

Finger Lakes Woodturners

A Chapter of The American Association of Woodturners



January 2022 FLWT Meeting

Our meeting on Thursday, January 20 begins at 6:30 with informal discussions via Zoom, with the business meeting beginning at 7:00pm. Zoom information will be emailed to members a few days in advance of the meeting.

The January 20th demonstration will feature national turner Tim Yoder. Tim will demonstrate 3 or 4 projects and techniques which will provide new and useful tips for turners of all skill levels. Tim will demonstrate proper stance, grip of the tools, mounting techniques etc. Tim will also discuss techniques for the five different turning tools (spindle roughing gouge, spindle gouge, bowl gouge, parting tool and skew). You may find more information about Tim on his website:

https://wtwtim.com/



Phil Rose

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Jan 6 Show and Share Jan 11 Virtual Breakfast

Jan 15 Open Shop St. Michaels

Jan 20 FLWT Monthly Meeting

Jan 25 Leaders Team Meeting

Jan 30 Virtual Breakfast

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Bowl in Bowl Submit your entries to

NEWSLETTER

Due by the Jan 20th meeting



President's Message January 2022

Happy New Year! I am hopeful 2022 is the year we can break from the pandemic. Last year we thought COVID would end in late 2021, but as I write this letter, the Omicron variant has arrived and increased the infection rate even beyond last year's highs. Fortunately, the death rate is a fraction of last year, supporting all our efforts from masks to the vaccine to social distancing.

Despite COVID, the team has strived to make the club activities as close to normal as we can get. The wood auctions will restart shortly, we had our first face-to-face meeting in December – a Holiday Turning event at St. Michael's – and we are 126 members strong. That's eleven members more than I recorded in my letter from January 2021! A big thank you to Terry Lund, Doug Crockett, Cliff Weatherell, and a host of others for continued work to get the St. Michael's facility ready over the past year.

David Gould continues to secure national turners every other month. In 2021, we saw Tod Raines, David Ellsworth, Dave Landers, Harvey Meyer, and Rebecca DeGroot. We kick off 2022 with Tim Yoder, Keith Gotchall, Emiliano Archival, Stuart Batty, Jimmy Clewes, and Mike Mahoney on the schedule. In between, we feature club members – many of whom are paid national/international demonstrators, and volunteer demonstrators at AAW and local/regional symposiums. Last year we featured Bruce Trojan, Mike Brawley, Jeffrey Cheramie, Terry Lund, Larry Lobel, Jim Echter, Joe Wiesnet, and myself. In 2022 we will see demonstrations from Ralph Mosher, Jim Echter, Cliff Weatherell, and David Gilbert.

Show and Share is still going strong, thanks to Larry Lobel – I love seeing all the new things everyone is trying and sharing! We have continued with the 50:50 raffle, twice a month Win One Bring One, and multiple Breakfast meetings (live, when weather permits). Denis Caysinger and Gary Tveit continue to help with the library –tools, books, and DVDs. To check out a new item, send an email to library@fingerlakeswoodturners.com. Denis or Gary will respond to let you know availability.

Don't forget about using Amazon Smile to make your Amazon purchases. Every month we see a little money from Amazon come to FLWT, and every penny helps! Thanks to Jim Byron for all he does as our Treasurer – you will see more opportunities like Amazon, courtesy of Jim in the coming months (thank you, Terry Lund, and our new webmaster August Vorndran) as they are added to our website. Pete Shea continues to run our group buy programs. Recent group buys included Woodturners Wonders, D-Way, Parsons CA Adhesive, Craft Supplies, Woodturning Tool Store, and Wynn Environmental.

One more thing: Thank You, Mike Sullivan. The Secretary role can be less visible than

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other roles, but it is vital to helping make the club run efficiently. Mike not only records all of our meetings, ensuring we can review past conversations and decisions but provides a great additional viewpoint on all of our decision-making. In that vein, thank you as well to everyone on the Leadership committee not already mentioned, including Jim Echter and Cliff Weatherell. It takes a team to make this club successful – Board, Leadership, and Membership.

