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## NEXT MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

### JUNE 2010 MONTGOMERY COUNTY WOODTURNERS MEETING...

**DATE** Thursday – June 10, 2010

**TIME** 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM

**LOCATION** The Woodworkers Club  
4950 Wyaconda Road  
Rockville, Maryland 20853  
301/984-9033



**AGENDA** 6:30-7:00 — Bring a chair, if you wish... be sure to wear your name tag... register items for *Show & Tell* with Richard Webster... make your bid on *Silent Auction* items... sign out and pay Clif Poodry for videos from the club's *Lending Library*.

7:00-7:30 — Business meeting... *Show & Tell*.

7:30-8:45 — PROGRAM – Tom Boley will demonstrate turning a plate and his “secrets” of using double-sided tape for mounting a thin plate/platter/tray piece to a lathe.

8:45-9:00 — Pick up and pay for any of your items from the *Silent Auction*... help pack up and clean up the space.

## JUNE PROGRAM – TOM BOLEY RED OAK HOLLOW LATHE WORKS

**TOM BOLEY** has been a hobby woodworker all his life, and started woodturning in 1995. When the chance arose in December 2005 to make money in woodturning, he changed directions to focus on architectural work. Since then, he has been a full-time woodturner, making custom turned items for both restoration and new construction – single items or hundreds of the same piece.

Tom has become well known for his unique *Mace-of-Office* pieces made for universities and colleges. Shown here is Dr. Paul Bonicelli, Dean at Patrick Henry College, carrying the mace for the first time in May 2005 and the detail of the headpiece holding the brass engraved plate of the crest of the college. The woods used are Mahogany and Olive for three sets of decorative rings. Tom has also made maces for Antioch University, University of California's Hastings College of Law, and seventeen other prestigious institutions.

He still enjoys working on the artistic side of woodturning as a hobby and participates in two or three craft shows each year. He produces bowls, bottle stoppers, pens, sweater pins, gavels, and other items. Tom's favorite turnings are natural-edge bowls in several different forms, specializing in square natural edge bowls and what he calls *log bowls*.

For MCW, Tom plans to demonstrate turning a plate/tray/platter, using double-sided tape – “You gotta attach it to the lathe somehow.” The plate shown at the bottom is one of a matching set of 24, turned from the same maple log.





## MAY MEETING MINUTES & PHOTOS

TIM ALEY, SECRETARY

**B**ERT BLECKWENN called the meeting to order at 7:12 from the hallway of Jerry & Deena Kaplan's home in Bethesda. He welcomed members and guests, including several spouses, George & Trudy VanDyke, Jeff Bernstein & Judy Chernoff.

Phil Brown collected pieces from members for the upcoming Davis Public Library display.

Bert updated members on the *MCW Demonstration Day* at The Woodworker's Club. The event is now scheduled for Saturday, October 16th, from 10:00 AM –

3:00 PM. Watch for an e-mail later this month providing further details and asking for commitments for Demonstrators, Demonstrator Assistants, and other Volunteers for a variety of efforts including set up, take down, hosting MCW display area, developing a communication plan and making signs.

After these few items, members and guests were on their own to view Deena & Jerry's extraordinary collection. A few random photos are included here and on the following page.



