



**Rocky Mountain Woodturners**  
*A chapter of the American Association of Woodturners*  
**August 2011 Newsletter**



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### **Next RMWT Meeting**

The next meeting of the Rocky Mountain Woodturners will be on August 4, 2011, at the Loveland Woodcraft store. The demonstrator will **August 4, 2011**



### **Bear Limvere**

The demo is a two-handed drinking bowl. The Scottish version of this bowl is called a "quaiche", but the form is quite common throughout medieval Europe. Among the topics I cover is turning with finesse, but not timidity. I also try to give a historical perspective of where this bowl might have been made and how, who would be its owner, and how it would be used.

Technically, I cover initial mounting and outside turning, reversing and calculating where the inside begins, turning the inside, cutting the handles, and the carving involved in finishing the piece. Will show a couple if different methods or holding

the piece for cutting and carving. I will bring several samples of both single and double-handled bowls, and some treenware as examples.



### **Dixie Biggs**

will be teaching a carving class at Frank and Elizabeth Amigo's the week after the Symposium. A copy of the recommended supplies, tools and equipment can be found on the RMWT website. The Class will run for five days September 12

through 16 and will cost \$450 including a light lunch at noon. For more information, contact Frank Amigo at: [efamigo@msn.com](mailto:efamigo@msn.com) or call 970.568.3899



### **28th Sculpture in the Park**

The 28<sup>th</sup> "Sculpture in the Park" will be held in Loveland Aug 13-14 and will feature several local woodturners. Show hours 9:30 – 6:00, Sat, 930-430 Sun Benson Sculpture Gardens, 28th & Taft in Loveland, Colorado.

### **Texas SWAT Symposium**

David Nittmann is looking for someone to share travel expenses and lodging at the Texas symposium SWAT Aug 26-28. You will get free entry as David's show assistant with minimal duties. Driving; leave Aug 24 return Aug 29 More information 303 579 6744 or [david@davidnittmann.com](mailto:david@davidnittmann.com). There will also be an announcement at the meeting.

## **RMWT Activities**

### **RMWT Board Meeting Reports from the Audio Video Committee and the Symposium Committee**

July 11, 2011

Reported by John Giem

The Rocky Mountain Woodturners Board opened at 6:00 PM at the Wild Boar Coffee House in Fort Collins, CO.

- Present were Pete Herman, Drew Nichols, Frank Amigo and John Giem as well as members of the Audio Visual Committee and the Symposium Committee.
- **AV Committee Report**
- The present standard definition Audio Visual equipment is quite aged and is not that useable.

- Stu Batty has offered to supply a set of High Definition cameras and monitors for each meeting room at the Symposium in exchange for space in the vendor area at the Symposium.
- The Symposium Committee will have a complete set of SD video gear ready to utilize in case the deal with Stu Batty does not work out. There would be two cameras in each demo room with a dedicated monitor for each. One will be the main camera with an operator and the other would be a spot camera focused on the work on the lathe.
- There will be a set of trained videographers to operate the main camera in each demo room.
- There was a discussion of the lighting in the demonstration areas possibly causing problems. It is believed that the lighting in the demo rooms will be adequate.
- Drew Nichols made a motion that we purchase enough tripods and support equipment to provide a complete set of camera tripods and accessories to support five demonstration rooms. No video equipment is to be purchased at this time. Motion passed.
- Allen Jensen will be checking with the Ranch to determine the availability of a video projector that can be used during the big meetings.
- The present audio systems are OK for this year's Symposium.
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- **Symposium Committee**
- Trent Bosch shared a draft of the rotation schedule for the Symposium
- Allen Jensen is setting up a set of sub-committees to help the Symposium run smoother
  - o Clean up – clean up the demo rooms at the end of each rotation.
  - o Audio-Visual - there will be trained videographers running the cameras
  - o Setup/Tear down
  - o Hands-on-learning center -- want an assistant for each instructor at the hands-on-learning center
  - o Instant Gallery – help organize the display of the art items and maintain security

## **RMWT Board Meeting**

### *By-Laws*

- Frank Amigo and Hoyle Curtis found a copy of the RMWT Articles of Incorporation in the State of Colorado.
- The new By-Laws need to comply with the Articles of Incorporation.
- There was a discussion about our By-Laws needing to meet the requirements of 501(3)c in order to be federally certified as a non-profit organization. This would make the RMWT eligible to receive grants from various charitable organizations.
- The two permanent committees, the Educational Opportunity Grant and Symposium, need to develop statements for the By-Laws. These statements should contain information defining the purpose of each committee, i.e. what the committees is not how it performs its function.
- Other committees are considered as ad hoc in nature.

### *Other Business*

- The permanent address for the Rocky Mountain Woodturners will be the residence of Drew Nichols.

