

# **Finger Lakes Woodturners**

# A Chapter of





# Presidential Mumblings March 2018



Our next meeting is on Thursday April 19, beginning at 6:00pm with a show and share of members work, followed by a short business meeting that will commence at 6:30pm. Last month Jeffery Cheramie demonstrated how to make a Beads of Courage lidded bowl and discussed the Beads of Courage program. The challenge project for this month then is a Beads of Courage lidded bowl

which will then be donated to the Beads of Courage organization. Good luck everyone. This month's demo, will be Bruce Trojan – Dealing with "tear out". We will also hand out and discuss next's years budget at this meeting. The vote on the budget will hopefully be in May.

We have just lost Mark Kraska as an adviser. He has accepted a job in Arkansas. Good luck Mark and sorry to see you leave. That means we have an opening for an adviser. If you can help please let one of the Board members know. We also discovered that according to the bylaws, the Board needed to appoint a Director. This will be a voting position along with the four officers, and was set up to insure there would not be any tie votes on the Board. Terry Lund was voted in to fill this position at our last Board meeting. Terry has been extremely active in the Club and has been a valued adviser. Please wish him luck in his new role.

The Club will be participating in the Rochester Woodworkers 2018 Showcase at the Eisenhart Rochester Museum & Science Center on Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup> starting at 10 am til 4 pm. We will have an information table set up along with displays of our work. Those staffing the table will have free admission whereas other non-RWS member adult admissions will be \$5 (see their website for more info). This is a great opportunity to show the public what we can do and to present our mission in the community. If you are interested in staffing the table please contact Terry Lund to be put on the list. We are also soliciting items to display. If you have something you would like to display, please bring it to the meeting; and we will collect them for the display and get them back to you after the show. Remember, the show is only two days after our meeting so this will be the only opportunity to bring in your display items.

This year the Club picnic will be September 8 at Holt Lodge in Webster Park. This would be in addition to the monthly meeting. So put us on your calendar. We are looking for a cook for this event. The Club will supply the burgers and hots while members will be encouraged to bring in a dish to pass. More will come on this as things get pulled together. If you like food and camaraderie, then please help us.

Thanks to all of you who have been volunteering and thereby continuing to keep this Club viable and healthy. I would like to give a special thanks to Doug Crockett and his son Michael for all their work in setting up the video and audio equipment for us. We thought we were going to have to purchase equipment but they were able to make what we had work with Isaac's equipment. This will even be better when Isacc installs their new system.

See you at the meeting.

FLWT meetings are held from 6:30 to 9:00 PM (pre-meeting Show and Share starts at 6:00 PM) on the 3rd Thursday of the month each month. Our meetings are held at the Isaac Heating and Air Conditioning University classroom, 50 Holleder Parkway, Rochester, NY 14615. For more information, go to <a href="http://fingerlakeswodturners.com/">http://fingerlakeswodturners.com/</a>.

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#### For Sale / Trade / Wanted

Free to whom ever wants it;

TotalShop (same as ShopSmith) all provided accessories/tools Included

Belt Sander add-on

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# **Library Update**

By Denis Caysinger

We recently added some new materials to the FLWT library for loan.

#### DVD's:

- Turning for Fun and Profit by Nick Cook
- FLWT Demo Mark Mazzo Airbrushing
- FLWT National Turner Tom Wirsing Platter (2 DVD set)

#### Tools:

Thread chasing tool (set of 2)

When checking out items from the library please be sure that a Librarian marks the item down on our tracking sheet. And don't hesitate to offer suggestions to Gary or Denis regarding library operations, or new items you would like to see in the library.

And lastly, as with anything that members borrow from the library, if you lose it or break it, you're responsible for buying another one for the club.

Gary & Denis

# **Beads of Courage Box Demo**

Denis Caysinger

On Thursday evening March 15 Jeffery Cheramie presented the Beads of Courage (BOC) (<a href="http://www.beadsofcourage.org">http://www.beadsofcourage.org</a>) program, and showed how he turns a box and cover based on the required specifications.

