



The Tennessee Turner

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Important dates to remember:

May Turn In – May 24
June Meeting – June 3
June Turn In – June 21
Ray Key - July 26-27
Lyle Jamieson–Sept 13-14

June President's Message

As we head into Summer, there are many things to keep in mind as a woodturner and a member of this club. Summer usually means more time for turning for some of us. It also means we need to take some extra precautions to ensure we are safe. Wait, this is not a message about safety, it is a message about being involved!

First, make sure you plan to attend our monthly meetings and Saturday Turn-ins. These will prepare you for taking on those warm weather turning projects. Second, plan to be available for the excellent demonstrations conducted by Ray Key (July 26) and Lyle Jamieson (September 13) that will be in July and September. Third, plan to be on the schedule for turning at the Williamson county Fair in August! Finally, remember to attend our Saturday turning events - The May Event is on My 24th and will feature a pen turning demo by Brian Clarry and will give you a chance to turn some pens for the troops in Iraq & Afghanistan!

The June meeting will feature John Lucas, who will demonstrate tool making and definitely provide you with some detailed information on how to temper steel and what kind of steel to use to make the best turning tools right in your own shop!

Also, the American Association of Woodturners will hold their Annual Symposium in Richmond, VA on June 20 - 22. If you would like to go but don't want to go alone or don't want to pay for the gas by yourself, there may be a group of people within our club who could car-pool or van-pool - this would make it less expensive and give you a chance to build some lasting friendships! At the June meeting, we will have a bulletin board with a sign-up sheet. If you want to put your name on the board, there may be others who will as well. This could result in your making the trip and some new friends! The AAW Symposium is an excellent event and having it held relatively close is definitely an opportunity!

OK, to get back to the safety message, please take extra precautions to keep your self hydrated, cool, sun-screened and repelling bugs while turning. A little water, a fan, sunscreen and insect repellent can help to make your turning experience much more enjoyable! So, get out there and take advantage of the warmer weather, but be safe!

Ray Sandusky

June Meeting – Tuesday June 3

The June meeting will be held at the Tennessee Baptist Children's Home at 7:00pm. John Lucas is



a full time photographer for Tennessee Tech University, a woodworker for 35 years and a turner for 20 years. He has demonstrated at many club symposiums across the southeast, and several times at the AAW. He has written articles for a number of woodturning publications.

John has been fascinated by metal working since taking some college classes. For the demonstration he will discuss annealing, hardening and tempering steel. John will talk about using old files and the dangers associated. He will show homemade tools and will demonstrate how to make a few simple tools, ways to make handles and how to insert them into the tool. He will discuss some simple ways to grind the tools to shape and some unique ways of sharpening.

Saturday Turn-In May 24

Please note that the Saturday Turn-In will be on May 24. This is due to a scheduling conflict with the TBCH. We will be turning Pens for the Troops. Pen blanks and pen kits will be provided. If you would like to learn how to turn a pen or help others turn pens for this project please attend. We will meet at the TBCH workshop. The session will run from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Saturday Turn-In June 21

The Saturday Turn-In will be on June 21. We will meet at the TBCH workshop. The session will run from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. If you have a particular need to help you become a better turner or if you just have a tool that needs to be sharpened correctly, come on by and someone will be there to assist you

2008 Tentative Schedule and Calendar of Events

Club Projects

October, November & December – Christmas Fund Sale for Tennessee Baptist Children's Home

January 23 & 24, 2009 – 21st Annual Symposium – Demonstrators at this time are: *Cindy Drozda – Mike Mahoney – Bob Rosand – Jimmy Clewes*

Club Meeting Programs

June 3 – John Lucas – tool making

July 1 – Bernie Thomas – segmented turning using scrapers

August 5 – Jackie Johnson – turning a peppermill

September 2 – Brian Clarry – ornamental turning/rose engine

October 7 – Gary Martin – from Graeme Priddle session (TAW scholarship class)

November 6 (Thursday) – Dave Chanslor – Alabama Woodturners Association – two piece hollow turning with segmented ring divider

December 2 – Christmas Party

January 6 (2009) – Pat Matranga –

Club Saturday Sessions (8:00 am to 1:00 pm *unless otherwise specified*)

