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June
Challenge
Surface
decoration on a
vase

June
Demo
Check
our
website

DEMONSTRATION



Independence Woodturners
member **Ben Simmons**

demonstrated how to use a
Harbor Freight trim router to
safely and easily embellish
woodturnings without buying
an expensive jig.



Remember
to bid on
the art
auction.
It is on our
website.

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We had 8 members participate in The Challenge this month which was to show how they signed their turnings.

Those participating this month were:
**Ann Mellina, Anthony Harris, David Stalling,
Kris Coyan (won the Challenge item), Mike
McReynolds, Mike Thomas, Rick Bywater, Sue
Bergstrand**



We had 7 who contributed to Show and Tell this month.

Members showing and telling:
**Sue Bergstrand, Rick Bywater, Rick
Tucker, Kris coyan, Dave Stalling, Ann
Mellina, Anthony Harris**

The Demonstration and all the items for The Challenge and Show and Tell can be seen in the meeting video available on our web site. Visit it!

JERRY DARTER GETS TREED IN LOOSE PARK



On Saturday May 1, **Jerry Darter**, KCWT member and Senior Top Guy, was honored by the KCMO Parks and Recreation Department for his more than 20 years of service. They planted a Burr Oak (there is some concern as to whether it is alive or not) just off Troost in Loose Park. There were quite a few KCWT members who showed up for the event.



May 28th brought KCWT to Holt Missouri for a May fair. It was held as a fundraiser for the Northland Therapeutic Riding Center.

Mark Inmon made the connection and it was the first KCWT outside activity in over a year. Some significant sales were made and a good time was experienced by the members who participated. They were **Mark Inmon, Phil Royer, Sue Bergstrand, Anthony Harris, and Kris Coyan.**

Kevin Neelley donated one of his segmented turnings to be auctioned off at the Fair. The auction of that one piece brought \$1200 to the Riding Center. Thank you Kevin.



Keep Turning with the AAW

WOODTURNING: A journey where the learning and fun never end.

The May issue of Woodturning FUNdamentals is now online!

This publication includes the following features:

Projects

- Inlaid Whimsical Hand Mirror by Linda Ferber
- Elegant Plant Stand by Dave Schell
- Quirky Trees by Philip Cottell

Tools

- Toolrest Extension by Michael-Hamilton Clark
- A Drill Jig for the Lathe by John Lucas

Techniques

- Bowl Blanks From a Tree by Dale Larson
- Evaluating Cracks, Knots, and Voids by Mark F. Palma

Tips

- Readers' Tips
- Tips & Tricks for Button Inlay
- Processing Green Bowls by Dale Larson

In the article, "Biomechanics and Body Movement at the Lathe," from the May 2018 issue of Woodturning FUNdamentals, Eric Lofstrom explains that he practices a mindful approach to woodturning to maximize mental acuity for precision, efficiency, and safety. He describes how a proper warm up and stance during woodturning can alleviate fatigue and pain.

AAW's 2021 Virtual Symposium, July 17-18, 2021

Enjoy AAW's in-person Symposium? Enjoy last year's Virtual Symposium? This year, we're bringing you the best of both, and more. You'll have front-row seats, right from the safety and comfort of your own home.



Glenn Lucas's online demo at AAW's 2020 Virtual Symposium.

VIRTUAL
SYMPOSIUM 2021

For this year's event:

- Enhanced virtual event software platform
- Multiple concurrent live demonstration tracks (with access after the conference to all recordings)
- Virtual tradeshow
- Virtual Instant Gallery
- Live and silent auctions
- Special-interest topics
- Drawings
- ...and more!

The only thing missing will be the handshakes and hugs from old and new woodturning friends. You will need to wait one more year for that.

Visit woodturner.org for the latest event details.

Register and you'll have a front row seat!

The Virtual Symposium will be your chance to benefit from the collective know-how, innovation, and creative passion of woodturners worldwide all in one venue and from the comfort of your own home. You'll have opportunities to engage with other attendees face-to-face. You'll be able to plan your experience and hop back and forth between sessions.

