

Chips & Bits

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**Bob Summers
Pierced Bottle**

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

Bob Summers

Piercing Demonstration

March Meeting



Prez's Message

Wood artists are not like elite athletes. We rarely compete with other “creative types”, or win gold medals. Our art is totally subjective. We each create in our own way in order to connect with the people who can see and touch our work – And they are out there, waiting for us to share! There is never just ONE right way, and we can improve and grow our talents with practice and exposure to new ideas. So take the pressure off - Focus on your own unique blend of magic, and create for the sheer joy of it!

The Pilot Program Agreement for our occupation of the 5 main rooms in Price House at the Punta Gorda History Park has been signed! We are applying for a permit to install the 220 for the Powermatic lathe, and the Historical Society is actively clearing out the antiques and other items currently stored in the building. The agreement runs from April 1st to October 31st, 2022, with options to renew by October 15th. Having a meeting and turning area with full-time access is a brand new idea for the PRW and opens us to many turning / training / sales opportunities.

The SUCCESS of this endeavor will require all your help and support - from every PRW Member, residents and seasonal, in big ways and small! Here's how you can help:

Bring a turning to every monthly meeting to donate toward the PRW gift shop and sales area to be established at the Price House. It will be open on Sundays from 10 AM to 1PM, and staffed by PRW volunteers. Small items are great, like tops & birdhouses & pens & small bowls, or anything you'd like to create!

Make a donation to the Price House Fund. Checks payable to The Punta Gorda Historical Society are tax-deductible, and can be brought to any meeting. Please put “Price House Fund” on the bottom left notation line.

Thanks to many generous Members, we are close to our goal of \$1,000 in donations which our Anonymous Donor will match! No donation is too small! Even \$5 can help, and non-tax deductible donations can be made on the PRW website. Just look at the top right hand corner of a page and click on the DONATE button - Big or small, we're grateful for it all.

Sign up for a Work Crew to help with the design, updates & improvements we will be making over the next few months.

Want a **cool space to turn** when it's too hot in your shop this summer? Schedule time on the PRW lathe in the A/C comfort of Price House for a small fee.

More ways to help:

Volunteer to teach a small class for 1 or 2 turners. What skills have you honed that you can share with the other PRW Members? Want to become a Mentor?

Are you a **novice or short-time turner**? Do you want to learn everything you can from a patient Mentor? Where would you like to start in your journey? Tell us more!

Want to sell your turnings? We are considering a % donation to the History Park from each sale of Members consigned works, less than at any local gallery – Please give us your input!

Have any other ideas on how to maximize the use of our space? Don't hold back! Let us know!

The MARCH 3rd meeting with Bob Summers' piercing demo on the covered front porch of Price House was a great daytime introduction to our new “clubhouse” surroundings.

Our upcoming April 7th EVENING meeting at 6:30 PM inside Price House will feature a demonstration by Dave Watson – Don't miss it! You can park in the back lot of the Punta Gorda Library at **501 Shreve Street** for a very short walk to the Brown Building.

We appreciate your continuing support and involvement in the PRW. It wouldn't be as much fun without you, so please stay safe and healthy, and have a great time turning whenever get the opportunity! Cheri Bauer, President email: peaceriverwoodturners@comcast.net

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The Silver Fox Sez:

Store your frequently used finishes by your lathe in WELL MARKED small plastic lidded bottles - Old shampoo bottles work well. Put several STAINLESS nuts or bolts inside, then shake the bottle before each use. A flip of the cap opens or closes. Squirt a small amount on your applicator rag, and you're on your way.

Always borrow tools from pessimists – They won't expect to get them back.

Professionalism in woodturning is not about “full-time”, “sales”, “volume of productivity”, or “efficiency”. It’s really about the quality and personality of the end product you create.

