



### Upcoming meetings

Oct 8 Sat-John Betts-Fly Rods

Nov 3 Alan Lacer

Dec 8 Xmas Party

## Newsletter September 2005 Rocky Mountain Woodturners

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

### Next Meeting

Thur Sep 8th 7:00 PM

Industrial Sciences Building Rm 105

Stuart Mortimer

### In Memorium

Paul Bailey died in mid-August. Many remember a quiet man who was a longtime, faithful member of the Rocky Mountain Woodturners.

### Mortimer and Lacer to Demonstrate

Stuart Mortimer, England, will come to demonstrate at the September 8, 2005 meeting. Stuart is a longtime friend of Lee Carter and is well known for his “twisted” approach to wood turning – he makes amazing twist stem goblets, hollow forms and can “twist” almost anything he puts on a lathe.

Alan Lacer, Minneapolis, will visit the club and demonstrate his skills on November 3, 2005. Alan wrote The Skew Chisel and The Son of Skew. For those of us who use our skewers to clean mud from boots and/or prop a window open, Alan’s presentation will open new options.

Alan Lacer will have an all-day workshop for turners on Saturday, November 5. Place to be announced.

### Doug Scheiter Demonstrates

First: Safety! Protect yourself! Wear eye protection. Second: Refer to #1.

Choose your wood. Today: Mesquite. Stable wood wet or dry. This piece has a number of voids.

Mount between centers. Four prong drive center.

Cup in tail-stock. This allows for adjustment of the piece to get the best form. Doug does not use a face plate, so he can make adjustments to get the most of the wood.



Turn a fitting for a **good, perhaps excellent** seating of the chuck jaws. Rough out the profile of the form you are creating. As you cut, look at the profile as you develop the form. Get as good a finish cut as possible before you mount on your chuck.

Drill to start your hollowing work. Work from the core out. Tool held level. Full support. Cut both up and down. Remove shavings the best way you can: air compressor, scoop out with a tool, anything, but the chips will get in your way if you do not remove them.

If the piece appears to be at all unstable because of voids and cracks, wrap it with shrink wrap (like Saran wrap, available at office supply stores in rolls. Use strapping tape for ify pieces. Remember rule #1. Flying pieces of wood are just plain dangerous. Superglue (CA) loose parts.

Use a tool that works for you. One turner’s window prop is another turner’s favorite toy.

Secret of Success: lots of patience, confidence and health insurance.

## The Symposium

Mark Kurzmack reported that plans are going well for the **Rocky Mountain Woodturners Symposium** September 17-18 at the First National Bank Building at the Larimer County Fairgrounds known as **The Ranch**. The Ranch is located at the first exit off I-25 (Crossroads Blvd.) north of Loveland.

Volunteers are needed for the symposium. Think about what you would like to do and let Mark Kurzmack know at the meeting or call him at (970) 490-2297

Friday Setup –Not sure of the time yet, but it should be around 2-3 PM.

Saturday and Sunday – Information desk– let Mark know which rotation or lunch hour you are available

Saturday and Sunday- Instant Gallery – let Mark know which rotation or lunch hour you are available

Saturday and Sunday – Hands on Learning Center – Doc Thode has volunteered for this again –Let Mark know which rotation you are available to help him. He will refund \$20.00 of your registration fee

Sunday cleanup – This should be pretty easy – The Ranch will take care of the chairs and tables, but there is always the usual packing up and cleaning up.

Mark will have signup sheets at the meeting. Thanks

Club members are encouraged to assist with the **Hands On Learning Center** and other “little tasks” that make the **Symposium** attractive to turners from over fifteen states last year. This year’s **Symposium** in the larger venue looks like a winner.

<http://www.rmwoodturningsymposium.com/>

Below are pictures of pieces that Lee Carter brought in of Stuart’s and maybe others.





### **Dues and Membership Cards**

Membership cards are ready for those who have paid their 2005 dues (\$25). Membership cards will get you 10% discount at several turning supply places. See Lee Whiteside, secretary.

### **Club News**

Dan Bailey suggested that turners who have shops in their homes or on their property may want to check out their insurance coverage. It is possible that your homeowners insurance does not cover your activity in the shop, especially if you are doing any level of business there.

Dan found that the AAW has an affordable policy that assisted him. You can check it on-line at AAW web site: [www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org)

**Make a note: Donate a Bowl** for a community charity auction in February.

### **Meeting Location Change Coming**

The club considered an invitation to locate club meetings at the new Sears-Trostel building in Ft. Collins. Several members visited with Matt Chavez, Manager, and determined that there was additional space for the club meetings, good lighting, easy access/storage for our equipment (lathe, library, etc.) and adequate parking. Chairs need to be arranged and Matt Chavez is addressing that.

Lee Carter noted that the use of CSU facilities is a carryover from his tenure on the faculty. He expects that this will continue as long as RMWT wish to use it. However, if we discontinue, it is possible that this privilege will not be restored.

The RMWT very clearly communicated appreciation for the meeting room through our ten year history. It is one of the prime ingredients to the club's growth and activities. The club also noted that we have outgrown the space allotted to us.

The club's decision was to have a trial run at Sears-Trostel after we get past the Symposium September 17-18. This may not happen until the first of 2006.

