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ONLY ONE TO PAINT
THE NAME BACKWARDS -
WE WILL FIX IT -

WOOD CHIPS

February 2001

Next meeting Feb. 12 at 7:00 PM at Consolidated Lumber located off
I-35 West on 67th Street in Merriam Kansas



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LAST MONTHS PROGRAM

Our regular meeting (social event) in January was a big success. Highlights of the evening were the gift exchange and time spent visiting with fellow woodturners.

TRIBUTE TO OUTGOING PRESIDENT

A special thank you to John Shackelford our immediate past president for all of his hard work and contributions towards improving the Kansas City Woodturners club. Under John's leadership Saturday workshops were started, the Sorby bowl lathe was converted to a regular bed lathe, books and videos were added to the library, an additional tv monitor was added, two nationally known demonstrators were brought in, and a variety of other improvements were accomplished. President Woodhouse presented John a woodturners hat in recognition for his work.

FEBUARY PROGRAM

All the clubs lathes will be utilized next meeting to present a workshop on woodturning basics. Experienced club members will be on hand to demonstrate proper tool use, tool sharpening, finishing,

and safety. This will be a good opportunity for both beginning and experienced turners to improve their turning skills. Demonstrations will be short giving members time to actually turn wood which will be provided.

SET -UP AND CLEAN-UP

Kevin Neeley
Kenny Gorseline

REFRESHMENTS

Merle Schneck

Note: If any of the volunteers are unable to provide for what he/she signed up for, it is his./her responsibility to find another member to take his/her place.
Thank you for adhering to this rule.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

George Griess
Gary Kepko
Leo Hernandez

VISITORS

Ed Richardson
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816-452-7914
E-mail: jotbpath@aol.com
Website:
www.turnaboutwood.com

Bud Schenke has volunteered his time to help the club create its own web page on the internet. Bud would like to hear from anyone with ideas or time to help with this project.

THE WOOD WORKING SHOW

Our club will be participating in the tool show again this year with Chris Kunzle as the clubs show coordinator. Chris says the show dates are Feb. 16th, 17th, & 18th at the Overland Park Merchandise Mart. Volunteers are still needed to both demonstrate at the show (AAW members only) and to staff the booth (any club members) Let Chris know the date and times you are available to help. The show is a good opportunity to show case our club and your own individual turning work. Volunteers get in free.

SHOW AND TELL

Bob Davis brought in two pieces- one a spalted maple hollow form with a turned flower and the second a mulberry natural edge bowl- Bob promised to show us how to turn the flower.

Chris Kunzle made and adapted several hook tools- Chris has found the tools particularly helpful in cutting end grain.

Kevin Neely showed his most recent segmented bowl

consisting of 619 pieces of wood. Kevin worked an hour or so a day over a three month period to produce his bowl- A very nice job Kevin.

Russ Blaser turned a nice hollow form from a maple burl.

Don Grimes brought in 2 hollow forms, one from hickory and the second from elm- Don found hickory challenging to turn.

John Shackelford brought in 3 large hollow forms made from box elder- John says there's nothing to it. You just cut the piece in half and hollow it.

Merle Schneck showed 3 natural edge vessels from honey locust, Bradford pear, and mulberry. Most of us knew that mulberry and osage orange have yellow wood and now we know why. Merle says they are in the same family of trees-

Kenny Gorseline's box made from both exotic and domestic wood was well done.

Bill Anderson used a Tagua nut and a diamond wood to turn a beautiful Christmas ornament,

Boyko Varney used Australian wattle (His spelling) and box elder with an ebony rim to turn 2 nice vessels.

President Woodhouse used a newl post (my spelling) to turn a votive candle holder and then painted the turning red to look like a candle.

TREASURERS REPORT

Our treasurer Don Gruis reports 4,305.00 in our treasury.

SATURDAY WORKSHOPS

On the fourth Saturday of each month from 8:30 am to noon at consolidated lumber you can use the club's lathes to improve your turning skills. Knowledgeable club members will be available to answer your questions and assist you in learning new work methods.



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The AAW Lathe Safety Guidelines

1. Safe, effective use of a wood lathe requires study and knowledge of procedures for using this tool. Read and thoroughly understand the label warnings on the lathe and in the owner's/operator's manual.
2. Always wear safety goggles or safety glasses that include side protectors and a full face shield when needed. Wood dust can be harmful to your respiratory system. Use a dust mask or helmet and proper ventilation (dust collection system) in dusty work conditions. Wear hearing protection during extended periods of operation.
3. Tie back long hair, do not wear gloves, loose clothing, jewelry or any dangling objects that may catch in rotating parts or accessories.
4. Check the owner/operator's manual for proper speed recommendations. Use slower speeds for larger diameter or rough pieces and increased speed for smaller diameters and pieces that are balanced. If the lathe is shaking or vibrating, lower the speed. If the workpiece vibrates, always stop the machine to check the reason.
5. Make certain that the belt guard or cover is in place. Check that all clamping devices (locks), such as on the tailstock and toolrest are tight.
6. Rotate your workpiece by hand to make sure it clears the toolrest and bed before turning the lathe "on". Be sure that the workpiece turns freely and is firmly mounted. It is always safest to turn the lathe "off" before adjusting the tool rest.
7. Exercise caution when using stock with cracks, splits, checks, bark, knots, irregular shapes or protuberances.
8. Hold turning tools securely on the toolrest and hold the tool in a controlled but comfortable manner. Always use a slower speed when starting until the workpiece is balanced. This helps avoid the possibility of an unbalanced piece jumping out of the lathe and striking the operator.
9. When running a lathe in reverse, it is possible for a chuck or faceplate to unscrew unless it is securely tightened on the lathe spindle.
10. Know your capabilities and limits. An experienced woodturner may be capable of techniques and procedures not recommended for beginning turners.
11. When using a faceplate, be certain the workpiece is solidly mounted. When turning between centers, be certain the workpiece is secure.
12. Always remove the toolrest before sanding or polishing operations.
13. Don't overreach, keep proper footing and balance at all times.
14. Keep lathe in good repair. Check for damaged parts, alignment, binding of moving parts and other conditions that may affect its operation.
15. Keep tools sharp and clean for better and safer performance. Don't force a dull tool. Don't use a tool for a purpose not intended. Keep tools out of reach of children.
16. Consider your work environment. Don't use lathe in damp or wet

locations. Do not use in presence of flammable liquids or gases. Keep work area well lit.

17. Stay alert. Watch what you are doing, use common sense. Don't operate tool when you are tired or under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
18. Guard against electric shock. Inspect electric cords for damage. Avoid the use of extension cords.
19. Remove chuck keys and adjusting wrenches. Form a habit of checking for these before switching on the lathe.
20. Never leave the lathe running unattended. Turn power off. Don't leave the lathe until it comes to a complete stop.

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