



Minnesota WoodTurners Association

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"I told him as an expert in the field I strongly recommend wearing it, but he just kept bringing up his 'rights.'"

Insisting on your RIGHTS without
Acknowledging your RESPONSIBILITIES
Isn't Freedom, it's ADOLESCENCE



Instant Gallery

Greg Just



The ash is about 10" and the matching walnut natural edge bowls are 6"



Instant Gallery (cont'd)

Joe Zwirn



Macacuba &
blackwood finial



Instant Gallery (cont'd)

Lee Luebke



Using up some of my wood pile. Turned some colorful spalted boxelder, some spalted elm, some with a few bug holes and some small walnut bowls.



Instant Gallery (cont'd)

Linda Ferber



Birdie on the
fence.
Sepele carved
and painted.



Instant Gallery (cont'd)

Jay Schulz



Beads of
Courage box
and ball & cup
toys for Mayo
Clinic



TREAT YOUR MASK LIKE UNDERWEAR



1. Do not touch or adjust (especially in public).
2. Do not borrow or lend.
3. Make sure fit is tight but comfortable
4. Make sure it is CLEAN.
5. Wear the right side out.
6. If it is damp, change it.
7. Don't go COMMANDO!

@A Chalkboard a Day



MWA "Tuesday Tune-Up"

Rolf Krogstad was a winner for the Tuesday Turners Tune-Up on July 14 when Dan Ernst presented the Wing Bowl Using the Skew.

Rolf won a wing bowl, blanks and wood suitable for wing bowls



MWA "Tuesday Tune-Up"

Pres. Lee Luebke is archiving the Tuesday Turners Tune-Ups and other demonstrations on the MWA website

Step 1: Log into the MWA website home page



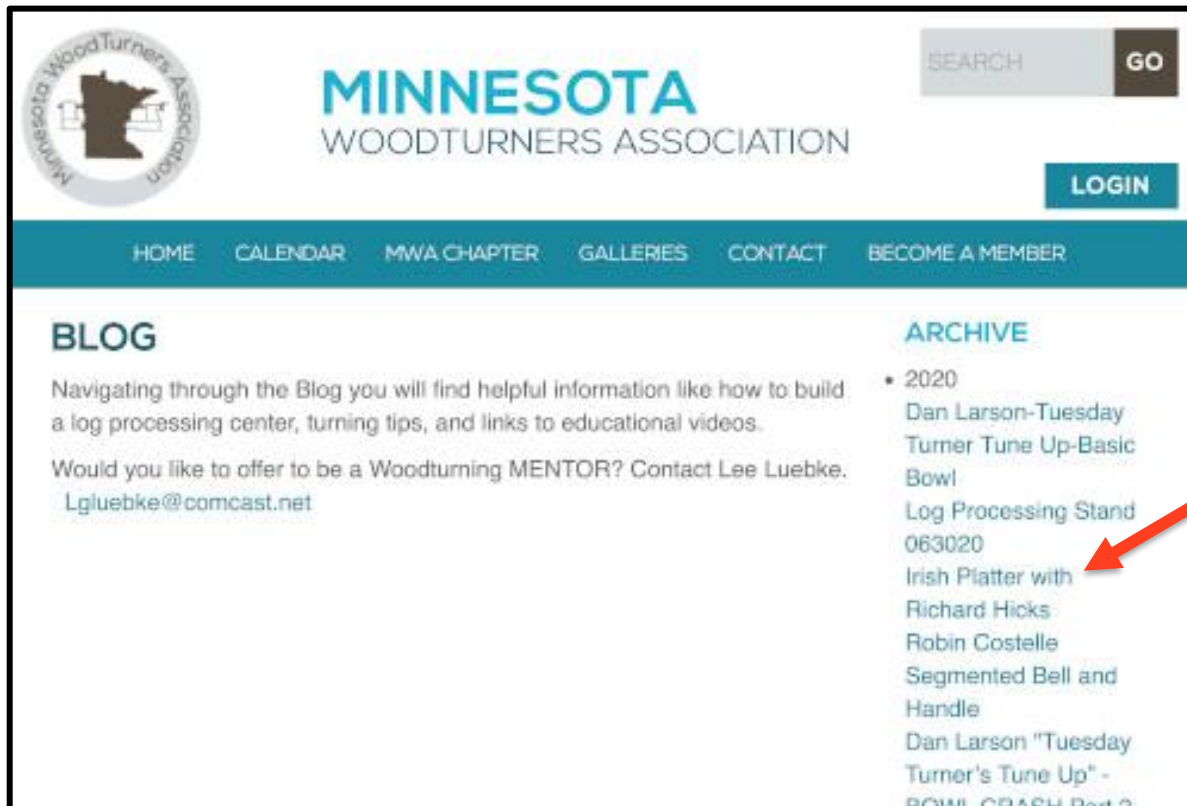
MWA "Tuesday Tune-Up"

