, please visit our website:
<https://flinthillswoodturners.org>
or email:
fhwpresident@gmail.com



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.