



The Tennessee Turner

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Important dates to remember:

April Turn In – April 26
TACA fair – May 2-4
May Meeting – May 6
May Turn In – May 24
June Meeting – June 3
June Turn In – June 21

May President's Message

With allergy season in full bloom, now is a great time to get out in your shop, close the doors and make some sweet smelling sawdust - won't that cancel out the pollen?! I am currently looking for relief as I am sure many of you are.

We have a tremendous head of steam going into the month of May. First, our club will be participating in TACA by performing demonstrations over the first weekend - May 2,3 & 4 - at Centennial Park in the Empty Bowls Tent. If you are not yet on the list to demonstrate, please contact Bill Summar (bbjcsanmar@cpws.net). If you can not be there to demonstrate, please plan to stop by with a turned bowl to donate to the cause.

Secondly, we have a fabulous opportunity in having John Jordan demonstrate at our regular club meeting on May 6. John will demonstrate hollow form turning and definitely provide an entertaining and informative display of technique and skill. I promise to keep the business end of the meeting short to get right into the main event!

The Saturday Turn in for May will not take place on the 3rd Saturday, instead, it will be held on May 24th. The change is being made to accommodate the Children's home's effort in a fund raising event. So, change your calendar to show that the Saturday Turn-in will be held on the 24th of May.

In the next couple of months, we will have plenty of other opportunities to demonstrate and learn, so keep reading the newsletter and get your calendars cleared of all the Honey do's so you can be there to join in and have fun!

Oh, and if you have a need for some fresh wood, let me know - I have access to a humongous pile!

Ray Sandusky

May Meeting – Tuesday May 6, 2008

The May meeting will be held at the Tennessee Baptist Children's Home at 7:00pm. John Jordan will give us an easy method in 90 minutes; start to finish, on green wood hollow turning. John is one of the founding members of our association, and has demonstrated world wide at symposia and events where his turnings are exhibited in both public and private collections, museums and galleries

Saturday Turn-In April 26

Due to circumstances beyond our control, we have had to reschedule the April Saturday Turn-In. The Tennessee Baptist Children's Home had scheduled an event that we were not aware of. **The new date for the April Saturday Turn-In will be on April 26 from 8:30 am – 2:00pm at the TBCH workshop.**

We will have *guest demonstrators* at this Saturday session – Ed Lewis and Eddie Graham, from the Chattanooga, TN area, will demonstrate a turning tool used in hollow turning and turning larger pieces in the 13" to 20" or larger range. There will be an opportunity for you to have hands-on use of the tools.

We hope that this change will not inconvenience anyone. Let's make a special effort to represent our club well with a great turnout for this demonstration. Mark your calendar and plan to attend the TAW guest workshop for fellowship and learning

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 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

May 2, 3 & 4, 2008 – TACA Spring Crafts Fair – Centennial Park – Nashville, TN

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

May 6 – John Jordan – hollow turning green wood

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)

April 26 (8:30 am to 2:00 pm) – Ed Lewis and Eddie Graham – Chattanooga, TN – tool demo for hollow turning and larger turnings in 13" to 20" category

May 24 –

June 21 –

July 19 – David Sapp – tool sharpening

TACA Craft Fair

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 2, 3 & 4 – Demonstrate at the Empty Bowls Tent at TACA (Tennessee Arts & Crafts Association) – Centennial Park – Nashville, TN –

We are moving the location from the Demonstration Booth to the Empty Bowls Booth this year. We will demonstrate as we have in the past, but as an end result will have to give some bowls to the Empty Bowls project. If you want to donate a bowl please bring it to the empty bowls tent or the May 5 TAW meeting. We must man the booth from 10 am to 6 pm Friday and Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm Sunday. For more information contact Bill Summar at 931-381-0969 or bbjcsumar@cwps.net.

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. At this time we are asking anyone who has outstanding items to return them at the May 6 TAW meeting. 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

Turn For The Troops Project

There is a battalion in Northern Iraq that has humbly made a request to Woodcraft for additional pens if we are able to produce more. This note is to ask for those who might be willing to volunteer to turn more pens for the Turn for TROOPS program. We must have them to Woodcraft corporate by June 6, 2008. This is completely voluntary.

The pens must be individually packaged in fresh packaging that is ready to be presented to a serviceperson. Pens repacked in the kit bags with "Made in Taiwan" stickers are not acceptable packaging and will not be replaced because of the labor involved to remove the stickers or repackage them. The best presentation is the heat sealed plastic bags with the Woodcraft logo on them (preferred). A second choice might be the smallest sized Ziploc bags. As we did last year a short note of thanks is greatly appreciated.

Our troops are asking for help. Please do what you can even if it is only 1 pen. That will be one soldier who has something from home! If you can help get the word out on this that would be great. We can supply pen kits at the store or at the May meetings. Completed pens can be dropped off at the Woodcraft store in Franklin or at the May 6 TAW club meeting.

