

Chips & Bits

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First Club Zoom Meeting

Providing an environment that fosters the art and craft of woodturning

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PRW President's Notes...

Since we still have no definite re-opening date for the Cultural Center, let's share some time online safely with each other again instead of meeting in person on June 4th. The May online gathering went well, and we got to see and talk about members' Show & Tell pieces – Members said we should do that again! It was nice that our Northerners were also able to join in, which is a bonus.

PRW June Online Meeting

Time: Jun 4, 2020 7:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Watch for the invitation I'll send to your email, and you can click on the link to join electronically on our regular meeting night in June. **Please make sure that you have installed the ZOOM software on your device prior to the meeting**, so you can test your audio & video with their system – That way you can see/hear everything & ask questions, and we'll get to see your smiling face!

The **President's Challenge** (a skills building exercise, so to speak) for **June** is turning candleholders and fishing lures. Some members have already sent in photos of their work – You can see a few results on our website in the [May Online Show & Tell](#), found towards the bottom of the [EVENTS](#) page. There is information available e [Resources Page](#) of the [website to give you some ideas and assistance](#).

Did you receive a catalog in the mail from **Penn State Industries**? As a member of the PRW, you will get an automatic 10% discount when you place any online order using your email address. Look for them at <https://www.pennstateind.com>. Have another vendor to recommend? Please let me know!

While you spend time in your shop, please remember to turn **a piece or two every month** for the Cultural Center's Gift Shop donation box at a meeting, and fill out the member listing so we can track the donations for the Center when we negotiate our annual rent.. **Small birdhouse ornaments** are great, and **any turnings that you might feel are imperfect** are welcome, too! Don't put those *Flawed Gems* in the dustbin, bring them to donate at the meeting! No one else sees those flaws!

Thank you all for your continuing support and involvement in the PRW. Stay safe and healthy!
Cheri Bauer, President send email to: peaceriverwoodturners@comcast.net

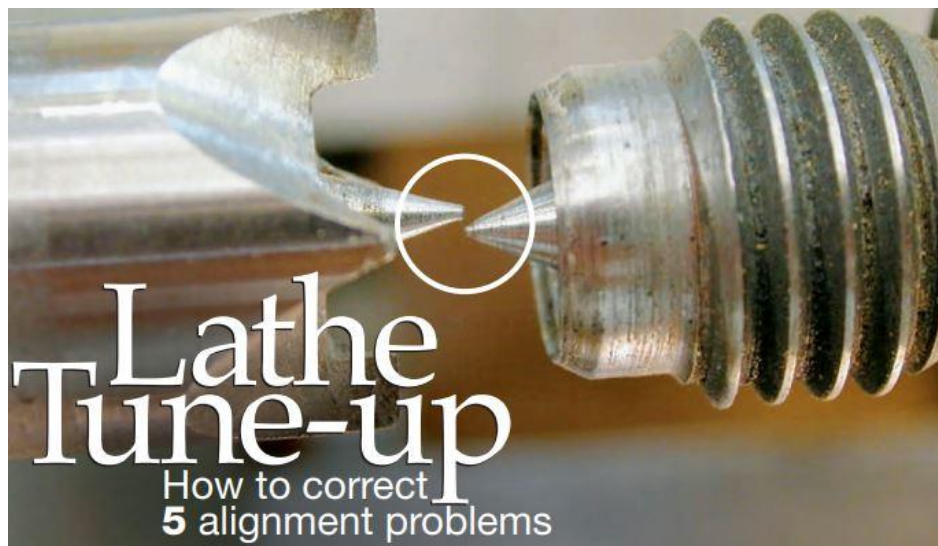
The Silver Fox Tips from Past Experience...

If you use a rag to apply and buff the finish on your woodturning piece while it is rotating on the lathe, make sure to use a small scrap of T-shirt material. Or purchase a pack of gun cleaning patches. Price is cheap and you get a bunch of random shapes of that same great T-shirt material. These rarely catch on the equipment, and quickly tear away if they do. Please don't use the shirt you're still wearing - I've actually seen a fella do that - Yikes! Then you can dispose of the rags safely when you're finished. If you need a larger applicator, paper towels work fine, too. Those blue paper shop towels are a bit more heavy-duty, but still tear away safely.

Fingers stay in the socket, and work stays mounted on the lathe. (continued)

Oh, and **DO NOT LEAVE A PILE OF USED FINISHING RAGS IN AN OPEN SHOP WASTECAN OVERNIGHT** (don't ask how I know this!) Random sparks from the grinder have been known to leap around in the shop while sharpening and you can come back to a mighty big surprise!

Happy turning!