Jeffery first displayed a slide show describing how the AAW supports this initiative. Art and medicine are combined, helping children and families cope with serious illness. The program helps children build resilience. BOC applies to patients who have any of the following conditions: Cancer, cardiac, burns, neonatal, or chronic conditions.

Kids collect beads for each medical procedure they have. Some have collected over 600 beads.

As turners we have the opportunity to make containers for the kids to store their beads.

Jeffery then demoed how to make a box. There are specific requirements which can be found on the BOC website. Jeffery glued together two pieces of wood so he would have enough thickness for the box. Turn the blank round between centers, add a tenon on both ends, and chuck the bottom up.

Insure that the blank does not bottom out in the chuck.

Jeffery used a captive bar hollowing system with a laser

to hollow the box out.

Then he turned a cap insuring that the cap is not tight. We don't want a "snap" fit – the cap must come off easily.

Finish off the bottom and top.





The top can have a finial, however it should be substantial, not fancy. Cut out

an area either on the top or bottom to install the BOC logo bead.

You must work directly with the BOC organization to have the box delivered to a participating hospital.

Thank you to Jeffery for the great demo of how to turn a box for Beads of Courage. It's folks like Jeffery who really enhance the experience of belonging to FLWT. http://www.beadsofcourage.org/pages/beadsofcourage.html

# Woodworker Guidelines

Beads of Courage has had an increase in interest from generous wood artists kind enough to donate their lidded bowls and boxes to our Beads of Courage members. With our Beads of Courage program growing exponentially, there is an even greater need for wooden boxes. Children and young adults are finding strength in a whole new way by receiving handcrafted, beautiful boxes. The gift of having a safe place to keep hard-earned Beads of Courage can bring a sense of comfort to the heart and is a beautiful way to honor the strength and courage of children battling serious illness.

#### Bead Bowls/Boxes Guidelines:

- Beads of Courage members may receive thousands of beads. It is desirable for your boxes to hold them all.
   As a result, turned or rectangular lidded boxes need to be large. Larger is better! Recommended interior dimensions for turned boxes are: 6" diameter (5" minimum), 5" height (4" minimum). Recommended interior dimensions for flatwork boxes are: 4" x 6" x 4".
- Box bases should be wide enough so the box is stable and does not tip over easily. Lids for Beads of
  Courage boxes should be easy for small or ill children to remove or lift. Any finials should be easy for a
  small child to grasp and not too elaborate so they don't break. Avoid excessively elaborate designs that
  may easily break or be damaged; remember, hospital rooms have limited storage space.
- Finishing of boxes is extremely important! Beads of Courage members who receive these boxes are susceptible to germs/infections/mold. Bowls that have not been properly sealed can harbor mold. Please take the time to ensure you are using a safe finishing process that does not contain toxic materials. Also do not use finishes like linseed oil that take a long time to outgas.
- All kinds of wood are beautiful! Please refrain from painting Beads of Courage boxes. Instead, highlight the beauty of the wood with clear varnish, a stain, and/or burning.
- If possible, please purchase the Woodturner Donation Incentive Package.
  The package includes personalized Woodworker Artist cards and individual
  Beads of Courage<sup>®</sup> ceramic logo beads. Many woodworkers like to use
  the Beads of Courage<sup>®</sup> ceramic logo bead in their design (20 beads for
  \$25 with free shipping). If this is not possible, you can find a way to
  engrave, burn or letter "Beads of Courage<sup>®</sup> onto the lid or side of the box.
  Designed specifically for your donation,

each logo bead purchased comes with a Woodworker Artist card that includes your personal signature. Ceramic logo beads can be purchased at www. beadsofcourage.org ⇔ Artists ⇔ Information for Woodturners.

