The Mid South Woodturners Guild



Turner's Talk



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What's Coming Up! By Joan Kelly

Have you ever wished you could make a professional looking threefooted bowl? Or embellish a platter with relief carving? Or, have you purchased an expensive rotary carving tool only to discover that simply owning the tool doesn't make you a carver?

If you can identify with the above questions, then you will not want to miss the January 24th meeting of the Mid South Woodturners Guild. Three of our own members will share their expertise about three distinct methods of carving as an embellishment to turning.



Terry Reynolds has perfected carving feet into the base of a bowl. He will show us how to create a smooth transition from rim to rim with delicate carved feet to support even the largest bowl.

Jerry Fairburn is a master carver. He does all kinds of carving, including chip carving on platters, which will be his portion of the session. This hand carving technique uses triangular shaped cuts that create intricate and intriguing designs. Patterns for chip carving are defined by a few basic elements, as the triangle or free form line, yet by varying the size and position of these elements, new patterns are created.



Dennis Paullus will share his experience and knowledge about relief carving on platters and vessels. Dennis uses both power carvers and hand tools to create beautiful embellishments on turned objects.

Don't miss it!



President's Corner By Bob Speier

Some day a picture as nice as Larry's will be here WOW 2009. New Presidents are taking office all over the country in January. Thanks to Larry Sefton we're not at war, nor do we have a economic crisis.

We have money in the bank and we're all saying thanks to Larry Sefton, our outgoing President. Obama has named his Cabinet and so have we. I look forward to working with our board for 2009. Though we haven't met in the current year, there are a lot of great ideas and projects circulating within the board, and I for one, can't wait to get to get started.

Our biggest challenge is, as always, demonstrations. The one thing I'd like to encourage the members to do is be PRO ACTIVE in your thoughts about Who and What you'd like to see. You don't have to do the leg work merely let the Program Director (Dennis) know what's on your mind. He'll do the rest. Think out of our little circle and be PRO ACTIVE.

Communication is something we don't get very often. If you have something on your mind please let a Board Member know. Personally I'm tired of the donuts but I don't know what the answer is. This is your club and should reflect the members. Along this line I like to encourage "open, honest and direct and supportive" conversations about the club so we can continue to make The Mid South Woodturners Guild the best we can be.

As a challenge for the January meeting simply participate in the Gallery at the next open meeting. If you're having a problem with something you're doing bring it in. If you're simply proud of something you've done, bring it in. Personally I just like to see what y'all are doing.

Enjoy woodturning and get out in your shop as often as you can.

MSWG Board of Directors for 2009

President Bob Speier <u>Librarian</u> Bill McMillen

First V.P.

Board Members
Rick Gillespie

Dennis Paullus

Rick Stone

<u>Secretary</u> Nancy Boatwright Webmaster
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Newsletter Editor

Treasurer
Matt Garner

Bob Speier

MSWG Members Roster

Don Wilcut has been responsible in the past for the production of the members roster to the Website. Thanks Don for your help doing this. This project will continue along with the addition of members, mug shots, and be updated on a regular basis by me (your editor) for now. Below is the link and the login information to access it. Though some refinements have to be made, this is pretty cool.

A 'test' club roster is posted at Http://midsouthwoodturners.com/roster/ members.pdf.

User name-turners,

password-<u>cherry</u>

You can also let the computer remember the username and password.

MSWG MEETING MINUTES December 20th, 2008

Larry Sefton, President, who gave a brief rundown of the agenda, called the meeting to order at 9:20 a.m.

Rick Gillespie, Board member, advised everyone to take advantage of the Guild's library, a great, free benefit to members.

President Sefton presented an award to Bill Siler for his demonstration on "Turning Thin Walls" and how to use CA glue at the November meeting. Joan Kelly accepted the award in Bill's absence.

President Sefton commended Bob Speier for the good job on the December issue of Turner's Talk. Bob asked that when everyone renew their membership to confirm their email address.

The minutes of the November general meeting were in the newsletter. President Sefton asked if everyone had a chance to read them and asked for any changes. Bob Speier made a motion to approve the minutes. Ray Tanner seconded. All were in favor and the minutes were approved. Sandi Speier complimented Joan Kelly for her outstanding editorial on plastic shopping bags.