May 24 – Turn for the Troops

June 21 –

July 19 – David Sapp – tool sharpening

August 16 – Brenda Stein – Chain Saw Safety (demo between 10 am & 12 noon)

Special Events

Saturday July 26 – Free session for club members with Ray Key at MIRC, 277 Mallory Station Rd in Franklin from 9:00 am til 5:00 pm

Sunday July 27, 9am to 5pm – Hands on Class with Ray Key at the Franklin Woodcraft Store – Limited to attendees (5 spaces already taken) \$195.00

Saturday/Sunday - September 13-14 – Lyle Jamieson

TACA Craft Fair

Bill Summar coordinated the TAW members who demonstrated at the May 2-4 TACA craft fair. The club would like to thank Bill Summar,



Mike Zinser, Charlie Putnam, John Rich, Jack Bastin, Jeff Brockett, Ron Ferreira, Myra Orton, Phil Roberts, John Oxley, David Sapp, Ray Sandusky,



Monte Richards, Pat Rooney, Bill Tucker and Deryl Duer for representing the club as demonstrators at the Craft Fair. We donated several bowls to the Empty Bowls project.



Minutes of the Meeting – May 6, 2008

President Ray Sandusky called the meeting to order. There were 67 members in attendance and 7 visitors.

Turn for the Troops pens are due to David Sapp at Woodcraft by June 2. We have already collected 160 pens for the Iraq battalion that requested them. The Saturday May 24 Turn-In will be a pen turning session for this project.

Secretary Jeff Brockett covered the TAW bylaw revisions. A motion to approve the revised bylaws was made and seconded. The bylaws were approved by the membership.



May Demonstrator – John Jordan

John Jordan, one of the TAW founding members, demonstrated an easy method in 90 minutes; from start to finish, on green wood hollow turning. The first thing John does before he turns the lathe on is to make absolutely certain that

he has a friction free tool rest. He turns the green wood from start to finish and works with the wood. John chose a silver maple burl to demonstrate with. He starts his turning between centers and shifts the



wood to get the best results.

This piece was turned from the foot first. A flat profile side ground bowl gouge was used and John starts turning left handed. John

emphasized that he completes each step of the turning before he moves to the next. He stops and checks constantly to make sure his piece is progressing properly. You will never cut a piece in two when the lathe is not running.

Instant Gallery



David Sapp – peppermill



Tom Greek – bowl



Brevard Haynes – fluted vessel



Jerry Prosize – textured bowl



Bill Tucker – bowls



Ron Sanda - cedar bowl

Don Thompson – bubinga platter

Ray Sandusky – bowl



Members Project Section



A large rock elm finally died and came down on our farm. It was easily three feet in diameter and tore down the property line fence, so it had to be moved. When I got to the main trunk I noticed that there was a huge crotch only ten to twelve feet

above the base. I decided to see if the wood would be any good and was surprised to find it was well worth saving. After cutting and splitting the crotch I ended up with a blank thirty two inches in diameter and about a ten inch depth. I would estimate the blank



weighed 150lbs. plus and had to use my engine hoist to get it mounted. I turned it on the outboard side of my Powermatic 42/24, formed the bottom and tenon, and turned much of the bowl interior also, except for the large

center area where it was mounted on a faceplate. I then reversed the bowl to a Virmarc chuck and turned away the center. I sealed and finished (Waterlox) the bowl on the lathe except for the foot. After I removed the bowl I ground off the foot and finished



it. This is the largest bowl I have turned, 31"x6.5"
Ken Gaidos



RAY KEY TURNING EVENT

Ray Key has been turning wood for over forty years. His work has been featured in numerous exhibitions worldwide (over 200 at this time). Since 1980 he has traveled widely, being invited to demonstrate at International Seminars in USA, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, Israel, France and Germany. He has also run teaching workshops in most of these countries. His work is in major private collections worldwide and in the permanent collections of a number of museums.