Step 2: Under MWA Chapter, click on BLOG



MWA "Tuesday Tune-Up"

Step 3 : Under ARCHIVE, click on which video you'd like to see



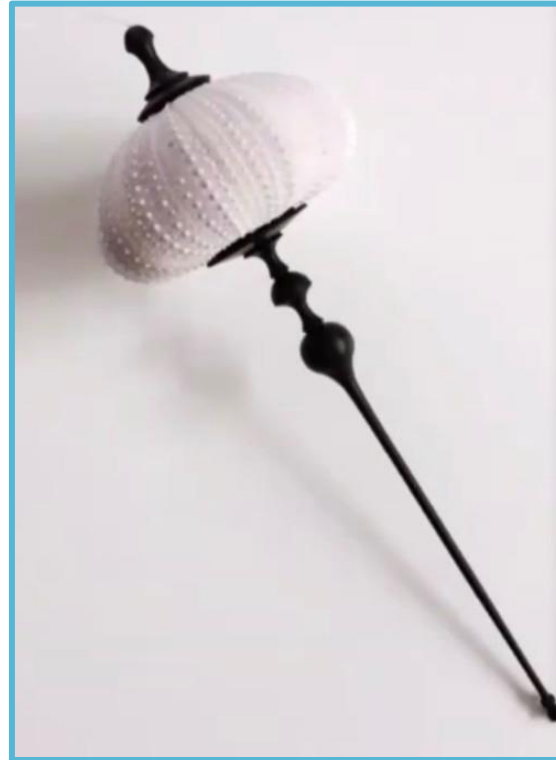
MWA "Tuesday Tune-Up"

Dick Hicks

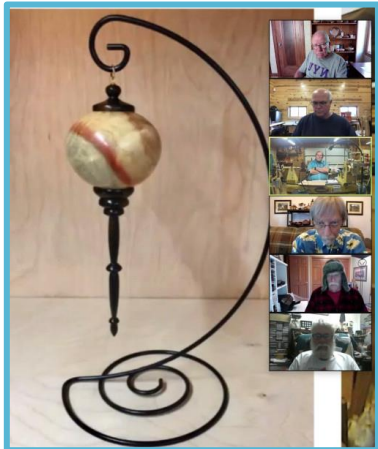
July 21, 2020



Dick's first finial



Dick really wanted to learn how Ashley Harwood could do the finial associated with the sea urchin



His 2nd one, a box elder ornament, which he felt better about





Dick's plan was to give us a plan, as suggested in the AAW journal: do only one small section at a time

He listed the tools he favors for turning finials:

Spindle roughing gouge

Bedan 3/8"

Detail gouge 3/8" 30 degrees

Detail gouge 1/4" 40 degrees

Bowl gouge 3/8" 45 degrees

Point tool

Parting tool 1/8"