Minutes of the Meeting –

April 1, 2008

Ray Sandusky, president, called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone David Sapp, past president, officially passed the Charles Alvis gavel to Ray. The gavel is made of wood from the stash of the late Charles Alvis

Ray introduced Joe Ghoring the product manager from Delta tools. The Delta representatives showed the TAW club members the new Delta Midi lathe prototype. Members were encouraged to look at the machines and give additional feedback.

Joe Curl is working on website redesign. Joe asked that members give him feedback on new design.

Jeff Brockett, secretary, indicated that a club directory was being developed and should be available soon.

Bill Summer, will be coordinating the TACA demonstration turners. We will be in the empty bowls tent this year. Bill passed a volunteer sign up sheet. He is asking for 3 volunteers per hour all day long. Volunteers will also be needed to set up and tear down. Mike Zinser, Vice-President, announced that since we were going to be in the empty bowls tent that we would have to donate some bowls to the cause. He asked donated bowls be given to Mike Zinser or Bill Summer.

April 5 is the Sawdust trail visit to the workshop of Brevard Haynes. Brevard will be showing how he does surface treatment on vessels.

Lyle Jamison will do a demonstration in the Tennessee Baptist Children's Home Workshop on Saturday September 13. Cost for the demonstration workshop is \$50.00 Lyle will also be doing a hands-on workshop at Woodcraft on Sunday September 14. Cost for the hands-on workshop is \$150.00. If there is enough interest Lyle could also do a hands-on workshop on Monday September 15 at Woodcraft. Sign up sheet was passed around. For more information please contact Brevard Haynes.

Minutes of the meeting - continued

Ray Key will do a demo class July 26 at Monte Richard's workshop. Ray will also be at the Woodcraft store on July 27. We will get more information to you as it becomes available.

The TAW annual symposium will be held January 23 and 24, 2009 at the Opryland Radisson Hotel. Demonstrators will be Cindy Drozda, Jimmy Clewes, Mike Mahoney and Bob Rosand. There will be a round table discussion on Friday night January 23.

Ray Sandusky asked that club members make sure that the TBCH auditorium gets cleaned up thoroughly after we are done with our meetings. For the May meeting Ray asked that members step volunteer to head up the following committees: Set up, Refreshments, Clean up, camera and sound

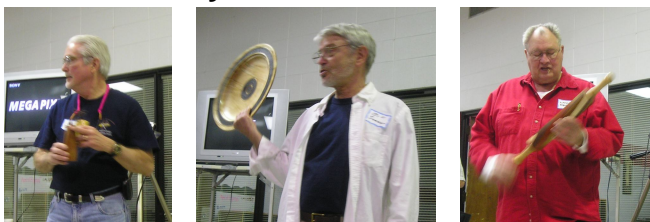
Mike Zinser announced that the Saturday April 26 Turn-In will feature Ed Lewis and Ed Graham from the Chattanooga area. They will be demonstrating and showing their new turning tools that they designed for hollowing and turning large bowls. We would like to have a large turn out for this special Turn-In. Meet at the TBCH workshop at 8:30 am.

There were 55 club members present at the meeting. We had the following visitors at the meeting: Giles Flannigan, Clay Young, Shane Kimbro

Raffle winners chosen.

David Sapp announced that anyone who wishes to turn Freedom Pens could sign out the kits and return them to the next meeting or to the Woodcraft store.

Instant Gallery –



Mike Zinser - 3 sided twisted weed pot and 3 sided lidded box

Bill Summer - platter

Wayne Rector - segmented pen and rolling pin



John Lucas - 3 mirrors and lidded box



Bill Tucker - chestnut platter and bowl



Myra Orton - cherry bowl and platter made out of old barn plank



Fred Takacs - footed bowl



John Jordan - two large hollow forms

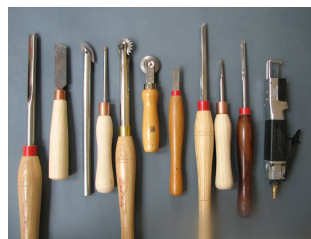


Ray Sandusky - sugar maple bowl

Ray Sandusky introduced Mike Zinser who was the featured demonstrator for the night. Mike had been chosen as a scholarship winner and attended the Frank Penta platter class. Mike demonstrated how to turn a platter the Frank Penta way. Information can be found at



www.woodspriteturnings.com – one note is that there is an error on section 5 #4 states a 1 3/8 inch radius but should state 1 1/2 inch radius. Mike uses a screw center to mount his blank and uses a variety of tools – some custom made – to turn the platter. For finishing the platter he likes to use lacquer and the Beall system. Jesso is used to dye platters. Outstanding program!



Minutes of the meeting - continued

Bill Tucker, librarian announced that there were several missing library materials and wants everyone to return them to the May meeting. We are going to purchase some new materials for the library and are in the process of putting all the VCR tapes onto DVDs.

John Jordan will be our featured demonstrator at the May 6th meeting.

