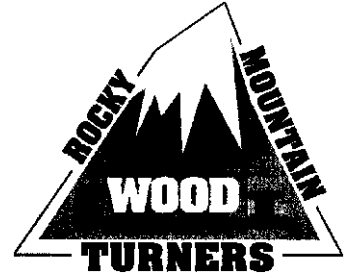




Rocky Mountain Woodturners
*A chapter of the American Association of
Woodturners*
January 2012 Newsletter



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Next RMWT Meeting

The next meeting of the Rocky Mountain Woodturners will be Thursday, January 5, 2012 at 6:30 PM. The meeting will be at the McKee Building at the Ranch. We will have a demonstration by Dale Bonertz on bowl coring. Bowl coring is a technique used to create multiple bowl blanks from one larger turning blank. Think of them as a set of nested bowls cut from one piece of wood. He will cover the bowl blank preparation and layout for coring, discuss the tool in general, tool setup and sharpening. Finally, he will demonstrate his method for sighting the tool for the angle of entry and coring blanks.

RMWT Activities

RMWT Board Meeting

The RMWT Board did not have a meeting in December 2011.

Educational Opportunity Grant Applications and information are now available. A copy of the EOG application is being sent out with this Newsletter. The application will also be available on our web site, www.rmwt.org.

Rocky Mountain WT financial statement Oct thru Dec 2011

Submitted by Frank Amigo

Credits	Debits
315.00 raffle	837.34 demos
120.00 dues	332.50 storage locker
176.00 wood sales	145.18 trailer ramps
93.00 wood sealer sales	10000.00 to savings account
1710.00 Christmas auction	48.00 AAW dues
5200.00 for EOG symp. a/c	67.11 web site
20.00 bumper stickers	120.65 library
	1314.30 Christmas part
7634.00 Total	172.00 bumper stickers
9319.14 bal 9/30/11	250.00 donation to CERF
	13287.08 Total debits
16953.14 Total credits	
13287.08 debits	
3666.06 bal 12/31/11	

Wood Bank

The Wood Bank has a large amount of **fire wood** for your winter comfort at no cost. If you can use some fire wood, please come and get it and build up a reserve for that next storm. This **free fire wood** is not restricted to RMWT Members only, so bring your friends and neighbors with you and help make room for fresh turning wood.

Currently the Wood Bank has a good selection of wood, the varieties change frequently. We received a **fresh deposit of Locust this month**. Call John Giem to arrange a time to come by pickup your wood. Remember, John can cut the wood for you if you do not have a chainsaw.

If you have a lead on possible wood for the Wood Bank, call Vince Wilson, Jerry Sherman, or John Giem (Contact information below)

A set of guidelines are being developed by Jerry Sherman and John Giem for the Wood Bank. These Guidelines are intended to promote safety, to help keep the wood lot clean and neat and to reduce the efforts needed to maintain the Wood Bank. When finished, a copy of the guidelines will be posted at the wood lot and in the Newsletter.

Announcements

Woodturner Bumper Stickers

Drew Nichols was able to purchase some bumper stickers with the Rocky Mountains in the background and 'Woodturner' in the foreground. Drew will have them at the next meeting for your purchase, \$2.00 each.

Loveland Woodcraft has a new Owner/Manager

On Wednesday 12/28/2011, Harry Farmer and I (John Giem) went down to Woodcraft and had a short meeting with Wayne Lousteau, the new owner. Several interesting things came out of the meeting.

- Wayne takes over the full ownership of the Loveland store on the first of the year.
- He also owns the Woodcraft store in Colorado Springs.
- Wayne is going to buy a home in Fort Collins and manage the Loveland store. He already has a Manager in place for the Colorado Springs Woodcraft.
- He has a wife and a three year old daughter. Harry and I estimated that he is in his upper 30's
- Before coming to Colorado, Wayne lived in Norfolk Virginia where he managed multiple Home Depot stores for over ten years. Woodcraft has a large store in Norfolk that was friendly and well managed. That experience is what motivated him to come to Colorado and take ownership of the Loveland and Colorado stores. With that experience, along with his Master's degree in Business Administration, I expect him to be a good fit for Woodcraft and RMWT.
- He does not plan on moving the store. Arrangements have been made to resolve all outstanding issues, and to have repairs made to the building itself.
- Wayne is a woodworker. He showed us a photograph of a large dining room table he made and we discussed other items he has built. He has done some woodturning but does not consider himself as having a lot of skills in that area.
- His philosophy of how the store should be stocked and managed is very encouraging. I expect to see numerous changes over year.
- Wayne wants us to come back to Woodcraft for our meetings. Based upon input from Drew, we indicated that we want to return to Woodcraft for our meetings. Nothing was discussed regarding the details of our meeting there, which needs to be handled by the Board.
- We briefly discussed purchasing discounts for our Membership. He wants to study the issue and get back to us. Apparently, there was some sort of discount program back in Virginia that gave him a lot of problems.
- It looks like the Wood Carvers will continue to meet there.
- We invited Wayne to come to the next RMWT meeting. We think that he will be coming.
- We provided Wayne with the basics of RMWT and what we do.
- I have the impression that we will work with us on any special events that come up.
- The internet is his 'primary competitor'. His intent is to grow Woodcraft into a store that is very friendly where people want to go.
- I'm sure that there are some details I have not listed along with some info that I do not want to commit to paper.

