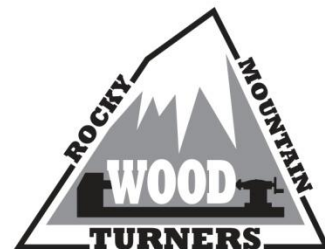




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A Chapter of the American
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October 2013 Newsletter

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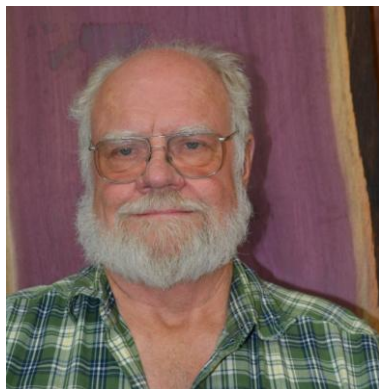
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Next RMWT Meeting:

The next regular meeting will be on Thursday, October 3, 2013, at the Woodcraft store, 3718 Draft Horse Drive, Loveland, CO and will feature Lee Carter presenting a demonstration on the Birdhouse Ornament.

FRWT October 1, 2013 Demonstration at Rockler Denver:

Terence Rice will present a demonstration on Christmas tree type ornaments. All RMWT members are invited to attend the FRWT meeting and demo.



RMWT October 3, 2012 Demonstration at Woodcraft, Loveland:

Lee Carter will present a demo on the Birdhouse Ornament.

FRWT November 5, 2013 Demonstration at Rockler Denver:

Sam Angelo from Worland, WY will present a 2-fer on "Hand Thread Chasing" as well as a "hands-on" day Wednesday, November 6th at Rockler in Denver. This will likely be limited to 6 persons due to lathe availability.



RMWT November 7, 2013 Demonstration at Woodcraft, Loveland:

Sam Angelo will present a 2-fer on "Hand Thread Chasing" as well as a "hands-on" day on Wednesday, November 6th at Rockler in Denver. This will likely be limited to 6 persons due to lathe availability.

RMWT Christmas Party – December 2013

Details and date to be determined.

RMWT January 9, 2014 Demonstration at Woodcraft, Loveland:

Dave Holley will present a demonstration: "Tips and Tricks" from J. Paul Fennel.

General Meeting Notes – September 5, 2013

- Wayne Lousteau, owner of Woodcraft, was made an honorary member of RMWT in recognition of his support for the club by providing the meeting location and for improving the Woodcraft store selection. Wayne thanked the membership for the increased business and commented that his employees love to talk with customers about wood, tools or finishes.



- Allen Jensen on the RMWT Symposium: \$20 discount still applies tonight + a free bumper sticker
- 163 people have signed up to date

- Needs volunteers early Friday for set up and late Sunday afternoon for clean up
- Need Instant Gallery watchers
- See signup sheets for needed equipment
- Need centerpieces for tables for Saturday auction
- Need video operators
- Open at 8:00 am, Registration from 3:00 to 6:00 pm, 1st Rotation starts at 3:30 pm, 6:00 pm meet and greet at Woodcraft
- John Gien noted there will be an Alaska attendee, 2 from Canada, 2 from England and thanked Allen and Trent for getting us international recognition
- Dale and Pete noted we need volunteers for hands on – sharpening tools and providing assistance
- One out of state attendee wants to visit some local woodturners' shops
- Frank reported \$3090 in checking and \$2521 in savings
- Frank passed around the signup sheet for the RMWT Exhibit at the Community Creative Center – each member can exhibit up to 3 pieces. This exhibit will also support out 502 (c) 3 status of educating the public
- Clarence compiled and turned over the member survey results to David
- Clarence encouraged everyone to bring items for the Instant Gallery and be open to learn from the critique
- Lee Carter needs demonstration help with the classes he teaches at 3 Ft Collins schools
- Pete reminded everyone that nominations and voting for new officers will open in January

RMWT September 5, 2013 Demonstration at Woodcraft, Loveland: Tom Wirsing – Finishing