**Mr. Key will be demonstrate for the TAW at
MIRC, 277 Mallory Station Rd in Franklin**

Saturday, July 26th from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm

**This will be a Demo open to all current
members of the TAW.**



**Mr. Key will be at the Nashville Woodcraft Store
for the RAY KEY TURNING EVENT**

Sunday, July 27th from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm

This will be a Hands-On Workshop.
Tuition is \$195. Class size is limited to 8, and will fill quickly. Sign-up now to reserve your spot! For more information or to register come by the **Nashville Woodcraft Store** located in Franklin, TN. or call 1-800-521-9786.

LYLE JAMIESON WEEKEND – SEPTEMBER 13-14, 2008



Lyle Jamieson, a renowned sculptor, turner and instructor, will conduct a daylong demonstration for TAW of his techniques on Saturday, September 13. Tuition is \$50.

He will also conduct a Hands-On Workshop on Sunday, September 14. Tuition for the hands on workshop is \$150. The

class size for the hands-on event is limited; there are a few remaining openings.

Please make payment to TAW no later than the TAW meeting on August 5. Lyle will be here Monday, September 15 for customized instruction. The



venue will be announced later. Visit Lyle's website at www.lylejamieson.com Contact Brevard Haynes @ 615 463-3222 if there are questions.

TAW Library

The Tennessee Association of Woodturners is very fortunate to have free access to an extensive multi-media library. At each monthly meeting, members may sign out up to three items for personal use. These item(s) must be returned at the following meeting. In order to maintain the integrity of the library for everyone's use, items not returned by the third month will be deemed lost. The responsible member will be expected to replace or reimburse the club for the cost of the item. For questions regarding the library please contact Bill Tucker. The TAW is always looking to expand the library. Donations of woodturning related Books, Magazines and DVD's are always appreciated

Desert Woodturning Symposium

The Arizona Woodturners Association will hold its third annual Desert Woodturning Roundup on February 6, 7 & 8, 2009 at the Mesa Convention Center, Mesa, AZ. For details please go to: www.desertwoodturningroundup.com

AAW 2008 Symposium – Richmond, Virginia

The 22nd Annual National AAW Symposium will be held Friday, June 20 to Sunday, June 22, 2008 at the Greater Richmond Convention Center. Space is limited for both discounted hotel rooms and banquet tickets so make your plans to attend now. Complete information can be found at the AAW website www.woodturner.org.

GAW - TURNING SOUTHERN STYLE XIV

The Georgia Association of Woodturners (GAW), dedicated to providing education, information and organization to those interested in woodturning, will be presenting its annual symposium, "Turning Southern Style XIV". This year's event will again be held at the Unicoi State Park and Lodge near Helen, Georgia on **September 19-21, 2008**. For more information go to: www.gawoodturners.org.

TAW Membership Directory

The 2008 TAW Membership Directory has been completed and is available. Members can pick up their free copy at the monthly meeting, or Saturday Turn-In.

Free Wood

TAW members have the following opportunities to obtain free wood for turning.

Alice Jensen will have trees available for cutting. Contact Alice at alicejen@bellsouth.net for more information

There is wood available in the Fairview area from the storms. Contact Vivi at tn2nadoes@yahoo.com

From the Editor

I welcome comments, suggestions and all articles. If you have a project that would be of interest to the club members please send me that information with pictures. July newsletter articles are due June 20 and should be submitted to Jeff Brockett at woodwackerjeff@AOL.com. Classified ads for woodworking related items are free to members. You may include a picture with your ad.

Tennessee Association of Woodturners

21st Annual Symposium

January 23-24, 2009 Save the Date!!

To be held at the Radisson Opryland Hotel
Nashville TN.

**Featured Demonstrators for the Symposium are:
Jimmy Clewes, Cindy Drozda, Mike Mahoney &
Bob Rosand**

The 2009 Symposium highlights will include: Instant Gallery, People's Choice Award, Dinner and Auction, Vendors, and Roundtable discussion with the demonstrators.

For more information: Send an email to info@tnwoodturners.org or call 615-300-0363.



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The Tennessee Association of Woodturners is a local chapter of the American Association of Woodturners. Our purpose is to provide a meeting place for local turners to share ideas and techniques and to educate the general public regarding the art of turning. The TAW meets the first Tuesday of each month at the Tennessee Baptist Children's Home, off of Franklin Road in Brentwood, TN and periodically sponsors local exhibitions and demonstrations as well as an annual symposium