Thank you to everyone for your continued participation and membership. Once again, we all tried something new this year – the club and the membership continue to grow stronger as a result. Pandemic or not, this club will continue to shine in 2022 – participating in all we have to offer, trying something new, and continuing to share your good thoughts to keep up the great spirit.

Let's all raise our glasses (milk, champaign, water, or beer) and echo a thanks for the good we all saw in 2021 and a hope for an even better 2022.

-Phil



January Presidents Challenge Bowl in a Bowl

Thanks Bruce Trojan for a spectacular demo last month. The January challenge is to turn a "Bowl in a Bowl". The video of Bruce's demonstration is now available on the website. Mike Brawley has written an exceptional paper de-

scribing the geometry and elaborating on the procedure used to turn the bowl, this is also available on the <u>website</u>. We are planning an open shop at St. Michael's on Saturday, January 15th for folks that would like help with this project. Bruce will be available for mentoring. Watch your email for information.

The resources need to help with this project can be found on our website.

https://www.fingerlakeswoodturners.com/meeting-videos-and-ird-recordings/



Tops for Kids

We are once again collecting tops to donate to children in need of a little cheer. This has traditionally been a fall project for FLWT but this year we will start collecting now. Last year we fell slightly short of our 1000 top goal so lets see how long it takes us reach that goal.

Let a <u>mentor</u> know if you need help getting started. A video recording of Jim Echter's top demo can be found on our website <u>here</u>.

Keep track of your tops and send pictures to the newsletter along the way. We will announce collection points and hold a raffle (one ticket for every 10 tops) when we approach the goal.

So why not brush off the lathe and turn a few!!!

Save the Date

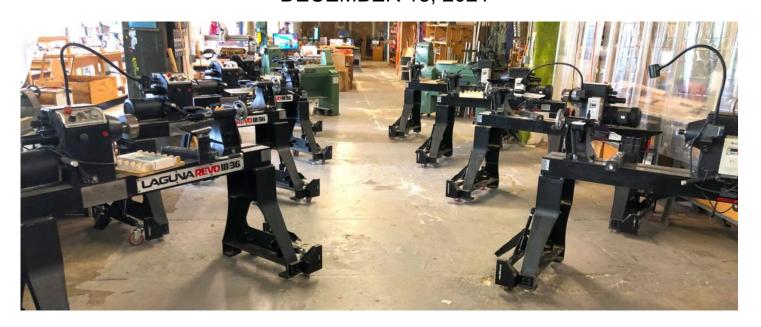
Open Shop at St. Michael's Saturday January 15th

Come turn a "Bowl in a Bowl"

Bruce Trojan will be there for assistance
Watch your email for registration details.

Open shop preparation information may be found here

HOLIDAY TURNING OPEN HOUSE DECEMBER 18, 2021



The holiday turning event / open house at St. Michaels was a huge success. All the lathes were spinning and it was quite a sight to see. We had a great mix of new members, long time members,



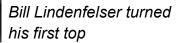
Erv Tschantz giving some guidance



Reed Stahl showing Jim Byron how it's done

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and even a few potential members. Experienced turners demonstrated their holiday turnings and also graciously mentored other members trying their hand at turning something new. Some folks just stopped on by to see all the newly donated lathes and accompanying equipment, and to say hello to new and old members alike. A big thank you goes out to Terry Lund for getting the space at St. Michaels ready for clubs events, all 10 full size lathes are operational. In addition we have a (Continued on page 7)





Gary Russell turned a gnome



Terry Lund helping with wands

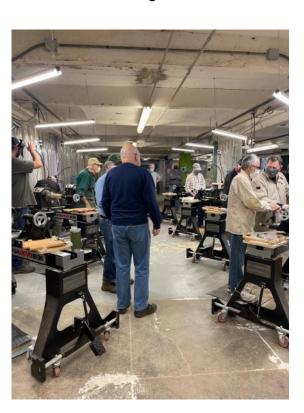


Cliff Weatherell talking gnomes with Gary

number of smaller lathes that may also be used, We look forward to many more open shop and workshop events to be held at St. Michael's.



