

# Great Falls Woodturners

## News Letter

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### American Association of Woodturners (AAW)

#### Benefits for all AAW members and membership types:

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- Exhibit opportunities - AAW members may enter work for the annual juried member exhibit featured at the Symposium, the Gallery of Wood Art in St. Paul and other art venues
- Annual [International AAW Woodturning Symposium](#)
- Access to apply for demonstration opportunities at AAW Symposiums
- AAW [Resource Directory](#), that contains a complete listing of contact information for members, local chapters, demonstrators, and other woodturning resources. Updated listings are also available to members through the

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### Woodturning Information

Do you find yourself trying to find a solution to a woodturning problem or just need help, try the [AAW Forums](#).

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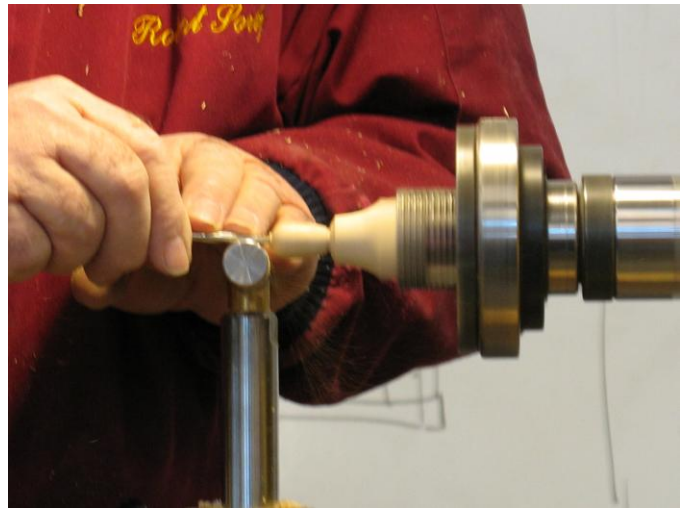
# Demonstrations

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## Cecil Walborn – Nov 19<sup>th</sup>



Prior to commencing the demonstration, Cecil gave a very informative lecture on turning safety. He addressed all aspects of safety gear, lathe safety, tool usage, and addressing the thought process of turning.



Then he amazed us all with his miniature turning. The ultra-miniature goblet he turned and then the hollow form miniature vase was absolutely amazing. Needless to say we certainly look forward to future demonstrations by this gifted and talented turner.

Please see some of the art that Cecil brought to the turning session in the gallery.

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## Dec 6<sup>th</sup> Demo

**Sam Sampedro** presented different methods of mounting a turning on the lathe using an array of mounting equipment.

**Jerry Hall** presented primarily face-plate methods of mounting turnings.

**Tom Krajacich** presented the collet method of mounting turning.

There was also input from club members on all different methods of mounting which enhanced the presentations.

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Cecil gave an excellent demonstration on off center turning and turning miniatures. He demonstrated the techniques of mounting the turning block, the thought process of approaching the piece to be turned and tool usage.

# Kudos Korner

## Special Thanks

Thanks to **Cecil Walborn** for his Demonstration on Nov 19<sup>th</sup>.

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Thanks to **Tom Krajacich and Jerry Hall** for their demonstration on Dec 6th

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A very special thanks to **Randy Gazda** for his generous wood contribution at the December 6<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting. His contribution and raffle ensures that the club continues to have funds to support the various functions held throughout the year.

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Thanks to **Del Johnson** for his donation of the Sharpening Kit that he donated and was accepted by Ron Niccum, a newcomer to the club.

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## Welcome

**Our Club welcomes Ron Niccum who visited the Club for the first time on Dec 6<sup>th</sup>.**

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## Birthday

Today, Dec 15<sup>th</sup>, is Our Great Club Secretary, **Marian's Birthday**. We wish her a very Happy Anniversary of her 29<sup>th</sup> birthday.

# Calendar of Events

**December 17 Demonstration at COT 1–4 PM.** Because of the generosity of **Larry Harman, Dave Stratton, and Stan Tiffany**, who are providing their mini-lathes, we will have a **Learning and Hands-On Session** rather than just a Show and Tell.

**January 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 P.M. is the next Club Meeting.**

## Rich Charlson Classes

The January/February Segmenting Instruction classes will be on creating a segmented platter. There will be two feature rings in the platter so please start thinking of your design for your platter. You may consider using graph paper to layout your design.

