

# **CRW Mission Statement:** To promote, to educate, and to inspire ourselves and others in the fine art of turned wood.

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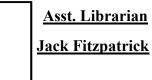
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Friends of the wood lathe.

It was great to see all of you at Octoberfest with your personally made tankard full of festival suds. Gesundheit to all of you. Yes gesundheit – many in my family are struggling with allergies this fall. Hopefully a freeze will take of the pollen and the bugs soon. I am told that the corn is being harvested in September. Quite early.

Thank You to Steve Kittelson for his demonstration on making kaleidoscopes and offering the class for some of us to learn this art. We had seven people show an interest in learning. The class is not full so give me a call if you would like to join up.

Bob Patros requested "In the past, I have set up displays at Gundersen. I would like to do it again, with a theme. I would like to suggest a Presidents challenge for goblets and platters. If there are enough pieces, I would then arrange to have them displayed at Gundersen in La Crosse. Then, maybe Onalaska Clinic." Bob does not have dates set up yet but what a great idea for us to display our creations.

We need your turned bowls that you are donating to the Empty Bowl project at the Holmen School to support the food pantries in the area. Let us see if we can contribute more than 30 bowls this year.

October's meeting is an important one to attend. We will be having election of our officers. Should you miss the meeting no telling what your friends will be volunteering you to do. I wish I had friends as nice as you have. Seriously we will be looking for at least two new members to join the board. We will train anyone who is interested (gets drafted).

This month's program is one that several of you requested. Duane and I will be talking about using the index on your lathe. Most of us have a 24 or greater indexing system on our lathe. Not everyone may know that they have one. There are many interesting things that can be done with the index and we hope to challenge you to use yours.

We have updated our name tag board. If you do not have your name on the board you may have not paid your 2018 dues. That is water over the spindle – We are taking 2019 dues starting with October's meeting. Bring some cash or check book.

Deer hunting is only about 6 weeks away, Christmas in 10 weeks, and our Christmas Potluck in 9 weeks.

Our wood lathes are hungry this time of year winter coming and such. So, if you want to feed them be sure to wear a long sleeve shirt when turning. Arms are especially tasty. I'd rather see you than hear about you.

Look at the updated calendar in this newsletter.

See you at the meeting.

Isn't life wonderful.

Be Safe, Keep Sharp

Adrian

> Dear all:

> Adrian has issued a President's challenge for us to create a turned goblet or platter that I will then arrange to have displayed on La-Crosse Gundersen Clinic's 3rd floor, as I have in the past. The timeframe to complete the challenge is a few months (exact date is dependent on when I can get the display date. I will keep you posted on when I need your pieces).

> Also, the pieces will need to get to me at a CRW meeting or you can deliver to my home (3480 Greenbriar Ct., LaCrosse. Please call ahead at 608-615-0226). I will be happy to pick up if not too far away.

> I have not heard back from Gundersen yet but requested to display a few months from now to give us time to work on our pieces. The display will be up for a month. Also, if possible, I can arrange for the display to be at the Gundersen Onalaska Clinic afterward.

> As long a there is room, ALL pieces will be displayed. If you create more than one piece for the display, I will decide which one(s) will be displayed depending on space. I don't want to leave anyone out. All members are welcome to participate and I encourage you to do so. It's fun to have your pieces displayed and people really enjoy seeing your work.

> Have your pieces boxed or bagged with your name printed clearly and the species of wood(s) used. I will make up name tags for each.

> Additionally, the Board has generously approved the purchase of stands for the platters display. I will purchase them for the club once I know how many we need.

> After the displays are over, the pieces can be picked up at my home or I will bring to an upcoming meeting. If I bring them to a meeting, the pieces will be left in the cage at the Onalaska Senior Center for you to retrieve your item(s) at an upcoming meeting.

> Sorry for the windy note! If questions, please let me know.

> Thanks,

> Bob Patros

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> P.S. If there is an overwhelming response, I may look at holding some for the Onalaska display as there is a much larger display case there. There, all pieces would definitely be included.

Tip #8. From the Safety Corner

Noise in the shop? Take the opportunity to read the article in the latest AAW journal, "Noise in the workshop". We can all learn some good info. Sounds above 85 dB is an insidious danger, almost always irreversible. Your lathe running by itself produces about 65-75 dB. Roughing timber on the lathe raises the level to well over 90 and above. Normal conversation is about 60 dB. You can download a smartphone application called Decibel X that will provide a reasonable assessment of noise levels in your shop at various locations