Erv Tschantz turning a Christmas tree





Denis Caysinger demonstrating how to turn a Christmas tree



All the lathes were kept busy, we had a number of on lookers too

Spectacular Saturday

Many Thanks to Mike and Irene Brawley for hosting the FLWT and RWS get together this past October. Members came out for tractor rides and to enjoy the day watching Tim Talma mill logs on his homemade sawmill, hiking the extraordinary trails, and relaxing under the tents.



Mike Brawley's John Deere 70

Tim Talma's homemade manual sawmill that was made from various bits and pieces that he cobbled together. The mill features 19 inch wheels and is powered by a gasoline engine. The manual part was Tim pushing the horizontal bandsaw blades through the log. Several members supplied logs and Tim cut them into slabs. The saw cut remarkably well, Thanks Tim.

The tractor is a John Deere 70 from the early 50s and was the primary tractor on Irene's parents dairy farm in Waterloo New York. Irene grew up with this tractor and started driving around the age of 13 or 14. It has been completely restored and is great to look at, terrific to listen to (Two-cylinder diesel), and incredibly fun to drive. Everyone had a chance to give it a ride around the yard. Mikes smile says it all!

Tim Talma's hand-built sawmill.



Mentor Profile Larry Lobel by Gary Scialdone

Hello. My name is Gary Scialdone. I have been a member of FLWT since 2018. In the time before pandemic, I had started a series of newsletter profiles of our members who volunteer as mentors. I am considering resuming those profiles. If you are a mentor, I may be contacting you to request an interview in coming months.

This week, I had the opportunity to visit mentor, Larry Lobel at his workshop. Larry is retired now and has been turning since jr. high school. In preparation for a retirement that features woodturning prominently, he has a built out a beautiful workshop at his home. It also serves as the studio for his wife's craft, pottery.

Larry's shop is bright and welcoming. It is a very comfortable space to house a collection of woodworking power tools, hand tools, worksurfaces, and many finished pieces, as well as pieces in progress. It also contains a dust collection system ported to various locations, and a Wen air filter.

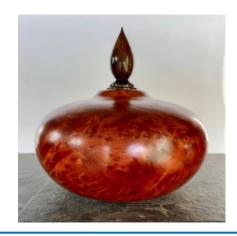
In the turning area, is a Powermatic lathe. On one side of that is a mini lathe. There is space between them to be able to work on either. On the other side of the Powermatic are Larry's hollowing systems, equipment for doing demonstrations, and TV screen to display his hollow form video system. Larry's system uses a computer and camera to show the tool within the hollow form as they are being turned so that he can monitor wall thickness. Some of you remember the hollowing demonstration of these systems and his techniques that Larry did for us at our April 2021 club meeting.

Along the wall in this lathe area, turning chisels are mounted handily in racks. When I asked Larry which chisels he favors, he went right to his Crown Pro Ellsworth Gouge. We talked about the versatility of this gauge and the Ellsworth grind for most of the shaping and finishing cuts that woodturners encounter.

The best parts of visiting Larry in his shop are his friendly welcome, his obvious love of the craft and the display of finished works and works in progress. Larry's hollow forms in particular are graceful in design and beautifully hollowed to make them feel light and fragile. One more pleasure is that his shop is in a lovely, wooded location. It opens up on his yard garden and patio, as well as on his two friendly dogs. outdoors you can see some of his creative pieces on display.

As with all of the mentors that I have visited, I can assure you that you will find time spent with Larry to address any issues about your own turning, both enjoyable and instructive. The mentors and their contact information are published in every issue of the newsletter. Thanks to Larry Lobel for showing me his shop and creations.