Classes will be from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. on January 7, 14, 21, 28, and Feb 4, 2012. The time is a little more condensed than originally planned and will require 'homework' (yes, Rich is a slave driver). However, you get to work at your own pace in the comfort of your pajamas and slippers rather than getting all 'spruced up' to come to the meetings.

In order to pay the COT for the use of the shop for 5 days, a fee for the course will be \$20.00 payable on the first day of the course.

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February 14<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting:  
Since we are having the last segmenting class on February 4<sup>th</sup> we are not going to have a Club Meeting on February 7<sup>th</sup>. The February Club Meeting will be February 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M. **This is a one-time change.**

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## Items for Sale

**Work Lights:** All Work Lights have been committed. If there is still an interest in the work lights, please contact Barry Rockwell at his email address. Sam Sampedro

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**Lathe, Drill Press, Table Saw, Mobile Base:** Pictures are available on Craigslist. See Site Address below:

Lathe, Drill Press, and Table Saw. ShopSmith all for \$500.00 Craigslist.

<http://montana.craigslist.org/tls/2731428713.html> or call **Reb Bishop 799-0227.**

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Please see the Windsor Plywood Ad at the end of the newsletter.

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## Shop Tips – Sam Sampedro

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### Amazon.Com

<http://www.amazon.com/Wiha-Tools-40010-Magnetizer-Demagnetizer/dp/B00018AONE>

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## Signing Your Turnings – Sam Sampedro

Did you know that there is an easy way to sign your turnings? About four months ago I was frustrated with trying to sign the bottom of my bowls with a wood burning tool. I mentioned it to Barry and he suggested the solution:

Sign the Bowl and any other turning with a Pen that has Archival Ink. They are available at Michaels located in Market Place. The pens are called MICRON Archival Ink pens. Cost \$2.99. You sign your work before applying any finish. Once signed apply the finish and it will not run.

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## Shop Tip – Jerry Hall

Ever go to your wood putty can to fill a crack in a piece of wood only to find it

so hard you can't stick a screwdriver into it?? You no longer need to throw the can away as I have done in the past. Take some acetone and pour into the can put the lid back on and the next day you have soft putty just like it was when you bought it. Be sure to get the lid on tight as the acetone will evaporate quickly and not absorb into the putty if the air is not kept out of the can. You can now get the full use of a can of wood putty for several years.

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I found this site to be interesting and thought you would too –  
Sam Sampedro

[http://bobhamswwing.com/my\\_woodworking.htm](http://bobhamswwing.com/my_woodworking.htm)

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I also found the following site and found it to be a wealth of information – Sam Sampedro

<http://www.woodturningvideospus.com/woodturning-tips.html>

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## Gallery 16 Fund Raiser

The Gallery 16 graciously afforded the club a prominent location to display items created by Club Members. This will provide exposure for the club especially during the holiday season. Please see the donations in the Gallery.

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## Club Fund Raising

Randy Gazda re-initiated a club function that existed in the beginning of the Club with his wood donation for the raffle. With the success of this raffle, I would encourage any and all members to bring in a piece of wood to the Club Meetings so we can continue this great way of raising funds. - Sam Sampedro

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## My “Spin” on Things by Barry Rockwell

My month in Southern California has gone pretty well so far, but I sure miss Montana, and my shop. The weather has been great, and the fishing so-so.

On November 19, I attended a San Diego Woodturners meeting and was treated to a demo by one of their members, Pete Campbell, who is best known for his large hollow forms and boxes. He made a large thin-walled “vase” out of a piece of maple burl that he mounted obliquely on the lathe, which makes one side considerably higher than the other side. His tools are pretty unique and mostly homemade. I was so intrigued with his work that I called him the following week and set a time to go to his house to see his shop setup and learn more about his techniques and tools. I was completely blown away with the whole thing. First, he really lives way out in the boonies, by California standards or Montana standards. His house was exactly 90 miles from where I live, and 40 miles from the nearest town, up a rutted dirt road that challenged my Toyota Tundra. His “spread”

and shop are nothing short of amazing. For those of you who have seen Gordon’s stash of wood, this guy has at least 100 times as much. He has an old Nichols Lathe that he can turn something up to about 5’ diameter on, as well as a big Stubby Lathe. He has 3 band saws, the smallest of which makes my Rikon look like a toy, and the largest of which you could probably cut a Volkswagen in half on. He has numerous rough turned table tops out of massive burls that he lets dry for 4 or 5 years before finishing them. There are burls 3 or 4 feet in diameter laying all around the yard and shop. He uses a forklift to lift some pieces to mount on the lathe and a tractor to push the shavings out of the shop. Some of his hollowing tools are 3 to 5 feet long and must weigh 40 to 50 pounds. Of course he usually wears flip-flops and has a long pony tail. I learned a great deal from this artist and will share it and my pictures with the club when I return to Montana in April.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a big pile of wood shavings.

