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October Demonstration

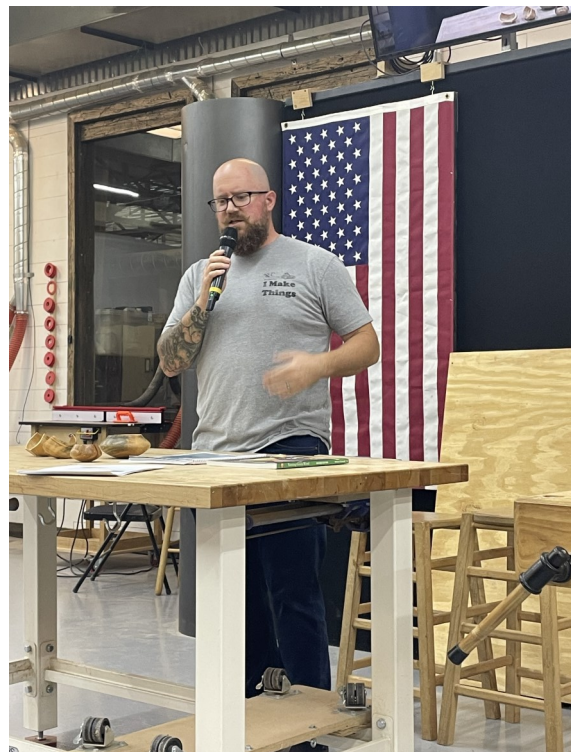
Greenwood Turning -
"From the tree to a
bowl"

presented by KCWT member:
Phill Sikes

AKA—Mr. Safety



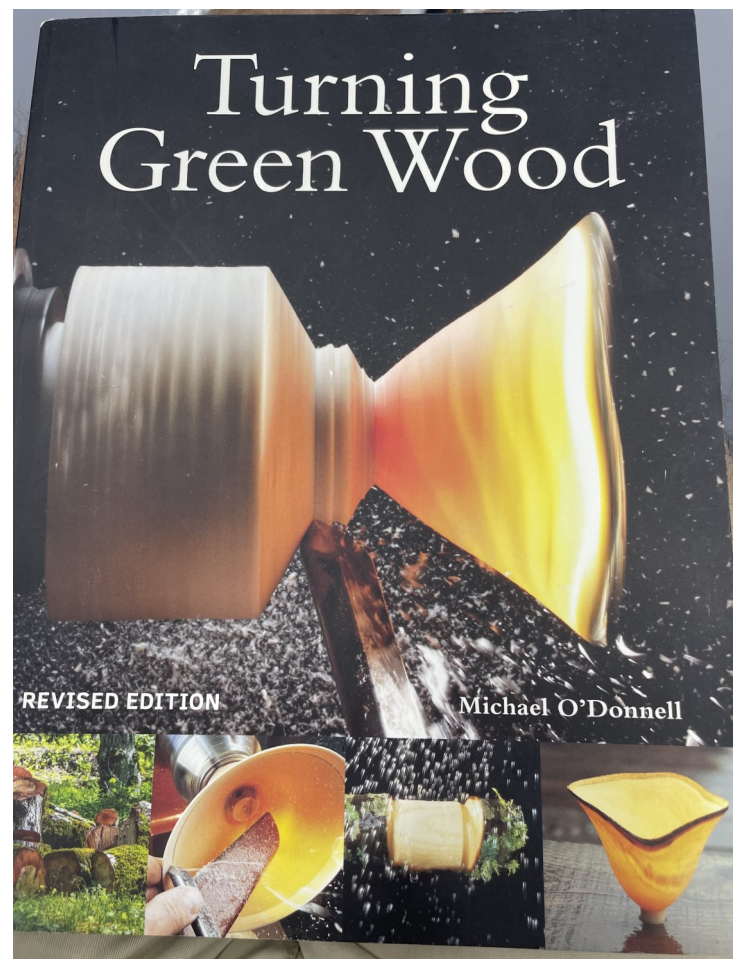
Phill shared about his experience at AAW Symposium as a presenter and participant. He encouraged member to join AAW and attend a woodturning symposium. Learn more at www.woodturner.org.