- Finishing is a somewhat complex business and the slides presented are a bit complicated
- Finishing is like politics or religion – there are lots of different opinions and methods
- Tom's presentation slides are attached with this newsletter and also available on the website
- Shellac is an excellent sanding sealer – use sanding sealer if using a lacquer finish
- Make your shellac with shellac solids and ethyl alcohol. For sanding sealer add more alcohol
- Shellac is probably the best finish available but ethanol alcohol dissolves it.
- Tom uses 6 mil poly bags and a food sealer to seal the bag after adding 1 cup of Deft Danish Oil Finish to bag and lets it soak overnight (As shown in photos below)
- Remove piece from bag after overnight soak and immediately wipe the piece down, wait an hour and wipe down again, wait another hour and wipe down a 3rd time. Drain excess oil back into can.
- Tom uses "Casting Epoxy Resin" from Hobby Lobby to fill any voids in the piece and uses stain to match the wood color. Uses duct tape to build a dam around the void to get the epoxy above the wood surface and then sands it down as part of sanding operation. Sands to 400 to 600 before polyurethane finish
- Final step after piece is removed from bag and is dry – Use a 2000 grit Abralon pad to wipe on Minwax Wipe on Polyurethane and then wipe off excess. Apply multiple coats on multiple days until an adequate build of thickness.
- Have a space heater or insulated place to store finishes during the winter

- Typically does not use wax since ploy is so tough it doesn't need wax.
- Tom uses mostly Maple with Big Leaf Maple his favorite and the above finish process works very well with such tight grained woods.





Shellac solids

Other Items and Events:

The Rocky Mountain Woodturners Symposium was cancelled after Larimer County cancelled all events in Loveland and at the Events Center due to the flooding. However, two of the scheduled demonstrators had arrived in Loveland on Thursday, September 12th. Binh Pfo and Ashley Harwood, with help from Wayne Lousteau of Woodcraft, organized a joint demo on Saturday, September 14th at Woodcraft.



Tom introduces Binh and Ashley.



Ashley turning a bowl.



Binh demonstrating his airbrush techniques. One of Binh's signature, thin wall, airbrushed and pierced pieces.



Binh demonstrated on 1/16" birch plywood. One of Ashley's bowls.

RMWT Symposium Cancellation:

Since a considerable amount of money had been spent in advance on the Symposium, John Giem has sent an e-mail giving paid attendees the option of donating their registration fees to help defer the expenses of the cancelled symposium or a partial donation and refund or a full refund or applying the fees to next year's symposium. Members who did not register can also make a donation to pay the advance expenses of the cancelled symposium.

Rocky Mountain Woodturners Show at Community Creative Center in Ft Collins:

The Rocky Mountain Woodturners will have a group show at the newly-opened Community Creative Center (formerly the Carnegie building, behind the library) in Fort Collins from October 28 to November 10. The show will not be juried, so everyone will have equal opportunity to enter and exhibit, and we hope that all members will display at least one piece. There will be a table for pens and other small items. These dates include the First Friday Art Walk which always brings a large audience to an exhibit. The gallery will be open Wednesday through Saturday from noon to 6 PM each of these two weeks, with the Art Walk reception from 6 PM until 9 PM on that First Friday, November 1st. Members may exhibit up to three pieces of their best work, possibly more as we see

how it goes. Bob Willis, travel photographer and writer, will have his beautiful photos on the walls. Details will be provided in the near future, but start turning your pieces now!

For all who signed up to be in the first Rocky Mountain Woodturners Exhibit in Fort Collins, and if you didn't sign up yet or weren't at the last meeting, this is for you, too:

You are welcome to bring your pieces for the exhibit (if you have them ready) to the October meeting on Oct. 3. That way you won't have to deliver them somewhere else later on. Please bring each piece in a box which is clearly labeled with your name. Include a 3 x 5 card or a note with the kind of wood and the selling price, if it is for sale. No commission will be taken on the sale.

