



Flint Hills

WOODTURNERS

October 2024

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October Club Event
Christmas Ornaments
with Tom Shields

Saturday, October 5, 2024
Rock Creek High School, 9353 Flush Rd, St George (Flush), KS 66536
8:30 AM Social Time, 9:00 AM Meeting Opens

Come Join FHW at the 50th Annual Pumpkin Patch

50TH ANNUAL PUMPKIN PATCH

ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR



OCTOBER 12TH

9 AM - 5 PM

POYNTZ AVENUE AND MANHATTAN TOWN CENTER



MANHATTAN
TOWN CENTER



We need volunteers to help set-up, demonstrate, talk to passersby, and breakdown. Please contact our Operations Coordinator, Robert Kloppenborg, for more information or to volunteer for a time slot:
bjklop@sbcglobal.net or 785-713-0658

About Pumpkin Patch Arts and Craft Fair:

Join the women of the Alpha Eta Chapter of Alpha Delta Pi as they host the 50th Annual Pumpkin Patch Arts and Crafts Fair. The event is benefitting the Ronald McDonald House Charities in Wichita. This year's fair will be located on Poyntz Avenue in Downtown Manhattan and inside the Manhattan Town Center. Vendors will feature a variety of handmade, homemade, and refurbished goods and artistry.

THE BILL LUCE Collaboration Project



Bill Luce, Strata
Series #3, 2007, Douglas
fir, 9 1/4" x 11 1/2" x 11 1/2"
(23cm x 29cm x 30cm)

The Luce Collaboration Project Auction 12:00PM CST, Saturday, October 12, 2024

Bill Luce was an exceptionally talented and innovative woodturner, known for his passionate exploration and pursuit of the perfect form. He passed away in 2022, leaving a large body of work that was turned but not fully finished. To pay tribute to Luce, a collaborative exhibition was commissioned by AAW. Thirty-seven artists from around the world took unfinished Luce pieces and completed them using their own unique style. That work was displayed at the 2024 AAW International Woodturning Symposium and will be featured in an upcoming auction.

Auction Details:

- Bidding opens at 1:00PM ET on Saturday, October 12, 2024.
- Final bidding begins at 1:00PM ET on Saturday, October 26, 2024.
- This is a timed auction, without an auctioneer, similar to eBay. Bidders can set max bids ahead of time, or be on the site to make their bids. Preregistration is required.

[Click here to learn more](#)

[Click here to visit
auction](#)



Save the Date for the 2025 AAW International Woodturning Symposium!

The 2025 AAW International Woodturning Symposium is coming to the Twin Cities! Mark your calendars for June 12-15 so you don't miss the biggest woodturning event of the year hosted in St. Paul, Minnesota.

St. Paul is not only home to the AAW headquarters and the Gallery of Wood Art, its also filled with historic museums, galleries, great dining experiences, and tours. Bring your whole family to experience everything historic downtown St. Paul has to offer.

The symposium committees and AAW staff are already working hard on next year's symposium experience. Woodturning demonstrators are currently being evaluated and selected, and registration will open in November.

AAW Forum Highlights



[William Rogers](#)
[Cherry Hollow Form](#)

5.5" x 5"



[Dave Landers](#)
[Hollow Form](#)

7" x 3"



[Ric Taylor](#)
[Mesquite Hollow Vessel](#)

4" x 3"



[Christine Smith](#)
[Ambrosia Sensory](#)

[Symphony](#)
13" x 9"

Want to connect with other woodturners? Sign up for the AAW Forum, a member moderated online community ideal for sharing work, ideas, and obtaining feedback from other woodturning enthusiasts. You can upload photos, converse with other woodturners, and maybe even see your work as a "Turning of the Week."

[Click here to learn more](#)

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!

Thursday, Oct. 17 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!



September Meeting Minutes

Recorded by Barbara Drolet

Sept. 7, 2024, 9:00 am at Rock Creek High School, Saint George, KS.

A total of 20 members attended in-person, one attended via zoom, and we had one guest.