Wayne Lousteau sent me the following information to help us get acquainted. This is the same information he gave the Woodcraft employees when he was introduced to them

Wayne Lousteau



I am an experience retail manager. For the past 10 years I have worked for the Home Depot where I held various management roles including Store Manager, District Operations Manager, and District Manager. I hold an MBA from the University of Alabama and a BA from the University of Texas. Additionally I have over 30 hours of college level course work in Woodworking and construction/building technology.

I left the Home Depot in August 2011 to pursue starting my own business. This led me to Woodcraft. I have been able to form strong relationships with both the owners and associates of the Woodcraft in Norfolk, VA. Through these interactions, I decided to investigate owning my own Woodcraft franchise. In making this decision I spent two weeks working at that store to gain some inside knowledge of working at Woodcraft.

I am an accomplished Woodworker. I have been Woodworking for 20 years and have been seriously involved in the hobby for the past 10 years. I started woodworking by building a guitar in High School. I have since built over 10 guitars. I currently focus on building Federal style furniture. I primarily build with Mahogany and Maple. I seem to have used these woods exclusively for the past 5 years. I enjoy inlay and veneer work and I have some experience in relief carving. I really enjoy woodworking because it presents a constant challenge. There is always more to learn and every piece of wood is different.

My family consists of me, my Wife Catherine, and our daughter Nathalie. Nathalie is 2. Catherine won't let me say how old she is.



We chose to move to Colorado for the quality of life it offers and for the opportunities that exist with Woodcraft. We plan to acquire the stores in Colorado Springs and Loveland. I will manage/operate the store in Loveland. We will likely live in nearby Fort Collins.

I look forward to meeting, working, and learning from each of you. This is a big step for my family, but I am optimistic about the opportunities it presents us.

Wayne Lousteau

BTW...my last name is pronounced "Loosetoe".

Sears-Trostel Update

We have received an update from Curt Viehmeyer, General Manager, Sears-Trostel: **Sears Trostel** currently provides hardwood lumber in a variety of domestic species including ash, birch, cherry, hickory, maple, oak and walnut. We also carry exotic hardwood lumber including bloodwood, bubinga, canarywood, granadillo, lacewood, padauk, purpleheart, shedua, teak and wenge. We have just brought in turning squares, bowl blanks and pen blanks for the woodturners. We are happy to special order lumber and turning blocks per customer requests. **Members of the Rocky Mountain Woodturners get our preferred customer pricing.** This provides discounts on lumber, tools and supplies that range from 5 to 10% depending on the product. Festool, General Machinery, Kreg Tools and Woodpeckers Tools are not discounted.

Store Hours

Monday – Friday	7:30 to 5:30
Saturday	8:30 to 4:00
Sunday	Closed

Phones

970-482-1928
970-482-9895 Fax

For Sale

Used machinery for sale:

Jet Mini Lathe, 10" swing, 14" bed, 6-speed, bench model. This lathe is used, but is in excellent working condition, with all of the parts intact. It is the older version without the indexing feature. \$150

Delta 15" **Scroll Saw**, model 40-150. \$50

Powermatic **20" bandsaw**, with Carter guides, 13" cutting height, 1.5 HP motor. A workhorse of a saw! Well used, and in excellent working condition. \$750

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Please contact us by email if possible.

Used Lathe & Table Saw for sale

From Rick Orr

Pete Holtus family has two remaining large items for sale. A large German **lathe** and a Rockwell Delta **table saw**. Rick can provide a spec sheet on the lathe and not much on the table saw. Rick's estimate is about \$150 on the table saw, obo, and \$750 on the lathe.

If you are interested in these items, contact Rick Orr for more information. - email

rickorr1848@yahoo.com.

RMWT Meetings and information

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Registration Coordinator: John Giem
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10% RMWT Member discount with some exceptions

Wood Emporium
618 N Garfield Ave
Loveland, CO

Sears Trostel Lumber & Millwork
1500 Riverside Ave
Ft. Collins, CO 80524
970-482-1928
970-482-9895 Fax

Woodcraft – Loveland
3718 Draft Horse Drive
Loveland, CO 80538
Phone: (970) 292-5940
Fax: (970) 292-5939
Loveland@woodcraft.com

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

Clubs and Member's Websites

Rocky Mountain Wood Turners
www.rmwt.org

AAW – American Assoc of Woodturners
www.woodturner.org

Trent Bosch
www.trentbosch.com

David Nittmann
www.davidnittmann.com

Cindy Drozda
www.cindydrozda.com

John Lynch
www.johnlynchwoodworking.com

Curt Theobald
www.curttheobald.com

Katherine Kowalski
www.KatherineKowalski.com

Want your Website Listed? Contact John Giem, Editor.

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 or contact Trent via email or phone.

Trent Bosch
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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

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
Website is www.curttheobald.com

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 to 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