- The Wood Bank has requested a volunteer to help with working with the tree surgeons in the area as well as other sources of wood. (This position has been filled by Vince Wilson.)
- Wood for the Wood Bank
  - o should be hard wood ranging from 12" to 36" in diameter
  - o should be as long as can be reasonably handled, 3 to 4 feet in length
  - o no pine or spruce, limited amount of cottonwood
  - o Prefer hardwoods including: maple, ash, locust, oak, walnut, elm, sycamore, box elder, Russian olive and fruit trees.
- Lee Carter has many materials from Doc Thode's estate. The Board decided to place the most significant items in the Auction held at the Symposium for the benefit of the EOG.
- There was a discussion about the feasibility of the RMWT obtaining a permanent location of their own.
- John Giem is to purchase copies of Robert's Rules of Order for usage by the Board and Committees. Seven copies are to be obtained. They will be labeled accordingly.
- The Board adjourned at 9:15 PM.

**RMWT financial statement Jan 1 to Jun 30, 2011**

Frank Amigo, Treasurer

CREDITS

\$503.00	(sale of wood sealer)
\$211.00	(raffles)
\$300.00	(Christmas auction)
3,520.00	(membership dues)
5,270.00	(to EOG from symposium committee)

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\$10,404.00 total

DEBITS

\$1,100.00	(demonstrator fees)
850.00	(wood, burls)

\$574.32 (reimburse board for AAW membership and President for symposium fee)  
\$40.00 (entry fee for RMWT piece at AAW symposium)  
\$129.53 (library)  
\$200.00 (EOG payments)  
\$145.37 (state fees – corporate registration and tags for trailer)  
\$27.34 (internet domain name fee)  
\$342.17 (audio visual expenses)  
\$4.00 (bank service charge)

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\$3881.57 total

\$10,404.00 credits

+\$6,989.64 balance 12/31/10

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\$17,393.64

-\$3,881.57 debits

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\$13,512.07 balance 6/30/11

## **Wood Bank**

Vince Wilson has volunteered to help the Wood Bank to scout for sources of wood and to act as a liaison with the local Tree Surgeons. If you have a lead on possible wood for the Wood Bank, call Vince Wilson, John Giem or Jerry Sherman. (Contact information below)

We still have three large pieces of Black Ash burl. Currently the Wood Bank has a good selection of large pieces of Elm, Cottonwood, Poplar and Russian olive. Call John Giem to schedule a time to come by pickup your wood. Remember, John can cut the wood for you if you do not have a chainsaw.

## July Demonstration

John Giem was not able to attend the July meeting; consequently there is not a report for the July demonstration.

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### RMWT Meetings and information

The Rocky Mountain Woodturners meet at Woodcraft of Loveland, located at 3718 Draft Horse Drive, Loveland, Colorado. We meet on the first Thursday after the first Tuesday each month.

President: Pete Herman  
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John Giem, Chairman and Wood Lot  
Manager  
(see above)

Vince Wilson, Scout & Liaison with Tree  
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Registration Coordinator: John Giem  
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### 10% Guild discount

Wood Emporium  
618 N Garfield Ave Loveland,

Sears Trostel  
1500 Riverside Ave  
Ft. Collins, CO 80524

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

Woodcraft  
3718 Draft Horse Drive  
Loveland, CO 80538  
970-292-5940  
Discounts on day of Club Meeting.

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Clubs and Member's Websites

Rocky Mountain Wood Turners  
[www.rmwt.org](http://www.rmwt.org)

AAW – American Assoc of Woodturners  
[www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org)

Trent Bosch  
[www.trentbosch.com](http://www.trentbosch.com)

David Nittmann  
[www.davidnittmann.com](http://www.davidnittmann.com)

Cindy Drozda  
[www.cindydrozda.com](http://www.cindydrozda.com)

John Lynch  
[www.johnlynchwoodworking.com](http://www.johnlynchwoodworking.com)

Curt Theobald  
[www.curttheobald.com](http://www.curttheobald.com)

Katherine Kowalski  
[www.KatherineKowalski.com](http://www.KatherineKowalski.com)

Want your Website Listed? Contact John Giem, Editor.

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**Learn From the Best...**

Our Club, RMWT, is known around the nation because we have some of the best turners, nationally 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](http://www.trentbosch.com) or contact Trent via email or phone.

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970 568 3299

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**Lee Carter** operates the **Rocky Mountain School of Woodturning** 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.  
e-mail [LLJTC4X4149@CS.COM](mailto:LLJTC4X4149@CS.COM)

**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)  
Website is [www.curttheobald.com](http://www.curttheobald.com)

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**John Giem, Woodturner**

Individual or small group woodworking instruction customized 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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**Katherine Kowalski** is a Woodturner & Contemporary Artist, offering private/small group instruction in woodturning technique, as well as specialized classes in hollow forms, bowl, fine spindlework, and color theory/technique. (All levels of instruction are available). Classes are held at Katherine's studio in Cheyenne, WY.  
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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](http://www.woodcraft.com/stores/store.aspx?id=56)