



Flint Hills

WOODTURNERS

April 2024

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New Meeting Location Starting April 6!

We have been on constant lookout for a meeting location that will provide our club with room to demonstrate, room to grow, and—very importantly— room to store our equipment. The search seems to be over and we have found that new home at **Rock Creek High School** in St. George! The shop is HUGE with two 3520A model Powermatics, tools, a grinder, plenty of room to set up for meetings, as well as space to store our gear. It is all at ground level in a separate building. Basing our operations in this facility also opens doors for FHW to spread the skills and joy of our craft with youth in our community.

Rock Creek High School, 9353 Flush Rd, St George, KS 66536



RCHS Wood Shop

Entrance
(near greenhouse)

Park here



New Home of the Flint Hill Woodturners Rock Creek High School

9353 Flush Rd, St George, KS 66536

From Manhattan:

Take HWY 24 East toward Wamego to Flush Road. Flush is 5.5 miles from the HWY 24/Tuttle Creek intersection and is flagged with a speed limit of 60 mph. Go left (North) on Flush Rd for 7.2 miles.

From Wamego:

Take HWY 24 West toward Manhattan to Flush Road. Flush is 7.3 miles from the KS-99/HWY 24 intersection and is flagged with a speed limit of 60 mph. Go right (North) on Flush Rd for 7.2 miles.


Please park and enter the building through the door by the greenhouse.



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Tom Boley and Steve Bietau just spent a week at the John C Campbell Folk School (folkschool.org) in Brasstown, NC, where they taught a natural edge bowl class on turning a standard natural edge bowl, a square natural edge bowl, and a natural edge bowl cut on the bias. Now that they have returned, Steve will be our demonstrator for the April meeting, demonstrating all three shapes of these natural edge wonders.

April Club Event
Natural Edge Wonders
with Steve Bietau

April 6, 2024

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

Rock Creek High School, 9353 Flush Rd, St George, KS 66536



SATURDAY
04
MAY 2024
10 AM - 5 PM



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Join the Flint Hills Woodturners as we share woodturning demonstrations and conversations with the community at the Flint Hills Festival on Saturday, May 4! We are looking for some volunteers to join in on the festivities and lend some time at our club's booth.

Please contact Robert Kloppenborg for more information. Bjklop@sbcglobal.net or 785-713-0658

AAW

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
OF WOODTURNERS

AAW Bulletin

News from the American
Association of Woodturners

Compiled Heather Marusiak



Internationally Renowned Demonstrators

Top woodturners from around the world will be demonstrating their techniques for woodturners of all skill levels. [See the demonstrator and panelist list here.](#)

World's Largest Woodturning Tradeshow

All your favorite woodturning and woodworking vendors will be in one place giving you a hands-on look at the latest and greatest products.

A Sense of Community

Connect with a welcoming community of woodturning hobbyists, professionals, artists, collectors, and vendors.

Gallery, Exhibitions and Auctions

The largest and most unique display of awe-inspiring wood art from around the world.

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER](#)



AAW is seeking woodturning video content for its Explore database. Members use [AAW Explore](#) to locate a wide selection of curated woodturning videos, as well as articles, projects, and more from AAW's complete archive of publications.

To be included, videos must:

- 1) be hosted in the public domain (YouTube, Vimeo, etc.)
- 2) be well-produced (good sound/video quality)
- 3) feature safe woodturning practices
- 4) offer informative, educational content.

Advertising and promotional content will not be accepted. Once submitted, the videos will be reviewed for safety, quality production and content. After approval, videos will be added to the Explore database. [Click here to recommend a video.](#)

And don't forget:

- The AAW member [Remote Demonstration Calendar](#) features online woodturning demonstrations presented by AAW members.
- 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.](#)



Vista
DRIVE IN

Ya Gotta Eat!

Tuesday, April 16 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!*



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) 477-4587, vzalenka@cox.net
- 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



March Meeting Minutes

Recorded by Barbara Drolet

FHW Meeting Minutes, March 2, 2024, 9:00 am at 1921 Barnes Road, Manhattan, KS

A total of 30 people attended in person, including four guests and four members attended via Zoom.

