

Tuckessesee Turners

Woodturners from North Central TN and South Central Kentucky

We provide an environment to help beginning woodturners get started with minimal start up costs
Fostering the art of woodturning by providing instruction, tools, and materials to the beginner

November Newsletter

Message From The President

Another year has passed. It seems like just yesterday that we were going to Erin's Irish Festival, but in reality we have the Christmas parade Saturday which is our last outing for the year. We are growing fast and we lose touch with some of our older friends in turning. We have made new ones along the way. And speaking of growing, we are trying to get a new larger lathe to have demonstrators from Nashville that do larger pieces to demo for us. We have gotten many new members this year who we hope we can help on their journey in woodturning. Some have been showing up at turn-ins and getting "one on one" help from people who are very happy to do so. If you have a minute, look at our new web site www.Tuckessesee.org. Thanks to Denton Jordan it is up and running again. He has made some changes to the old web site and plans on making more. He will be running it and keeping it current for the club. He is also the one that pays for it and we owe him a great deal of thanks for that. I want to thank all of you who make this club run as well as it does through volunteering, teaching, and giving of your own time to keep us going. If you are not coming to the December meeting, I would like to wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. If you are attending the meeting, I will tell you in person. One last thing, there will **NOT** be a turn-in in December because it would fall on Christmas Eve. Just bring the toys that Santa gave you to the turn-in in January.

Thank you again,
Bob Forsythe
President

November Visitors



First Time Visitor Christine Roth



First Time Visitor Mike Byrd

We are always glad to have visitors and welcome them back anytime. You are invited to all club activities...turn-ins, meetings, & club events. Let us know if you are a beginner and need help getting started. Contact Bob Forsythe at rmforsythe@charter.net

Visitor Jim Page



November Meeting Kicked off...

with President Bob, giving us Checking and Lathe Fund Savings Account balances. He reminded members that our Checking account should replenish itself rapidly since membership dues will be coming in between now and the end of the year. He mentioned that the Lathe Fund is coming right along and that if we could double the balance he could see us with a nice new lathe of some major brand.

Bob promoted the John Jordan class which was to be held at the Jackson, TN club.

He expressed disappointment with the turn out at the October Turn-In. Said we only had two people show up and that we had approximately three teachers per student. Newcomers, if you are looking for a quick start in your turning endeavor, this is the place to go...every fourth Saturday. NO TURN-IN IN DECEMBER.

Regarding the dues...Harold Riggins will be taking annual due of \$15 at the meeting. As mentioned they are due by the end of the year. If the cost is a hardship for you or if this is an inconvenient time to pay dues, let Charlie, Mike, Clarence, or Bob know. Regardless of when you choose to pay please be sure to make the meetings and participate as a member.

Big Party at December Meeting

Refreshments of food and drinks will be furnished. Bring wood to turn for someone else and take home a piece provided by another member. We are calling this a Wood Swap.

Bring an item you have turned for the Turned Item Swap.

Bring a Christmas ornament that you have turned for show and tell and any other item you wish to show. The more the merrier. Let others view what you have accomplished...it makes you practice more and it gives beginners some new ideas and know how. We will give away two \$40 coupons by Woodcraft in Franklin. Also \$10 gift certificates from Woodturners Catalog.



Members sharing ideas after the meeting

Tuckessee Turners and the Christmas Parade

We will participate in the Clarksville Christmas parade this year by demonstrating and selling. Come help us and bring a few items to sell. We will be located on Franklin Street by the bank on the Square...around 4:00 Dec. 3rd.

Big Changes in Store for Tuckessee.org Web Site

Denton Jordan from Paris, TN is updating our web site. Check it out. Soon you will be able to view the Newsletter through the web site. There will be more of us who will help keep it current. You will be able to see a Calendar of Events, including meeting dates and agendas. Thanks Jordan.

Nashville Turning Symposium in January

TAW 24th Annual Symposium Set!

January 27th and 28th, 2012, Radisson Opryland Hotel, Nashville, Tennessee
Upcoming details
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Symposium Demonstrators:

Al Stirt has been a professional woodturner for more than 40 years. His work is included in numerous public and private collections, including the Smithsonian, the White House, the Museum of Art and Design, and the Victoria and Albert Museum. He has demonstrated and taught about woodturning & design in England, Ireland, New Zealand and Canada as well as throughout the U.S. In 1997 the American Association of Woodturners awarded him an Honorary Lifetime Membership for his commitment and contributions to the field of woodturning. www.alstirt.com

Dale Larson lives in Gresham, Oregon. He has been turning for over 32 years. His specialty is turning bowls from local hardwoods like Madrone and Big Leaf Maple. He has demonstrated bowl turning and spheres at four AAW Symposiums and has taught at the John C. Campbell Folk School twice. www.finewoodartists.com/gallery/larson/dale_larson.htm

