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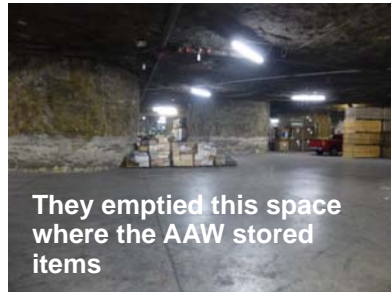


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August Challenge:
Inlays and hollowing

Look at the silent auction items
when you come into the meeting.
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August Demo
Ed Jaszczak will demonstrate
making and turning a
laminated wood bowl.



Some people you might know were there.



Binh Pho getting his Lifetime membership



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VOLUNTEERS: KCWT had 59 (152 members). Of the 528 slots filled on Sign Up Genius, there were 271 locals.



Our newest and youngest member, **Sage Emori Hegarty**(Julie is the mom) who is already an AAW member and a member of Women in Turning. Now about 13 weeks old. When she was 10 weeks old she attended her first AAW International Symposium. Picture was taken in the Instant Gallery and Sage

KCWT



7/6/17

To the leads and volunteers for the 2017 AAW International Symposium in Kansas City;

I want to thank you all for your participation in the 2017 AAW International Symposium here in Kansas City. Without you, it would not have been the wonderful success it was. How do I know it was a success? Comments from the top of the AAW pecking order like: "You are 24 hours ahead of anyone who has done this before;" "It was the smoothest Friday at a Symposium we have ever had;" "We usually find out quickly what the problems are and are going to be and right now (Saturday afternoon) we haven't a clue." I received word from the AAW that they have received hundreds of evaluations from participants and the ratings are over 90% positive and they have NEVER had ratings this high before. One of the demonstrators was overheard saying that he'd "never experienced one running so smoothly before."

Each and every one of you can feel very good about your participation in this event.

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You all put in a tremendous amount of work. Please thank your families for their willingness to help as well. Some of them participated by physically helping and all participated by enabling you to.

Kansas City did a very good job with this symposium because of your participation.

Thank you very much,

Shaun Q. McMahon, local liaison
AAW 2017 Symposium in KCMO

The **KCWT** leads - these individuals spent the better part of a year working on the symposium and were there for most of the time during the event. They were allowed to go home to sleep.

Rich McCartney - Volunteer Coordinator, International Demonstrator Greeters, Demonstrator , Assistants: **Pat McCartney** - Instant Gallery, Main Gallery, Instructor: **Kevin Neelley** - Tool Room: **Mike Thomas** - Raffle: **Mike McReynolds** - Wood, Youth Training Aids: **Bob Speier** - The Wall: **Sandi Speier** - Intimate Critiques, Silent Auction: **Shaun Q. McMahon** - Local Liaison, Spouse Tour, Local Shipping: **Ed Jaszczak** - Tool Room: **Jack Karstens** - Video Set-up/Tear Down: **Sue Bergstrand** - Craft Area, Instructor: **Anthony Harris** - Lighthouse (Turning For The Blind), Demonstrator: **Stuart Shanker** - Demonstrator Assistants. Jerry James - Youth equipment.

Meeting



VIDEO DEMONSTRATION

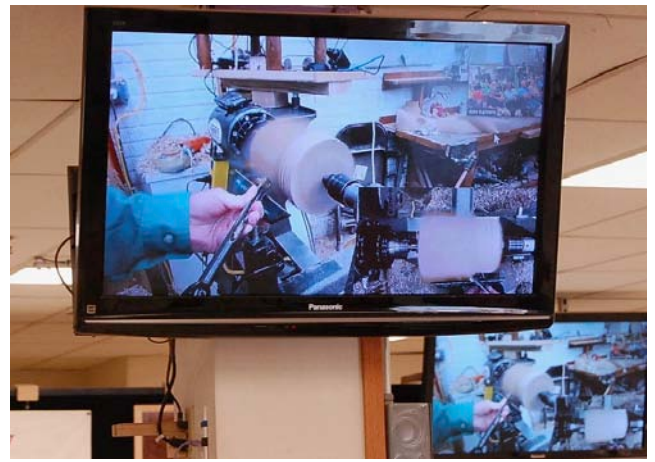
We certainly tried something new this month - we had Lyle Jamieson, who lives in the Northern part of Minnesota, give us a demonstration on hollowing from his own shop. "NO" you say. Yes we did. The Guild upgraded the video stuff with **Jack Karstens's** help (he's **KCWT's** video guru) and we were able to set up a streaming video from his shop to ours. Members attended and watched the HD screens in the demo area and were also able to interact with the demonstrator. We asked for a \$10 donation (he charged \$10/person to a maximum of \$300) to cover expenses and thanks to your generosity, we did.