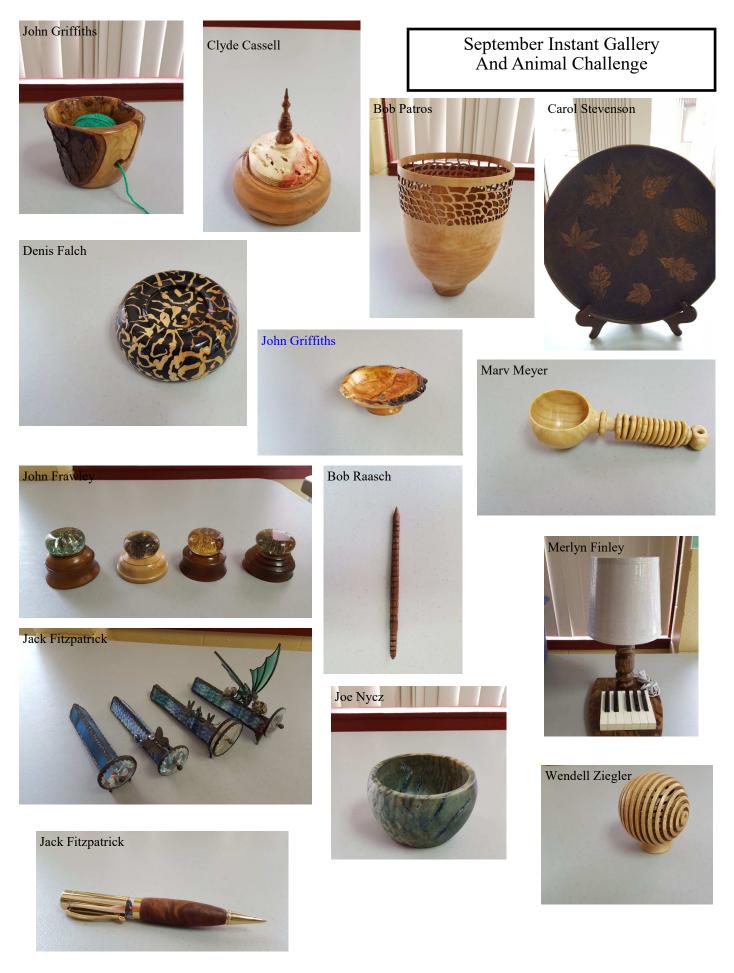
Not an AAW member?, we have the journal in the library to check out!

And, yes, as the Prez mentioned, please don't feed your lathe your long sleeves or arm. Fingers, are especially tasty. Feel the need to wear gloves? If you do, try bicycling or golf gloves which are tight fitting and less apt to tangle with the spinning material or chuck.

What about our pets. Loose and free spirited, especially dogs, they like to roam. Their ears can or should also be protected. Yep, fashionable sound muffs are available, called Mutt Muffs, for about \$50 and up. What about a pooch cave/crate in the shop, covered with a blanket for their safety. Of course if you have a shop cat, that is their domain and they may allow you to use it. For more on pets in the shop, see the latest Woodsmith magazine, Oct/Nov 2019.

Of course, your feedback is appreciated. Keep turning my friends but keep it safe. From CRW Tool Czar, Bob Raasch

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More September Gallery And Animal Challenge





















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Coulee Region Wood Turners Presents for the year 2018-2019		
Date	Program	<u>Challenges</u>
October 20:	Using the Index on your Lathe Duane Hill and Adrian Novak	Platter and
Goblet		
November 17: Orna	election of 2019 Officers Round Robin 1. Chucks - Regular, Pen, Jam, Longworth, Co 2. Tools for sale ament 3. Vacuum chuck 4. Pens and more 5. Coring	ld Jaws Inside-Out
January 19: Feburary 16: March 16: April 20: May 18:	Your Idea Here Spring Pole Lathe Your Idea Here Picnic at Jim Frank's	Ornament

CRW welcomes new members Ashley and Jim Bloomer and Steve Kittelson!



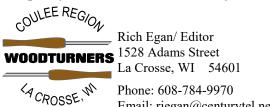
Congratulations to Steve and Carol Stevenson on their award-winning creations!



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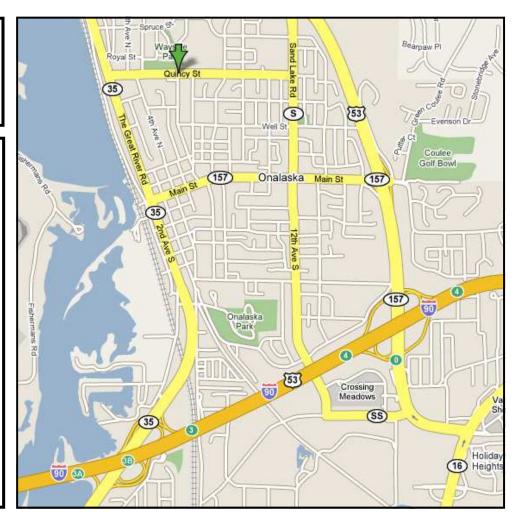
#### "A Turn For the Better"

**Next Meeting** Saturday, October 20 2018 at 9 am.

Here's a map to help those who aren't sure where we meet. It's the Onalaska Community Center 515 Quincy St Onalaska, WI. 608-783-9290 54650

We'll start the program promptly at 9am, so get there early to avoid getting a Uecker Seat.

> We'll have coffee, so Chocolate donuts are ALWAYS Welcomed.



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