

ONE GOOD TURN

Meetings: Odd Months Second Tuesday 6:30 pm Dan Hershberger Shop

Even Months Second Saturday 12:30

Beads of Courage

Thanks to all who made boxes for the Beads of Courage program. This will be an ongoing program because it is for such an important cause. Members are encouraged to make a box or boxes to donate

July Club Meeting

The Great Falls Woodturners met on July 12, 2022. There were twelve people present. After outgoing president Tom Krajacich announced the proposed roster of officers and directors for next year



and held the election (please see his article elsewhere in this newsletter), discussion turned to making and donating bowls to the YWCA for their Empty Bowls event.

During the discussion about turning wooden bowls, turning items for charitable donations, and turning items for use with food, there were several helpful hints.



Sam rough turning his bowl blank

Tom Krajacich mentioned the need to tell people how important it is to not run wooden bowls through the dishwasher! He had made a very nice spalted wooden bowl and donated it. The recipient ran it through the dishwasher and the spaling got

washed right out of it. Tom said after that incident, he started signing items meant for donation with his initials. He had been writing his full name on the bottom of turned items. The person who ran their spalted bowl through the dishwasher saw his name on the bowl and contacted him with the expectation he would be able to fix the new absence of spalting.



Another member whose name I failed to catch (many apologies) said they had a turned wooden bowl survive a restaurant dishwasher. The bowl they made had several coats of Mahoney's salad bowl finish.

If anyone else has suggestions for food-safe and dishwasher-survivable wooden finishes, please feel free to share them with the club. One of the joys of this club is all of us learning from each other.

With the relatively short amount of time after the business meeting and elections, it had been decided to spend some time at the July meeting

with members of club turning together. The club has three lathes, a drill press, and several turning tools. Additionally, Randy Setzer brought his set of carbide tools for people to try during the evening. All three lathes were set up and various members of the club worked at different lathes. The club drill press was also used to help set up some of the available blanks for chucking. There was a lot of discussion, a lot of laughter, and a lot of comments that some woods seem to dull turning tools in a real hurry.



Speaking of blanks, Wayne Petrini recently gave a large number of turning blanks to the club. Randy Setzer has graciously agreed to store them at his shop. He brought some of the blanks with him to the July meeting. He plans to bring some more blanks to each meeting with the hope of giving them all away to club members. Any club member who would like get blanks sooner than the monthly meetings can contact Randy to arrange a chance to look through what is available. It is not required that

any club member taking one of the donated blanks bring back the finished item to show the rest of the club, but it certainly is encouraged.



Camille roughing out her Blank

There is no August meeting. Our next meeting will be September 13th, 2022. Paul Carlson has volunteered to do the demonstration that day. We have members signed up to do demonstrations through January 2023. Thank you to all who have volunteered.

With that, I hope everyone has a safe August, as relaxing and stress-free as possible during the August heat.

Happy turning!
-Camille Good



Election Results

The GFWT club held its monthly meeting and demonstration on Tuesday evening 7/12/2022. On the agenda was our annual elections of officers and board members. Nominations were solicited via email 3 times in June, and at the June meeting. Additionally, at this July meeting we called for nominations from the floor 3 times per Roberts Rules of Order. Nominations were closed with the following slate of candidates: Wayne Petrini, President; Randy Setzer, Vice-President; Chuck Kuether, Treasurer; Camille Good, Secretary; Jay Eklund, Gary Campbell, and Roger Wayman Board Members. All candidates were voted in and will start their terms effective August 1, 2022. We sincerely Thank all these folks for their dedication to the club. Additionally, we would like to Thank Jay

Eklund for being the newsletter editor. Furthermore, we wish to Thank Paul Snyder as our club photographer. Last, but not least, a special Thank You to our facilities host Dan Hershberger for allowing us to use his shop as a meeting place and storage facility. Without all these people it would be very difficult to have our club. We clearly have a great group of members. Remember annual dues (\$35) for this next year can be paid to our treasurer Chuck Kuether either by mail, or at our September meeting. Remember no August meeting as voted on by the board of directors. Empty bowls campaign for the YWCA is underway and there will be additional information sent out to the club in the near future by the coordinator Sam Sampedro. Please congratulate and assist all these folks for there dedication to the club.

Tom Krajacich, Outgoing Pres. GFWT

Next Club Meeting

The next meeting will be held Tues Sept 13 2022 at 6:30 pm. Paul Carlson will be the demonstrator.

Empty Bowls

Did you see it? I'm talking about how July just flew by and here we are in August. WOW!

So what does that mean to you and me? There's only 31 days to show your creativity and turn bowls for the YWCA Empty Bowl Program. By now you realize how important that is to the YWCA program: To help ladies and children in distress have a safe place to recover from negative actions in their life.

Your support to this worthy function will be greatly appreciated by the YWCA and our new President and Members of the Board. Please make arrangements with Sam to drop off your bowl at his house and he will see that the YWCA receives the bowls for their fundraiser.

Let me know if you have any questions.....

Sam

Instant Gallery



Roughed out bowl to finish turning



Roger's Russian Olive blank

Thanks

Thanks to this months contributors, Camille Good, Tom Krajacich, and Sam Sampedro.

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