

Finger Lakes Woodturners

A Chapter of The American Association of Woodturners



March 2022 FLWT Meeting

Our meeting on Thursday, March 17 begins at 6:30pm with informal discussions via Zoom, and the business meeting starting at 7:00pm. Zoom information will be emailed to members a few days in advance of the meeting.



Keith Gotschall will demonstrate turning a Tortilla Warmer, a simple container to hold pre-warmed tortillas, crepes, pancakes etc. so

that they retain some of their heat and delectability! He will go through the entire project from start to finish, with all the steps clear-



ly shown and explained. This Demo includes planning the project, wood selection, the tools used and how he sharpens them, basic steps to start off, and roughing in the basic form of the top. Making the rest of the project is the bulk of the demo, but along the way there are lots of tips and close up video of how the tools are being used. 3 different tools and methods of work are shown during the hollowing out of the interior, and the spindle gouge is used to great effect in making the fine details of the knob. With all that finished, he will go into a method of decoration that is so simple and easy to do that anyone who is hesitant about trying will be convinced that it is worth giving it a shot.

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Important Dates

March 3 Show and Share March 8 Virtual Breakfast March 17 FLWT Monthly Meeting March 22 Leaders Team Meeting March 26 Open Shop (Tentative) March 29 Virtual Breakfast



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President's Message

March 2022

March is roaring like a lion as I write this letter, hoping to see the lamb soon. Similarly, COVID was a lion over the winter but appears to be subsiding – mask policies are gone, people are itching to get back together, and we have been able to run successful Open Shops in 2022!

We plan to restart our outreach programs with Perinton and Greece this year. We will continue to host Open Shops at St. Michaels, so we can all gather face-to-face, learn and share skills. The Board hopes to restart monthly face-to-

face meetings as soon as possible, but we have run into a slight snag.

As discussed last year, Isaac reworked our old room into a storage facility and set us up to hold meetings at their training facility. However, that opportunity also came with a snag – for insurance purposes, we would need to pay someone at Isaac to be there when we were there. This is an unexpected expense and not accounted for within our budget.

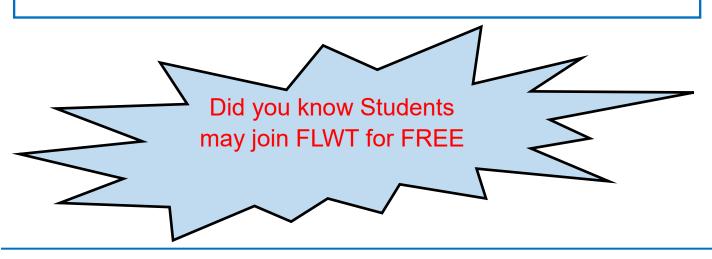
Could we weather it as a short-term storm? Yes. Could we handle it as a long-term expenditure? Not without increasing club income in some way. What are our options? Great question – we would love to hear from anyone in the club that has a location we should consider. In the meantime, the Board is considering holding monthly meetings at St. Michaels.

We have already planned to hold the June monthly meeting at St. Michaels with Stuart Batty because it makes financial and logistical sense. We will be holding the Saturday demo at St. Michaels.

In March, we will be sending out a survey to members to get your perspectives on what to do about a meeting place. Please be sure to participate – we need your feedback to make the best decisions in your interest.

Speaking of Stuart Batty, we had an outstanding response, and all of the hands-on classes

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are filled – all three two-day classes. We still have seats available for the Saturday all-day demonstration if you are interested. Tickets are available on our website. Shortly, we will open the tickets to other clubs, so if you have an interest, now is the time to sign up before we run out of seats.

We have an outstanding list of demonstrations coming up this spring. In March, Keith Gotschall will demonstrate a Tortilla Warmer – something we have not seen before. In April, Jim Echter will demo some spindle turning for different skill levels. What a great opportunity to try out something new! Emiliano Achaval joins us remotely from Hawaii in May, then in June Stuart Batty joins us in person!

What have you tried out that was new? Please consider sharing your turnings at the Show and Share event each month. I find the conversations enlightening and think they are useful for all turners. I hope to see you all there, and at Open Shops, and hopefully live very soon!

-Phil



Bob Wynne— Bead of Courage Bowl, just over 5" wide and 5" high.





A Tribute To Ward Donahue..... By Mike Hachey

Ward Donahue

You can't talk about Ward without mentioning his wife Dorie. The two of them made a great team and it is my privilege to call them friends. I believe knowing them has made me a better person.