Jennifer Shirley has been working with wood for 15 years and woodturning for 13. Her work has been shown in several national exhibits and publications and is in many private collections. She is a frequent demonstrator at regional woodturning guilds and symposiums around the country. Jennifer teaches at several craft schools and is a member of The American Association of Woodturners. www.jenshirley.com

Mark Gardner lives and works in Saluda, NC. He has been working with wood since he was a teenager. Since he took his first wood turning class in 1996 with John Jordan he has been working towards the goal of supporting himself through his woodwork. Much of Mark's turned work is carved and textured once it comes off the lathe. His influences include Clay Foster and Kristina Madsen as well as Oceanic and African art and artifacts. Mark has taught at craft schools around the country and has been a demonstrator for many clubs and regional wood turning symposia. His work is found in public collections including the Museum of Art and Design in New York and the Asheville Art Museum in Asheville, North Carolina. www.markgardnerstudio.com

Ashley Harwood has been an artist from the start, working with neon, glass, performance, installation, and video art. She attended Carnegie Mellon University with a focus in sculpture and Installation art. Ashley currently lives in Charleston, SC. For the past year and a half, Ashley has worked with Stuart Batty, from whom she has learned the "push cut" style of woodturning and a unique, dynamic method of teaching. www.turningnative.com

Editors Note

I encourage all members to consider at least one day of this event. You can gain a lifetime of experience by watching these guys. I remember the one I attended where I watched David Ellsworth all day. It helped me.

Jim Mason

Charles Maddux



Large Cherry Salad Bowl



Cherry Hollow Form

Mark Halliman



Holding One Of His Flower Arrangers



Flower Arranger



Natural Edge Cedar Burl



Flower Arranger and Candle Holder



Cedar Salad Bowl

Jon Holloway



Southern Cedar Bowls



Magnolia Salad Bowl

Bob Forsythe



Ornamental Plum Mushroom Cups

Jim Mason



Sugar Maple Hollow Form

Tommy Shepherd



Cedar Candle Holder With Voids



Sugar Maple Vase With Void

Ken Ashton



Goblet



Walnut Hollow Form

The Editor Interviews Jon Holloway

Jim: Jon, you spend an enormous amount of time working with the Tuckesse Turners woodturning club. I hope members appreciate all you do to help out. Were you a founding member of our club?

Jon: No, I joined the club in 2002 or 2003

Jim: Some members already know that you are the President of the F.O.P. Lodge where we meet. Tell us how this benefits your lodge as well as our club.

Jon: When I joined the club we were meeting on Red River St, in a small room. First thing I thought about was moving the club to the FOP Lodge. For a long time the FOP lodge was only used once or twice a month like having the woodturners there. I hope we will be there for a long time.

Jim: I hope so too. This is an excellent benefit to our club. And it is only available because you are willing to put in the time and effort. I thank you on behalf of the entire membership.

You have periodically pulled our equipment trailer many miles. What are your experiences relative to that and the turn-ins that you would like to share with the members? You are also a great wood turner...and a good woodworker in general.

Jon: A man by the name of Stan Brown (who passed away about three years ago) asked me to go to the turners meeting. That was the same night I joined. The person that helped me the most are the members of the club. I am always learning.

Jon: As far as woodworking, my dad was the big motivator. He was a master carpenter. So were my two oldest brothers

Jim: Most turners get settled in on one or two specific types of items that they enjoy producing. What is your favorite and why.

Jon: Hollowed items like vases and vessels are what I like to do most. I like working with the hollowing tool.

Jim: What is your favorite wood?

Jon: Cedar

Jim: How is most of your work finished?

Jon: I now use wipe on poly. I have tried a lot of finishes, from buffing to poly. It depends on the item.

Jim: Do you sell anything or are most of them gifts and for your personal collection?

Jon: Gifts. Herriet gives them to friends.

Jim: What can we do to improve on our club...meetings, demonstrators, turn-ins, etc.?

Jon: It's hard to say. I like the club and what is going on. Bob is doing a great job. With everything that is going on, activities, etc, more people could come out and help. We need more people to get involved.

Jim: Can you suggest any demonstrators?

Jon: That's a hard one. I think everyone should give it a try.

Jim: Thanks again for agreeing to this interview. Keep up the good work.

AAW Membership

Charles Putnam suggested we let members know of the advantages of AAW membership. Please read the following quote from Charlie.

“The Tuckesse Woodturners is a member of the AAW for a number of reasons. First it provides a center for information and education related to woodturning world wide. A very important benefit is that it provides liability insurance to it's individual members at no additional cost. Our club requires that before you can turn in a public event you must have liability coverage. We welcome everyone to come to our events: help sell our items and meet the public. However to actually demonstrate you must have insurance coverage. AAW membership is the best way to obtain that. The AAW also has a grant program that has been very beneficial to our club as well as individual members. Give it a thought!”