Sawdust Trail – Shop Visit



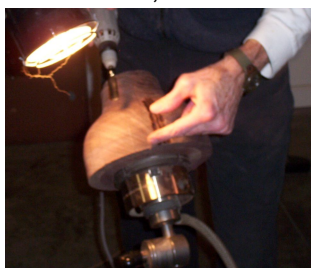
BREVARD HAYNES WORKSHOP AND DEMONSTRATION

On Saturday April 5th 2008 several of the Tennessee Woodturners met for an informative time at Brevard's shop. We started the day with homemade pastries and coffee served by Mrs. Haynes, from there we were given a tour of his workshop, which consisted of three large rooms, each dedicated to different aspects of woodworking, turning and carving.



Don Thompson took some pictures of Brevard's gallery; all turned, carved, and textured. From here we went to the carving room where he had an old barber chair with the seat removed and a carving stand (Bosch ?) mounted to it. He held a bowl with a vacuum system. Using a power carver, he did

carved-texturing on the bowl. He also laid out 3 points to the foot and carved a three-footed bowl.



We then went to his turning room where he mounted a vase on his stubby lathe. Using platforms on the Lathe bed to bring a router to center height, he carved flutes on the sides of the vase. The last thing on the agenda we each did power carving on a demo piece. I personally had a wonderful time.



Many thanks to Brevard to opening his workshop to us and sharing his knowledge.,

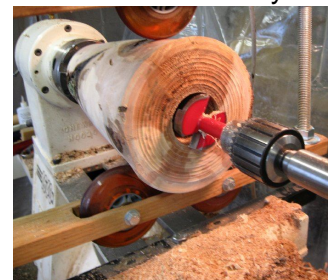
Members Project Section

This section of the newsletter is for members to showcase their work and share techniques. This month Ken Gaidos sent this article:

A friend gave me a piece of Dogwood that he had cut down to see if I could do anything with it. I took photos of this piece as it progressed and you can see the finished vase which is put up in a paper sack for a few weeks to dry before finishing is applied.



This piece was first mounted between centers and turned to a semi cylinder with a tenon for chuck mounting. It was then mounted in a Stronghold chuck and I used my homemade steady rest for support. Next, the depth was drilled out with a 2/18th" carbide forstner bit which allows room for the drill chuck to enter the hole.



I have several methods for deep hollow turning and choose to use my Vermec system for this piece.



The finished piece has a lot of character as can be seen with these different views.
Ken Gaidos

Woodturning with SketchUp 101

Al Coward sent in this article about SketchUp:

I was just alerted to the presence of a really neat blog about using SketchUp for woodturning. It's called Turnedoutright, and it's worth a look -- even if you're not a wood turner yourself. The SketchUp models are outstanding. There's also an accompanying website and a book called Wood Turning with SketchUp. Last but not least, the website's creator (a gentleman by the name of Don Kleinschitz) also has a YouTube channel with videos about -- you guessed it -- woodturning. Congratulations to Don for so successfully marrying digital and non-digital media; it's not an easy thing to do. <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Woodturning>
<http://turnedoutright.blogspot.com/>
http://www.turnedoutright.com/products-page/?product_id=4
<http://www.youtube.com/user/turnedoutright>

Tuckessee Woodturners Seminar

The Tuckessee Woodturners of Clarksville would like to invite everyone to a woodturning seminar by Paul Ferrell on May 10 at 9:00 am until early afternoon. Paul is a long time production turner from Kentucky and has a long history with the AAW. His studio is about ten miles north of Hopkinsville, KY and we feel fortunate to have him available. The token fee is \$15 per attendee and we welcome all. The seminar will be held at an FOP Lodge in downtown Clarksville. Address: 2576 N Ford St. While this address is in town it can be difficult to find the first time. We suggest you call for directions. Questions? Bob Forsythe 931-906-3572

The Woodturning School

The Woodturning School is a small hands-on woodturning school in Midcoast Maine. We have new One way 1640 lathes, mostly Sorby Turning tools and a 3:1 student/teacher ratio. The school was the subject of a 4-page story in the summer 2006 issue of American Woodturner. Here is a link to our web site:

<http://www.woodturningschool.org/index.html>

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.

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.

Sale Opportunity

Bill Tucker may have an opportunity to display his turnings for sale in a store front. Members of the club who have an interest in participating should contact Bill Tucker. billtucker@comcast.net

From the Editor

As you may have noticed the TAW newsletter is evolving. We are working on having the newsletter include on the TAW website as well as having it emailed to all members. This should help those of you who have been having problems opening the attachments.

I welcome comments, suggestions and all articles. June newsletter articles are due May 16 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

For Sale

Jet JWL-1236 Wood Lathe for sale. It comes with custom fitted Jet Mobile Base. I am asking **\$375** for the Lathe and Mobile Base. It is in excellent condition with all original parts and Owners Manual. Call Cliff Whitehead at 615-646-4586 or e-mail same at deercliff@comcast.net if interested.



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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