Is this the wave of the future? Could be. We were certainly able to see well, the explanations were clear and. Changing camera angles gave a look at everything he was doing.



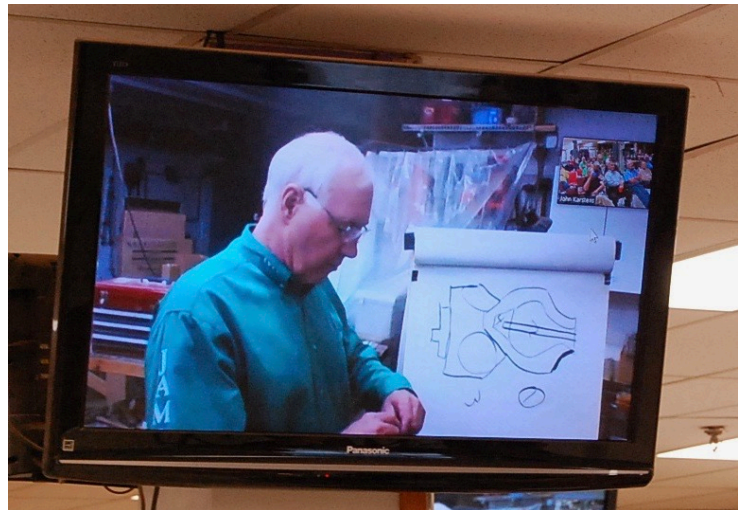
Lyle started off talking about safety and that it is enhanced by his desire for total control. He believes that when he is working safely and easily that his creativity is able to be released. One of the ways he works safely is that he ALWAYS and ONLY uses faceplates-no chucks. This keeps items on the lathe and also allows him to turn faster. He starts out turning between centers, rounds item off and squares the ends. Then attaches the faceplate and completes the turning. But making sure that the piece is centered properly, even between centers, he is able to start turning around 1500 RPM - speed is your friend (sounds familiar).

He does not round off the blanks on a band saw as he likes to have control of how much wood is actually removed. He may take some corners off. Then he uses a push cut to round the blank as it is more efficient - removes more wood quicker.