Officer Reports:

President – Tom Shields: Absent.

VP – Tod Salfrank: Due to absences the order of presentations this fall has been changed. Instead of a demonstration by Tom Shields today we will be having a demonstration by Dennis Biggs on natural edge bowls. Thanks to Dennis for stepping in with short notice. The Club A/V volunteers are trying to improve our zoom signal and sound. Anyone willing and able to help on Friday afternoon's before meetings to set up and those able to stay after meetings to help break down would be very much appreciated.

Treasurer – Ross Hirst – The Club treasury balance is \$3298.07 with \$131.51 in petty cash. Last month the Club had an expenditure of \$21.84 for a piece of sound equipment.

Programs – Tom Boley: Absent.

Operations – Robert Kloppenborg: Absent. *Important reminder from last month added by secretary after the meeting:* The Pumpkin Patch Arts and Crafts event is Oct 12th (9 am to 5 pm) on Poyntz Ave, Downtown Manhattan. We are looking for volunteers.

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AAW Liaison/WIT/Newsletter– Heather Marusiak: AAW has been promoting regional symposia. Members are encouraged to check the AAW website for more information. If members are having issues viewing the newsletter, please download/save the file to your computer to open it rather than using the email's document viewing software. The wig stand turning initiative by AAW's Women in Turning continues. Heather has a contact in Missouri who will distribute any stands our members bring in. This is an ongoing effort. Dimension specifics can be found on the AAW site.

Secretary – Barbara Drolet: No report.

Show & Tell: Presenters included: Tod Salfrank, Vaughn Graber, Victor Schwarz, Kenneth Stitt, Bob Holcombe, Heather Marusiak, and Dennis Biggs.

Demonstration – Club member Dennis Biggs demonstrated innovative ways to use chucks in turning twice-turned natural edge bowls. Information included when to use a mortise instead of a tenon and consideration of the size of each to maximize the strength of the chuck jaws on the piece, how to minimize jaw marks, orientation of the wood grain in the chuck, and getting the best cuts with proper orientation and height of the tool rest as well as the best angle of the tool for shear scraping.

The next meeting will be Oct 5.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 AM.

Minutes were recorded by Barbara Drolet



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September Show & Tell



Bob Holcombe



September Show & Tell



Kenneth Stitt



September Show & Tell



Tod Salfrank





September Show & Tell



Victor Schwarz



September Show & Tell



Dennis Biggs



September Show & Tell



Vaughn Graber

September Show & Tell



Heather Marusiak



Open Call for ALL to Participate: WIT Wig Stand Initiative

The AAW Women in Turning is encouraging all chapters to join in a national project to turn wig stands at no expense for the recipients. The wig stands are donated to local partnering organizations that give away free wig stands to those in need. The partners may be hospitals, oncology clinics, cosmetology programs, or other organizations that support people undergoing cancer treatment. The goal is to give back to our community, especially as cancer has likely impacted each of us, our family, or our friends.



Wig stand requirements:

Top: 1 1/2"–2" thick x 5" diameter disk
Base: 1 1/2"–2" thick x 6" diameter disk
Stem: 10"–13" x 1.5 x 1.5 block

- Any species of dry wood will work for this project. It may be solid or glued.
- Stand must be smooth and free of any sharp, jagged edges.
- Stand may be naturally finished or artistically embellished.
- Stand must be finished with POLYURETHANE.
- This is an ongoing project with no deadline for completion.

Please bring completed stands to our WIT Liaison, Heather Marusiak, at any of our monthly FHW meetings.