Matt Garner, Treasurer, gave the financial report.

General fund balance \$2,209.65

Education fund balance \$1,204.23

Books, shirts and memberships are on sale. Membership levels are:

General\$ 25, Family \$35, Youth \$15, Supporter \$100

Benefactor \$250, Patron \$500.

Bill McMillen, Board member, gave a report on the new CD additions to the library that include Keith Burns, peppermills, Jim Adkins (basket weave), and the two days of Dave Hout demonstrations. There are multiple copies of the CDs.

Dennis Paullus gave an update on upcoming demonstrations:

January 24, 2009 - Embellishments and carving with Jerry Fairburn, Terry Reynolds and Dennis Paullus

February 28, 2009 - Offset turning with Joan Kelly

March 28, 2009 - John Jordan - free to members

April 25, 2009 - Jimmy Clewes

Malcolm Tibbetts, who specializes in segmented woodturning, might be coming through the Memphis area and has offered to do a workshop for a limited number of people. His fee is \$600 for a full day workshop, \$400 for a half day or less, plus expenses. Bill McMillen offered his workshop. The Speier's

offered to host Mr. Tibbetts.

There is a new John C. Campbell catalog available. Bob Speier suggested a group from MSWG go together for a one-week class. A one-week class usually runs about \$800 to \$1000 with approximately 10 people per class.

The Tennessee Association of Woodturners will be holding its 21st Annual Symposium on January 23rd and 24th in Nashville. The cost is \$165.

Sandi Speier, AAW Board member, discussed the 23rd Annual AAW Symposium scheduled for June 26 through June 28, 2009, at the Albuquerque Convention Center (401 2nd Street NW, Albuquerque, NM). AAW Board member Speier will be urging everyone to volunteer for committees. Volunteers are needed for the symposium, too. The AAW general membership fee is \$45.

This meeting was the last opportunity to order shirts. Twenty had been pre-ordered. An additional 4 or 5 will be added to make the minimum order. Shirts are \$24 to \$28, depending on the size. Sew-on patches might be looked in to, also.

Those who brought items for the Instant Gallery presented their pieces. Those who participated were Larry Sefton, Bill McMillen, Rick Gillespie, Joan Kelly, Terry Reynolds, Dennis Paullus and Keith Burns.

Rick Gillespie directed the gift exchange. Those who brought gifts got a gift.

The new officers and board members were announced.

President - Bob Speier; 1st VP - Dennis Paullus; Secretary - Nancy Boatwright; Treasurer Matt Garner; Librarian - Bill McMillen; Directors: Rick Gillespie & Rick Stone,

Dennis Paullus thanked Larry Sefton for the good job he's done as President. He was presented with an ambrosia maple platter with an inscription.

After brunch, Dennis Paullus conducted the Mid-South Perspective rice bowl auction to benefit the Education Fund. There were hard cover (\$22.55) and soft cover (\$12.50) books with photos of the bowls available. The books are also available online at blurb.com.

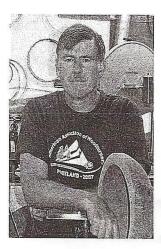
The winners of the Christmas ornament contest were announced. 1st Place Rick Gillespie, 2nd Place Larry Sefton, 3rd Place Dennis Paullus.

The monthly raffle was held after the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy J. Boatwright, Secretary

Getting to know the "Pro's"

Dale Larson Page 1 of 3



I've been turning for 30 years. I most enjoy turning functional bowls from our beautiful Northwest hardwoods like Big Leaf Maple and Pacific Madrone burl. I have five nice galleries that sell my bowls (including Appalachian Spring Gallery here in Richmond). I joined AAW in 1989 and it has truly opened the door to the world for me. Because of AAW and woodturning, I have traveled around the United States and five foreign countries. Woodturning has been a good path to follow.

Dale is also a new Director for AAW as of January 2009

Happy Turning!

Just a little Humor

Judy Wallman, a professional genealogy researcher in southern California, was doing some personal work on her own family tree. She discovered that Harry Reid's great-great uncle, Remus Reid, was hanged for horse stealing and train robbery in Montana in 1889. Both Judy and Harry Reid share this common ancestor.



