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TURNERS TALK

THE MID SOUTH WOODTURNERS GUILD

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From Instant Gallery
and
President's Challenge
Images.



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"Turn-In and Burn-In Meets"

-OPEN-

- Annual Guild Demo Event -

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On The Cover...

I must admit, I am fighting a losing battle to find just one piece out of all the members monthly submissions to feature on the cover.

Therefore, I am left with providing a sampling of the works. It will be up to the readers to study all the items in the Instant Gallery.

President's Corner



Check your email for late breaking news!

It's All About... You!



As the motto below states: the success, *nay the very existence*, of a volunteer organization rests on each member in its roster!

No matter if it is a social club or non-profit group, the individuals gather to experience a subject of mutual interest to all.

Get involved:

“you reap what you sew!”

How Can I Serve My Guild?

Remember the universal motto of all volunteer organizations:
“If EVERYONE does a bit of the work, NO ONE does all the work!”

Board of Directors

Board-Directed Committee Chairs & Team Members

Demonstrator Research/Plan	Demonstrator Hospitality Hosts
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Videography Admin & Support	Sound Admin & Support
Instant Gallery Photog & Support	

“Giving Back” Chairs and Team Members (Charities)

Pens For Troops	Wig Stands For Cancer
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Meeting Room Monthly Actions

Support for Prep & Clean	Refreshments: Prep & Clean
Raffle: Prep/Execute/Clean	FSBO Table: Prep/Execute/Clean

Please See the Additional Opportunities on Our Website

Follow this Link: [Volunteers | MidSouth Woodturners](#)

Coming Events

“Save the 4th Saturday of each month, 9AM to Noon, for MSWG demonstrations!”*
 (* = Meetings may be moved due to conflicting events - monitor schedule closely!!)

Apr 22 MSWG Monthly Club Meeting @ Location: BARTLETT STATION MUNICIPAL CENTER

Demonstrator: John Williams, Rick Stone, Barry Barkley

Demonstration: Sharpening Method

President's Challenge: "Eggs"

May 13 MSWG Club Member Turn-IN Event @ Location: Avi Pelc's shop

Chair: Sam Dawson (MSWG)

Pens For Troops Production

*** May 20 MSWG Monthly Club Meeting @ BARTLETT STATION MUNICIPAL CENTER**

Demonstrator: Trent Bosch

Demonstration (**IRD**): Mountain Bowls

President's Challenge: "Memphis-in-May"

Jun 1-4 Non-MSWG Event — AAW International Woodturning Symposium @ Louisville, KY

Follow link for full details: [2023 Louisville - Landing Page \(woodturner.org\)](https://www.woodturner.org/2023-louisville-landing-page)

Jun 10 MSWG Club Member Turn-IN Event @ Location: TBA

Mentor-guided Instruction Focusing on: "Mountain Bowls"

Jun 24 MSWG Monthly Club Meeting @ BARTLETT STATION MUNICIPAL CENTER

Demonstrator: Sam Dawson

Demonstration: Wood Stabilizing and Bird Calls

President's Challenge: "Lidded Turning"

Jul 22 MSWG Monthly Club Meeting @ BARTLETT STATION MUNICIPAL CENTER

Demonstrator: Craig Timmerman

Demonstration (**IRD**): Turning a *Torus Vase*

President's Challenge: "Serving"

Aug 2 MSWG Monthly Club Meeting @ BARTLETT STATION MUNICIPAL CENTER

Demonstrator: Larry Sefton and Jonathon (MSWG)

Demonstration: Woodturning and the Internet

President's Challenge: "Textured"

Sept 1-10 MSWG Club Member Turn-IN Event @ Location: Agricenter International

Chair: Sam Dawson

Demonstration: Delta Fair

This Month's Meeting

Monthly Meeting, Member

Demonstration

Sharpening Method

April 22, 2023, from 9 to 12

Demonstrator(s):

Multi-Members

Location - Bartlett Station Municipal Center

5868 Stage Rd, Bartlett, TN 38134, USA



[Even More Information](#)

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Club members will demonstrate their sharpening system and panel discussion on sharpening.

President's Challenge

Egg(s)

Any woodturnings that look like an egg.