**Rock Creek High School
Home of the Flint Hills Woodturners
9353 Flush Rd, St George (Flush), KS 66536**

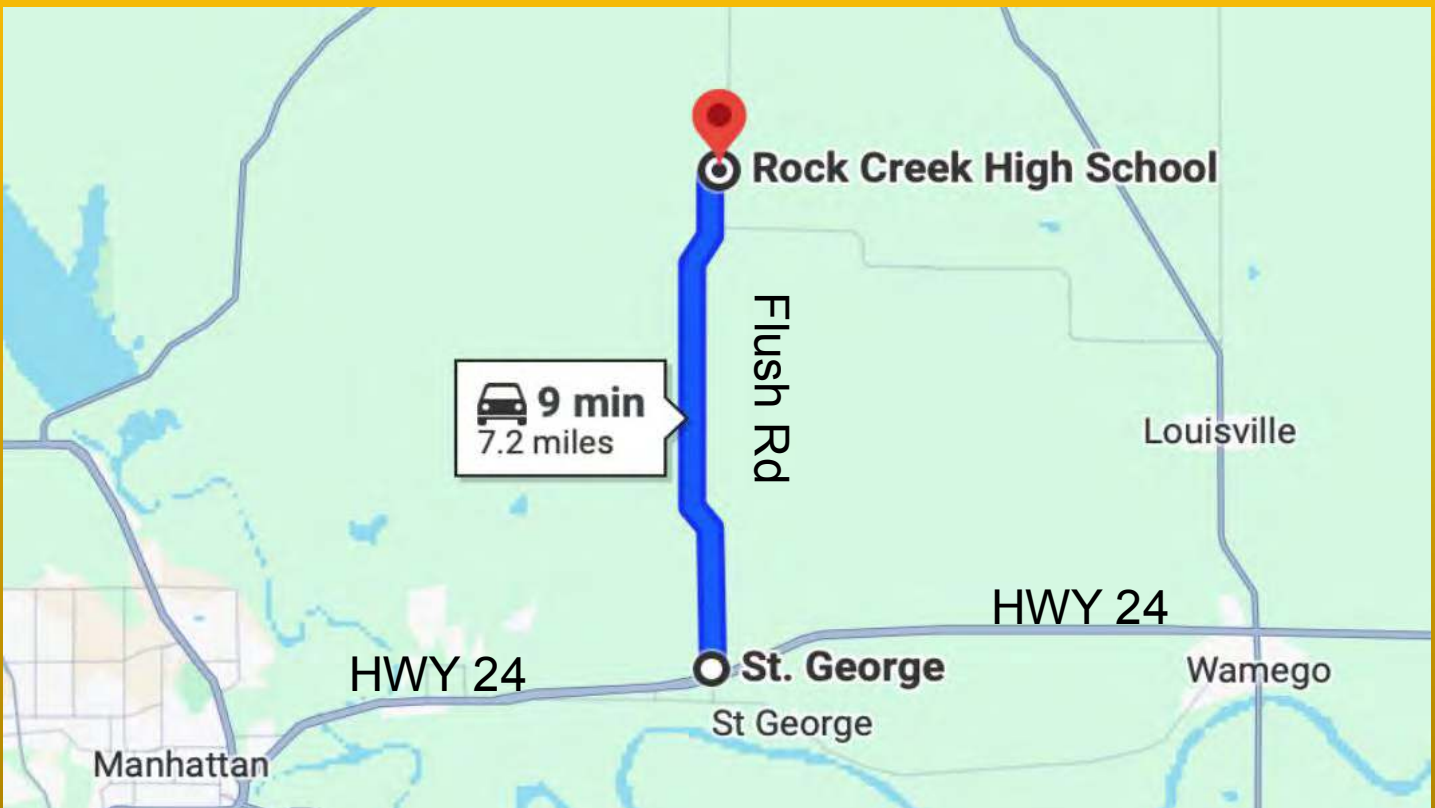
From Manhattan:

Take HWY 24 East toward Wamego to Flush Road. Flush Road is 5.7 miles from the McCall/HWY 24 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 Road 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.