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## Photo Gallery

Art turned by Cecil Walborn





## Turnings by Reb Bishop



**Turnings by Reb Bishop.** These are two pieces from what I call backyard lumber. The piece on the right is Lilac (which is the duller piece with red cement dye in epoxy worked into cracks/splits) and on the left Rocky Mountain Juniper.

## Donations by Club Members to the Gallery 16 Club Money Raiser



Box Elder Oriental Rice Bowl



Box Elder Oriental Rice Bowl



Box Elder Oriental Rice Bowl



Box Elder Oriental Rice Bowl



Maple Oriental Rice Bowl



Maple Oriental Rice Bowl

### Beautiful Rice Bowls Donated by Lloyd Taylor



### Bowls, Sphere, Honey Dippers, Coffee Scoops, Lidded Box, and Mushroom Bird House Donated by Barry Rockwell



### Segmented Bowl Donated by Jerry Hall



### Russian Olive Bowl Donated by Sam Sampedro



### Walnut and Cherry Icicles Donated by Larry Harmon

# **Great Falls Woodturners Club**

## **Video Demo Recordings Available**

1. Making a hollow ornament, Gordon Heikens, 9-26, 10-3-2009, VHS & DVD
2. Turning a square edged bowl, Gordon Heikens, 9-12 & 19, 2009, VHS & DVD
3. Scoop & Goblet, Gordon Heikens, 10-10-2009, DVD
4. Spoon & Lidded Box, Gordon Heikens, 10-17-2009, DVD
5. Plate & 4 Blade Screwdriver, Gordon Heikens, 10-24-2009, DVD
6. Finishing & Buffing, Chuck Kuether, 11-3-2009, DVD
7. Birch bowl turned on a screw chuck & "Jam" chuck, C Kuether, 11-7-2009, DVD
8. Christmas Ornament from 4" block, Chuck Kuether, 11-14-2009, DVD
9. Hollowing alternative, Lloyd Taylor: Tree Ornament, Chuck Kuether, 11-21-09, DVD
10. Bud Vase, George Gelernter, 12-05-09, DVD
11. Segmented Bowl, pattern-layout, Rich Charlson, 1-16-2010, DVD
12. Segmented Bowl, Base assembly, Rich Charlson, 1-23-2010, DVD
13. Segmented Bowl, Wall construction, Rich Charlson, 1-30-2010, DVD
14. Segmented Bowl, Final Turning, Rich Charlson, 2-6-2010, DVD
15. Club Segmented Bowl #1, Rich Charlson, 2-13-10, DVD
16. Club Segmented Bowl #2, Rich Charlson, 2-20-10
17. Club Segmented Bowl #3, Rich Charlson, 2-27-10
18. Club Segmented Bowl #4, Rich Charlson, 3-6-10
19. Center Saver, Lloyd Taylor, Chuck Kuether, 3-13-10
20. Suction Fit Lidded Box, 3-20-10
21. Making and Using an Oland Tool, Tom Krajacich, 4-10-10
22. Off Center Turning, Cecil Walborn, 4-24-10
23. Vase & Stemware bases Scoop, Gordon Heikens, 5-22-10
24. Sharpening Tools, Gordon Heikens, Chuck Kuether, 8-14-10
25. Spindle & Bowl basics, Gordon Heikens, Chuck Kuether, 8-21-10
26. Natural edge bowl, Barry Rockwell, 8-28-10
27. Selling on Ebay, Barry Rockwell, 9-7-10
28. More Bowl Basics, Chuck Kuether, Gordon Heikens, 9-11-10
29. Gift & Finials, Gordon Heikens 10-23-10
30. Thread Chasing, Barry Rockwell, 11-2-10
31. Pencil Pot, Lloyd Taylor, 11-13-10
32. Bread Knife, Randy Gazda, 12-11-10
33. Caragana Bowl 1, Rich Charlson, 2-2011
34. Caragana Bowl 2, Rich Charlson, 2-2011
35. Winged Bowl, Gordon Heikens, 8-2-11
36. Off-center Duck, Chuck Kuether, 8-20-11
37. Making your own tools, Barry Rockwell, 10-5-11
38. Icicles, Sam Sampedro, 10-22-11
39. Bowl Roughing, Barry Rockwell, 10-22-11
40. Mushroom Birdhouse Ornament, Barry Rockwell, 11-1-11