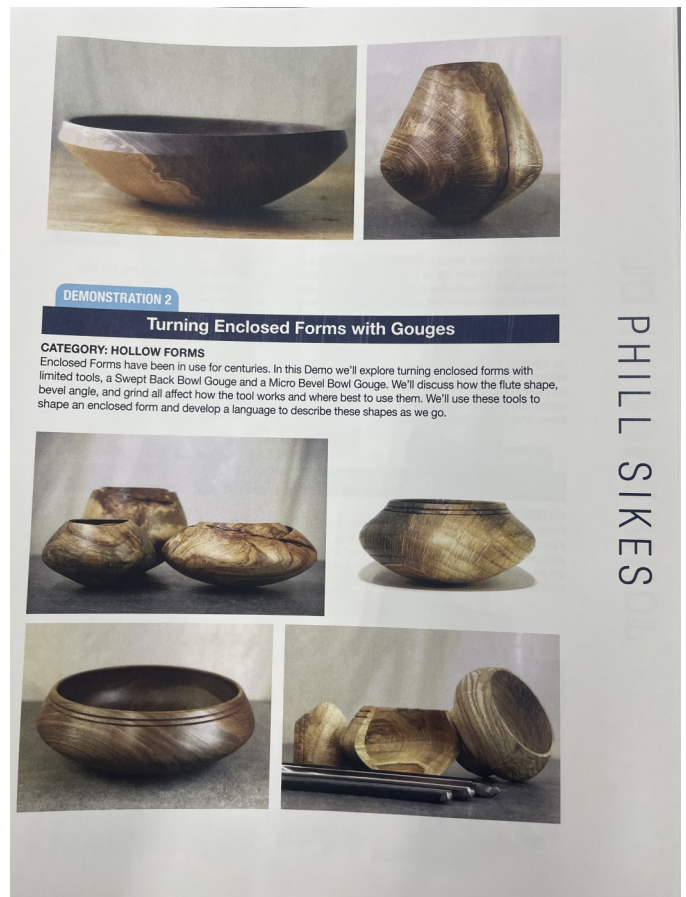




Pictured on the left is the Event guide from the AAW Symposium. Members at the meeting were able to look through the resource to see what events were offered at the 2025 AAW Symposium.

During Phill's demo, we watched part of his demonstration from the AAW Symposium. The book pictured on the right was suggested as a good resource for those wanting to learn more about turning green wood.





Phill was highlighted in the AAW Symposium Event Guide. During the symposium, Phill did two demonstrations. Special thanks to Phill for sharing about woodturning events and his experience at the AAW Symposium!



November Meeting

Challenge: Turn something that could be a demo for the coming year.

November demo: How to turn an emerging bowl and emerging sphere (sample images on the left)

Top Saturday!

Club members made tops on Saturday, Sept. 20th. The tops were sold at the Kaw Valley Farm Tours and other events. The proceeds help fund the club.



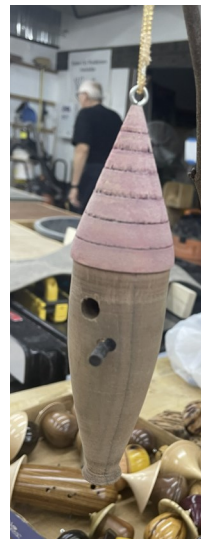
Kaw Valley Farm Tour

The KC Woodturners turned tops for sale at the Kaw Valley Farm Tour at Pendleton Farms in Lawrence, KS. A number of members volunteered to turn tops and some other members dropped by to say hi and help. Member Mike Erickson organized this event. Thanks to all who helped make this a great event!



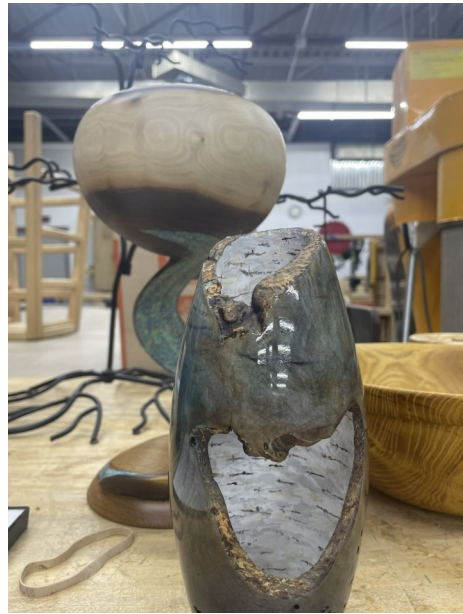
October Challenge

The challenge this month was to make a bird house.



October Show 'N Tell

Several impressive pieces presented during the Show 'N Tell portion of the meeting.