Vicmarc chuck



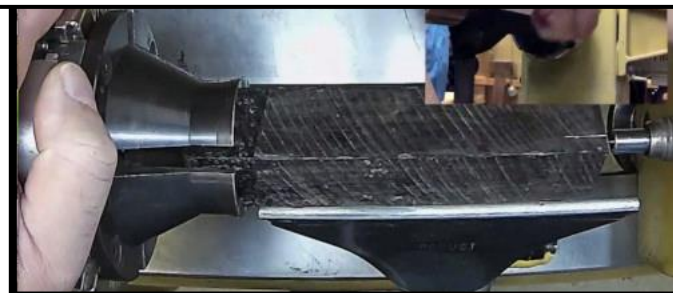
Figured wood ornament with an intricate finial



This is the detail and size he wants



Dick likes the Vicmarc chuck; he can mount the blackwood blank directly into the jaws



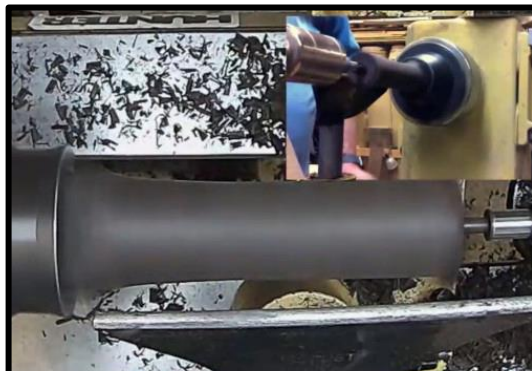
1st step is lining up with tool rest & rounding the blank



Next, begin the tip; Dick turns at 2500 rpm



Dick continues the tip with the bedan tool



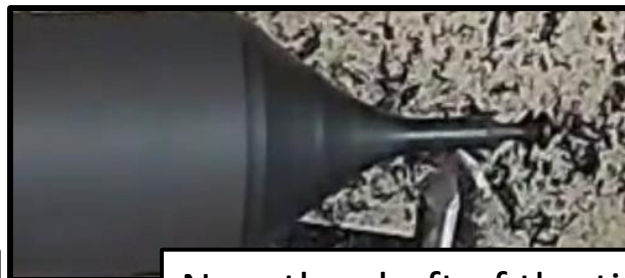
The tip is at diameter, very small



Beginning to form the tip



The tip is finished; do 1 section at a time and never go back



Now the shaft of the tip, 1 section at a time



Sanding the shaft



Extending the shaft



Extending the shaft with the 3/8" bowl gouge



Beginning the onion with the 3/8" detail gouge



Continuing with the onion, giving it some shape



Oiling with walnut oil and generating heat to polymerize the oil



Sanding below the onion in the area of the bead & cove



Holding the finial very delicately while parting off. If the finial were going to be part of a turned piece, the base would be made to an exact measurement.



Dick gently holds the completed finial



Sven said he enjoyed the demo very much and marveled at Dick's patience and skillful turning

More Covid-19 Thoughts

I received an email from a colleague pathologist, who's still working (not as old as I am). He told me about a study by a professor at NYU that shows that people who test positive for Covid-19 and are totally asymptomatic have a much higher viral load than people who are hospitalized for Covid-19. This means we are more likely to get the virus from someone who has no idea they are infected than from an obviously sick person.

The only way we're going to get businesses re-opened and be able to meet in person again for woodturning meetings is to get the viral transmission under control and the most cost-effective way of doing that is masks. If you're wearing a mask, you're protecting others more than you're protecting yourself.

As a group, woodturners probably wear face protection more than any other group other than medical personnel so for us it should not be a big deal.



More Covid-19 Thoughts

From **AARP** magazine

5 reasons to wear a mask

1. Masks protect other people
2. You may not realize you're contagious
3. Masks can protect you as well
4. Masks may help the economy recover
5. There are few alternatives with no vaccine

Keep in mind that staying safe from COVID-19 means putting in place multiple safeguards, including thorough handwashing and staying 6 feet away from others.



