



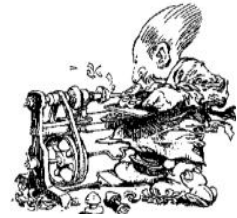
# Chatter and Catches

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## President's Gouge

This last month just seemed to fly by. One day it's the 1<sup>st</sup> and the next it's the 28<sup>th</sup> and I'm thinking I'd better write the Gouge. There have been no changes on the Covid status as it effects our club. The state's meeting and gathering guidelines still keep changing. Mostly to the positive. There are just a few little details to finish at the Community Center and we will be ready to hold meeting and hands-on once they are open on weekends and give us a green light.

A bunch of us got together at Zuni Pines to move one of the Laguna lathes to the Community Center. We had such good turnout that we ended up moving all four lathes and the club's band saw. We now have a Laguna lathe at the Community Center. The other three lathes and the band saw are being stored at the Arts Council building. A big thanks to Dave Mills, Dave Rich, John Seher, Lavon Wiseman, Wayne Porter, Paul Cote, Ron Brady, Joe Cooke and Ken Carson. If I missed anybody, I thank you also. The Zoom demonstration with Pat Carroll was fun. I have a block of wood on my bench ready to try a beaded box. Pat had done a demonstration with a Texas group before gracing our computer screens. The internet has finally impressed me. A live demonstration from Ireland! I sent our registration to the historical society for this year's "Gallery of Trees". I'll use what ornaments I have from the past plus any that you can get to me by the end of November. Along that same train of thought, as with most of this year's events our Christmas party will not happen.

Thanks again to everyone who has taken time to share photos of their projects, keep them coming. Check for emails with updated club information and more project photos from the members. Have a good Thanksgivings. See you soon.

John "Nik" Nikakis, POTCVW

### Turn Here for Safety

Make certain that the work is secure before you start turning operations. Frequently check the secureness as you continue working on the wood.

## Bead Tool

In Pat Carroll's beaded box demonstration, he used a modified spindle gouge as a beading tool. I had seen Jimmy Clewes use a similar tool and forgotten all about it. This time I went out to my shop and re-ground one of my ¼ inch spindle gouges. I set the rest on the grinder to about 45° and cut away material until it looked like it would make a nice bead. I ground away a bit on each side for clearance and to make points. Pat said you can grind a small flat in place of the points if you are going to use the tool for a basket weave look. I did some practice cuts, holding the tool flute down. It makes a nice clean bead



and is much easier to use than the beading tool set I have. Next time you need to make repeating beads give this a try.

John "Nik" Nikakis

## Thanksgivings Pumpkin

If you're looking for a November project, check out John Beaver's pumpkins.

<http://www.johnbeaver.net/index.html>

Thanks to Bill Draper for donating a truck load of wood to the club.

## Newsletter Editor's Request

Please send your newsletter contributions and suggestions for improvement to the Club Newsletter Editor via [cvwnews@charter.net](mailto:cvwnews@charter.net) no later than Monday of the week before the next regularly scheduled meeting. The submission deadline for the December 2020 newsletter is November 30th.

## CVW Meeting

No meeting this month. This Year's Holiday/Christmas party has also been canceled.

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