#### Kansas City

# Woodturners

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Local Chapter of The American Association of Woodturners

#### The October Meeting

The next meeting will NOT BE HELD at the Woodcraft Store. This special meeting will be held at 7:00 PM, Monday October 13th at Paxton Fine Woods. See the attached map for directions. The American Association of Woodturners has sent us two extra issues of the latest AAW magazine. They are available for inspection and taking home (as long as they last). The AAW would like you to consider joining their organization. Membership forms will be made available.

There will be several speakers this month. First of all, Paxton's Rick Farrell will talk for a few minutes about his beautiful woods for sale. Rick will circulate a sign-up sheet for the 10% discount offered to all KC Woodturners (you won't need to show your KC Woodturners nametag any more to get the discount). He will also open up the store for after-hours sales. The second speaker, Duffy Edwards of Duffy's Studio is a professional jeweler who will talk to us about combining precious metals with lathe projects. Duffy has been soldering the silver gallery wire rings that decorate some of Chuck Carnahan's bowls. Lastly, Artie of Artie's Gallery is owner of this new gallery in Overland Park. He will talk to us about the opportunities that his gallery offers.

The KC Woodturners still need volunteers for the woodturning demonstrations for two Saturdays in October (19th and 26th) here at the Woodcraft Store. The demo hours are 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Please sign up for a one-hour or two-hour time slot. We are doing this as a favor to the Woodcraft Store since they have been so kind to let us use their back room for our meetings.

The October raffle will be a gift certificate from Craft Supply, of Provo, Utah. I think we still have a few of these remaining.

The KC Woodturners officers have decided to order a set of 4 woodturning video tapes by the well-known British woodturner Chris Scott. On his tapes, Chris discusses and demonstrates making turned boxes, bowls, natural-edged turnings and hollow forms. We may have these by the October meeting.

Roger Shepherd's suggested challenge for the October meeting is to turn something long and thin. Roger suggests that you use your imagination on this one. Bring your challenge

project or any other turned items you're working on to the "show and tell". We have listed the upcoming challenges for the next several meetings to give you more time to plan and construct your project.

Roger Shepherd's Upcoming "Challenges"

October	Something long and thin (use your imagination)
November	Wooden box
December	A homemade turning tool
January	Gift item
February	A turned coaster

#### Member's Profiles:

**Tom Mouser** has been a woodturner for 11 years. He lives in Excelsior Springs, MO, and is a retired warehouse supervisor. Tom occasionally brings one of his turned projects to the KC Woodturner "show and tells". His projects always appear to be painstakingly crafted. Tom uses several lathes on his creations: Jet, Delta and Carbatec. He is very interested in anything related to woodworking and includes woodcarving and intarsia as his other interests.

Roger Shepherd has been a woodturner for 6 years. He lives in Merriam, KS, and is a CPA and the Director of Finance for Tippin's Restaurants. Roger has been a woodworker for 25 years but fell in love with woodturning after attending a Dale Nish seminar sponsored by the Kansas City Woodworkers Guild, of which he is also a member. Roger turns all varieties of projects but has specialized in hollow turning burls and other exotic woods. He likes to experiment with new techniques such as sandblasting his projects for an interesting surface texture. Roger turns with a Woodfast lathe. His other interests include photography, the stock market, computers and wine.

#### **Last Meeting**

The September meeting's speaker was Chuck Carnahan. Chuck showed how he inlays semiprecious stones, such as malachite and turquoise, in his turned vessels. Lately, he has been purchasing his stones at Paxton. Using the natural voids and defects in the turned burl pieces, Chuck cements the crushed stones into place with CA glue, then power sands the piece smooth again. He then uses Behlen's spray sanding sealer followed by several coats of Behlen's spray lacquer. The final finish layer is several coats of Minwax paste finishing wax. Chuck also showed how he uses silver gallery wire in his projects.

A new member signed up at the September meeting: **Bill Struewe.** The Kansas City Woodturners welcome you. If you have any questions...just ask. There is something to be learned at every meeting. Almost everyone in this group are amateur woodturners with a wide variety of experience and interest. Be sure to look over our video collection. There are instructional videos for every experience level.

The September meeting's challenge was a homemade jig or fixture.

**Jason Witt** brought a interesting item called a Posen stick, which he made for the Boy Scouts for use as an honor thing. He also brought pictures of the jig he used to construct it.