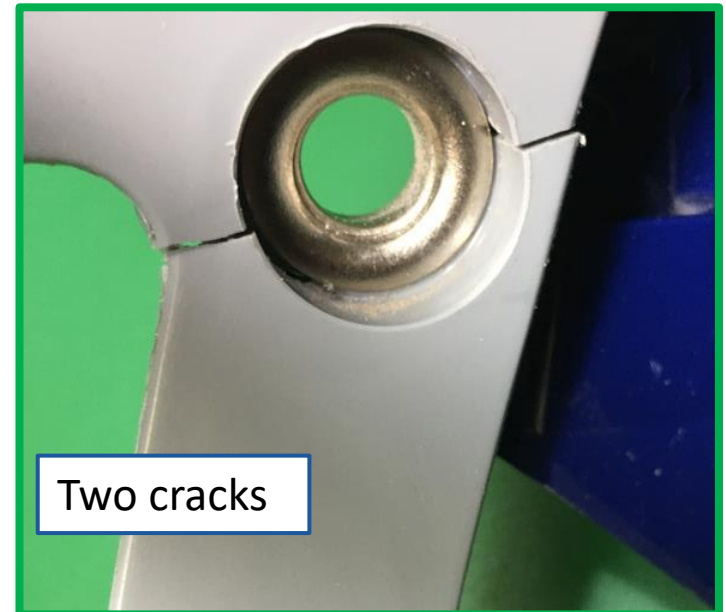
Tips For Turners

3M Face Shield Breakage at Swivel

Mike Rohrer

I would bet that more MWA members use 3M face shields than any other kind. They are respected for their safety and are reasonably priced. I have used them for decades for furniture making and woodturning. The shields can be easily replaced when they become too scratched or otherwise difficult to see through.

I have had one problem with several masks which have broken in the gray plastic around the swivel that allows the mask to be raised and lowered.



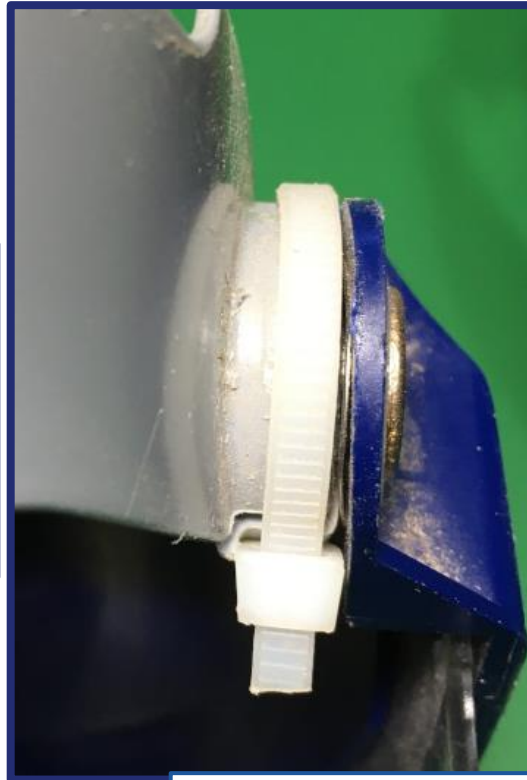
Tips For Turners (cont'd)

3M Face Shield Breakage at Swivel

Mike Rohrer

I have found that the broken parts of the gray plastic can be reapproximated around the brass washer.

To hold the pieces in that position I used small cable ties



I have had these cable tie repairs last for years with no noticeable change in the face mask