Ward was one of the busiest people I know. He said "I WANT TO WEAR OUT, NOT RUST OUT". If anyone needed help, Ward would always be there. There were times some of us had said "Ward, you don't have to do that", and I always loved his reply, "I know I don't have to, but I want to".

Ward was a FLWT board member for over 10 years and a FLWT mentor for over 20 years. Ward also served on the Board of Heritage Christian Services.



The following is part of an article written in 2005 by Ed DeMay for the FLWT newsletter "Getting To Know Each Other". Keep in mind, this article was written 16 years ago and Ward never slowed down.

"Ward and his wife Doris of 53 (69) years live in Henrietta and have been in the same home for 46 (62) years. Both Ward and Doris were teachers in the Rochester City School District. Ward for 33 years as an Industrial Arts teacher. Ward told me that his father was the kind of person that never told him that he could not do something. In grammar school he had his first lathe and he made his tools out of anything that would hold an edge. Back then he turned many small items and baseball bats. In high school, Ward built his first table saw.

Ward was in the military service from 1952 to 1954 as a medic.

Ward has taught all phases of Industrial Arts, drafting, wood shop, metal shop, general shop, ceramics, automotive shop and tool and die work. At one time Ward was the Department head for the City School Department Industrial Arts Department overseeing 355 teachers. Along the way Ward worked at a family owned miniature golf course, operated a printing business in his basement, had a boating business, sold docks and party boats, sold sail boats and jet powered canoes, was a Amway distributor, with his wife Doris raised two children, and earned two Masters Degrees. He also belonged to the Rochester Club of Printing House Craftsmen, Monroe County Industrial Arts Club and Treasurer and later president of the New York State Industrial Arts Association..

Lastly in his spare time Ward became an instrument rated pilot with over 500 hours of flying time. When Ward retired from school he needed heart bypass surgery and during his recovery his Mom sent him \$20.00 and told him to by something for himself. He bought a bird feeder and as he watched the birds and decided that he could make these. Ward and Doris work as a team and assembly line the bird feeders and sell them at approximately 8 craft shows during the year. At one of the craft shows Ward was asked if he could make picture frames and as you probably can guess at this point he said yes. This launched a new business and Ward now sells between 5000 and 7000 picture frames each year. At 76 Ward shows no sign of slowing down as he will tell you with his trademark goodbye of "And Don t Take It Easy"."

Beads of Courage Thank you Note By David Gilbert

Last fall I took a second set of Beads of Courage Boxes to the Joslin Diabetes Center in Syracuse. I recently received the email below from one of their patients.

There is a continuing need for Beads of Courage Boxes. I f you are interested in making some just give me a call. They are a fun and at times a challenging project. The only requirements are that the interior dimensions for turned boxes are: **6" diameter (5" min.) by 5" height (4" min.)**. Recommended interior dimensions for flatwork boxes are: 4" x 6" x 4". The top is needs to be easily removed and the base should be wide enough, so the box is stable.

If you are interested, don't hesitate to get hold of me.

Thanks, David Gilbert

Beads of Courage Thank You

Heidi XXXXXX <xxxxx.xxxxx@gmail.com

Dear Mr. Gilbert,

Thank you for making amazing wooden boxes for the Beads of Courage program. My name is Nicholas, I'm 12 years old and I am living with Type 1 Diabetes. I go to the Joslin Diabetes Center and work with a child life specialist there. When I got to choose my box for Beads of Courage, I was overjoyed. All of the boxes were beautiful in their own way. I ended up picking one of your boxes. It was made with Red Bud and Big Leaf Maple Burl. It's so pretty and is always in a special spot next to my Beads of Courage checklists. I think it's cool that you took part of the tree and hollowed it out to make the base of the box. I love the way you used burl for the handle. It looks amazing! Thank you for making these awesome boxes. I hope that you continue to make this wonderful art.



Sincerely,

Nicholas

Rebecca DeGroot



"Walking Teapot"

To be raffled at the March 17th Meeting Proceeds to benefit FLWT

Check your Email or <u>Website</u> for Details



Member Showcase Craig Farnsworth

Two pieces Craig is showing at the Goodyear Cottage on Jekyll Island



Cocobolo rim with Paduk accent in yellow heart with a canary base 12"



Mahogany accent with popular body secret bullet top

Member Showcase David Barnett



Cherry Pair

Lacewood and Osage Orange





David hard at work fitting a leg

Member Showcase Bruce Trojan



St. Michaels Open Shop

We had a great turnout at the February Open Shop. Folks came down to hone their skills working on assorted projects. Members also came down for some sharpening tips. Why not join us at the next open shop. Mentors are always available to help out.











