

Special Events

Social Wednesday: Consider getting here on Wednesday, (May 10th) afternoon to enjoy some activities going on at UVU. You will have the opportunity to watch some mini demonstrations, have a hot dog and mingle with demonstrators, check out some products from Craft Supplies, get your items checked in to the Instant Gallery, and enjoy the Pen Turners Rendezvous.

The **Opening Session** Thursday morning will include a PowerPoint presentation introducing each of the demonstrators. These introductions provide the participants visuals of what they can expect to see in your demonstrations.

Instant Gallery: Participants are invited to bring up to 3 pieces of their work to share. All pieces are subject to a 10% sales commission if sold. UWS and its associates are not responsible for lost, damaged, or stolen pieces.

Youth Hands-On Workshop: Recipients of the **UWS Youth Scholarship** will have the chance to work with knowledgeable turners and learn to use lathe tools by making a variety of items.

Swap Meet: Thursday at 4:45 pm in the UCCU Center Loading Dock Parking Lot. **Participants must be registered for the Symposium.** Participants will be selling or trading items, including wood, blanks, tools and other fun stuff for turning enthusiasts. \$20 for each single auto-sized parking space. Bring your own table or sell from your vehicle. Register online or at the Instant Gallery. The swap meet is not intended for commercial suppliers, trucks, trailers, or large amounts of wood. Any type of selling is not permitted on campus at any other time or place during the symposium.

A **Banquet Dinner and Auction** is held on Friday night at the UCCU Center. Towards the end of dinner, we will hold an active bid or **“live” auction**. Proceeds will go towards future symposia and the education of turners. There will also be a ceremony honoring past presenters and long supporting participants.

The **Silent Auction** will also continue throughout the symposium to which anyone may donate turnings, tools, wood or other woodturning items, to be sold via written bid. Proceeds from this auction go toward *Youth Scholarships*. Please consider placing something in the Silent Auction; our future in turning is with the youth.

Great Egg Cup Race: Thursday evening: 6-7:15 pm. **Anyone interested in participating in this hands-on race must be a current member of the AAW.** Sign-up in the Instant Gallery. Each contestant will be given a piece of hardwood 2.25” x 2.25” x 4” that has been prepared for mounting in a scroll chuck. There will be two lathes set up each having a toolrest along the length of the wood and across the end. Contestants will be able to compete against each other individually or in teams of two. Prizes are awarded for the fastest times and best accuracy based on a drawing. History, however, has shown that quality usually yields to efficiency. *In the words of the late and great English turner Bill Jones, “You can watch heaps of really good wood being totally ruined by the world’s finest turners”.* The Great Egg Cup Race is great fun for both contestants and observers.