This Month's Meeting (cont'd)

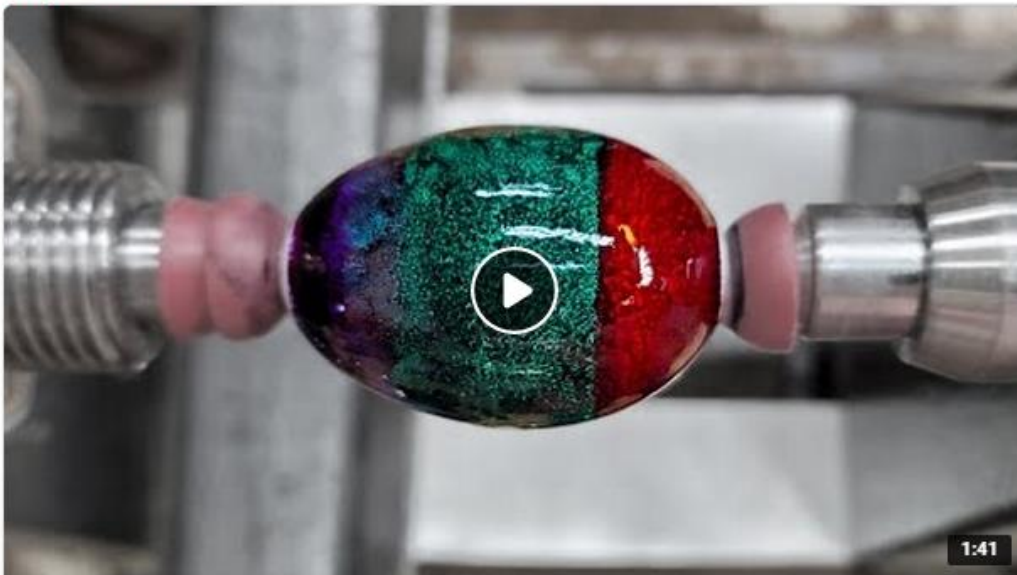
If you are still in need of a bit more information (or just a humor-filled presentation) on this month's President's Challenge— eggs, here is a recent video by everyone's favorite PBS and YouTube wood turner. Enjoy!

Follow the link to actually watch the YouTube video:

[Tim Yoder colors an egg on the lathe](#)

Videos of Tim Yoder Egg Coloring On a Lthe

bing.com/videos



Coloring an Egg...Woodturner's Style!





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[YouTube](#) › Woodturning with Tim Yoder



Welcome Our 2023 Members!

These individuals have joined our Guild this year!
 Shake a hand and get to know them over a "latte'."

January Bill Siler (Returning)		February William (Mike) Bledsoe		February Ken Burnette		March David Jones	

This is a new year and with it comes a new opportunity to spread the word that the Mid South area has a woodturning club.

- A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners -

The Mid South Woodturning Guild!

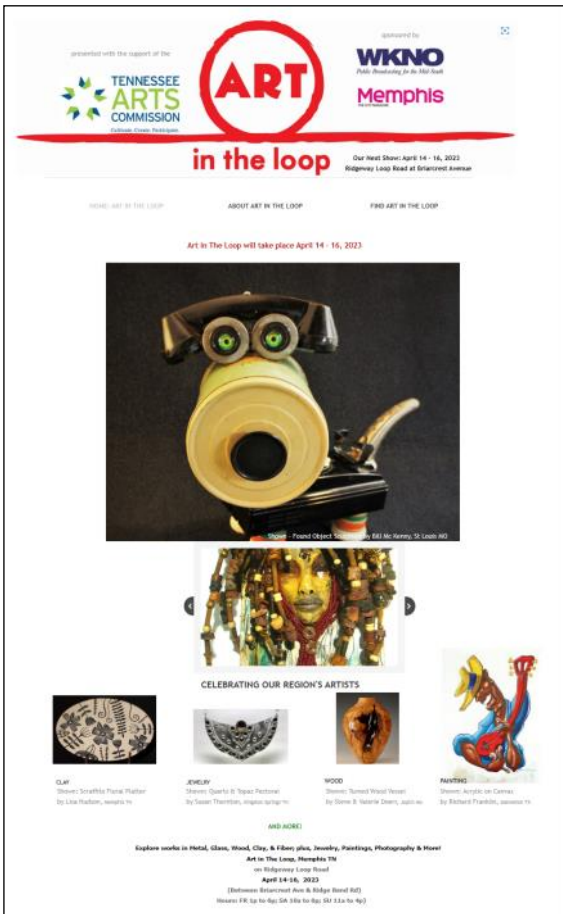
Join the Board in helping to fill the chart above with new faces and names. Talk about your woodturning journey to potential candidates and invite someone to attend a monthly meeting; then, be their host when they do.