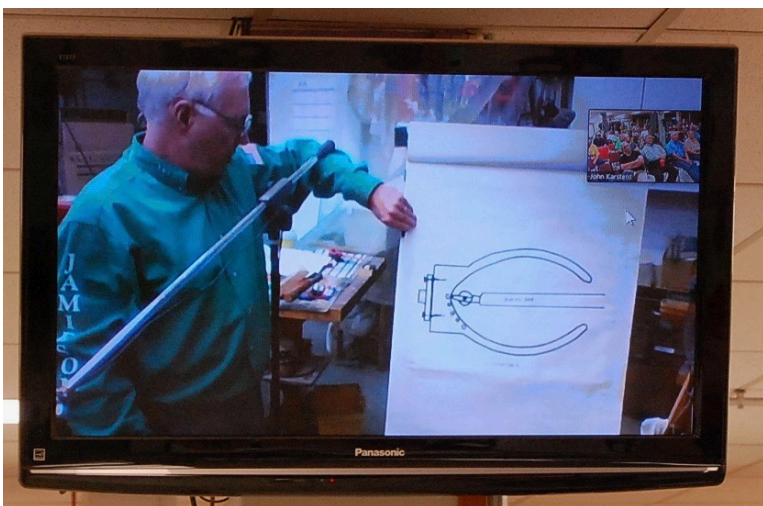
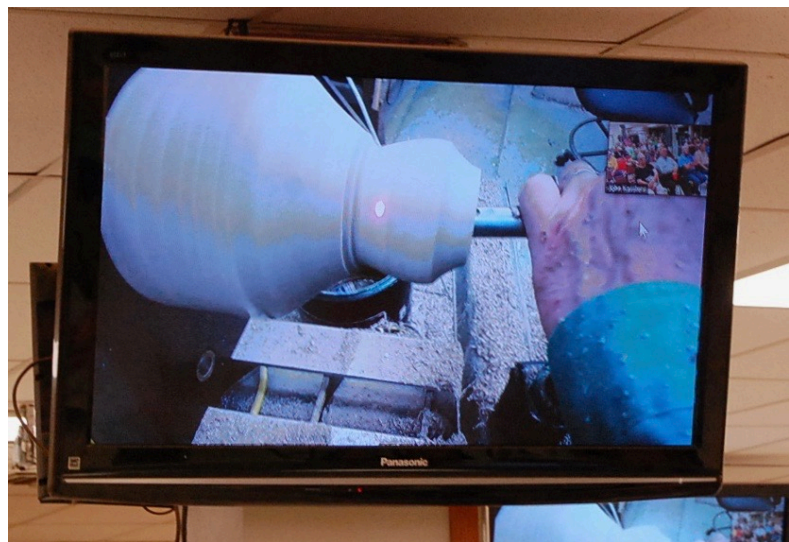
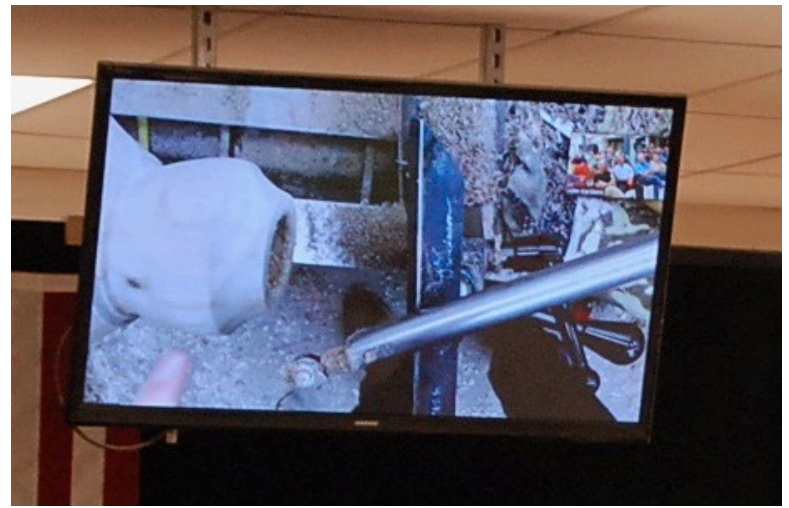


His goal is to always make the best vessel he can make. Not the biggest but the best. "I know I am going to waste wood. It isn't about not wasting wood it is about making the best item you can make. After all, wood grows on trees; it is readily available. In shaping the vessel always cut down-hill so that the cut is always supported. He also uses the AAW ABC method in starting his cuts.

He tries to make his cuts very clean as he doesn't like sanding so wants to start sanding around 320.



Jack Karstens in "the control booth." The new equipment is something to see so when you have the opportunity, take a look. The upgrades will allow for many more capabilities and the one to ask about what can be done is Jack.



Of course, hollowing is done using the Jamieson system. His demonstration using his system was certainly impressive. He clearly showed how to use a laser light to make a uniform wall thickness on the vessel. Never make hollowing cuts below center. Use a drill to make a starter hole. Always move the tool to the left. The cutter on the end of his bar is set at 30 degrees so it really cuts-not scrapes. Slicing gives a much better finish



After the hollowing was completed he parted (completed the detachment by using a saw so he wouldn't damage ingrain) the vessel off and then reversed it so he could complete the bottom. He did not make a jam chuck. He cut a groove into which he set the lip of the vessel, brought up the tail stock to hold it in place and used the pressure of the tail stock to hold the vessel so that it would turn. Then he finished the bottom except for the little nub which he had to address using a grinder, a knife, a carving tool - whatever.

Measure, measure, measure, clean up the tool marks.





The Irish Fest this year starts at 5:00 PM on Friday September 1st and goes to 11:00 PM (or so) Sunday September 3rd.

We need help setting up on Friday morning, for the two and half days of the Fest, and for take down on Sunday. **You can sign up, and will be very much appreciated for doing so, for any amount of time you want.** You will receive free admission to the Fest, have the pleasure and fun of turning with your fellow members and meeting a lot of fun people.