ARNIE AUCHIER



T. REUSCHKE



JOHN CEDERQUIST



MIKE MAHONY

PHIL BROWN



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RICHARD MORRIS



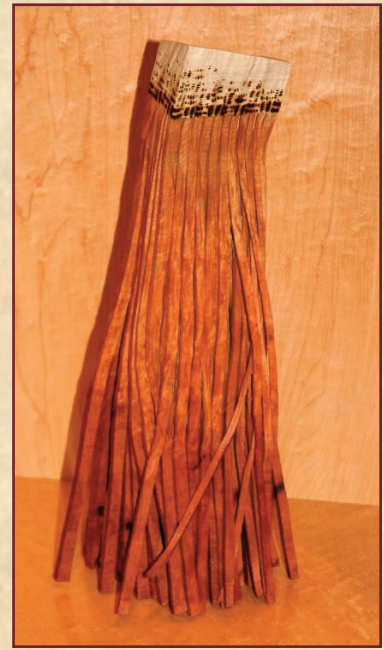
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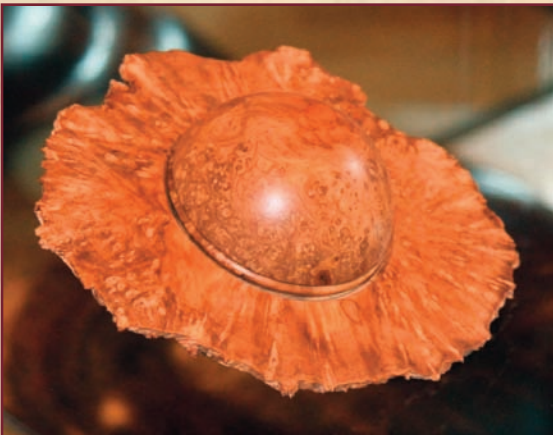
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GARY GUENTHER.

FOR FULL SIZE PHOTOS AND  
MORE DETAILED DESCRIPTIONS  
OF THESE ITEMS IN THE KAPLAN  
COLLECTION, GO TO THE MCW WEB-  
SITE AND SELECT THE GALLERY  
SECTION, THEN THE MAY 2010  
DEMONSTRATION SECTION.

## MEMBER NEWS

PHIL BROWN/MICHAEL BLAKE

❖ **PHIL BROWN** will not be in town for the June 10th meeting and would like someone to bring the box of brochures, hand outs, name badge forms and Silent Auction forms to the meeting, place them on benches and pick up extras at the end of the meeting. Please call Phil at 301/767-9863 if you are willing to handle this for the June meeting.

❖ **STUART GLICKMAN and PHIL BROWN** have pieces in the 12th annual *A Lifetime of Perspective: Art by Older Adults* at the Jewish Community Center Goldman Gallery, 6125 Montrose Road in Rockville, May 16 through June 6, 2010. There may be other members with work in this exhibit.

❖ **CLIF POODRY** teaches the following classes at the Woodworkers Club in Rockville –

Introduction To The Lathe on Saturday June 5th, and July 10th.

Beginning Bowl Turning on Sunday June 6th, and Sunday July 25th.

Advanced Bowl Turning on Saturday & Sunday June 12th-13th

For more information see: [woodworkersclub.com/practice%20class1.htm](http://woodworkersclub.com/practice%20class1.htm)

❖ **MARK SUPIK's** June/July 2010 schedule for full-day Saturday & Sunday **Spindle Turning** and **Bowl Turning** classes at his commercial shop in Baltimore in available here and on their website. The lathes and shop are a treat to see and use. The shop is at #1 North Haven Street in Baltimore, just a few blocks west from the Lombard Street exit off of I-895.

Class size is limited to 5, with each student on his/her own lathe. All classes include tool use, safety, techniques, and practice in the morning with a focus on projects in the afternoon. Lunch from DiPasquale's Market deli comes with the class. \$50 deposit required and refundable up to one week prior to class date. \$120 class fee is offered to MCW members (a 20% discount).

Saturday, June 12th – Bowl Turning

Sunday, June 13th – The Right Start

Saturday, June 26th – The Right Start, Fiber Tools

Sunday, June 27th – Woodturning With Your Child

Saturday, July 31st – Beer Taps 101

Sunday, August 1st – Bowl Turning

Additional details at [marksupikco.com/School/schoolcurrent09-1.html](http://marksupikco.com/School/schoolcurrent09-1.html) Call 410/732-8414 to register.



CLIF POODRY

**DON'T BE SHY – PROMOTE YOURSELF.** Let us know about your woodturning activities so they can be included in the newsletter each month. Send your information to Bert Bleckwenn at [bableck@gmail.com](mailto:bableck@gmail.com) or call 301/634-1600 OR to Michael Blake at [mb7298@comcast.net](mailto:mb7298@comcast.net) or call 301/589-1815.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

BOB BROWNING, TREASURER

ACCOUNT BALANCE 04/30/09.....	\$ 3,855.39
INCOME: No income for May 2010.....	\$ 0.00
EXPENSES: No expenses for may 2010.....	(\$ 0.00)
CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE 05/31/10.....	\$ 3,855.39

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

BILL AUTRY, MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

Between April 30, 20210 and May 31, 2010, there has been no membership activity and the active membership roster stands at 55.