Harry Reid

The only known photograph of Remus shows him standing on the gallows in Montana territory.



On the back of the picture Judy obtained during her research is this inscription: '

Remus Reid, horse thief, sent to Montana Territorial Prison 1885, escaped 1887, robbed the Montana Flyer six times. Caught by Pinkerton detectives, convicted and hanged in 1889.'

So Judy recently e-mailed Congressman Harry Reid for information about their greatgreat uncle. Believe it or not, Harry Reid's staff sent back the following biographical sketch for her genealogy research:

Remus Reid was a famous cowboy in the Montana Territory. His business empire grew to include acquisition of valuable equestrian assets and intimate dealings with the Montana railroad. Beginning in 1883, he devoted several years of his life to government service, finally taking leave to resume his dealings with the railroad.

In 1887, he was a key player in a vital investigation run by the renowned Pinkerton Detective Agency. In 1889, Remus passed away during an important civic function held in his honor when the platform upon which he was standing collapsed.'

NOW, That is how it's done, Folks!

That's real POLITICAL SPIN.

A little more Humor

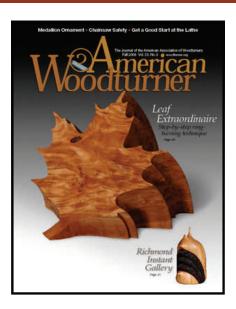
Tool junkie's prayer for 2009

Lord grant me the serenity to accept the tools I already have, the courage to resist the temptation of new tools I don't really need, and the wisdom to ignore this nonsense when I find something really cool.

Amen!

Provided by Emmett Manley

AAW Fall 2008 Journal Join Now!



I Promise! Shop Talk

will return next month without fail.

Are you ready Norm?

UPCOMING EVENTS 2009

• January 9-11

Florida Woodturning Symposium

<u>http://</u> www.floridawoodturningsymposium.com/

January 24th

Jerry Fairburn, Terry Reynolds and Dennis Paullus showing the process of embellishing turned object.

• February 28th

Joan Kelly demonstrating multi access turning

• 23rd & 24th

TAW Symposium in Nashville

http://www.tnwoodturners.org/ symposium.html

March 28th

JOHN JORDAN one day demo - "FREE FOR MEMBERS"

May

Utah Woodturning Symposium

June

AAW Symposium, Albuquerque, NM

Renew your Club Dues

Membership renewals began in November as always. Be sure to bring your "cash, check or money order" so we can take care of this privilege as soon as possible.

Classifieds

FOR SALE - Tool Stand

Mounting surface - 11.5" x 14.5" outside 27.5" high, adjustable

leveling feet \$15

Joseph Voda

652-2286



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For Sale \$95 – great buy!



New it is \$299 on Amazon. Used less then 40 hours by me. Reason I am selling – have two and only need one. Also need the space.

Larry Sefton 377-2693

Larry@Sefton.info

Product Features Motor size: 1-1/2 HP, 110V, Single-phase, 3,450 RPM, Portable base size: 21-1/2" x 33-1/2", Bag volume: 5.4 cubic feet. Height (with bags inflated): 78", Bag size (Dia. x depth): (2) 19" x 33", Air suction capacity: Approx. 1,280 CFM, 6" inlet with a removable "Y" fitting with two 4" openings, Standard bag filtration: 30 Micron

Tips & Helpful Ideas

Club Member Skip Wilbur saw this video about the new tablesaw "SawStop". The video is worth watching even if you're not in the market for a new tablesaw. Word of note, The Mark Adams School of Woodworking is set with all "SawStop" though out their school.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pHrmvQKevfI

Thanks for the information Skip

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Joseph Voda sent this very interesting link to once again uTube. Joseph received the newsletters from the **Chattahoochee Woodturners**, as he's still a member. This video will take you back in the day when woodturning was an all day project to do nesting bowl. It's the time to watch.

http://uk.youtube.com/watch?v=JIgElQwMJpY

Thanks Joseph for the information.

Need to find a tool or wood, click on "Helpful Links" to find your source

Helpful Links