Officer Reports:

President – Tom Shields: As announced in the March newsletter, a new meeting place has been found for the Club. Starting in April we will meet at Rock Creek High School, which is Northeast of Manhattan. A big thanks to Tom Boley for finding this new location. Several will be heading there with our equipment after the meeting. Members are welcome to help pack things up and follow us to see the new location. Today's meeting is an interactive remote demonstration by Ron Tomasch. Due to the need for time for the demonstration we will not be having Show & Tell today. Also, because we will be here through the noon hour, the Club will provide pizza.

VP – Tod Salfrank: The library will be available at meetings from now on because we will be able to store it at the high school.

Treasurer – Ross Hirst – The Club treasury balance is \$4401.55 with \$78 in petty cash. Expenditures include the following: a \$5 monthly service charge, liability insurance of \$200, today's pizza cost of \$211 and the IRD is \$350.

Programs – Tom Boley: Steve Bietau will demonstrate turning three types of natural edge bowls.

Operations – Robert Kloppenborg: Meet the Makers event at the Flint Hills Discovery Center is March 13. Set up is 9:00 AM and break down is 5:00 PM. Robert needs volunteers to set up, turn, talk with folks, and break down. Anyone interested should contact him by email bjklop@sbcglobal.net. This is the same day as the 'You Gotta Eat' gathering so those attendees are encouraged to come down to the event.

AAW Liaison/WIT/Newsletter– Heather Marusiak: No report

Secretary – Barbara Drolet: No report.

Demonstration -An interactive remote demonstration was to be provided by Ron Tomasch. Unfortunately, the connection for both audio and video was very poor. Ron tried to proceed however his lathe kept tripping the circuit breaker. It was decided we would cancel the demonstration and try again in a couple of months.

The next meeting will be April 6.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 AM.

Lathe For Sale

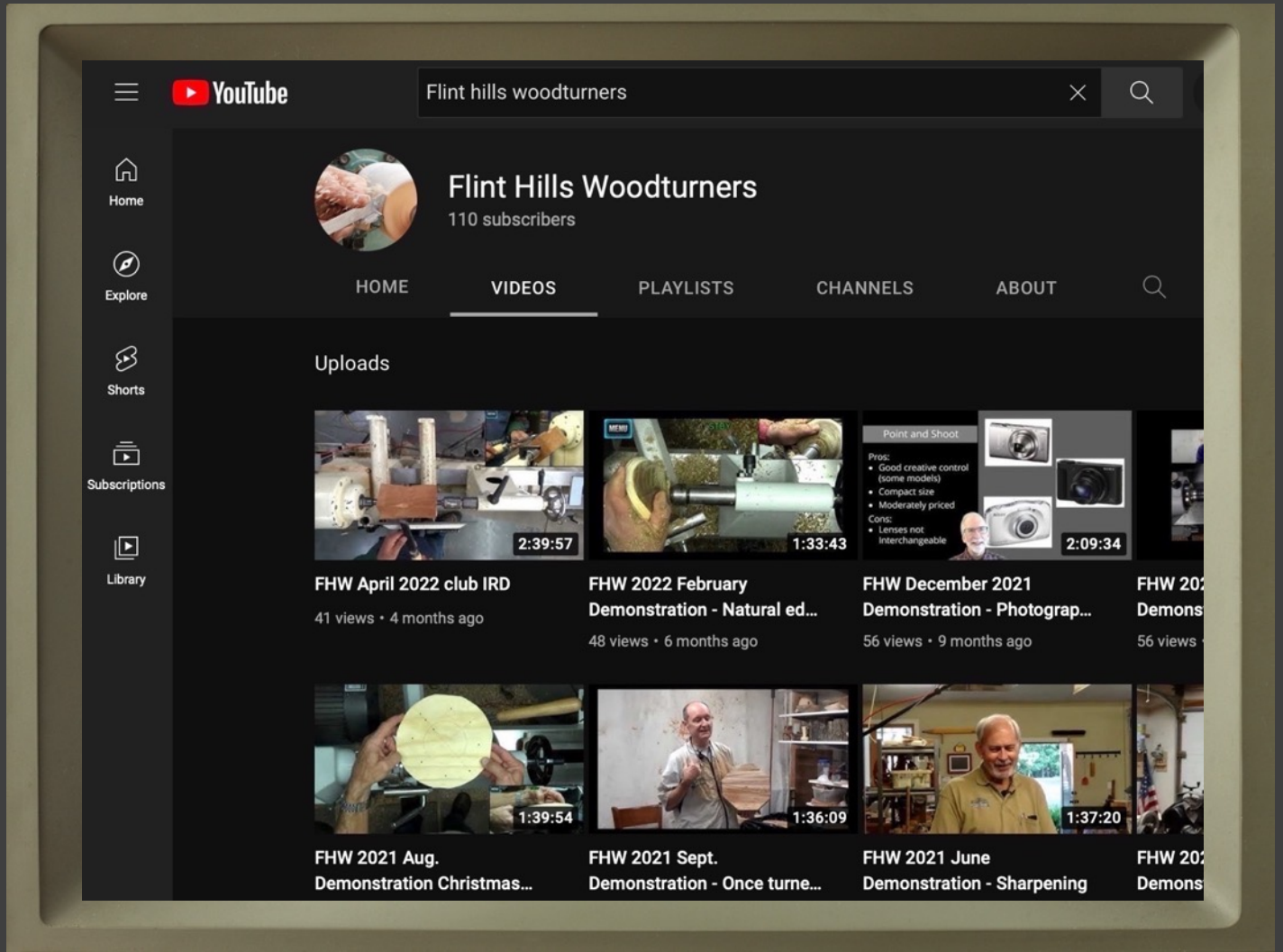
- 18" x 40" Jet woodturning lathe, model JWL-1840EVS in excellent condition, located in Manhattan, KS
- If interested, please contact Jan Olewnik at jolewnik@yahoo.com or 785-564-1436 to make an offer