SHOW & TELL



Bob Summers



Cheri Bauer



Chris Buckbee



David Smith

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Frank DeDomizio

**Show
&
Tell
Table**



FOR SALE

The following woodturning/woodworking items are listed for sale. Contact Victor Marcone if interested: Cell: 941-626-7574
Email: victorhugo2911@comcast.com



Versa-Cal Multi Caliper 10"
\$25.00



Robust Curved Tool Rests (2) \$50.00 each



Taper/Straight Line Jig \$50.00



Powermatic Cured Tool Rests (2) \$50.00 each



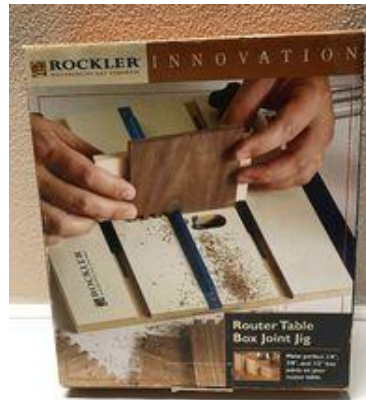
1" 8TPI Chrome 3" Faceplate \$15.00
1" 8TPI Easy Wood 4" Faceplate \$25.00



Complete Dovetail Jig \$100.00



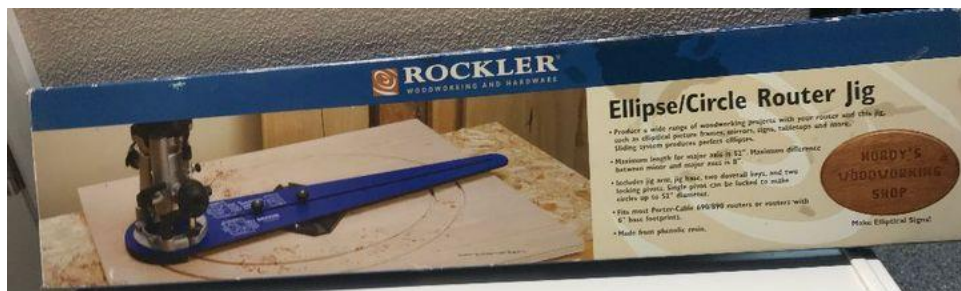
Dovetail Jig Dust Collector
\$69.99



Router Table Box Joint Jig \$40.00



Kelton Woodchucker Mandrel \$45.00



Ellipse/Circle Router Jig \$75.00



Rockler....4 Sets for \$45.00



**Blind Shelf Support Rated 50 lbs. Five sets
\$35.00**



**(3) Port O Mate Lumber Rack 6 levels each holding 110 lbs.
\$75.00**

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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



AAW site can be found at:
www.woodturner.org

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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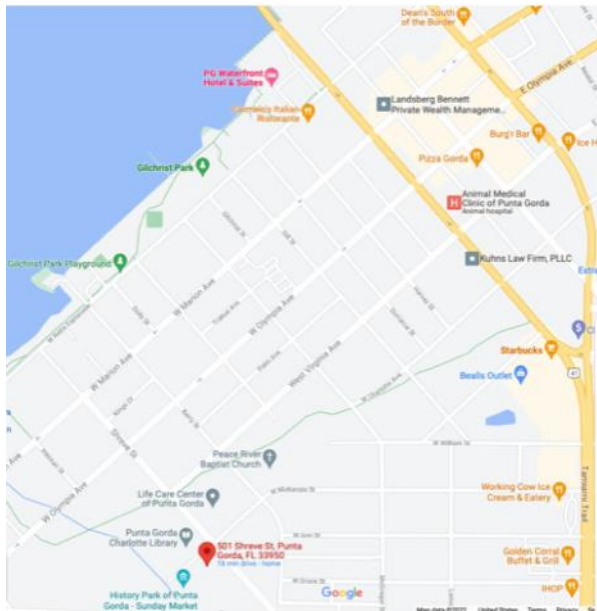
Membership

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 10:30 AM and ending by 12:30 pm. We meet at the Punta Gorda History Park at **501 Shreve St.** in Punta Gorda, Florida.

Our next meeting is: Thursday April 7, 2022 @ 6:30 PM



Upcoming Events

**PRW meeting: April 7, 2022
6:30 PM**

Demonstration: Dave Watson

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

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