

March 2020

Meeting Info

The April Meeting is cancelled. Details in the President's Message.

Club Challenge

The challenge for the next meeting is a writing utensil

Bring your challenge pieces for an entry in the monthly and yearly drawings.

President's Message

There is supposedly a Chinese curse which says "may he live in interesting times." That phrase certainly rings true for us today. The COVID 19 virus has shaken our concept of social distance and limited our travel. It has all but done away with the traditional handshake an even negated the latest greeting fad – the fist bump. This virus is a real threat to our society and should not be taken lightly. Before this is over each of us will know someone what has been affected by COVID 19. I encourage you keep up on the latest news (from the CDC or reputable news source) and DO THE FIVE:

1 HANDS Wash them often

2 ELBOW Cough into it

3 FACE Don't touch it

4 SPACE Keep safe distance

5 HOME Stay if you can

When Robert F. Kennedy referenced the curse, in a 1966 speech, he also stated that these are times of ... uncertainty, but also they are also... creative times. I urge you to take this period to be creative. If you are like me, you watch videos with an interesting turning project or technique on the web but seldom have the time go directly to the shop and try it. For many of us, the Governor's Stay-Home Order, just gave us more time in the shop. It has forced us to slow down, plan our necessary travel and hopefully do more woodturning. Watch your favorite YouTube turner and give something new a try.

If you are looking for information or inspiration, the best comprehensive source for woodtuners is the America Association of Woodturners website (woodturner.org). This site is loaded with inspiring images, informative articles and educational videos on every aspect of woodturning from safety to sharpening and finials to finishing..... I know that many of you are members of AAW, but for those of you who are not, I encourage you to take advantage of their free guest membership. You can do so by through this link: highs://www.woodturner.org/Woodturner/Join-Pages/Guest_Online-Memberships.aspx

We will not have a meeting in April and the May meeting is questionable, so I be sure to stay in touch. Bob will send out the membership list to everyone; I just ask that you don't distribute it. As you try new things, take photos and share them with other members. If you come across a particularly good video, pass that along too. We will get back together soon. In the meantime, stay safe, turn well and be creative.

"Demonstration"

Steve Hagen demonstrated Pen Making. The pen demonstrated was the Wall Street style. Watch the video on the PVWA web page (www.pvwa.club)





Examples of pens Steve has made





March Meeting Photos



March Meeting Photos (cont)









A couple of bowls for the SouthEastern Idaho Community Action Agency



