Tuckessee Turners

Woodturners from North Central TN and South Central Kentucky

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

March Newsletter

The President's Message

This is the best time of the year for working in the shop...nice weather, mild temperatures, and the excitement of spring in the air.

We all enjoyed Kevin Austin's presentation of Segmented Turning on our new Powermatic 3520. Thanks, Kevin for a job well done.

The Erin Irish Festival didn't work out well for the club. However, Max Harris, who had his own booth, seems to have had a good location and a good day.

The turn out for the turn-in Last Saturday was short and only Mike Haney showing up wanting some instruction. Mike graciously accepted the lack of help he received. We all promise to make it up to you Mike.

Jim Mason, in conjunction with the Hopkinsville Art Guild, will be teaching and demonstrating woodturning on Saturday, April 14^{th} , 9:00 – 3:00, at the Art Guild Gallery in the Bradford Square Mall in Hopkinsville. For some members this will be the best money you ever spend. See his flyer on page 10.

Bob Forsythe President 931 906 3572

P.S. The next monthly membership meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 2nd. The program will be presented by Max Harris from Ashland City. Max will demonstrate how he uses the McNaughton Coring System to core multiple bowls from one chunk of wood. Max always puts on a fun, interesting, and educational program...don't miss it.

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Kevin Austin



Kevin's jig is placed on the lathe and slides up to the last layer to glue the new layer of segments on.

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Kevin's home made jig for laying and gluing up the segments on the lathe.



Kevin uses a table saw with the incra miter guage to cut his segments and a miter saw set up with a wood stop block to cut segments the same size.



He demonstrates a web site for the segmented software that makes laying out your project much easier and better.

(www.segmented turning.com/software.htm)



Kevin uses a wixey angle gauge to set the blade angle on his table saw, fence on his jointer, and table on his band saw, etc.



Fun With 30 Degrees. He uses this for the bottom of some of his bowls. He suggests you watch the series of Don Russell videos on youtube.com to gain more insight on cutting and fun with 30 degrees.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TB16HN2nxSQ

First Time Visitor Mike Haney



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Monthly Turn-In

The next monthly turn-in will be Saturday, April 28th. Even experienced turners can benefit from these sessions, so we can safely say that it will make a beginner's (less than three years experience) learning curve skyrocket. So come on out and turn or watch someone turn.

Learn which tool to use and how they are presented to the wood. Get some ideas on what you might like to try when you get back home.

Bring some tools and sharpen them or let someone show you how they are to be sharpened. Sharp tools is a must for any serious turner.

Come learn what to do and how it is done and go home and practice, practice, practice. Make some mistakes...we all did and still do.

Attend them while you can...No turn-ins during the months of June, July, & August.



News releases stated there were over 25,000 people at the Erin Irish Festival, Saturday March 17th.

April Meeting on April 2nd

Max Harris McNaughton Coring System Demo 7:00 PM

But! Please be careful. Danger lurks anytime you engage a sharp tool into moving wood.

Scheduled Event

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Classified Ads

If you have an extra tool or other item you would like to sell...or buy, this is the place for you to list it at no charge to members. Let Jim Mason know before the next newsletter.



New Member and First Time Guest Shannon James pictured with his beautiful 6 X 6 Vase

Instant Gallery

Charles Maddux



Cherry Bowl



Maple Bowl



Spalted Peach Vase

Kevin Austin



Segmented Bowl



Segmented Bird House



Segmented Bowl

Mike Patrick



Tulips and Vase





Bowl Made of Coffee Wood



Sycamore Cup



Cedar Plate



Cedar Plate/Platter



Cedar Bowl

Max Harris



Walnut Top Hat



Walnut Sapwood Vase



Walnut Bowl



Ball & Bat



Ash Vase



Walnut Hollow Form

Terry Ellis



Silver Leaf Popular



Five Inch Cedar Bowl

Bill Zarella



Cherry Bowl

Ken Ashton



Ten Inch Spalted Maple Bowl



Eleven Inch Cedar Bowl

Unidentified Item



Will reprint along with a name in next months Newsletter.

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Jim Mason



Natural Edge Ash Vase



Lidded Walnut Box



Spalted Maple Bowl



Honey Locust Lidded Box



Cherry Vase

<mark>Safety First</mark>

It is highly recommended that you use a face mask and or safety glasses...especially for beginning turners. Even experienced turners are not immune to accidents. Be safe and enjoy your work.

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Scheduled Events

Monday April 2nd Saturday April 28th Monday May 7th Saturday, May 19th Saturday, May 26th Monthly Meeting Turn-in Monthly Meeting Market Place Turn-in

Our Club Website

www.tuckessee.org

Our Location

2576 N. Ford Street (New Providence) Clarksville, TN 37040

Contact the Editor

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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 ¹/₂ mi. rd turns hard right, continue about ¹/₂ mile to the last building on the Left.

From the North: From Hwy 41A (Providence Blvd) turn left on Chapel St ¹/₄ mi. turn left on North Ford St. About ¹/₂ mi. rd turns hard right, continue about ¹/₂ mile to the last building on the Left.

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How To Turn Ordinary Turnings Into Art

by Jim Mason

Saturday, April 14, 2012 9:00 to 3:00 Hopkinsville Art Guild Studio Bradford Square Mall 4000 Ft. Campbell Blvd. Hopkinsville, KY

Learn how to turn ordinary wood blocks into art! This demonstration is especially useful for beginners through intermediate wood turners.

Every participant will leave with an autographed turning by Jim Mason. He has been a wood turner for 40 years and worked mostly with the lathe for the past 8 years. He is always eager to motivate others who have an interest in learning about turning. He is an active participant in the Clarksville and Nashville woodturning clubs. His award winning turned pieces are sold at the Hopkinsville Art Guild Gallery in Hopkinsville, KY.

Topics Covered in the Demonstration:

- How to mount wood to the lathe
- Use and sharpening of the different turning chisels
- Finishing a turned piece
- Knowing uphill from downhill turning
- How to hollow small items, make a bowl, vase, lidded box, and clean up the bottoms

Fee of \$45.00 includes: turned piece by Jim, lunch, drinks, and snacks. Make checks payable to Jim Mason. To register please contact Jim at 270-885-0069 or 270 885 0669, jmason@newwavecomm.net by April 10, 2012.

Registration Information

Name:	Address:		
City:	Zip:	Email: _	
Telephone: Home ()	-	Work ()	
	Check _	Cash	

Thoughts for Beginners

By

Mike Patrick

For safety

* Always wear eye protection (face shield + safety glasses)

* Don't wear loose clothing, jewelry, long hair or anything that might get caught in your work as it rotates.

* Use the tailstock to support the work piece as long as possible when using a chuck orfaceplate.

Things that will help you as a beginner

* Spend the time to learn how to sharpen your tools. Sharp tools are less likely to catch because they take less effort when presenting the tool to the wood, and they also leave a better finish requiring less sanding.

* Learn to turn on good wood and practice on green wood or wood without any knots and cracks. As your skills improve you can dealwith knots and faults in the wood better. Trying to learn on bad wood can be frustrating because you can't tell if the wood is at fault or your methods are at fault. In this part of the country (Tennessee and Kentucky) there is plenty of wood to be had. Free wood is offered at almost every meeting. Wood with cracks or checks is dangerous because chunks can come off while turning...it is the same with bark.

Use of turning tools

* Learn to control the tool by rubbing the bevel on cutting tools. It is different with scrapers. When using a scraper, raise the tool handle slightly, so that the tip will be presented at an angle and the bevel is intentionally not rubbing. With a scraper, use only the tip of the tool and make sure it is very sharp and take small bites.