



**AAW** OFFICIAL CHAPTER  
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION  
OF WOODTURNERS

<http://www.corridorturners.org/>

### Next Meeting

The Next meeting of the Corridor Woodturners will be held at 6:30 PM on April 11th at the Marion High School wood shop, 675 S. 15th St. Marion, Iowa.

The program will be on photographing your turnings.

### Upcoming Events

- Regular Meeting-April 11-Photographing your work
- Regular Meeting—May 9– Q & A session
- Empty Bowls– May 19
- Regular Meeting-June 13-Off Center Pendants
- Regular Meeting-July-11-Logs to blanks @ the Hansen’s shop
- Regular Meeting-August 8-Texturing tools@ Tom and Stacy’s shop
- Woodfest August 23-25 @ Amana RV Park
- Regular Meeting-September-14 –Picnic @ Tom and Stacy’s shop
- Swamp Fox-September 20-Marion Square Park
- Regular Meeting October 10-TBD
- Regular Meeting-November14-TBD
- Regular Meeting-December-Christmas Party –TBD

### Empty Bowls

Empty bowls will be on May 18th. We have about twenty bowls from last year and this is a call for members to donate bowls for the event. For those of you who took blanks at the last meeting be sure to turn the bowls and get them back this meeting or the next. Donated bowls need not only be made from the club provided blanks. Proceeds go the area food banks.

### Last Meeting

#### Carbide or Conventional Tools

That was the subject of the last meeting. Tom Mills explained why he likes to use conventional tools and gave some examples of the cuts and techniques that he uses in his turnings. Properly used the presentation of



the tool to the work provides a cutting action as opposed to a scraping action resulting in a smoother finish. Tom is a proponent of edge tools. He feels that it is important to master a technique with a specific tool and enjoy the satisfaction that comes with a job well done.

Tom Nehl talked about the use of carbide tools. He noted at the start that his tool of choice for a bowls is a 1/2 inch bowl gouge. His main use of carbide tools is in hollowing. Tom uses several types of carbide tools, purchased and home made. His main carbide tool is the small Hunter tool. The carbide cutter is cupped and cuts rather than scrapes. Can you get a catch with





Tom Nehl

## From the President

I would like to express my excitement for being given an opportunity to lead this remarkable group of turners. Thank you Bruce Kruse for your impeccable work as the previous president, and will try to follow diligently in your footsteps. I look forward to exploring new avenues in turning, but would also like any input from any new or current turners in the areas of demonstrations or activities that you would like to see, or participate in. We had a nice discussion on the “pros and cons” to carbide, and high-speed steel turning tools. Looking forward to seeing everyone’s project of the month-- something turned with your favorite tool.

Last month, we provided bowl blanks for the Marion Empty Bowls Project, coming up on May 18th, at the Marion Arts Festival. We encourage you to bring a bowl, or three, to April and May meetings, for your donation to the Festival. Or, get in touch with Tom Mills, or me. They can also be delivered to our residences, anytime prior to the event. This is a worthwhile project with proceeds going to the Marion Foodbank. This is also great exposure for our club.

I am very excited to see this month’s program, presented by John Cox, on taking photographs of your work. The project of the month for May will be a photo of your work.

The May program is going to be a question and answer session. Please bring your questions to the meeting for discussion.

We’re committed to Woodfest on August 23rd-25th, 2019. -- As always, we could use the extra help, and any turned donations.

CWT Annual Picnic will be September 14th. Please note that this will be a Saturday, unlike previous years. Featuring: Open Turning, Silent Auction, Challenge Project, and Great Food!

The club will be attending the Saturday morning, farmers market, during the Swamp Fox festival located in the Marion Square September 28th, 2019.

For those of you that who have not yet paid this year’s dues, please see John Sandor.

I look forward to seeing you at this Thursday’s, April 11th Monthly Meeting - 6:30PM at the Marion High School Woodshop

Safe Turning, Tom Nehl

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Harold Rosauer-Cherry Burl-Poly-POM



