

# Chips & Bits

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**Bob Roehrig  
Ornaments**

Providing an environment that fosters the art and craft of woodturning  
A Publication of the Peace River Woodturners

## How much time and money you are willing to invest to get into this 'hobby'.

Before touching on the different lathes, tools, etc., I want to take this opportunity to save you a bunch of time and money. How? Simple. Get with your local AAW affiliated turning club. The members there are all about teaching safe ways to turn, know about different tools and accessories and, more important, can offer hands-on mentoring. It makes good sense to know what it is you would like to turn - then buy the tools needed to make that happen! Many of us, when we first started out, bought the latest and greatest tools that came on the market, only to find out later that we didn't need them. By getting with your local club, not only will you be exposed to tools and methods of turning, you most likely can pick up a great deal on some used equipment!

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## How to save your pen mandrels with equal pressure:

When applying pressure to create friction and heat to cure a pen finish, it is easy to place the cloth on one side of the pen blanks and push. Problem is, if you are not careful and apply too much pressure you can bow and even bend the mandrel. The best way to apply pressure evenly is to **lightly pinch or squeeze the pen barrel between your fingers**. Properly applied the pressure cures the finish without putting undue pressure on the mandrel.

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## AAW Membership

The AAW has a rich library of content available to members. Content includes articles and videos on a variety of woodturning topics: Chucks, Sharpening, Shop Tips, and more. Members also have access to an archive of the American Woodturner (a bi-monthly printed publication) and Woodturning FUNDamentals (a bi-monthly digital publication aimed at foundational woodturning expertise). For information about membership see the AAW's web site: <http://www.woodturner.org>

# Christmas in July

The July meeting demonstration was given by Bob Roehrig on how to make a Side Hollowed Christmas ornament. Side hollowed ornaments are easy to make and allow some fun with texturing and coloring to ones own desire. Check out the club's website for a procedure sheet for the process.



# Farewell Frank

Members that attended the July meeting were saddened to hear that our long time friend Frank Bednar will be returning to his home state of Minnesota Permanently. Frank will be leaving the sunshine state the first part of August. Frank has been a member of the Peace River Woodturners since the start and we all will certainly miss his smiling face and great humor. Frank, we all wish you the best and you will be sorely missed at all future meetings of the club. We wish you well and please stay in touch.



# SHOW & TELL



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**Chapter Information**

Peace River Woodturners Inc. (PRW) is an organization formed for individuals interested in woodturning and was formed on Oct 1, 2007. The primary purposes of the PRW are consistent with the fundamental purposes of the American Association of Woodturners: To provide information, education and an organization for those interested in turning wood.



The PRW web site can be found at:  
[www.peaceriverwoodturners.org](http://www.peaceriverwoodturners.org)



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**Photo's**

Photographs for this months "Chips & Bits" were provided by Bob Roehrig. If you have digital photo's that you would like to have considered for use in the newsletter, please send them along with any articles to the editor at:

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**Membership**

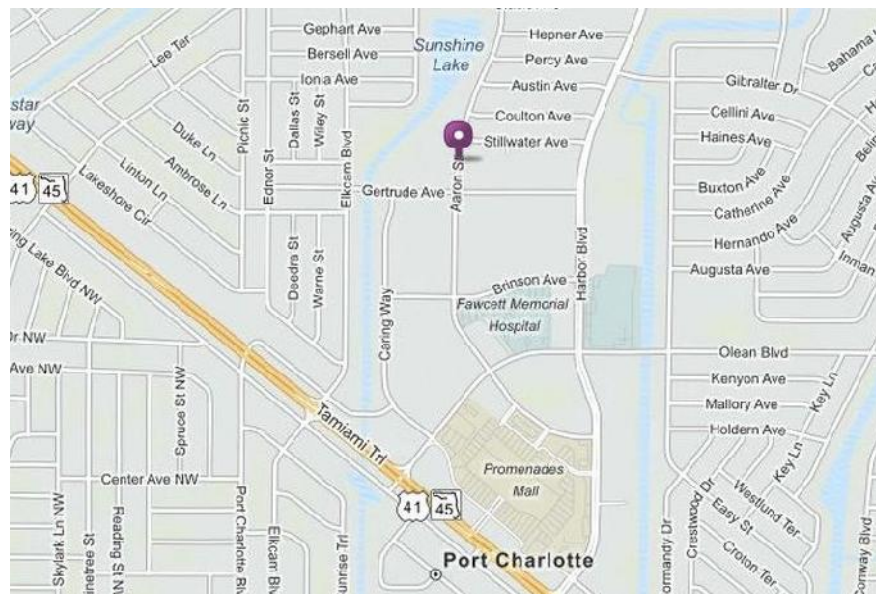
Yearly chapter dues are \$50 per individual or \$60 a family. Membership is for the calendar year. These dues help the club provide tools for our monthly demonstrations, bring in outside demonstrators, pay room rent, have a yearly picnic and other club related activities.

## Meeting Location

Our Meetings are on the first Thursday of the month starting at 6:15 pm and ending by 9:00 pm. We meet at the **Charlotte County Cultural Center** located in Port Charlotte, FL



**Our next meeting is:  
Thursday August 2, 2018**



## Upcoming Events

**PRW meeting: August 2, 2018**

**Demonstator: Paul Bartlett**

## Library

The Library is available for all current club members. The club library contains Books, magazines, and DVD's available to check out.. A list of materials is available on the PRW website:

[www.peacriverwoodturners.org](http://www.peacriverwoodturners.org)

Please help us maintain the library by returning checked out items promptly. The library is maintained by Cheri Bauer. New material can be ordered by request.