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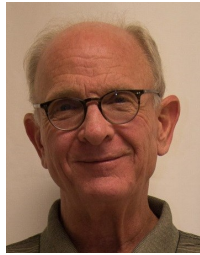


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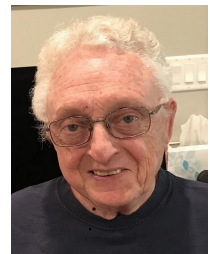
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Kansas City Woodturners Club

October 2025 Monthly Meeting



Welcome to all Members and Guests!
(In-Person and via Zoom!)

Tonight's Agenda:

- Club Announcements
- Demonstration: Phill Sikes - greenwood turning - "From the tree to a bowl"
- Short refreshment break / fellowship
- Challenge - "Turn something new that you have always wanted to try" based on demo by Don Frank.
- Show-n-Tell project presentations by members.

October Announcements:

- The club had a fun time turning tops at the Kaw Valley Farm Tour.
- Mike Erickson coordinated two days of turning and selling at Pendelton's Country Market in Lawrence.
- Thank you to all that volunteered time for this event!



October Announcements:

- Ed Jaszczak single handedly set up a tent for the last First Fridays event for 2025. Ed said there was plenty of traffic, but not too much buying.
 - The First Friday's event provides good exposure for the club and for the members that sell items.
 - The club was able to make booth fees plus a little money at the First Friday's events this year.
 - We would like to continue with the First Friday's events next year but would like to encourage more member participation. Perhaps a sign-up for the months next year.



October Announcements:

- Membership has grown slightly to 119 paid members this month.
- Mike Erickson has produced some nice 'hard plastic' mallets for the club. These will be available during the meeting and will be sold for \$30 each, moneys will go to the club.
- This month's Challenge drawing winner will win a (2) \$10 Craft Supply Gift Certificates
- Dollar Sweepstakes winners will get to choose from several great prize options, including but not limited to the infamous Multi-Meter.

October Announcements:

- Emergency Contact labels have been made to apply to the back of your membership name tags. If your name tag does not already have one, please pick one up tonight.
- Kevin has special 'I Demo'd' and 'Iron Turner' stickers for KCWT members that demonstrated in the past year and for the 2024 Iron Turner recipients. Pick up your sticker and put it on your name tag as a badge of honor!
- Kevin Neelley has successfully rolled out our updated website. Thank you, Kevin!
- Thanks again to Brian Bartelli for the production of the Woodchips newsletter! It was nice to see this past month!

October Announcements:

- Proposed 2026 KCWT Slate of Officers (very familiar):
 - President: Kris Coyan
 - Vice President: Mike Thomas
 - Treasurer: Kevin Neelley
 - Secretary: Elizabeth and Calvin Wright
 - Woodchips Editor: Brian Bartelli
 - At Large Members: Sue Bergstrand, Mike Erickson, Ed Jaszczak, Anthony Harris, Bill Paullo and Ann Mellina
- Any member can run for any Board position. Please let a current board member know if there is a position that you might be interested in!

October Announcements:

- Voting to confirm the officers will take place at the November KCWT meeting.
- The board would like to encourage more At Large board members. If you would be interested in being an At Large board member, please see Kris Coyan or Mike Thomas.
- New board members bring new ideas and keep the club our becoming stale!

KCWT - Open Shop:

- Available every Saturday morning from 8:30AM-12PM or later, Wed and Thursday evenings 6PM – 9PM (except for 3rd Wed each month, due to Guild meeting).
- Please help keep it clean, wear your badge, sign in.
- Use the doorbell at the back door if the front door is locked.
- Please report any equipment problems to a Board member.
- Thanks to all members that helped with the September shop cleanup!



KCWT - Help Wanted:

- Please consider helping with club activities. Great opportunities to meet new people and talk woodturning.
- KCWT will be participating in the Santa's Workshop again this year.
 - Sat / Sun November 22nd and 23rd (weekend before Thanksgiving).
 - We will need members to help sell items and drill holes in the trucks for tops to go in.
 - Personal item sales will be available again this year, inquire with the Guild if you are interested in selling your personal items.
- More information will follow as details are revealed to us.

Upcoming Events and Information:

- November Demo: Brian Bartelli will demonstrate the *Emerging Bowl*.
- Santa's Workshop event, Nov. 22, 23 (times to be announced)
- December will be the KCWT annual Holiday Party, Monday Dec. 8th, 7PM

Phill's September Safety Minute:

Presented by KCWT Member / AAW Symposium Deomonstrater,
Phill Sikes



Phill wants our members to always think safety!

Thank you, Phill.

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Watch how Phill incorporates safety into his turning!