Library Report By Denis Caysinger

Well, we thought we'd be bringing the Library to the September meeting, but COVID had other plans.

We're not expecting to meet in person for a while, so we've made some temporary changes to the library process.

- Members who want to borrow something should continue to send an email to library@fingerlakeswoodturners.com
- ♦ Terry Lund has the tool library at St. Michaels. This may make it easier and more central to borrow tools.
- ♦ Gary Tveit has the books and DVD library.
- ♦ We will re-evaluate the process the end of March 2022.

We recently discovered that 2 books have been misplaced. Please look around your shop and bookshelves to see if you have either of these items:

30040.2	воок	AAW	Amer. Woodturner Tech. & Proj. vol. 3
30104	воок	Raffan, Richard	Turning Bowls

We recently have added some items to the library:

30143	BOOK	Duginske, Mark Band Saw Handbook		
30144	BOOK	Heim, David	Sketchup Success for Woodworkers	
30145	BOOK	English, John	Turning Wood with Carbide Tools	
30146	BOOK	Tibbetts, Malcolm	Segmented Wood Turning, A step-by-step guide	
30147	BOOK	Ward, Don	Turning Modified Slimline Pens - Beyond the Basics	
30148	BOOK	Kleinhenz, Richard	The Pen Turners Bible	

20096	DVD	Cook, Nick	Turning for Food. Kitchen Related Projects	
20097	DVD	Bosch, Trent	Decorative Utility Bowls	
20098	DVD	Mahoney, Mike	McNaughton Center Saver Coring System	

50015	Tool	Decorating "elf". Includes handle, 3 texturing bits, 1
50016	Tool	Basket of Illusion 1/8 and 3/16 beading tools

Our President, Phil Rose, has been encouraging members to "try something new". Education from our extensive DVD and book library can help in this regard.

Members can see the items that we have in the Library by going to the following link on the FLWT page:

https://www.fingerlakeswoodturners.com/resources/library/

If you see an item you want, please send an email with the item number to:

library@fingerlakeswoodturners.com

If the item is in stock, we will discuss how you can get the materials. For returns there are a number (Continued on page 11)

of people across Monroe County who have signed up to be "return sites" for you to drop off items. The names and addresses of the "return sites" will be included in the emails that Denis will send out to get checked-out items returned. All returned items will be quarantined for 72 hours per CDC guidelines before being put back into stock.

Please don't hesitate to take advantage of this important member benefit.

Gary Tveit & Denis Caysinger

Did you know the following tools are available through our FLWT lending library?

Contact library@fingerlakeswoodturners.com

- ▶ Beall 1" x 8 TPI Lathe Spindle Tap and Beall 1 1/4" x 8 TPI Lathe Spindle Tap
- Powermatic Left Hand (outboard) S-Curved tool rest
- Powermatic Right Hand (inboard) S-Curved tool rest
- ♦ #2 Morse Taper Finishing Reamer
- ♦ Thread Chasing Set of 2
- Apprentice Collet Chuck set 9 pieces in carrying case
- ♦ Vicmarc 120 chuck, 2 adapters, 2 sets of Cole Jaws, 2 sets reg. jaws
- Hollowing Tool Set John Jordan Set
- ♦ Hosaluk End Grain Tool
- ♦ Hamlet 1/4 inch captive ring tool
- ◆ Joyner jig including 1 x 8tpi and 1 1/4 x 8 tpi mandrels
- ♦ 3/4 inch x 10 tap, drill, and bolt set. Make chucks for live centers. Making live center chucks
- ◆ Sorby mini texturing tool and handle. Set of 7 pieces Texturing
- ♦ Decorating "elf". Includes handle, 3 texturing bits, 1 brush. 5 pcs. Texturing
- ♦ D-way beading tools 1/8" and 3/16, used for basket illusion or embellishment