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## EXHIBIT NEWS

PHIL BROWN

### ◆ Davis Public Library Exhibit – June 2010

We will exhibit members work at the Davis Library on Democracy Boulevard in June. Pieces displayed in the Potomac Library in April will again be used at Davis from those members willing to again lend their work. All pieces will be returned to you at our July 8th meeting, or if you are not there at a future meeting, or by arrangement with Phil.

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## ITEM FOR SALE

MICHAEL BLAKE

### ◆ SEARS CRAFTSMAN 10-INCH TABLE SAW

25 year-old (1985) with electronic controls, 1 HP motor, enclosed mobile base with 4-inch dust collection port, mitre gauge, rip fence, two Freud LU85M carbide-tipped blades, panel-cutting jig, two zero-clearance inserts, and owners manual.

**PRICE – \$250.00**

Contact Bert Bleckwenn at 301/634-1600 or [bableck@gmail.com](mailto:bableck@gmail.com)



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## AAW NEWS

BERT BLECKWENN

### ◆ Volunteers Needed For Auction At Hartford Symposium

At the auction this June at the symposium, we need help with spotters, runners, and checkout. The spotters should be animated and outgoing. The runners will carry pieces from the review tables to the video area and to the checkout area. The checkout people need to be aware of how to handle and wrap the art when the buyers check out. If you will be at the symposium and would like to help for the evening, please contact

John Hill, Auctioneer • 828/645-6633 • 828/712-6644 CELL • [Johnhill6@verizon.net](mailto:Johnhill6@verizon.net)

### ◆ Professional Outreach Program New E-Newsletter

The Professional Outreach Program now has a monthly e-newsletter. AAW members in local clubs who may benefit from this information are encouraged to join the POP and receive the e-mail monthly they can do so at this AAW website the link – [woodturner.org/community/members/signup.pl](http://woodturner.org/community/members/signup.pl) If you'd like to learn more about the POP and it's programs you go to this link – [woodturner.org/community/pop/](http://woodturner.org/community/pop/)

Trent Bosch - POP Committee Chair

## PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

BERT BLECKWENN

### PROGRESS REPORT → MCW DEMONSTRATION DAY

*Demonstration Day* is set for **Saturday, October 16th** from **10:00AM to 3:00AM**, with a one hour lunch break. Jack Enders and I along with Matt Nauman from the Woodworkers Club are refining our plans for the event and will be conducting monthly status checkpoints.

We have designed the event as a major MCW activity, but will be adjusting the scope based on actual MCW volunteer levels and other resource commitments as the planning and execution progresses.

We are in good shape for lathes, sharpening equipment and the various supporting items such as tables, brochures, handout material, display items, etc.

But our ultimate success will depend on the levels of attendance and volunteer support.

We need 5-10 turning Demonstrators, 5-10 Demonstrator Assistants, and 6-8 additional Volunteers for the various support teams.

By the time of this newsletter is delivered, we will have already begun contacting Members to volunteer as Demonstrators, Demonstrator Assistants, and several support teams to address setup/takedown, an MCW Member Display Gallery, and an MCW Information Booth.

Every MCW member is encouraged to find a way to volunteer for one or more of the areas. Consider demonstrating. If you are not able to develop a demonstration of your own, please consider being a Demonstrator Assistant to interact with the audience while the Demonstrator is turning.

Another volunteer role is to setup and staff the MCW Information Display Booth and field questions about MCW and turning in general. If you prefer behind the scenes involvement, consider helping to setup/takedown lathe stations or display gallery.

We are looking for as wide a variety as possible of turned items for the demonstrations on the various lathes. In the next column are suggestions for items which might be of interest to attendees. This is by no means a definitive list. Suggestions from other members would be extremely helpful.