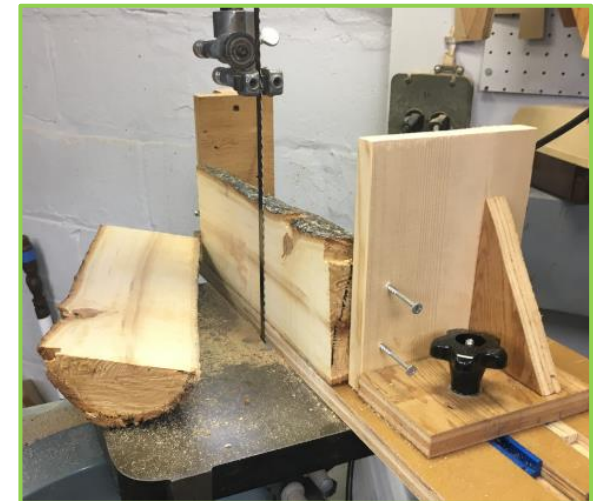
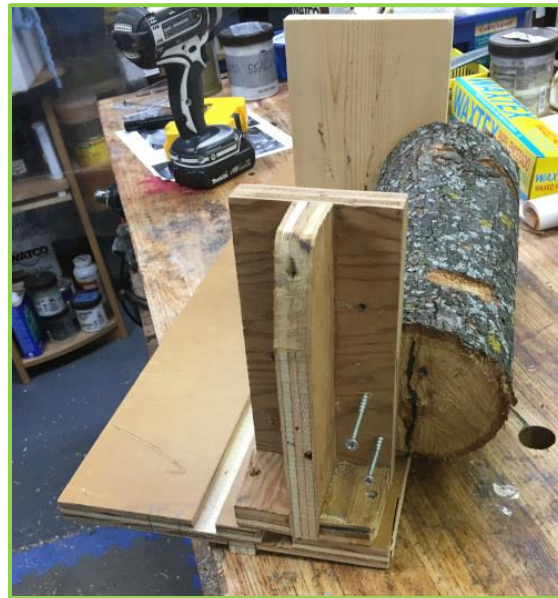


Tips For Turners (cont'd)

Dan Ernst's Sled

Mike Rohrer

I really liked the sled Dan Ernst had made for safely and nicely cutting logs right through the pith, which he showed in his Tuesday Turners Tune-Up on wing bowls. I decided to give it a try.



I used all scrap material except the T-Track. I had a knob but I had to flatten the edge of the head of the bolt just a bit to fit the track and take out the roundness of the head so it would clear the screws holding the track.



First wing bowl from a log cut using Dan's sled



The wood is littleleaf linden from a tree cut down across the street by the Mpls Park & Rec Dept. 6 days prior to turning

My shop walls are so full I found a spot over my door to store the sled.



Covid Isolation

Our next-door neighbor is a woman who lives alone so we check on her frequently. The following is her response to our recent inquiry as to how she was doing.

I've heard some people are really going crazy from isolation. I'm glad I'm not one of those. I've just been talking about this with the microwave and toaster while drinking coffee and all of us agreed that things are getting bad.

I didn't mention anything to the washing machine as she puts a different spin on everything. Certainly not to the fridge as he is acting cold and distant. The sink just said everything is going down the drain. In the end the iron calmed me down as she said everything will be fine, the situation isn't that pressing.

The vacuum was very unsympathetic. Told me to just suck it up, but the fan was more optimistic and felt it would all soon blow over!

The toilet looked a bit flushed when I asked its opinion and it didn't say anything, but the doorknob told me to get a grip. The front door said I was unhinged and then . . . the curtains told me to pull myself together!

I'm fine, doing great.



MWA Demonstrations Since July 2017

Warren Gerber suggested that I incorporate an easy way to locate a previous demo that has been documented in the newsletter since July 2017. No one has said they don't like it, so I'll continue.

Mike Rohrer, Editor

<u>Newsletter</u>	<u>Demo</u>	<u>Demonstrator</u>
July 2017	Hollowing for Embellishment	Gary Mrozek
Aug 2017	Turning & Decorating a Platter	Jeff Luedloff
Sep 2017	Bowl Coring	Neil Robinette
Oct 2017	Traditional Platter, Viking Bowl	Glenn Lucas
Oct 2017	Natural Edge Bowl	Bob Meyer
Nov 2017	From Tree to Bowl	Dan Larson
Dec 2017	Turning Ornaments	Jim Jacobs
Jan 2018	Making a Pendant	Alan & Lauren Zenreich
Feb 2018	Spindle Turning/Milk Paint	Linda Ferber
Mar 2018	Chain Saw Safety & Techniques	Steve Hagen
Apr 2018	Lidded Boxes	Steve McLoon
May 2018	Hollow Forms & Platters	Trent Bosch
	Platters & Bowls	Mike Mahoney
June 2018	Travel Mug	Greg Just
July 2018	Log Preparation & Sawmill	John Enstrom
Aug 2018	Squarish Platter	Mike Hunter
Sep 2018	Pens	Ed Mielech & Rick Auge
Oct 2018	Safe & Comfortable Turning	Eric Lofstrom
Nov 2018	Finishing	Mark Palma
Dec 2018	Finials	Steve McLoon
	Lefse Sticks	Jim Jacobs
	A Shop	Todd Williams
	Handles	Tim Heil