 It is nice if you can personalize your donation. Marking your name or initials, type(s) of wood, and date on the box bottom is one way. It is also nice to include a personal note of encouragement, business



## Meet Caroline...

a member of the Beads of Courage Cardiac Program. Her bowl was made by MN Woodturner, Mark Parranto

#### Logo Bead:

Please purchase Beads of Courage Logo Beads to include on your box! This bead can be attached anywhere within or outside the box. You can purchase these beads by going to Beadsofcourage.org <a href="Artists">Beadsofcourage.org</a> <a href="Artists">Artists</a> <a href="Artists">Information for Wood Turners</a>

#### **Process for Donation:**

IN ORDER TO DONATE YOUR BOXES, PLEASE FILL OUT A REGISTRATION FORM AT: https://goo.gl/f8Vu5b

There are two ways to donate your handmade treasure boxes.

 Mail your donated boxes directly to Beads of Courage, Inc. We will ensure they reach a hospital or member in need of a treasure box.

#### Mail To:

Beads of Courage, Inc. Attn: Woodturner Treasure Box 3230 N. Dodge Blvd. Suite J Tucson, AZ 85716

2. Donate your boxes to your local hospital. You are REQUIRED to contact Beads of Courage, Inc. DIRECTLY and NOT the hospital in order to do this. You MUST wait for approval before delivering your boxes. Please understand that even though Beads of Courage is serving 240 member hospitals, we are not in every state, so delivering to a hospital may not be possible. We will do our best to accommodate your donations directly, but you are always welcome to donate to the Beads of Courage, Inc. International Headquarters in Tucson, AZ. We appreciate your understanding.

#### Steps for donating to your local hospital:

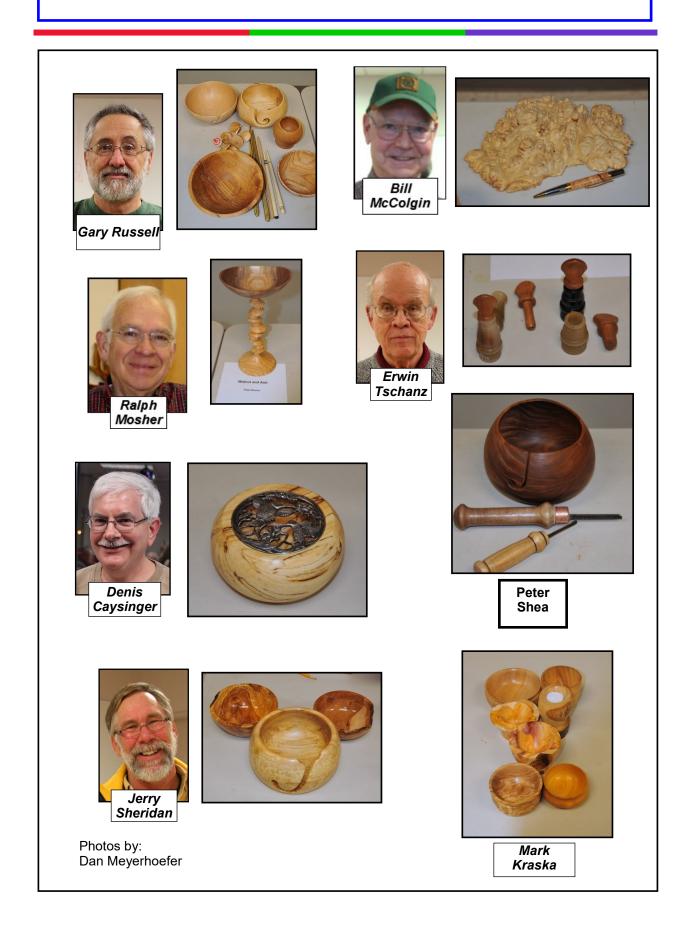
- 1. IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY, PLEASE REGISTER YOUR INFORMATION AT: https://goo.gl/f8Vu5b
- 2. Please give at least two weeks for our Encouragement Program Manager to contact you regarding your donation.
- If you decide to donate locally, we will contact hospital ambassadors in your area to accept your donation. You are REQUIRED to contact Beads of Courage, Inc. DIRECTLY and NOT the hospital. You MUST wait for approval before delivering your donation or contacting the hospital.
- 4. We will notify you of member hospital and of the date of delivery.
- Meet in the lobby of your local hospital at the date and time provided by the hospital ambassadors and deliver or ship your boxes to the assigned hospital staff.
- 6. Hospital Staff will hand deliver your boxes to children and young adults in the Beads of Courage program.