#### ♦ INTRODUCTION TO WOODTURNING [30-MINUTE CLASSES.]

- ♦ Brief explanation and demonstration of turning, the lathe, and of how to use turning tools [roughing gouge, spindle gouge, scraper, parting tool, bowl gouge] and answering questions.

#### ♦ FOR THE TWO MINI LATHES

- ♦ Pens, Key Chains, Tops, Scoops, Weed Pots, Tool Handles, Chessmen, Rattles, Ringholders, Bottle Stoppers.

#### ♦ FOR ONE MIDI & ONE FULL-SIZE LATHE

- ♦ Boxes, Lidded Vessels, Miniature Bottles, Finials
- ♦ Ornaments, Spheres, Eggs, Acorns, Mushrooms, Birdhouses.
- ♦ Carving Mallets, Candle Sticks, Knitting Needles

#### ♦ FOR THE FULL-SIZE LATHE

- ♦ Bowls, Natural Edge Bowls, Green Wood Turning, Rectangle Bowls.
- ♦ Hollow Forms, Segmented Vessels.
- ♦ Platters, Plates, Trays.
- ♦ Vessels, Spirit Vessels, Bud Vases, Thin Stemmed Goblets.
- ♦ Table Legs, Split Turnings, Offset Turnings, Multi-axis Turnings.
- ♦ Turnings for Woodworkers.

#### ♦ SHARPENING & HONING [WOLVERINE, JET, TORMEK, WORKSHARP.]

- ♦ Sharpening Basics for Turners (Gouges, Chisels, Parting Tools)

We will incur some costs for the event – volunteer lunches, refreshments, demonstrator materials reimbursement, signs, printing handouts, safety shields, display shelf unit materials, and display booth display board. Some of these are one-time costs and the shelves and lathe safety shields should be able to be used for other MCW activities in the future.

If you are unsure of where or how you can help, give me a call at 301/634-1600 and we can identify a meaningful and rewarding volunteer role for you.

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**PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE****BERT BLECKWENN****MCW DEMONSTRATION DAY → VOLUNTEERS & RESPONSIBILITIES**

<b>VOLUNTEERS</b>	<b>DUTIES &amp; RESPONSIBILITIES</b>
Demonstrators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Develop a turning demonstration with emphasis on techniques and tools. Segment into 15-20 minute units for easy audience consumption.</li><li>➤ Procure and prepare rough turning blanks.</li><li>➤ Arrange to use personal turning tools, chucks, accessories and supplies.</li><li>➤ Work with Assistant and identify logical flow and key points for Assistant to stress with audience.</li><li>➤ Practice Demonstration at home. Practice with actual lathe at Woodworkers Club week of 10/09-10/15 and include Assistant involvement in practice.</li><li>➤ Become familiar with sharpening stations at Woodworkers Club.</li><li>➤ Conduct demonstrations.</li></ul>
Demonstrator Assistants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Interact with audience.</li><li>➤ Work with Demonstrator to stress key points.</li><li>➤ Support Demonstrator.</li></ul>
Setup/Takedown Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Set up equipment on 10/15 and finalize on 10/16 before 10:00am.</li><li>➤ Take down equipment on 10/16 – after 3:00 pm</li></ul>
Sharpening Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Set up two sharpening stations and display of alternative sharpening options.</li><li>➤ Field audience questions regarding sharpening.</li><li>➤ Demonstrate sharpening techniques (gouges, scrapers, skew chisels, parting tools, specialty tools).</li></ul>
Display Gallery Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Solicit and collect MCW member turned objects by or at September meeting.</li><li>➤ Arrange small placard cards identifying object, size, material, turner.</li><li>➤ Setup Display Gallery table, shelving and turned objects.</li><li>➤ Take down Display Gallery table, shelving and turned objects.</li><li>➤ Return turned objects to members at October MCW meeting.</li></ul>
Information Booth Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Identify, arrange for, and collect items available at the information booth. [See Inventory List]</li><li>➤ Setup and takedown Information Booth, Display Board, and Survey Table.</li><li>➤ Setup items on Information Booth, Display Board, and Survey Table.</li><li>➤ Field audience questions during the day and monitor survey table.</li><li>➤ Conduct drawing for giveaway at 2:45PM.</li></ul>
Signs Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Post and remove signs at Rockville Pike &amp; Nicholson Lane, Boiling Brook Parkway &amp; Wyaconda Road.</li><li>➤ Put up and remove signs, banners, ribbons on outside of Woodworker's Club.</li><li>➤ Put up and remove signs, banners, placards inside Club.</li></ul>
Refreshments Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Arrange for refreshments and volunteer lunches.</li><li>➤ Setup, monitor, and takedown refreshments table and refreshments.</li><li>➤ Coordinate Volunteer lunches.</li></ul>

