

## 2021-05 AWT Newsletter

Meeting was called to order by Ed Rose, president. 25 members and 2 guests were in attendance. Ed asked for a show of hands of those who had received their Covid vaccinations. More than 3/4 had. He asked for group opinion about foregoing facial coverings. Facemasks were removed. Unvaccinated members may certainly choose to continue using facemasks.

The state of the club treasury is good. Auctions have been popular and proceeds have provided continuing support of club programs. Demonstrator for June's meeting will be Mark Sillay, who will be appearing live. He will demonstrate wood slicing (spindle turning technique).

Show and Tell: It's exciting to see the creations of our newer members and the incredible growth in talent that our former beginners are demonstrating. Those participating in this month's event were: Earl Rennie, Dale See, Bruce Shue, Kim Huggins, George Trice, Doug Olson, Ed Rose, Durk Estes, Ralph Thomas, Neil McWilliams, Byrle Brunton, Al McCoy and Jim Mencum.



Teapots and trinkets



a first turning, a vase



A first bowl!



Successes follow failures



Multiple acorn ornaments



elegant square edged plate





Beautiful intrinsic colors in the wood



incorporating cowry shells into ornaments



Adding new colored designs to his hollowforms





Popcorn wood can turn into something useful



still refining acorns



One of our most valued teachers



developing pyrography skills

Demonstration: This month's demo was a zoom video by Trent Bosch of Ft. Collins, Co.

He showed some basic turning tips before discussing various surface features that can enhance basic bowls – beads and where to place them, the tools and techniques to make them. There are many tools to make alterations in surface – electric reciprocal carving tools, punches, chatter tools, rotary carving bits and sanding wheels.