- **Learn from some of the world's best!** There will be 12 featured live demonstrations on a variety of fascinating topics that will appeal to a wide range of experience levels and interest areas.
- **Get motivated and informed** by our Artist Showcase presentation, Professional Outreach Program (POP) panel discussions, Special Interest Topics, Women in Turning (WIT), Vendor Demos, and Nonprofit Zone.
- **Check out the latest and greatest, state-of-the-art woodturning related products in our Virtual Trade Show.** Browse and shop exhibitor booths, connect in person, and even interact with some vendors on camera.
- **Gain insights, inspiration, and new ideas** by perusing attendee work submitted for the AAW Instant Gallery and by attending the Instant Gallery Critique moderated by the Professional Outreach Program (POP).

Anthony Harris concluded a three session box turning class May 2nd. There were five students and they all admitted to having a really good time and learning a great deal.



THINGS YA JUST GOTTA KNOW

In person meetings will start in July. Zoom and/or YouTube format will be available and Covid safety measures will apply

Quarterly clean-up on May 22 from 10:00AM top noon.

Contemplating a mentoring program. Please consider offering your time and skills. More to come.

ETSY - three more items sold. We are down to 20 on the site. If you want to donate please contact Ann Mellina

Irish Fest is coming we hope.

Pro Demo - Emiliano Achaval who will demonstrate a Round Bottom Calabash Bowl, \$10 donation.



"I'M GLAD BOWL CUTS ARE BACK IN STYLE. GIVES MY WOODTURNING HOBBY A WHOLE NEW PURPOSE."

Website Gallery

KCWT is updating photos in the Gallery on our website. We want more current pictures. **And, we want yours.** If you would like to have one or two of your best pieces shown in the gallery, send them and their information (size, wood, finish) to Kevin Neelley - treas@KCWoodturners.org.



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June Silent Art Auction

KC Woodturner and Board Member **Sue Bergstrand** has donated the Silent Auction piece for this month. This sale supports your club and will hopefully be a great way to get member woodturnings into the hands of other members and the community.

This Silent Art Auction ends on Friday, 6/18/2021. Bids can be made between now and the end of the auction by email to <mailto:treas@kcwoodturners.org>. The highest bid will be posted on the KCWT website in the sidebar area. Bids will be shown as \$ amount and the last four digits of the bidder phone number: see www.kcwoodturners.org



Artist: Sue Bergstrand

Title: Bigleaf Maple Box with Carved Flower in Lid

Dimensions: 4.35" diameter x 3.5" tall

Sue's Description: I made this box from big leaf maple with a carved flower in the lid. The flower is stained red mahogany and painted with a red iridescent paint to bring out the carving details. The stamens are sterling silver. My design came about from looking at the tenon on a box lid and thinking "That would make a great flower!"





CHRISTMAS IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

Yup, it really is from a woodturning point of view and a KCWT perspective.

That needs some explanation. Mike McCauley of the Guild and Shaun McMahon of KCWT have been given the go-ahead by their respective Boards to pursue a Christmas sales event.

Covid changed quite a few things for both organizations. All our outside activities for 2020 were cancelled and, so far, many for 2021. Our outside activities encourage and allow for a lot of public activity and are enthusiastically embraced by the collective memberships. They are fun. They allow us to show our stuff. They enable us to demonstrate and promote activities which we are excited about and proud of.

This Christmas activity will give both the Guild and KCWT an opportunity to recover some of those things. With vaccines and the lowering of restrictions there is a real possibility for an event to occur in the latter part of November this year; we are hopeful.

In order for it to happen, we want and need assistance in making the plans and carrying out the activities which will make it a reality. The planning will start soon and one of the great things about this event is that so many members of the Guild and KCWT can be involved.

Every member of KCWT and the Guild can help by making items (especially Christmas themed) that the clubs can sell as this is also a fundraising activity for both.

There will NOT be a lot of meetings and, with lots of help, not a lot of work, but a great deal of fun.

As always, KCWT needs you. You are what makes KCWT special. Your membership, your interest, your turnings, your experience, your participation, and your enthusiasm make KCWT what it is.

Please help with this event. We need planners, workers, turnings, ideas, and support.

When you've decided you want to assist in this endeavor, please call Shaun McMahon or send



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