<u>Newsletter</u>	<u>Demo</u>	<u>Demonstrator</u>
Jan 2019	Scandinavian Inspired Bowls	Dan Larson
Feb 2019	Segmented Turning	Curt Theobold
Mar 2019	Peppermills	Tom Sciple
Apr 2019	3-Legged Stool	Keith Gotschall
May 2019	Baby Rattle with Captive Rings	Gary Mrozek
June 2019	Spheres & Embellishments	Steve McLoon
July 2019	Wood-Mizer Portable Sawmill	John Enstrom
Aug 2019	Finial Box	Cindy Drozda
Sep 2019	Spalting	Seri Robinson
Oct 2019	Rings True to Life	Phil Holtan
Nov 2019	Be More Creative	Beth Ireland
Dec 2019	Holiday Ornament	Bob Meyer & Mike Hunter
Jan 2020	3-Pointed Vase/Box	Tom Sciple
Feb 2020	Long-stem Natural Edge Vessel	Rudy Lopez
Mar 2020	Hollow Form	Lyle Jamieson
May 2020	Shop/Multiple Topics	Mike Mahoney
Mini # 11	Bowl Turning. Part 1	Dan Larson
Mini # 12	Bowl Turning. Part 2	Dan Larson
Mini # 13	Christmas Bell Ornament	Robin Costelle
Mini # 13	Irish (Glenn Lucas) Platter	Dick Hicks
Mini #15	Log Processing Center	Lee Tourtelotte/Dan Larson
Mini #16	Coring	Dan Larson/Dan Ernst
Mini #17	Wing Bowl	Dan Ernst
Mini #18	Finials	Dick Hicks



For Sale - Walnut



Fresh cut walnut for sale. Anyone interested? One piece or all. Best offer. We're just south of Owatonna.

Bonnie Jacobson
bonniej@gofast.am



For Sale - Birch

I have several large thick trunk-like pieces of birch that may be suited for uses beyond firewood. Please give a call or send a note and I would be happy to provide further info.

Peter Skjervold (612-462-2252)

peter@pskjaz.com



For Sale



I am now offering a new style bead box kit.

These have the body and top assembly ready to go on the lathe. Designed for the intermediate wood turner.

Total cost of \$25.00 includes shipping to your door.

Can accept checks or Pay Pal.

Contact Jim Jacobs

woodmanmn@aol.com

or 651-497-1309



Member Help Line

The club is setting up a "Member Help Line", the purpose of which will be to answer questions /give advice/ and help educate our membership. Maybe you're a beginner looking for advice on what to buy. Maybe you have questions on chucking. Maybe you have sharpening questions. We would like more members to volunteer for our Member Help Line. If you would like to be "on call" please contact Mike Rohrer at mdrprof@gmail.com with your phone #, email address, area where you live, areas you'd be willing to help with, and your name will be added to the list.

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The next logical step



Editor's Notes

This is the 18th Coronavirus Mini Newsletter featuring the **Tuesday Turners' Tune-Up**, Finials, by Dick Hicks

These TTTs are fun and useful and the next one, July 28, is Bob Meyer showing his method for turning natural edge bowls

Keep the pictures for the Instant Gallery coming.

Stay safe; have fun isolating yourself in your shop. We can just consider that wearing the masks away from home is an extended shop experience.

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