"The future of MSWG is in our hands, don't let them fall idle!"

MSWG - For The Record

Items of importance to the Guild's operation and record-keeping.

This past weekend, eight members of the Guild joined President Bob Wolfe at the *Art in the loop* to provide basic woodturning demonstrations for the Greater-Memphis public attending this annual street-arts and crafts festival. As a demonstration event, the sales of member product was not allowed; however, the event was very successful in terms of meeting the mission statement of community education. Do not be surprised if you see some new faces at our meeting this weekend!



Above: The original set-up with our new "silent salesman": the TV.



Left: The final arrangement bringing the demonstrators to the front.

Last Month's Meeting

Our March meeting was an action-packed one, with three of our members covering two diverse subjects: Using the Celtic knot and Egg-production techniques and examples for the Presidents' Challenge of April.



First, Mark Maxwell demonstrated how he employed Alan Stratton's Celtic knot in a pen barrel. In Mark's usual style he stressed the use of stop blocks on the miter saw and clamp blocks in the gluing process to achieve enviable precision in the final product.



Last Month's Meeting (cont'd)



In the next section, Rick Gillespie gave a repeat of his demo on the “perfect egg shape” from several years ago. As one to look for the opportunity to make a point with humor backed by example, Rick put forth the concept that the “perfect” shape comes from CNC-controlled mass production facilities supplying craft shelves of big-box and dollar stores. In contrast to this, Mother Nature offers the perfect shape each species of fowl, reptiles, amphibians and the odd-ball platypus, requires to keep their off-spring “flowing” into the future! The examples he brought, were ~~stolen~~ borrowed from his wife’s collection of empty shells, which she uses in teaching.

After Rick laid his egg knowledge on us, he was joined by one of our newer members, Suzanne Marrero.

As a teacher, she challenged us to step outside our more serious approach to turning projects, so that we could get in touch with our inner child - to have fun with color, and possibly add these items to our inventory of demonstration freebies.

Suzanne is an energetic speaker and I, for one, hope to hear more from her, as she ventures into her woodturning experience.

You can find more details of her presentation in the **Blog** section of our website.



MSWG Instant Gallery

Last Month's Work by Guild Members

Don



Chandler

Matt



Garner

Jim



Dunham (closed)

Jim



Dunham (open)

John



Hayes

John



Hayes

MSWG Instant Gallery

- Last Month's Work (cont'd)

John



Hayes

John



Hayes

Joe



Rowell

Joe



Rowell

Joe



Rowell

Larry



Sefton

MSWG Instant Gallery

- Last Month's Work (cont'd)

Rick



Cannon

Rick



Cannon

To all members of the Guild: the monthly Instant Gallery is ***the*** place to share your current work with everyone. It is the best means to document our members' work for posterity.

Most importantly, it is a judgement-free zone, which needs to include *all* members: from the newly-turning to the old-hands.

It is *everyone's* venue for "15 minutes of fame!"

Claim your place in the next edition of the Instant Gallery.

MSWG *President's Challenge*

Last Month's Work by Guild Members



Avi

Pelc



Avi

Pelc



Avi

Pelc



Avi

Pelc



Avi

Pelc



Bob

Wolfe

MSWG *President's Challenge*

- Last Month's Work (cont'd)



Don

Chandler



Don

Chandler



Don

Farage



Don

Farage



Jonathan

Marrero



Suzanne

Marrero

MSWG *President's Challenge*

- Last Month's Work (cont'd)

Larry



Sefton

Larry



Sefton

Sam



Dawson

Rick



Gillespie

Wig Stands for Cancer... Updates and News

March Delivery



Bob

Wolfe



Don

Chandler



Matt

Garner



Matt

Garner

Wig Stands for Cancer... Updates and News

March Delivery (cont'd)



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