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## SPECIAL EVENT

PHIL BROWN

### SCULPTURE DEDICATION AT STRATHMORE MUSIC CENTER

**M**URRAY STEIN's musical sculpture, *Schubert's Trout Quintet*, will be dedicated on Tuesday, June 15th, at 11:00AM, in a ceremony at the Strathmore Music Center at 5301 Tuckerman Lane, North Bethesda.

Murray spends his summers at a home in Montgomery County, and lives the rest of the year in Dallas, where he is a member of the Dallas Area Woodturners. [Perhaps someone who knows Mr. Stein could invite him to join his hometown woodturner's club?]

To make the sculpture, Murray used a laminate called Parallam, made of Tulip Poplar, perfect for the skeletal elements of the instruments. The strings are thin dowels. The keyboard was made from a segmented turning, using tiger maple and gaboon ebony. He turned the keyboard as a cylindrical bottomless bowl (like Malcolm Tibbetts), cut it into quarters, then reassembled the pieces as a sine wave, so it can weave over and under the elements of the cello and the bass.

The violin and viola overlap to form the outline of a fish (use your imagination) – the Trout. This outline is emphasized with dichroic glass, so the vivid colors form a “Rainbow” Trout.





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## FUTURE DEMONSTRATIONS/EVENTS

GARY GUENTHER

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### ♦ July 8th – *Warren Carpenter – Working with burls and inserting slices of walnut in bowl edges.*

We had such a good time with Warren last November, he is coming back and show us more of his magic with “interesting” pieces of wood. Burls are rare and often expensive, and it takes vision and practice to make the most of them. Warren will help us see what’s inside. And this time, he’ll show us how he puts walnut slices into some of his pieces.

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### ♦ August 12th – *To Be Determined.*

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### ♦ September 9th – *Mark Sfirri – An Acknowledged Master of Multi-Axis Turning.*

Mark’s unique and instantly recognizable works are in the best museums and collections in the world. We have seen some of his pieces in our field trips. It’s going to be really hard to decide what forms to ask Mark to turn from his amazing repertoire of bats, candlesticks, figures, curved handles, etc. Mark was in Washington in April to receive a Distinguished Educator award from the James Renwick Alliance, and we are very pleased and privileged that he will be able to come back to join us in September.

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### ♦ October 7th – *Jim Duxberry – Techniques for making a kaleidoscope.*

Jim will demonstrate the turning of centerless pieces with his unique cone jig and apply this technique to the construction of his Traditional Model Kaleidoscope. This approach is adaptable for hollow vessels such as birdhouses, ornaments, or any staved-type cylindrical pieces. Jim is also the inventor of the Resp-O-Rator™ of which he holds two U.S. Patents.

**If you have suggestions for future demonstrators, or would consider demonstrating yourself, please contact Gary Guenther by e-mail at <gary.guenther@att.net> or call 301/384-7594.**

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## SAVILLE SAWMILL KEEDYSVILLE, MARYLAND

GARY NICKERSON

I want to alert MCW members to an opportunity to get green wood turning blanks at a reasonable cost.

On Saturday, May 22nd, my wife Barbara and I drove to Keedysville, to the **Saville Sawmill** and filled my Camry's trunk with green black walnut and cherry blanks, plus a gallon of green wood sealer. I spent a \$35 for the wood and \$15 for the sealer.