### **FOR SALE**

12" swing Rockwell / Delta Lathe  
48" bed length, Floor model with Factory stand,  
Heavy duty, All cast iron, Complete with factory  
motor. Excellent condition \$400.00  
Contact Dan Bailey 970-482-1604  
E- Mail [danandnancy2@comcast.net](mailto:danandnancy2@comcast.net)

Here's the info from Allen on the guy selling tools:

Bob Krauer 669-3046

12x 36 Lathe, 10 inch Rigid Table saw

13 inch Rigid Planer, Dust collector

12 inch Disc Sander, Assorted turning tools

chucks and faceplates for 1x8 spindle

He would like get them sold. Reasonable prices

Thanks Allen

### **The Shop** **Mouse Says:**

*Skill comes  
through  
perseverance.*



### Learn from the best...

Our Club is becoming known around the nation because we have some of the best turners, nationally known demonstrators and best teachers of **Basic Turning, Intermediate, and Advanced and Specialty Turning** right here in our own back yard.

**Lee Carter** operates the **Rocky Mountain School of Woodturning** in La Porte. He offers classes in Basics, Intermediate and Advanced.

Sep 13,14 Stuart Mortimer \$200  
Sep 15,16 Stuart Mortimer \$200  
Sep 17,18 RMWT Symposium  
Sep 20-22 Basic Woodturning \$270  
Oct 4-6 Intermediate Turning \$270  
Oct 18-20 Adv Turning \$270  
Nov 1-3 Turing Green, Dry &  
Natural Edge Bowls \$270  
Nov 8-10 Basic Turning \$270  
Nov 15-17 Xmas Tree Ornaments/  
Stave Constructed Birdhouses \$270

Call Lee Carter at 970.221.4382 to sign up or have him answer any questions.  
e-mail [LLJTC4X4149@CS.COM](mailto:LLJTC4X4149@CS.COM)

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**Trent Bosch Woodturning** in Ft. Collins offers three-day sessions of non-stop turning and carving classes.  
Call Trent Bosch at 970.568.3299

E-mail [trentbosch@yahoo.com](mailto:trentbosch@yahoo.com)

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**Curt Theobald** offers three-day workshops in **Segmented Woodturning** in his studio in Pine Bluffs, Wyoming.  
Call Curt Theobald at 307.245.3310  
E-mail [cwtheobald@wyoming.com](mailto:cwtheobald@wyoming.com)

### Wood Suppliers

10% Guild discount at the following:

The Wood Emporium  
618 N Garfield Ave Loveland, Co 80537

Sears Trostel  
1500 Riverside Ave Ft. Collins, CO 80524

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

Kevin Kyhl also sells hardwood and turning stock in Ft. Collins once a month. You can email him at: [kyhlwood@direcway.com](mailto:kyhlwood@direcway.com) to get on the notification list of when he will be in town. He will give us a 15% discount on turning stock. Just mention that you are with the RMWT and he'll take care of you.

Dan Bailey has bowl blanks for sale all roughed out, dried and ready to turn. He also has access to CA glue that is less expensive than other sources. Call Dan 970.482.1604

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**2005 Rocky Mountain Woodturning Symposium Schedule**

**Saturday September 17, 2005**

**7:15 Doors Open** **Hands On Learning Center open 9:00 to 4:00**

**8:00 - 8:45 Opening Ceremony**

	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 4	Room 5
<b>9:00 - 10:30</b>	Alan Stirt Painted and Carved Platter	Paul Thode Small Scale Turning	Cindy Drozda Laser Guided Hollowing	Brandon Mackie Bowl Blank Preparation	*Stuart Mortimer Introduction to Turning Twists
<b>10:45 - 12:15</b>	Skip Bellock Alternative Uses for Burl Caps	Stuart Mortimer Turning Twisted Hollow Forms	Cindy Drozda An Artist's Business Plan	Lee Whiteside "Dennis the Menace"	*Alan Stirt Open Bowl Turning

**12:15 - 1:15 Lunch Break**

<b>1:30 - 3:00</b>	Bear Limvere Turning Platters from 4/4 Stock	Dale Nish Natural Edge Bowls	Curt Theobald Understanding Wood Movement	*Aaron Jensen Beginning Pen Turning	*Lee Carter Talc and Alabaster Techniques
<b>3:15 - 4:45</b>	*Brandon Mackie Stone and Metal Inlay	*Nish, Stirt, Mortimer, and Carter History of Woodturning	Curt Theobald Segmented Woodturning	Allen Jensen and Trent Bosch Bowls Inside and Out	*Pete Holtus Basic Spin Tops

**5:15 - 7:30 (time is approximate) Dinner and Auction**

**Sunday September 18, 2005**

**8:15 Doors Open** **Hands On Learning Center open 10:00 to 3:00**

**8:45-9:45 Instant Gallery Critique – Alan Stirt and Stuart Mortimer**

<b>10:00 - 11:30</b>	Alan Stirt Open Bowl Turning	Stuart Mortimer Hollow Vase with a Twisted Rim and Twisted Ball	Curt Theobald Construction of a Segmented Bowl	Trent Bosch, Allen Jensen Hollow Vessels Side and End Grain	*David Nittmann Sharpening Concepts
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**11:30-12:45 Lunch Break**

<b>12:45 - 2:15</b>	*Kent Krueger Stone Turning	Stuart Mortimer Turning Wet Wood Thin Using a Light	Pete Holtus Boxes from Spalted Wood	Richard Bailey Turning Chess Sets	*Dale Nish Beginner Between Center Techniques
<b>2:30 - 4:00</b>	Alan Stirt Turned and Carved Bowls	Stuart Mortimer Turning a Thin Twisted Finial and Laminated Twisted Turning	Pete Holtus Christmas Ornaments	*Dick Moody Digital Photography	*Phil Houck Taming the Skew

**4:15 - 4:45 Closing Ceremony**

**4:45 - Cleanup (Everyone welcome to help!) Thanks for Coming – See you next Year!**

Woodturning Skill Level - \* Beginning

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