Tailstock does not align with the headstock To check the alignment of your headstock and tailstock, insert a live center into the tailstock and a spur drive into the headstock. Make sure that the points are not dulled or bent in either the spur or the live center—this will mislead you in your measurement. Bring up the tailstock to within 1/4" to 1/2" from the spur center, then tighten down the tailstock and quill. Now, observe the alignment of the two points. If the points are misaligned, you can Lathe Tune-up How to correct 5 alignment problems compensate by placing a shim under the appropriate corner(s) of the tailstock to adjust the alignment. Often a sheet or two of paper will be adequate to shim the tailstock. For more exaggerated errors, contact the lathe manufacturer for repair or replacement of the tailstock or tailstock quill. An extreme case may require reboring of the Morse taper on the tailstock quill. If the lathe headstock is bolted to the frame or ways as with the Jet mini-lathe and Delta Midi, you can realign it with the addition of a permanent shim under the appropriate corner. On other lathes such as the Oneway, for example, you can align the headstock by adjusting the jack screws provided for that purpose. If you own a Nova 3000/DVR, you can reposition the lathe ways themselves, as they are screwed to the headstock unit. Be sure to follow the instructions in your owner's manual for all adjustments noted above. On lathes with a rotating headstock, the click stop positioning may not be accurate enough to return to perfect alignment. A double-ended Morse taper will aid in regularly realigning the headstock each time it is moved.

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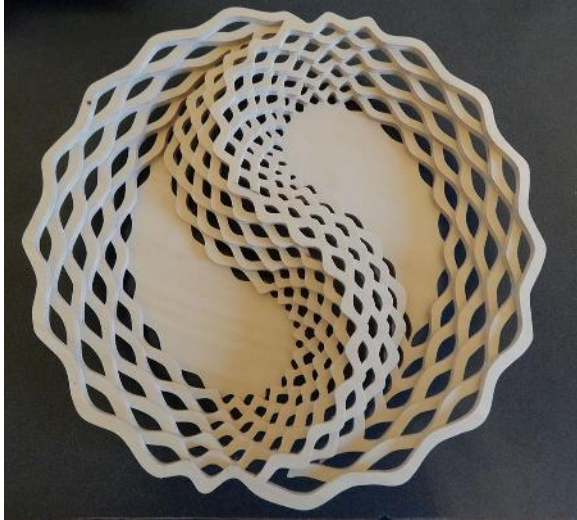


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Chapter Information

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

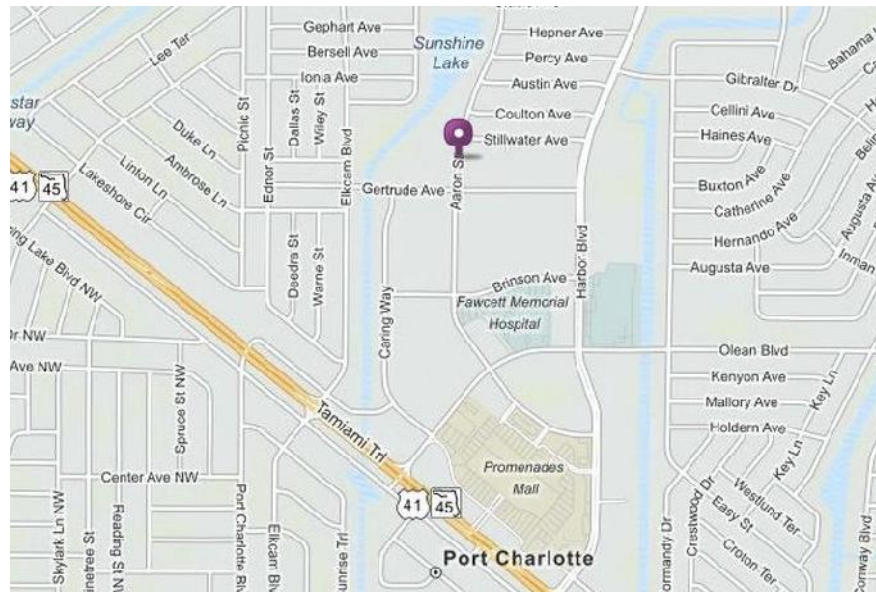
Yearly chapter dues are \$50 per individual or \$60 a family. Membership is for the calendar year. These dues help the club provide tools for our monthly demonstrations, bring in outside demonstrators, pay room rent, have a yearly picnic and other club related activities.

Meeting Location

Our Meetings are on the first Thursday of the month starting at 6:30 pm and ending by 9:00 pm. We meet at the **Charlotte County Cultural Center** 2280 Aaron St. located in Port Charlotte, FL



**Our next meeting is:
Thursday ??????????**



Upcoming Events

PRW meeting: ??????????????

Demonstration:

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.