**Russ Blaser** displayed a good-looking segmented bowl that he learned how to make at the Neelley School of Segmented Woodturning. The bowl was made from cherry, maple and walnut and was Russ' first try at making a bowl with a compound miter cutting jig. The bowl was finished with Deft.

Chris Kunzle has been doing one-handed turning since he broke his arm. Chris made a nice goblet from a piece of wood leftover from the goblet he made for the previous meeting. He also talked about British wood lathes - very pricey but some of them are able to turn 7 foot diameter pieces. Chris also has a PowerMatic 90 lathe for sale. Call 897-6660 for details.

**Rodger Lambie** showed off a nicely-proportioned natural edge bowl, made from an unknown burl wood. Rodger finished his bowl using Turner's Choice finish and carnuba wax.

**Mike Silver** made two more of his unique segmented bowls. Mike jig saws pieces out of his turned bowls to insert patterned inlay segments. He fills any gaps with a mixture of CA glue and tempera paint. Mike has been experimenting with filler material and color. He finishes his bowls with oil and Hudson wax. Mike is soon moving to Brunswick, Georgia, and we'll miss him and his terrific creations.

**Roger Fisher** showed a jig he made for making Antioch frames. The jig is used with a lathe for making the oval corners of the frame. Roger is an expert at recreating old molding patterns.

Varney Boyko brought a hickory bowl inlaid with brass shavings. He got the brass shavings as scrap from a key-making machine and cemented them into the natural voids in the wood. Good job, Varney.

Dan Bryan talked about a chocolate whipper he bought in Tijuana, made by a man using a bow lathe and one lathe tool. Dan also showed off a nice canister with lid that he learned how to make at the last meeting from Russ Blaser. Dan also sand-blasted the canister for effect. He also brought a piece of elm that he had burned decorative rings into using wire. Dan also showed off a small black cherry goblet with a very delicate stem. He also described some experiments at wood drying using a microwave oven - 10 minutes at power level 1, repeating several times.

George Sharrar brought some of the many ingenious indexing jigs he has made over the years to construct his unique bowls. Some of the segment patterns he makes would be nearly impossible to make accurately without the jigs. He also explained how he uses the jigs.

#### **Upcoming Events**

<u>John Jordan</u> is now offering woodturning workshops starting in August. This is a first time offering and is probably well worth the \$500.00 fee. Classes are very limited to four students and last three days of a weekend. Check out John Jordan's video from the KC Woodturners library if you are interested.

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## Videos and Magazines

If any members can recommend woodturning video titles, please let us know and we will purchase them for our collection. Please return checked-out KC Woodturners videos and magazines during the monthly meetings. Do <u>not</u> return them to the Woodcraft Store. John Larson will bring the box to each meeting. Thanks.

### Buy, Sell, Trade

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If anyone has tools, machinery, wood, etc. that they would like to sell or if you would like to buy the same, give me (Kevin Neelley) a note and I will include it in the next newsletter.

- 1. Russ Blaser has a nicely-constructed carving tool sharpening center for sale. It consists of a double ball-bearing mandrel, 6" x 3/4" hard felt wheel, 6" x sandpaper wheel, 1/2 HP 1725 RPM motor with 2" pulley and V-belt, electrical switch and cord. All on a mounting board and with an adjustable guide. Asking \$90.00. Call 892-2232.
- 2. Chris Kunzle has an older model DeWalt radial arm saw for sale. This machine is made with old-style quality. It is 20 years old and is in excellent condition. Blade is 10" diameter. Motor 110 Volt. Asking \$250.00
  - 3. John Larson has the following tools for sale:

Record CL3 48" swivel-head lathe Jointability jointing fixture Exactaguide circular saw fixture Wagner fine coat spray gun

4. Matt Campbell is interested in buying a drill press. Contact him at Work: 469-8500 Ext. 3274 or Home: 649-0354.

5. Tom Mouser has a lathe for sale. Delta model 46-200, four speed manual change-over. Belt-driven with complete instructions and parts manual. It has outboard turning capacity and a 12" x 36" bed. Attachments include: face plate, 12" tool rest, headstock drive center and tailstock live center. The 3/4 HP motor is 2-years old and has been used very little. It has the original cast iron table with motor mount below. Asking price \$350.00 firm. If interested call (816) 637-5825 or local phone 471-7038.

The Kansas City Woodturners is a group of individuals who get together to share their common interest in working on the lathe. Meetings are held on the second Monday of every month at Woodcraft Supply in Lenexa, Kansas at 7:00 PM.