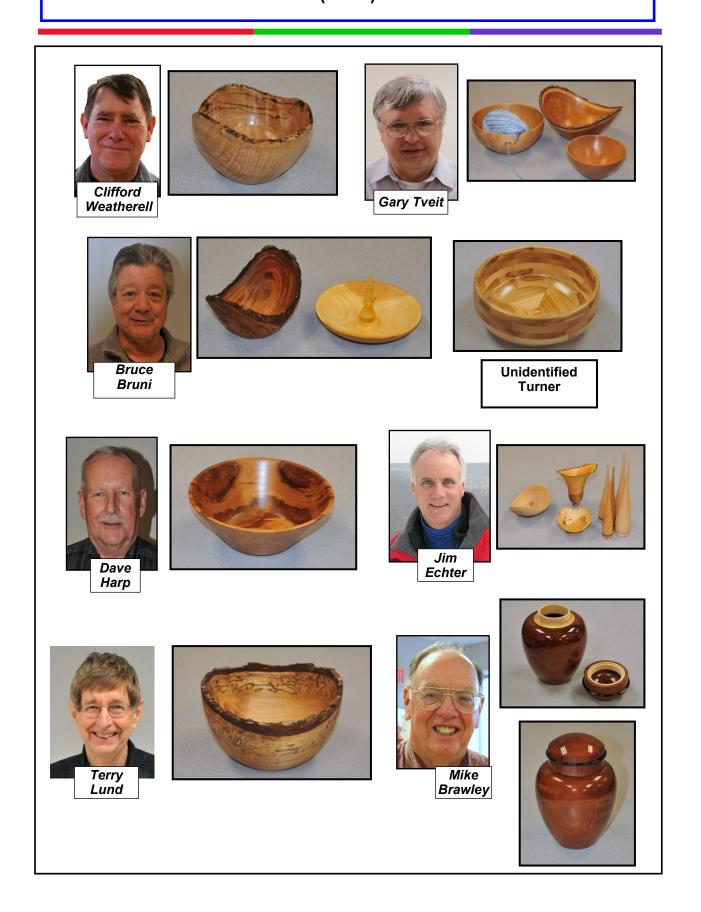
We sincerely appreciate the caring and artistry put into these one-of-akind works of art. Thank you for the significant effort we know goes into making these wonderful boxes!

Questions, comments and pictures may be sent to angeline@beadsofcourage.org

# **Members Show and Share**



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### 2017-18 SCHEDULE AND MENTOR CONTACTS

September 21	Mark Mazzo—Airbrush Embellishment		
October 19	David Gilbert—Bowl Coring Systems Comparisons		
November 16—19	Thomas Wirsing—National Speaker/Workshop		
December 21	Scott Grove—Inlays and Surface Enhancements		
January 18	David Gilbert—Yarn Bowl		
February 15	David Barnet—(Rochester Folk Art Guild) Natural Edge Bowl		
March 16	Jeff Cheramie—Beads of Courage		
April 19	Bruce Trojan—Dealing with tearout and adding plastics		
May 18—20	Alan Lacer—National Turner		

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1. Here's a great way for you to improve your turning skills. FLWT has award winning and expert turners who, at no cost, are willing to share their expertise one-to-one with other club members. A mentoring relationship might be as simple as getting a mentor's advice in a one time conversation. Or, it

might include regular hands-on sessions over a lathe. The exact nature is up to you and your mentor. If you feel you could benefit from mentoring, organize your thoughts about your needs and contact an appropriate volunteer mentor above to determine if he or she is a match and available. •

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