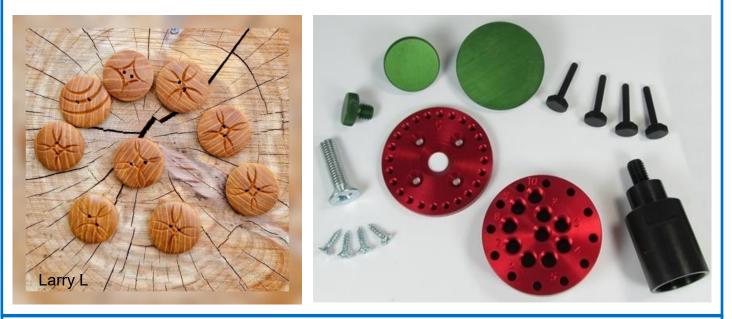
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Tool Feature—Joyner Jig

The Joyner Jig is used to make off center decorative designs on your work pieces such as pendants, buttons and other objects. There is a wealth of information, including design ideas, videos, and a pattern simulator on the Ruth Niles website <u>HERE</u>.

Contact library@fingerlakeswoodturners.com to borrow the Joyner Jig



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













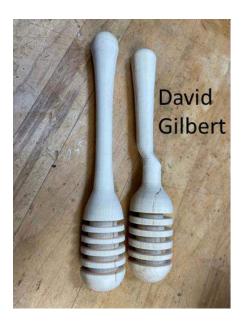


Erv Tschanz











15 Entries!!! Thanks to everyone for Participating





Stump Woody



Q. Woody, I seem to waste a lot of sandpaper and it is very expensive, any tips? Signed Sandy Smooth

A: Sandy, First off FLWT sells quality Klingspor sandpaper for 5 cents a sheet. Good quality paper will last longer. Cut your paper into smaller pieces before use, it's nice to be able to fold the piece in three, giving you 3 fresh sides and the perfect amount of backing. Also organizing your cut strips by grit. If you have any sandpaper tips send them in to the newsletter!!



A convenient sandpaper storage solution Each 11 x 9 sheet is cut into 14—4.5 x 1.57 pieces, ready for use

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

Submit your questions for Woody <u>Here</u>

newsletter@fingerlakeswoodturners.com

Save the Date Open Shop at St. Michael's Saturday, March 26th

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Square Bowl for 1 chance Oriental Box for 2 chances

Submit your entries to

NEWSLETTER

Due by the March 17 meeting

This is and ADVANCED CHALLENGE. Extreme caution needed when turning

Watch the video HERE for help

Newsleter Challenge

Submit a photo of ANY recent turning

with a note saying what you like about turning the piece

Submit your entries to

NEWSLETTER

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FLWT Demonstration Schedule 2021-2022

Sept 16	<u>Harvey Meyer</u> - Basket Weave Illusion			
Oct 21	Mike Brawley - Turning Tops			
Nov 18	<u>Rebecca DeGroot</u> - Walking Teapot			
Dec 16	Bruce Trojan - Bowl in a Bowl			
Jan 20	Tim Yoder - Several projects and techniques for less experienced turners			
Feb 17	Ralph Mosher - Square Oriental Box			
Mar 17	Keith Gottschall - Tortilla Warmer			
Apr 21	Jim Echter - Spindle Projects for Beginner to Experienced Skills			
May 19	Emiliano Achaval *			
June 17	Stuart Batty (Friday Night Demo) Stay tuned for workshop info			
July 21	Joe Wiesnet - 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 - Salt Boxes with a Rotating Lid		
Nov 17	Mike Mahoney		
Dec 15	Round Robin Holiday Celebration		
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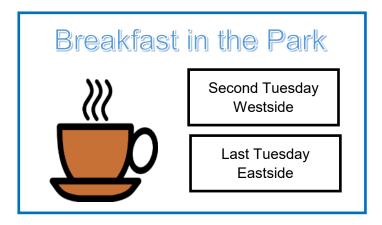
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Breakfast in the Park

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 volun-teer <u>Mentor</u> 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

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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.