The sawmill owner is **Steve Saville**. He manages the forest on his property and also have logs hauled in. They have black walnut, oak, cherry, poplar and probably more. They some spalted logs, but do not have “figured” woods, which grow farther north. Steve says the best time to get wood is in the winter rather than the summer, but he did have plenty available the day we were there.

Steve and his helpers showed me what he had, cut the logs I chose down the middle, and helped me load them in the car. The scenery is also very nice there. I

could not have asked for a better experience for gathering some turning blanks.

The address for the mill is 5222 Mt.Briar Road, Keedysville, MD 21756. E-mail – sawmill52221@aol.com. Home phone is 301/432-2302 and Cell phone is 301/491-0543. I recommend you call to make an appointment. We went on Saturday which seemed a good time, since Steve had more time for us. It is also good idea to use Map Quest or Google Maps to get directions (below). We had a little trouble finding the place, but, we called Steve and he talked us into his place.

Happy Turning, Gary

Keedysville is in the panhandle, close to the Antietam Battlefield, between Boonesboro and Sharpsburg. Take I-270N to Frederick. At Frederick, take Exit 32 to merge on to I-70W. Take Exit 52 to US-15S/US-340W. About 15 miles, turn right onto MD-67N [Rohrersville Road]. After about 6 miles, bear left onto Trego Road, that then becomes Mt.Briar Road. Follow for about 1½ miles to #5222, on the left.

## MCW MEETING SCHEDULE – 2010

Meetings are held on the Thursday before the second Saturday each month, from 7:00 PM–9:00 PM, at the Woodworkers Club in Rockville, Maryland. See our website for a map to the meeting site.

<b>2010 MEETING DATES</b>	<b>JAN 7</b>	<b>FEB 11</b>	<b>MAR 11</b>	<b>APR 8</b>	<b>MAY 6</b>	<b>JUN 10</b>
	<b>JUL 8</b>	<b>AUG 12</b>	<b>SEP 9</b>	<b>OCT 7</b>	<b>NOV 11</b>	<b>DEC 9</b>

## MCW'S TURNING JOURNAL

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Group Buys.....	Stan Wellborn	Photography Assistant.....	Donald Van Ryk
Lending Library.....	Clif Poodry	Candid Photography.....	Tim Aley
Wood Identification.....	Ed Karch	Candid Photography.....	Stuart Glickman
Exhibit Committee.....	Phil Brown, Hal Burdette, Clif Poodry	Candid Photography.....	Gary Guenther

## MEMBER DISCOUNT PROGRAMS

**STAN WELLBORN**

### HARDWOODS, INC. • FREDERICK, MARYLAND – [hardwoodsincorporated.com](http://hardwoodsincorporated.com)

10% off all turning stock, lumber, moldings, finishes and hardware. 10% off on all Amana router bits and blades that list for \$75.00 and under and 20% off those that list for over \$75.00. 5% off all plywood and veneer products.



### ROCKVILLE WOODWORKERS CLUB – [woodworkersclub.com](http://woodworkersclub.com)

MCW and other club members, remember to support the Woodworkers Club by purchasing turning supplies during our meetings and save 10% on the retail price.



### 2SAND.COM – [2sand.com](http://2sand.com) or call 800/516-7621

2Sand.com is a coated abrasive specialist focused on fast service and fair prices providing superior sanding discs, sandpaper sheets, and woodturning tools to woodshops. MCW Member Discount is 10% (discount code available in the restricted area of the MCW Website).



### CRAFT SUPPLIES USA – [woodturnerscatalog.com](http://woodturnerscatalog.com)

Club members can save 10% on all finishes & disc abrasives from Craft Supplies USA. Just mention your club name and save, all year long. You can always see current club specials by clicking on the members login button on their homepage. New 15% specials are updated on the 1st of the month, which can be accessed by using on the link above and going to the club member login located on the lower right portion of the page.



### HARTVILLE TOOL CLUB – [hartvilletool.com](http://hartvilletool.com)

Members get a 15% discount, with MCW receiving a 3% rebate. If you have not signed up for this program, let Stan Wellborn know you want to do so. He will let Hartville know you are an MCW member and sign you up. Catalogs and ordering instructions are available or at meetings.

