

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

May 2014 Newsletter

The Presidents Column...

Hi fellow woodturners,

As we are coming into our summer season of the market place show and tell, the first weekend went well. We will continue thru the summer season on the first and third Saturdays at the market place in Clarksville. Would like to have more participation from the club members. If you can't participate, please donate some of your works for the benefit of the club.

The next meeting is Monday the 2nd of June.

We will discontinue the turn-ins until Sept, unless there is a large support for keeping it thru the summer.

Sept brings us to Frolic on Franklin St, so, if you want to participate, let us know.

Happy turnings.

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Clarence Duzan June Demonstrator...

Clarence is the Master at turning and selling pens so, I know you will not want to miss his demo. Clarence is also our expert in textured platters. Take advantage of his expertise and pick his brain for tips. You could not find a more qualified person to show you the do's and don't's of pen turning than Clarence.

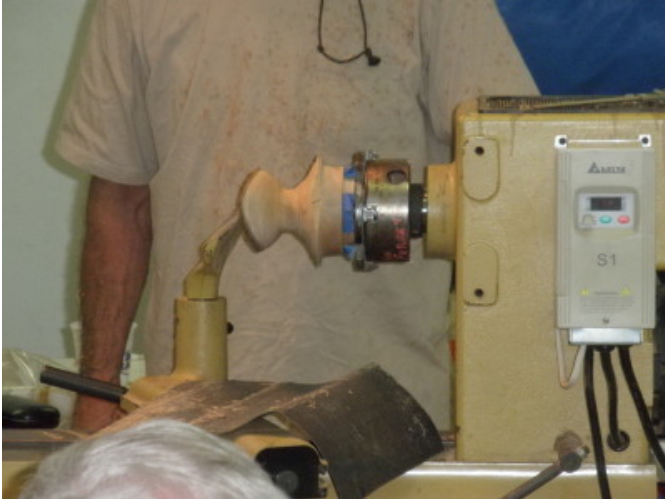
Paul Ferrell Demonstrated in May.



Paul explains how to begin turning a small log mounted between centers.

He emphasized safety and explained that he has changed his operation at home to speed turning.

After general shaping and making of the tennon, Paul mounted the piece into his 4-jaw chuck.



Please notice the dark mat laying under his work piece. It is there so he can view the profile better.

Paul is pictured with his work glove.



He uses the glove for safety and comfort.

As usual, Paul did a super job of teaching us how it is done. Thanks Paul for helping us out.

Minutes from Tuckesse Woodturners May 5, 2014 Club Meeting

The May club meeting was called to order by Vice President Steve Sabinash at 7:00 p.m. on March 10, 2014 at the FOP Lodge 2576 North Ford Street in Clarksville TN. President Jon was at the hospital with his wife who had surgery earlier in the day. Reports are that she was doing well.

Rich White was introduced. He was visiting with us a second time as a guest of his neighbor Tom Pressler. Clarence Duzan brought in ten pens he had turned as part of the Pens for Troops project.

Steve reported on the Clarksville Marketplace plans. We will be selling two Saturdays each month on the 1st and 3rd Saturday beginning May 24th. Let Bob Forsythe know if you can work on May 24th. In addition to participating in the Marketplace, we will be having our scheduled turn-in at the FOP Lodge that day.

VP Steve talked about the need to increase the club income. Two possibilities were discussed. One plan was for each member to donate items valued at \$5.00 to \$10.00 to the club to be sold at markets. The second was for members who sell items at the club table during markets pay the club 5% of their sales. Following discussion, Tom Pressler made a motion to donate 5% of sales club members make, while selling at the club table, to the club. The motion was seconded by Clarence Duzan and passed. Members are encouraged to continue donating items to the club for sale as well.

Treasurer Bruce Hensley, reported on the club's finances. During the past month we had income of \$55.00. He also wrote a \$150.00 check for our booth at the Marketplace and a \$50.00 check for Frolic on Franklin which occurs in September. This leaves a current balance of \$667.49.

Each meeting, members bring in projects they have been working on and show them during "Show & Tell". Items displayed included:

Steve Sabinaski – Coffee Wood Bowl
Oak Vase
Oak Bowl
Sweet Gum Vase
Cherry Vase

Mike Patrick Box for Beads of Courage
(Maple & Dye)
Maple Hand Mirror w/olive
wood insert from Mt. of
Olives)

Donald Lyons Oak Burl Bowl
Cherry Vases
Wand & Honey Dipper

Norbert Comtois	Bolt Action Pen (gun Metal on White Oak burl) Bolt Action Pen (gun metal on oak burl) Bolt Action Pen (antique brass on spalted hackberry)
Jesse Foster	2 lamps, one segmented bowl, and 4 Christmas Ornaments
Jim Mason	19" Cherry Salad Bowl (with subtle band on outside top edge)

Jim Mason introduced our guest presenter Paul Ferrell who along with his wife, Tricia, operates Brushy Fork Creek Studio & Gallery in Crofton Kentucky. Paul has been a production wood turner since 1974 and Tricia makes Pottery. Twice a year the Gallery sponsors an art show with guest artist. Paul is a self-proclaimed "speed turner" who "turns fast as long as it is safe". Paul says he has two rules for wood turning, "Be Safe" and "Have Fun". Paul left two handouts with Jim to be copied and distributed to members with tips on using jam chucks and using waste blocks. Among the many tips Paul shared with us included keeping his grinder within reach of his lathe, at the same relative height as his lathe, and using a 100 to 120 grit grinding wheel. He uses a regular high speed grinder with great success and typically grinds without the use of sharpening jigs. One of the pieces Paul showed us was made from Mesquite with a bark inclusion. Paul told us mesquite contains silicon and is very hard. Turning it requires constant sharpening of your tools.