Great suggestion Charlie. See the following page for more information including costs and other benefits.

Benefits for all AAW members and membership types:

- Six issues of [American Woodturner](#) annually
- Automatic participation in periodic drawings for prizes - [click here](#) for more info
- Access to all past issues of **[American Woodturner](#)**, online through the website [Members Area](#). Note that the "online" American Woodturner may only be viewed through an active internet connection.
- Access to machine-readable American Woodturner issues for those members who are visually impaired, and use computer screen reading software - [contact the webmaster](#) if this applies to you.
- [Marketing opportunities](#) on our website for artists, collectors, galleries and museums
- Group rates for [health and life](#) insurance (US members only)
- Group rates for [commercial business insurance](#) (US members only)
- AAW members receive [bodily injury insurance](#) for chapter-affiliated demonstrations or events under the liability insurance that AAW provides to local chapters
- Savings of up to 50% on [AAW merchandise](#), including project books, DVDs, logo apparel and more!
- Merchant discounts available exclusively to AAW members
- Eligibility to apply for AAW [Educational Opportunity Grants](#)
- AAW Forum and member-only access to articles and resources on our website
- Eligible to vote in AAW board elections if a member prior to the end of August in that year
- Eligibility to apply for membership in the [Professional Outreach Program](#) (POP)
- Access to [POP Fellowship grants](#)
- Exhibit opportunities - AAW members may enter work for the annual juried member exhibit featured at the Symposium, the Gallery of Wood Art in St. Paul and other art venues
- Annual [International AAW Woodturning Symposium](#)
- Access to apply for demonstration opportunities at AAW Symposiums
- AAW [Resource Directory](#), that contains a complete listing of contact information for members, local chapters, demonstrators, and other woodturning resources. Updated listings are also available to members through the [AAW website](#).
- [Over 300 AAW local chapters](#) offer workshops, camaraderie, opportunities to share ideas and techniques, and access to lending libraries, discounts, and volume purchases

Special benefits associated with each membership type:

Member type - "Online" (\$38 per year):

- All of the benefits listed above
- Available to all members, both new and current/renewing - worldwide
- American Woodturner and Resource Directory ***will not be mailed to "Online" members***. Your access to these resources will be through the AAW website. Note that the "online" American Woodturner may only be viewed through an active internet connection.
- AAW membership cards will be supplied in a self-print format via email or through the members area of the website - logon required.

Member type - General (\$48), General Canada/Mexico (\$53) and General Overseas (\$63):

- All of the benefits listed above, including home delivery of six American Woodturner issues each year, and the Resource Directory every other year. Note that the paper copy Resource Directory is mailed only if members "opt-in" during membership sign-up or renewal.

Member type - Youth, under 25 years of age (\$19):

- All of the benefits listed above, at a reduced cost
- For youth age 25 and under
- Free AAW Symposium registration for youth ages 10-17 with accompanying paid adult registration

Member type - Family (\$53):

- All of the benefits listed above, plus
- Up to three family members living in same household on the membership card
- One copy of the American Woodturner Journal, six issues per year
- One vote at election time

Listed family members are covered by the [chapter liability insurance](#). Ability to demonstrate at chapter events and shows

Meeting of Interest

The Tennessee Association of Woodturners club, to which several of the Tuckesse Turners club members belong, hold their monthly meetings on the 1st Tuesday, the next day after our meetings. Their meetings start at 7:00 PM at the Tennessee Baptist Childrens Home on Franklin Road, Brentwood, Tennessee. www.tnwoodturners.org

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Symposiums of Interest

Tennessee Association of Woodturners
24th Woodturning Symposium
January 27-29, 2011, Nashville, TN
www.tnwoodturners.org/symposium

Woodturning Clubs of Interest

American Association of Woodturners
www.woodturner.org

Tennessee Association of Woodturners
Nashville, TN www.tnwoodturners.org

Duck River Woodturners Club, Columbia, TN
www.duckriverwoodturners.com

Tri-State Woodturners Club, Chattanooga, TN
www.tristatewoodturners.org

Club Website

www.tuckesse.org

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Our Location

2576 N. Ford Street (New Providence)
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Directions to Club Meeting Place

From the South: Take N. 2nd Street north onto Hwy 41A (Providence Blvd), Turn Right on Market St, Turn Right on Chapel St, Turn Left on North Ford St. About ½ mi. rd turns hard right, continue about ½ mile to the last building on the Left.

From the North: From Hwy 41A (Providence Blvd) turn left on Chapel St ¼ mi. turn left on North Ford St. About ½ mi. rd turns hard right, continue about ½ mile to the last building on the Left.