41. Multi-axis turning & miniatures, Cecil Walborn, 11-19-11
42. How to safely mount wood on a lathe, Jerry Hall, Tom Krajacich & Sam Sampedro, 12-6-2011

Great Falls Woodturners  
Video Library

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Professional Turner's Videos

Mike Jackofsky – Making a Hollow Vessel – 2 discs

Lyle Jamieson – Bowl Basics The Easy Way – 2 discs

Lyle Jamieson – Hollow Forms The Easy Way

Mike Mahoney – Heirlooms: Making Things That Last

Mike Mahoney - On The McNaughton Center Saver

Mike Mahoney – Nested Madrone Bowl Set

Richard Raffan – The New Turning Wood With Richard Raffan

Malcolm Tibbetts – Lessons in Segmented Woodturning – Volume 2

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Manufacturer's Videos

Jet Mfg. – Lathe – Safety, operation, tools, sharpening, projects

Oneway Mfg. - The Wolverine Sharpening System

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Books

Lathe Fundamentals – Rick Peters – Popular Mechanics Workshop

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 <p><b>5th DAY!</b></p> <p><b>SAVE ON ALL IN-STOCK LAMINATE FLOORING</b></p> <p>Assorted styles, thicknesses and patterns. Upgrade your home for the holidays!</p> <p style="font-size: 2em; color: red;"><b>25%</b></p> <p><small>Off reg. prices</small></p>		 <p><b>6th DAY!</b></p> <p><b>HARDWOOD &amp; ENGINEERED WOOD FLOORING</b></p> <p>Nothing says I love you this Christmas like a new wood floor! Choose from all in-stock prefinished nail down or floating engineered.</p> <p style="font-size: 2em; color: red;"><b>20%</b></p> <p><small>Off reg. prices</small></p>		 <p><b>7th DAY!</b></p> <p><b>WOOD &amp; METAL SPINDLES, NEWELS &amp; HANDRAILS</b></p> <p>Choose from in-stock Oak, Maple, Hickory, Aspen and metal spindles &amp; stair parts.</p> <p style="font-size: 2em; color: red;"><b>25%</b></p> <p><small>Off reg. prices</small></p>		 <p><b>8th DAY!</b></p> <p><b>MOULDINGS</b></p> <p>Any profile in any species! Hundreds to choose from! Oak, Maple, Hickory, MDF, EU Pine, etc...</p> <p>Do it now and save on all in-stock mouldings...</p> <p style="font-size: 2em; color: red;"><b>30%</b></p> <p><small>Off reg. prices</small></p>	
 <p><b>9th DAY!</b></p> <p><b>SAVE ON KITCHEN CABINETS</b></p> <p>Your choice of: Great Northern or Waypoint Living Spaces</p> <p>Do it now &amp; save...</p> <p style="font-size: 2em; color: red;"><b>20%</b></p> <p><small>Off reg. prices</small></p>		 <p><b>10th DAY!</b></p> <p><b>SAVE ON ALL IN-STOCK EXTERIOR DOORS</b></p> <p>Choose from all in-stock Steel or Fibreglass Exterior Doors and Save...</p> <p style="font-size: 2em; color: red;"><b>20%</b></p> <p><small>Off reg. prices</small></p>		 <p><b>11th DAY!</b></p> <p><b>COMPOSITE DECKING &amp; ALUMINUM RAILING</b></p> <p>All in-stock Ribco Deck Composite Decking &amp; Probuild Aluminum Railing. Buy Now for Spring! Pre-book now and pick it up later!</p> <p style="font-size: 2em; color: red;"><b>20%</b></p> <p><small>Off reg. prices</small></p>	<p>On the 12th day of Christmas Windsor gave to me...</p> <p style="background-color: red; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 5px;"><b>12th DAY!</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>DID YOU MISS A SALE?</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><small>Not a problem!</small></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Choose any one of the previous 11 days of sales you missed out on and</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>GET THOSE SAVINGS TODAY!</b></p> <p style="background-color: red; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 5px;"><b>LAST CHANCE TO SAVE! Pick a day you missed!</b></p>		



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