Mentoring Opportunities

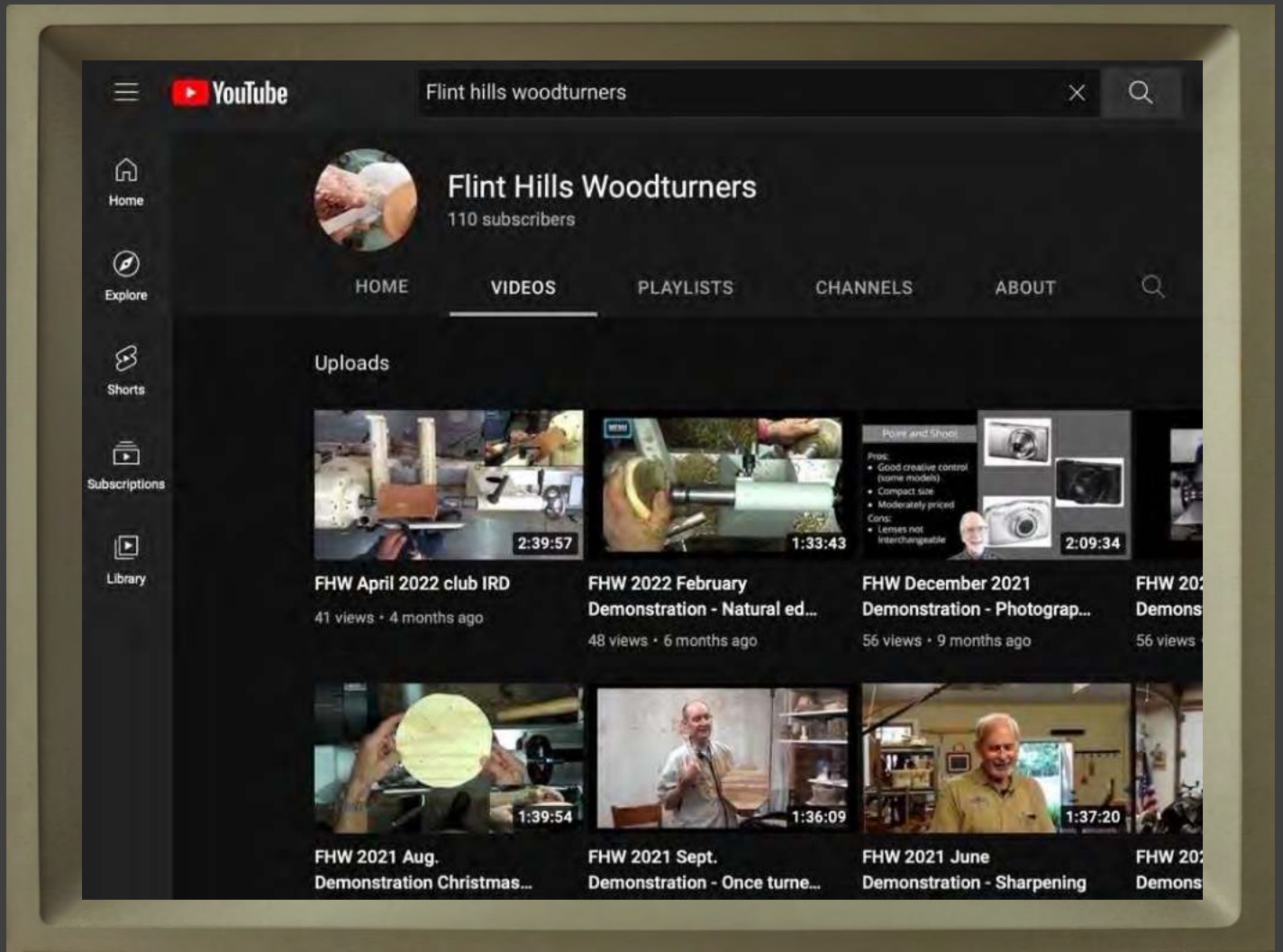
Several of our members have volunteered to be available to those looking to practice, learn new techniques, and improve their woodturning skills. These mentors will lend their time and skill help. Just give one of the mentors listed below a call or e-mail so we can determine how best to help and to set 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, Central Manhattan, (785) 341-9969, 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

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.

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| 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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**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.