We will again be in Washington Park and, hopefully, not too far from Scimeca's Italian Sausage and their wonderful lime aid.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR LARGEST OUTSIDE EVENT OF THE YEAR

Friday 9/1/17, 9:00 - 11:00 AM We need help moving things from KCWT to Crown Center - 6 people
4:00 - 10:00 PM Would like 4 people in the tent every hour - Two to be turning and two to be helping. You can alternate between turning and helping.

We will be bringing bottle stopper blanks to turn but those who want to turn something else are more than welcome to do so. You need to bring what you are going to turn as well as your tools and finishing supplies. Make sure they are sharp as we will NOT have a grinder there.

Saturday 9/2/17, 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM. Would like 4 people in the tent every hour. Two turners and two helpers. You can alternate between turning and helping.

Sunday 9/3/17, 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM. Would like 4 people in the tent every hour. Two turners and two helpers. You can alternate between turning and helping.

We will Start taking things down about 9:00 or so but we will not be able to leave the area until 11:00 PM. We NEED 6 people to help us load up and get everything back to KCWT.

Please consider helping with this activity. It is a fundraiser for **KCWT** so we all benefit from it. Besides free admission to the Fest you have the opportunity to have some really good food, hear some incredible music (there are 5 stages (one inside Crown Center), view some excellent art work in Washington Park purchase all sorts of things Irish, Mass is at 9:00 AM on Sunday with coffee and donuts following. Did I say that you will also see some incredible woodturning? You will. There are also activities for small children. It is, after all, a total family event. Interested in Irish history? You can brush up on it at the Irish Fest. Interested in your family Irish Ancestry - you can also get information at the Fest about that as well. Want to go to Ireland? You can buy a chance on a raffle for a trip to Ireland.

Volunteer to help and then stay around for the rest of the activities.

You can email Shaun at sgmcmahon@gmail.com to select your volunteer time(s), call him at 913-908-0245, or sign up at the August meeting.



The AAW Symposium has come and gone. Now what?

I hope that everyone who attended the AAW Symposium was able to benefit from their experience by meeting someone new, seeing something new that inspired them, learning something new they want to try or just picked up a new tool or some wood for a special project. I saw many of you there and regardless of your experience or skill level, there was much for everyone to see and do.

Let me extend my sincere thanks to all of the Symposium Volunteers for their commitment, leadership, organization and effort dedicated to making this one of the best AAW Symposia ever. The AAW Staff heaped lavish praise on the Kansas City Team and several Staff and Board Members personally told me how impressed they were with our organization and how efficiently everything ran. Special thanks to Rich McCartney and Shaun McMahon for leading this effort and all the Committee Leads. AAW Staff recognize that success of the Symposia really comes down to cooperation, effort and commitment by the local volunteers. This also plays a significant role in selecting host cities for future symposia. Congratulations, KC Team, we may not have to wait another 12 years for this event to return to Kansas City.

Local KC Chapters received more than \$6,200.00 generated by the Lathe Raffle, with over 1,460 tickets sold. While the financial benefit is appreciated, the real value of the Symposium comes from ideas how to improve our club and better serve our members. So, I encourage you to reflect back on your Symposium experience and what you learned, to see if you can offer any suggestions or ideas that may improve our club and benefit members. Please contact me or any Board member with your ideas anytime. We sincerely appreciate your input.

Announcements:

- **New Shop Equipment** – We acquired a new Powermatic band saw at the Symposium which will be brought online pending completion of wiring another 220v outlet. Stay tuned for more details soon. We also received a donation of a new (used) Delta 16.5" Variable Speed Drill Press. The Board will evaluate this new acquisition and determine its best use for our shop. Again, further details will follow.
- **Beginning Woodturning Class** – Back by popular demand, Anthony will teach another class of up to 8 students on four consecutive Saturday afternoons starting 8/26. If you would like to develop, expand or just improve your woodturning skills, this is the class for you. Everyone can learn something from Anthony and these classes always fill up quickly. Full details are available on our website.

Please check our website (kcwoodturners.org) often and consider it your source for the most current information about club activities and events. It is also growing to become a comprehensive resource for all things woodturning. Bookmark it on your computer and create an App on your smart phone for quick, easy access anytime.

I hope you enjoy this addition to WoodChips and find it helpful. Please let me know if you have any thoughts or suggestion on how I can improve it.

Happy Turning and Be Safe!

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