

ONE GOOD TURN

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

Even Months Second Saturday 12:30

The Great Falls Woodturners met on July 12 at the Hershberger shop.



Paul Carlson showed us how to turn a three cornered bowl on the lathe.

Paul started with cube. It should be as close to a perfect

cube as you can get. His was further enhanced by segmenting a piece of maple between pieces of walnut.



After mounting on the lathe using the lathe spindle and a cup

shaped live center for the tailstock, Paul mounted the cube with two opposite points of the cube as the axis for turning. A tenon shape on the tailstock side was formed. There is a lot of “air” being turned with this configuration, so the faster the lathe speed the easier it is to turn.

Walnut is relatively brittle and several slivers broke off that complicated things a bit but as the bowl takes shape the missing chunks would be turned away anyway.



The tenon is shaped and the outside of the bowl is shaped. Then excess on the very end is cut away.



The turning is then reversed and the tenon on what will be the inside of the bowl is parted off and/or cut off at this point.

Then the inside of the bowl is hollowed out taking care not to get the points too thin and also



take care to not get you fingers or hands in the the way of those spinning 'knuckle busters'.

Thanks to Paul for a very informative demo.



The demo turning ready for sanding and finishing

Election Time

It is summer and that means it is nearly time for nominations and elections for the Board of Directors . New faces are always welcome on the board, so if you want to be involved in helping the club move forward, please consider serving on the board. Contact Wayne Petrini to put your name in consideration.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Sat. July 12 at the Hershberger shop. Chuck Kuether will be the featured demonstrator.

Mark your calendar

The 2024 AAW Symposium will be held in Portland, OR on May 23-26. The 39th annual meeting is the largest gathering of world class turner's that you will find. I attended the symposium the last time it was in Portland in 2018 and it is probably the best thing I have done in turning. There are multiple demonstrations going on at any given time over the three days and

there is something for everyone no matter what your skill level is. The vender 's area has every toy imaginable.

Wayne and Chuck also attended the Portland gathering along with several of our neighbors to the north from the Chinook Guild. It also has the biggest instant gallery you will find anywhere with thousands of items of every type of turning. It is truly amazing.

Club Picnic

The club picnic will be Sat Aug 19 at the home of Jay and Trish Eklund outside of Geraldine MT . Directions to the house were sent in a separate mailing or call 406-737-4529.

Instant Gallery



Wayne Petrini



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Upcoming Demos

The upcoming demos for the remainder of the year are:

Saturday, August 12 - Chuck Kuether
Tuesday, September 12 - Jay Eklund
Saturday, October 14 - Greg Yeager
Saturday, November 11 - open
Saturday December 9 - Christmas gathering

I would like to thank all those that have done past demos, and those that have volunteered to do future ones for stepping up and helping out. As I have said in the past, we appreciate any demo, and especially ones from those whom have never done one. We all learn something from your demos, no matter how simple they may seem to you. And you may be the one that learns the most!

Wayne Petrini

Thanks

Paul Carlson for doing the demo this month.

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