Charles B. Wall
Secretary

Take Advantage of... Saturday Turn-ins...

The turn-ins are where you can get hands on help with your turning. Practice your turns, sharpen your tools, learn from the professionals or share your skills with others who are there for help.

Club Activities for 2014

Monthly Club Meetings

June 2nd Clarence Duzan
July 7th
August 4th
September 1st
October 6th
November 3rd
December 1st

First Mondays

Market Place Events

June 7th and 21st
July 5th and 19th
Aug 2nd and 16th
Sept 13th and 20th
Oct 4th and 18th

First and third Saturdays.

Monthly Turn-ins

May 24th
June 28th
July 26th
August 23rd

Fourth Saturdays

The Library.....

Billy Dickens, our Librarian, invites you to check out one of the many learning tools...books, videos, etc.

If you have checked anything out lately, be sure to check the return date. If more time is needed, give Billy a call at 931 645 9210 or email him at billy.dickens@lildickens.com

Instant Gallery

Steve Sabinash



Coffeewood bowl

(Show 'n tell)

Steve Sabinash



Cherry Vase

Steve Sabinash



Oak Vase

Steve Sabinash



Sweet Gum Vase

Steve Sabinash



Oak Bowl

Mike Patrick



Box for Beads of Courage

Mike Patrick



The back of mirror pictured next. Insert is wood from the Mount of Olives

Donald Lyons



Cherry Vases, Wand and Honey Dipper

Mike Patrick



Hand Mirror of Maple and Olive Wood from Mount of Olives

Norbert Comtois



Bold Action pens... Gun Metal and Oak burl and Brass with Spalted Hackberry

Donald Lyons



Oak Burl Bowl

Jim Mason



19" Cherry Salad Bowl

Jim Mason



5" Cherry Burl Pedestal Bowl

Jesse Foster



Segmented Box

Jesse Foster



Lamp

Jesse Foster



Christmas Ornament

Jesse Foster



Confed. Lamp

Turner Unknown



Large Bowl

A Man and His Dog

A man and his dog were walking along a road. The man was enjoying the scenery, when it suddenly occurred to him that he was dead. He remembered dying, and that the dog walking beside him had been dead for years. He wondered where the road was leading them. After a while, they came to a high, white stone wall along one side of the road. It looked like fine marble. At the top of a long hill, it was broken by a tall arch that glowed in the sunlight. When he was standing before it, he saw a magnificent gate in the arch that looked like mother of pearl, and the street that led to the gate looked like pure gold. He and the dog walked toward the gate, and as he got close, he saw a man at a desk to one side. When he was close enough, he called out, "Excuse me, where are we?" "This is Heaven, sir," the man answered. "Wow! Would you happen to have some water?" the man asked. "Of course, sir. Come right in, and I'll have some ice water brought right up." The man gestured, and the gate began to open. "Can my friend," gesturing toward his dog, "come in too?" the traveler asked. "I'm sorry, sir, but we don't accept pets." The man thought a moment and then turned back toward the road and continued the way he had been going with his dog. After another long walk, and at the top of another long hill, he came to a dirt road which led through a farm gate that looked as if it had never been closed. There was no fence. As he approached the gate, he saw a man inside, leaning against a tree and reading a book. "Excuse me!" he called to the reader. "Do you have any water?" "Yeah, sure, there's a pump over there". The man pointed to a place that couldn't be seen from the outside gate. "Come on in." "How about my friend here?" the traveler gestured to the dog. "There should be a bowl by the pump." They went through the gate, and sure enough, there was an old fashioned hand pump with a bowl beside it. The traveler filled the bowl and took a long drink himself, then he gave some to the dog. When they were full, he and the dog walked back toward the man who was standing by the tree waiting for them. "What do you call this place?" the traveler asked. "This is Heaven," was the answer. "Well, that's confusing," the traveler said. "The man down the road said that was Heaven, too." "Oh, you mean the place with the gold street and the pearly gates? Nope. That's Hell." "Doesn't it make you mad for them to use your name like that?" "No. I can see how you might think so, but we're just happy that they screen out the folks who are willing to leave their best friends behind."

The Editor's column...

Well, it is that time of year when storms bring down lots of trees, offering we woodturners a supply of good turning wood.

Some of us have the tools and energy to harvest and work this material into useable pieces. It is hard, hot, dirty work, so the next time one of your fellow turners offers you some of this wood, please remember it did not come easily. Show your appreciation...don't take it for granted.

If you do not have the tools (chainsaw, bandsaw, truck, or trailer) to work these large pieces, don't be bashful. Most any of us with the tools will be happy to help you work it into the size and shapes you need to get started turning this free wood.

We are all beginners to some degree, so don't be embarrassed to show your work and ask for help with any thing related to turning. The place to get that help is your Tuckesse Turners woodturning club. Take advantage of the Demonstrations by professionals at our monthly meetings on the 1st Monday of each month.

For hands on help with turning, sharpening and know how, try the monthly turn-ins on the 4th Saturdays.

Don't forget that Monday night Clarence Duzan will demonstrate how he makes his beautiful writing pens. See y'all at the meeting on Monday, June 2nd.

Jim Mason

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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. (F.O.P. Lodge)

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. (F.O.P. Lodge)

Regardless of which route you take you will think you are lost before you get there.

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

Blue Grass Area Woodturners
Lexington, KY bluegrassareawoodturners.org

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