Reed Stahl



Cliff Weatherell



Library Tool Feature—Spindle Taps by Jim Byron

The FLWT lending library has a selection of tools you can borrow including 3 sizes of taps you can use to make items you can screw directly onto your head stock or live center. The sizes we have are 1-1/4" x 8 for use with most large lathes, 1" x 8 for most smaller lathes, and 3/4" x 10 for custom tips for your live center. You will need a drill bit 1/8" smaller than the spindle tap you are going to use, 7/8 for the 1" x 8 tap, 1 1/8 for the 1 1/4" x 8 tap. The correct drill size is provided with the live center tap. Below is the library information for the taps

50001 Tool Beall 1" x 8 TPI Lathe Spindle Tap

50005 Tool Beall 1 1/4" x 8 TPI Lathe Spindle Tap

50013 Tool 3/4 inch x 10 tap, drill, and bolt set. Make chucks for live centers

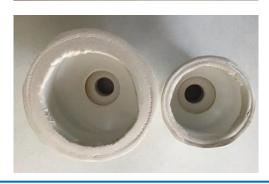
An instructional video can be found on the Beall site for using the Spindle Tap

https://www.bealltool.com/instructions.php

Pictured are the 3 taps we have and some of the items you can make including chucks for your vacuum chuck, a mini sanding disc that is 2" diameter and a custom tip for a live center. What you can make is only limited by your imagination.















Mike Sullivan— black walnut, cup and base. The stems are a piece of maple dyed with black India ink. Each set is 9 and 7.5 inches tall.

SHOW AND SHARE

First Thursday of the Month

Submit Your Photos

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Cliff Weatherell



David Gilbert



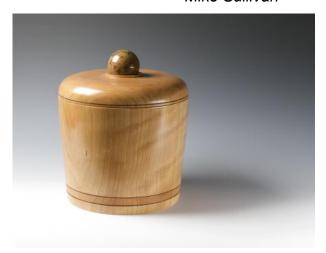
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Beads of Courage

Cliff Weatherell



Mike Sullivan



Latest round of Beads of Courage Boxes delivered to the Golisano Children's Hospitals in Syracuse.

Photos: David Gilbert

Stump Woody



Q. Hey Woody, consistently removing that little nub in the bottom center of a bowl is driving me nuts. 'Flicking' it off sometimes leaves a divot that is even harder to remove. Do you have a favorite method for getting it flat without a lot of sanding? Thanks!

A: There are several ways to achieve this goal. First make sure your tool rest is smooth and has no divots or rough spots. If necessary file it smooth. Next make sure your tool is sharp, it can be done with a bowl gouge or scraper (traditional or negative rake). It is important that whatever method you use that the cutting edge is exactly on center and remember that the surface speed near the center is slow so a slow feed rate is necessary. Do not force the tool into the

wood, take very light side to side cuts, the lighter the better working the high spots ever so carefully. You can use a pencil to mark the high spots. Practice really helps here so when roughing a bowl there is plenty of opportunity to practice your finish cuts rather than hogging out the inside. There are plenty of bowl turning books and DVDs in our library.

Ask Woody a question If they don't know the answer you win a prize

Submit your questions for Woody Here newsletter@fingerlakeswoodturners.com



Mike Sullivan



Erv Tschantz



Bruce Trojan



August Vorndran

Sharpening Tip—Traditional Scraper By Larry Lobel



Erv demonstrated shear cutting with a scraper, so smooth



6" slow speed CBN grinder

During a recent shop visit to FLWT member Erv Tschantz the subject of sharpening scrapers was discussed. Erv mentioned that all his scrapers are sharpened to the same angle of approximately 60 degrees. Before taking the scraper to the grinder the old burr on top of the scraper is removed with a diamond hone (CBN, Stone ...). The top surface of the scraper should be as smooth as possible to get the best burr for cutting. If the top surface of the tool is not polished smooth the burr will be jagged. The Tool is then sharpened on the grinder using a platform and a180 grit CBN wheel. A quick pass or two is all it takes to raise a good burr for cutting. The burr does not last for long but minimal metal is removed each time the scraper is sharpened. As you can see Erv has a large



A few of Erv's scrapers

selection of scrapers, in future articles we will discuss the variety of scraper profiles and where they are used. I was also fortunate to get to see Erv demonstrate a few of the cuts he does with the scraper and how he achieves a smooth surface when used as a shear scraper. If you have any scraper questions send them to the newsletter and we will get them answered.