Check out these resources from our club library!

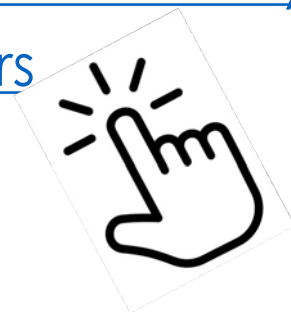
These titles are available for pickup at our monthly gatherings.
Please contact Tod Salfrank (golffntc@gmail.com) for more information.

1	Turning Wood with Richard Raffan	21	Tips for Turners #3 by David Ellsworth, DVD
2	Turning Boxes with Richard Raffan	22	Turning Wood with Richard Raffan, DVD
3	Woodturning: A Foundation Course by Keith Rowley	23	Turning Boxes with Richard Raffan, DVD
4	Turning Projects by Richard Raffan	24	Turning Bowls with Richard Raffan, DVD
5	Turning Wood with Richard Raffan	25	The Art of Turned Bowls by Richard Raffan
6	Getting Started in Woodturning, from AAW	26	The Art of Segmented Turning by Malcolm Tibbetts
7	Understanding Wood Finishing by Bob Flexner	27	The Art of Segmented Turning by Malcolm Tibbetts
8	Turning Wood with Richard Raffan	28	Bandsaw Handbook by Mark Duginske
9	Turning for Food by Nick Cook, DVD	29	Create the Perfect Wood Finish by Joe L' Erario
10	Elegant Finials by Cindy Drozda, DVD	30	Lathe Fundamentals by Rick Peters
11	Turning It Up Vol. 1 with Jimmy Clewes, DVD	31	Woodturning Today from AAW
12	Turning it up Vol. 2 with Jimmy Clewes, DVD	32	Woodturning Tips and Techniques by Carol Rix
13	Turning it up Vol. 3 with Jimmy Clewes, DVD	33	Woodturning Techniques by Woodturning Magazine
14	Turn it on Vol. 1 with Jimmy Clewes, DVD	34	Creative Woodturning by Dale Nish
15	Turn it on Vol. 2 with Jimmy Clewes, DVD	35	Turned Chessmen by Mike Darlow
16	Turn it on Vol. 3 with Jimmy Clewes, DVD	36	A Sourcebook of Shapes by John Hunnex
17	The Art of Hosaluk in Woodturning by Michael Hosaluk, DVD	37	Foolproof Wood Finishing by Teri Masachi
18	Turn Around with Jimmy Clewes, DVD	38	The Skew by Alan Lacer, DVD
19	Back to Basics with Jimmy Clewes, DVD	39	Shopmade Woodturning Tools by Alan Lacer, DVD
20	Bowl Turning by John Jordan, DVD		



We're on  YouTube

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





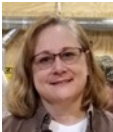
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Tom Boley



**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>



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.