# Tuckessee 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

# March 2011 Newsletter

# **Message From The President**

This is the first of what we hope will be a long tradition of monthly Newsletters. Hopefully it will include pictures and news about recent activities and turnings by local members. Members are encouraged to please turn something to show at each meeting. Work will be photographed and pictured in the newsletters. It will be documentation of your success as your work improves.

Now that we are seeing some decent weather, members are ready to get into their woodpiles, pull out some wood, and renew their passions for woodturning.

Monday, we met at our normal meeting place in the F.O.P lodge. We discussed the upcoming Irish Festival in Erin on the March 19th. Setup is 7:00 am.

Members participated in Show 'n Tell showing some items they had turned since the February meeting.

Please call me for information or to give me news. I can be contacted at 931 906 3572 or 931 241 0342

Bob Forsythe President

# **February Demonstrator**



Max Harris

Max demonstrated the art of hat making at the last meeting. He made a mini hat that turned out beautifully.

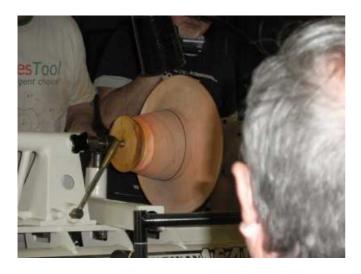
#### **Member Activities**

Friday, March 4th several members attended the Johannes Michelsen hatmaking class, sponsored by the Nashville Club. It was an all day affair held at the Tennessee Baptist Childrens Home campus, the regular meeting place of the Nashville Club, in Brentwood, Tn.

Many many members expressed sentiments such as "best demo I ever attended" and "I learned as much about turning as I did about hatmaking.



Johannes made a full sized cowboy hat from cherry which he finished by around noon. It was auctioned off at a price of \$350.00. Local member Mike Patrick won the Mini hat that he turned in the afternoon.



To determine the thickness as he turns, he uses light behind the wood as shown here.

#### **March Demonstration**

In lieu of a demonstrator, we viewed a video of Johannes Michelson's Hatmaking. The entire membership was thrilled to see such a performance. It was interesting to those of who attended his all day demo, to see some of the changes that have evolved as he perfects his craft.

#### **Coming Events**

The Irish Festival - Erin, Tn – March 19 Turn-in – FOP Lodge - March 26

# **Instant Gallery**

Several members showed items they had turned since the last meeting.



Max Harris' turnings shown above

Beginning next meeting, pictures will be taken of each members Instant Gallery piece, to be included in next month's newsletter. So, member, please try to bring at least one piece you have turned recently.

#### **Members Collections**

Each month we will try to include a few pictures of treasures you have decided to keep for yourself. Or pieces of any of your customers collections. By drawing we could determine the order.

A few pieces of a few members could be shown in each newsletter.

#### **Classified Ads Free To Members**

In this sections we could advertise, at no charge to members, tools & accessories, etc. for sale by members. Or any that you know of that members might like to see.

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# **Minutes From March 4th Meeting**

Secretary, Bruce Hensley reported we have \$642.00 in the bank. (Title?), Charles Putnam reported on the upcoming Irish Festival in Erin. President, Bob Forsythe reported that he had purchased a Johannes Michelson video for the club.

# How I Do 'r Did It

This could be a column written by members who have expertise they would like to share with the club.

Take a few pictures of what and/or how you do it and furnish it to the editor of the newsletter. Who wants to be first?

The Board of Directors will determine which ones and in what order to present them.

# **Officers and Directors**

President – Bob Forsythe VP etc

# **Club Website**

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