We hope every member will have at least one piece and up to three in the show. Again, it will be at the Community Creative Center, the former Carnegie building around the corner from the Fort Collins Library, at 200 Mathews Street. Dates of the exhibit are October 30 to November 9, which includes the First Friday Art Walk on November 1. It will be open Wednesday through Saturday of both weeks from noon to 6 PM each day, with the Art Walk reception from 6 to 9 PM. Beet Street arts organization in Fort Collins will provide wine and beer for the reception. A gallery official from Lincoln Center will be there all the time the exhibit is open, and we hope to have some turners there frequently, also. We will be permitted to have demonstrations of woodturning during the reception.

Let's show Northern Colorado what woodturning is!

The Denver Woodworking Show is **November 22-24, 2013 at the Denver Merchandise Mart**, 451 East 58th Avenue, Denver, CO 80216. Hours are Friday 12-6, Saturday 10-6 and Sunday 10-4.

See www.thewoodworkingshows.com/ for more details.

RMWT Needs New Leaders and Officers:

As most of you are aware, several of the current officers of the RMWT will not be eligible to continue as officers since they have held these positions for three consecutive years. RMWT needs new officers and members to provide leadership to carry on and build the club. All members are encouraged to attend the remaining 2013 RMWT Board of Directors meetings each month to learn more about leading the club in 2014.

Wood Bank Guidelines:

<http://www.rmwt.org/articles/2013-rnwt-wood-bank-guidelines.pdf>

Items For Sale

Woodworking Machinery For Sale:

Woodcraft (Doerr) 1/2 hp Grinder (for sharpening gouges) \$250.00

Delta 3 hp. Unisaw with large sliding table and accessories \$900.00

Bench Dog router table and many bits \$650

Mini Max S45 band saw 17" x 9" rise \$500.00

Large Powermatic sanding machine 6" belt and 12" disc \$250.00

Delta drill press 16" swing \$500.00

12" Jet planer on rolling stand \$150.00

Milwaukee heavy duty router \$200.00

Delta Duplicator for spindle turning for 12" swing lathe \$150.00

Rockler 3/4 hp. dust collector \$150

Craftsman 5 peak hp. wall vac. \$50

Shopvac 4.5 peak hp. wall vac. \$50

Compressor 25 gallon on wheels 3.5 hp. 5.1 SCFM @ 90 PSI \$150

Delta 6" motorized jointer on stand \$275

Bridgewood 1/2 hp. drum sander with 9" x 6" and 9" x 3" drums \$250

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Rockler's in Denver – You have to show your membership card.

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The Rocky Mountain Woodturners Club, RMWT, is well known around the nation because we have some of the best national and internationally known demonstrators and best teachers of Basic, Intermediate, Advanced and Specialty turning right here in our own back yard:

Trent Bosch Woodturning Workshops:

Workshops are held in Trent's studio in Fort Collins, Colorado. There is a maximum of four people in each class, which allows for lots of individualized instruction. The cost is \$500 for the 3-day intensive workshop and \$650 for the 4-day. Meals are also provided at no extra charge. His studio is also equipped with the highest quality equipment available for your use. For detailed information on workshops visit www.trentbosch.com or contact Trent via email or phone.

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Rocky Mountain School of Woodturning operated by **Lee Carter** in LaPorte, Colorado. He offers classes in Basics, Intermediate and Advanced. Lee also offers private tutoring. Seven different brands of lathes are available.

Call Lee Carter at 970-221-4382 to sign up or have him answer any questions. LLJTC4X4149@CS.COM

Curt Theobald offers three-day workshops in Segmented Woodturning in his studio in Pine Bluffs, Wyoming.

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Custom woodworking and Individual or small group woodworking instruction tailored to the needs of the student. Offering both woodworking on the lathe and combined with regular power tools. Classes are held in John's studio in Fort Collins, CO, which is equipped with a complete set of woodworking tools. Contact John to discuss your interests and needs.

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Woodcraft has classes for beginners in woodworking, shop safety, intro the machines, bowl turning, pen and pencil turning, hollow forms, Christmas tree ornaments, tool sharpening, etc. Please check out the classes being offered at web page:

www.woodcraft.com/stores/store.aspx?id=56

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