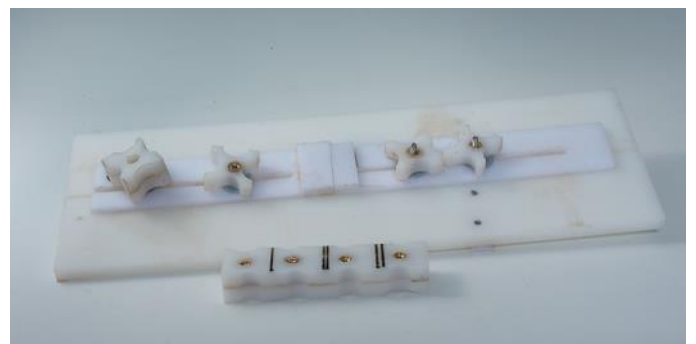
Paul Shaefer-Figured Maple-WOP-S&T



Tom St John-Live Oak-Poly-S&T



Jim Clauson-Red Oak-Poly-POM



Don Coleman-UHMW-POM

Name -Wood - Finish - Category  
Legend: AO=Antique Oil WOP=Wipe on Poly POM=Project of the month S&T=show and tell  
BLO= Boiled Linseed Oil SB= Salad Bowl finish FOG=Found on Ground



David Kesler-Spalted maple-WOP-S&T



Don Coleman-Pattern example



David Kesler-River Birch-WOP-S&T

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Kevin Bierman-Mulberry-AO-S&T



Harold Rosauer-Spalted Maple-Poly-POM

## Library Information

Do you use the literature library? What items would you like to see added, what would make it easier to use? See Gary Nosek and make your wishes known.

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this tool? Tom says yes, he can get a catch with anything but learning how the tool works and when danger is approaching comes from experience. Tom notes that carbide tools do not stay sharp forever and because carbide is brittle they will chip in very hard wood if they hit a knot or other obstruction. Plain cutters are available in several shapes from square to semi round to round in several sizes. These work well for roughing however the surface is not as good as with a gouge for most work. Carbide cutters work very well with acrylic materials and the recent introduction of negative rake cutters should make these cutters very popular.

Jeff Kromminga showed some of the Woodpecker carbide tools and noted that they are made with shafts that have flats at a 45 degree angle thus simplifying the shearing. Jeff also showed a hollowing tool that used a carbide cutter and demonstrated it's use on the bottom of a bowl.



No matter which type of tool you use the main thing is to learn how to use it properly and its limitations. Carbide tools *may* be easier for the beginner to get results with and have a shorter learning curve than edge tools but will probably require more sandpaper to obtain the same quality of finish.

## The Help Corner with John Sandor



Videos and other helpful programs and tips can be found at [www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org). This is the site of the American Association of Woodturners. Videos are selected and added to the library by an AAW volunteer. Once a video has been selected, it is reviewed by the AAW Safety Committee to ensure that it complies with AAW safety practices.

These videos and tips are available to all, no membership is required. Go to the web page and click under the watch tab to show the various video topics in the AAW Video Source library. Videos are selectable by the all video or beginner only buttons and further by category or topic.

Videos under the AAW Videos tab, are produced and partner produced videos available for AAW members only.

## Challenge Project

The Challenge Project is alive and well and scheduled for the annual picnic Sept 14. This is for members to create and display something they have never done or shown at a show and tell session. The object is to learn a new technique or process to improve your turning skills. A \$75 prize awaits the winner of a drawing among those participating. A sign up sheet will be available at the sign in table at the regular meetings.

## Dues

For those who haven't paid their dues, John Sandor would appreciate it if you bring your payment with the application, available on the web site, filled out. This makes it faster for check in and avoids a pile up at the sign in table. We have the capability for you to use a credit card for payment. If you will not be at the meeting this month and wish to pay your dues by mail, John's address is on the form.

## For Sale

Have something for sale? Let the club members know about it here. Get the info to John Cox to be added to the next newsletter

Jordan Ferr has a set of John Jordan hollowing tools for sale.

Large Hollowing  $\frac{3}{4}$ " tools" - #1 Hook tool \$80.00

#2 Hook tool \$85.00,  $\frac{3}{4}$ " Straight tool \$55.00

Small Hollowing Tools  $\frac{1}{2}$ " -  $\frac{1}{2}$ " Hook tool \$45.00

$\frac{1}{2}$ " Straight tool \$35.00

Arm Brace Handle for the large tools \$80.00

Sharpening jig \$25.00

All of this totals \$405.00. She will sell the whole batch for \$380.00 or separately, contact Jordan for specific details. [reder1@msn.com](mailto:reder1@msn.com)

## Dues Structure and Meeting Attendance Policy

Club dues are:

\$25.00 per year for an General membership.

\$30.00 per year for a Family membership

\$100.00 per year for a Supporting membership.

Dues are for the calendar year January 1 thru December 31 with a grace period ending at the close of the February meeting. New membership cards will be distributed at the March meeting.

Dues paid in September and later by **NEW** members will be considered in force for the rest of that calendar year plus the following calendar year.

Potential members may attend two meetings as a guest then must either join the club or pay 1/4 of the current general membership fee to attend a regular meeting.