

# Northwest Woodturners

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**Northwest Woodturners** meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM. See website for details and map.

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Next Meeting:  
**August 3rd**

Turning Challenge:

**No challenge this month**



## Auction & BBQ

Ladies and Gentlemen, less than 1 week to go for the annual wood auction, hopefully everyone is taking some time to sort through their wood stash and put aside some good usable wood for our auction, or anything else for that matter: tools, projects (finished or not) or whatever else you may wish to donate. I have picked up ten \$25.00 gift certificates from Woodcrafters as well as one \$50.00 certificate that will be given away as door prizes. Remember that our *free* barbecue starts at 6:00 P.M. and Frank will start the auction at 7:00 P.M. sharp. This is our largest fundraiser of the year, so please come down and help support your club. If you have something too large for you to haul or need help, let us know and we can make arrangements. I look forward to seeing everybody this Thursday.

In September, we are going to have Mr. Reed Gray for our demonstrator. Reed, from Eugene, will demonstrate how to use a bowl coring system, he will show us 3 different systems, the Oneway, McNaughton and the Woodcut. These bowl coring systems are a great way to save on wood while making a bowl, yet they can be a bit confusing as far as set up and application. Reed will go through all of the steps with us, show us some secrets, and answer any questions that you might have. It should be an informative evening, hope to see you all there.

Thank You,  
**Fred C. Kline**

*Photo: Bob Tuck's lidded, natural edge bowl in the July Show'n'Tell.*

## Library News

Not much news to report from the library this month. I could tell you about a funny thing that happened on the way to the wood store the other day, but you would probably be happier turning wood in your shop than reading the fictional ramblings of a half crazed wood nut like myself. I have not made any progress on my "honing do list" from last month's newsletter since my wife found my copy, crossed out my list, and pasted her "honey do list" on top. Don't worry I'll get even when I bring home a truckload of wood from the auction.

Everyone will be glad to know that because of our wood auction next meeting, library items that you have checked out are not due back until September's meeting. Furthermore, the library will be closed for the BBQ and auction (librarians gotta eat burgers and bid on wood too, ya know). I am looking forward to all the fine usable wood, unique tools, and an action-packed auction – see you there.

Happy bidding -

**Chris Dix**

## From Your Editor

Seems the summer lull has gotten to me, given the sparseness of this month's newsletter. My thanks go to Don Woodward for putting together his pictures and description of his router index fixture. Now, back to the hammock...

Just hangin' -

**Owen Lowe**

# INDEXING ROUTER JIG

by Don Woodward

The basic idea was from a demo by Mr. Eli Avisera. My thanks to him. He wanted \$1,000 for his vice (no indexing). I built mine for less than \$100 and had lotsa fun. I will be updating and improving this for years.



For starters, I got a drill press milling vice, and made a strap to bolt it to my Sorby bed and still be able to slide it at will. I then went to my local bike shop and got a couple of scrap front sprockets (39 tooth and 58 tooth). As luck would have it, they already had 1" center holes which slipped right on the headstock spindle. All I need to do is use whatever chuck I want and snug it up against the sprocket. I bought a lever clamp from Ace Hardware and mounted this on the side of the headstock case. Then I re-

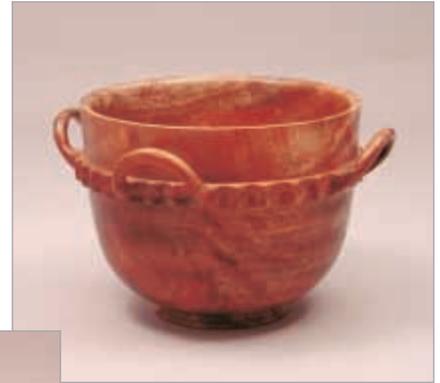
placed the rubber-tipped bolt in the clamp with a "T" bolt that locks in between the sprocket teeth. I *always* remove the drive belt from the lathe motor, both for safety and ease of indexing. *Never attempt to run lathe with sprocket installed!* I clamp a "Roto-Zip" tool (a large version of a Dremel) or a drill motor (with a bracket made from a 1/2" drill motor "T" handle) in the vice and off I go. By moving vice around and playing with depths and angles of cut, the possibilities are endless.





### Phil Lapp Demonstrates

his technique for making lathe-completed, handled vessels. By utilizing multiple axes, Phil clears the inside of the handle area with a drill and repositions the turning in order to undercut the upper portion, freeing the handle from the vessel body.



### July Hollow Vessel Challenge

Clockwise from right: Maple and Cocobolo by Scott Blackman; Asian-style piece by Doug Brown; Turning with a natural void also by Doug Brown; and a Manzanita piece by Lloyd Johnson.



## Classified Ads

**Guidelines for Classified Ads:** If you sell or find your item please notify the editor. Ads will only run for 3 (three) consecutive months. Please submit your ad to the editor by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Editor makes no apologies or guarantees for spelling or grammatical errors. All woodworking items, for sale or wanted, are welcome.

My wood turning friend, mentor and past president of Willamette Valley Woodturners died last fall. His widow has asked me to liquidate his shop tools. The major ones remaining are listed below. The tools are located in McMinnville, OR. I can email pictures on request. **Contact Doug Smith, 503-472-5616, peavinedoug@hughes.net**

**DEWALT DW746XB** 10" Woodworker table saw. Brand new, still in the carton, never unpacked. Paid \$875.00; Sale \$675.00.

**CRAFTSMAN 6" Jointer** Model 113.20680 SN 8.129.000.38 With stand.—\$99.00

**ShopSmith Model 10ER** SN69570—Offer?

### Woodcraft® Classes with Bob Tuck & Fred Kline

#### Gift & Specialty Items On The Lathe

Saturday, August 12, 10am - 4pm

Skill Level: Beginner/Intermediate

Instructor: Bob Tuck

#### Sharpening Your Lathe Tools

Sunday, August 13, 10am - 1pm

Skill Level: Any

Instructor: Bob Tuck

For more information and to register, contact the Tigard Woodcraft store.

Call (503) 684-1428 or email <[portland-retail@woodcraft.com](mailto:portland-retail@woodcraft.com)>.

#### Beginning Lathe Turning

Saturday, August 19, 10am - 4pm

Skill Level: Beginner

Instructor: Bob Tuck

#### Basic Bowl Turning

Saturday, September 16, 10am - 4pm

Skill Level: Beginner/Intermediate

Instructor: Bob Tuck



## Editor's Note:

Submissions to the newsletter are due by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Articles, tips, web links, classified ads, or other items pertaining to woodturning are welcome.

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## July Show'n'Tell

Far left - Large Maple bowl by Chris Dix; Center - butcher-block style segmented cutting board by Bill Wood; Above - Molding form for making paper seedpots by Mike Meredith.