Thanks again for letting me visit your shop Erv!!!

Presidents Challenge—Basket Illusion

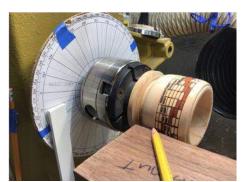




Cherokee design and inking by Donna Gould Turning by David Gould







Systel Street, Street,

Jim Byron—Homemade indexing wheel







Larry Lobel

Presidents Challenge—Top with Pull String



David Gould



Cliff Weatherell



Gary Russell



Larry Lobel



Erv Tschantz

Presidents Challenge Box



Gary Russell

Presidents Challenge Box



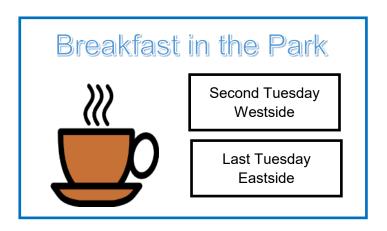




David Gilbert

Breakfast in the Park

We have had a successful warm weather season of "Breakfast in the Park", both on the eastside and westside of town. It was great way to safely get together and share what we have been up too. Thanks to Terry Lund for organizing this event which has been attended by many. As the temperature cools we will be moving our breakfasts back indoors to a virtual breakfast via Zoom. Watch your email for an invitation.



FLWT Mentoring Program

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 to determine if they are match and available. It may be possible to schedule a mentoring session over zoom.

FLWT is also always looking for mentor volunteers

Current MENTORS

FLWT Demonstration Schedule 2021-2022

Sept 16	<u>Harvey Meyer</u> - Basket Weave Illusion		
Oct 21	Mike Brawley - Turning Tops		
Nov 18	Rebecca DeGroot - Walking Teapot		
Dec 16	Bruce Trojan - Bowl in a Bowl		
Jan 20	<u>Tim Yoder</u> - Several projects and techniques for less experienced turners		
Feb 17	Ralph Mosher - TBD		
Mar 17	Keith Gottschall - Turning a Delicate Bowl with Beaded Detail		
Apr 21	Jim Echter - TBD		
May 19	Emiliano Achaval *		
June 16	Stuart Batty (in person workshop in planning stage)*		
July 21	TBD		
Aug 18	Cliff Weatherell - Turning Gnomes Without a Chuck		

FLWT Demonstration Schedule 2022-2023

Sept 15	Jimmy Clews (in person workshop in planning TBD)*
Oct 20	David Gilbert - TBD
Nov 17	Mike Mahoney
Dec 15	Round Robin Holiday Celebration
Jan	
Feb	
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Mentor Contacts

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Ward Donahue	334-3178	wddonah@frontiernet.net	Spindles; Hollowing; Coring; Sharpening
Jim Echter	704-7610	jechter@rochester.rr.com	Spindles; Sharpening; Faceplate turning
David Gould	245-1212	d2sGould@aol.com	Bowls; Plates; Hollow-Forms
Jim Hotaling	223-4877	jhotal2198@aol.com	Christmas Ornaments
Terry Lund	455-2517	terry.lund@gmail.com	General Turning; Dust Collection Design and Installation, Sharpening
Ralph Mosher	359-0986	2mosher@rochester.rr.com	Bowls; Faceplate Turning, Sharpening
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Dues: \$25.00/year Single; \$35.00/year Couple

Students free

If you are interested in becoming a member, you can complete an online application and submit your dues payment via PayPal, or you can fill out an application and mail it with your payment to the address on the application form.