

The Mid South Woodturners Guild



Turner's Talk

Bob Speier, Editor

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What's Coming Up ?

By Joan Kelly
"Step in Time"

Our August meeting will be remembered by many who attended as a milestone for MSWG as internationally recognized turning artist Binh Pho shared his talent with us for two days. However, one of our greatest strengths as an organization is the willingness of our own members to share knowledge and ideas with one another. The September meeting will feature our own John Williams, whose enthusiasm for clocks led him to design a miniature street clock ornament that was showcased in Woodturning Design magazine. See www.woodturningdesign.com for more details.

John has restored and repaired antique clocks for about 40 years, both as a hobby and as a second job. He is retired from the US Department of Agriculture where he was a supervisory chemist. His interest in turning came about as it was needed for other woodworking projects, including clock building. Club member and fellow clock expert Glen Alexander will work along with John to present the program on September 29. They will talk about the use of woodturnings in clock manufacturing through the years and will show some examples of different types of turnings on clocks. The design of the Street Clock Ornament will be discussed and steps for its construction demonstrated. They will also elaborate on the experience of producing the article for Woodturning Design magazine.

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**Elections
November 2007**

This promises to be a fascinating program. Remember that this meeting will be on the fifth Saturday of September since the club is participating in the Covington Festival on the fourth Saturday, our usual meeting day.

The Mid South Woodturners Guild is a proud chapter of the
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF WOODTURNERS

Welcome New Members

We want to take the opportunity to introduce our new members for 2007. In the last newsletter a picture accompanied the name which will continue in the future. These are the new members who have taken the plunge so far in 2007. Thanks so much for your support.

Welcome:

Dick Cowan - Memphis

Irvin Fleming - Bartlett

Joe Hagan - Munford

Richard Holt - Cordova

Ginger Magouirk - Eads

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Somerville

Dan Patton - Bartlett

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August

Jim Adkins, Dexter MO.

Damon Owens, Bartlett TN

Skip Wilbur, Cordova TN

Pictures for these 3 will be in next months newsletter

MSWG MEETING MINUTES August, 2007

Aug 25 & 26, 2007

The meeting was called to order at approximately 9:10 am on Saturday August 25th. President Speier welcomed visitors. Cassandra told the members because of the unusual meeting structure (Binh Pho) no business items would be dealt with that day.

Mike Zinser from the Nashville club was introduced by Cassandra and asked him to explain the Freedom Pen program and talk about their annual symposium in January.

Joan Kelly was asked to talk about the CBU Exhibit and the Live @ 9 media coverage.

Cassandra encouraged the members to participate in the raffle and told them the raffle would be held at the noon break.

Bob Speier reminded the members of the Covington Festival on September 22 and encouraged the members to attend and bring their turnings to display or sale if they so chose.

Cassandra reminded the members elections for the MSG board were approaching in November. She asked the members to begin thinking about replacing the four seats coming available.

President Speier gave a brief bio of Binh Pho and introduced him to the members. Binh provide a complete array of his talents for the two-day demonstration. The demonstration was concluded on Sunday afternoon at 4:30 pm.

Elections in November

Shop Talk

Rick Gillespie

Bartlett, TN



On a beautiful Saturday morning after all the heat we've had, Sandi and I went to visit our maven of pen turners Rick Gillespie. Rick enthusiastically showed us his shop located in a gathering of pine trees in his

backyard. Rick had been putting me off because he doesn't have an AC in his shop (poor baby) but he has everything else. Rick's shop is set up to do most any type of woodworking. His biggest thrill is to come up with a new method of doing something, which he has done in past but someone always gets it produced before he can.

Rick told us he had the best Wife there was because she bought him his first lathe (mini Jet) and all the accessories he needed. I had to call him on that because I said I did. (A point for me, because mine was standing there) He



started out teaching himself to turn pen and was hooked. His collection of blanks neatly stored and labeled shows his devotion to the art. He also has a Ringmaster, which cuts rings to laminate into a vessel. Pretty cool device. I asked him if he'd do a demo the first of the years and said he would. Rick has a Delta 1640 lathe and the Jet mini I mentioned before. He's done some craft shows in the past but said the return wasn't enough to keep him interested. Now he turns for himself and friends like we all do. You'll get the chance to see Rick at work at the November meeting while he demonstrates Christmas Ornaments.



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Message from the Editor

If at any time you'd like to go along and visit the future shops, simply let me know and be flexible in timing. You are always welcome.

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August Instant Gallery



Joan Kelly



**Jim Adkins
Dexter, MO**



Keith Burns



Bill Siler

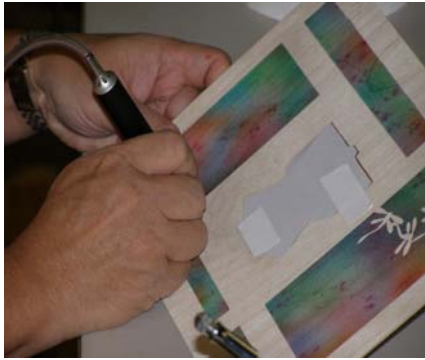


Monte Richards



Turned by **Matt Garner**
Painted by **Michael Watson**

Binh Pho Gallery



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It will soon be that time of the year again to renew your membership in MSWG. At the same time members of the Board of Directors encourage you to join the American

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[\$18]	(Y) - Youth

Association of Woodturner (AAW). This can be accomplished by simply going to their website .

<https://www.woodturner.org> then go the "How to Join AAW" page. Also, many of the advantages for joining are provided on the "how to join AAW" page.

On a personal note, The four issues of the "American Woodturner" to me are well worth the membership fee.

Membership Renewals (\$25) for the Mid South Woodturners Guild will begin in November. If there are friends and neighbors or someone you don't even like, be sure to encourage them to join. The more the merrier. Members are what make us better.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August

17th - Oct. 4

CBU Exhibit (a must to see)

September

22nd

Covington Heritage Festival

29th

Turning Clocks

John Williams / Glenn Alexander

October

27th

OctoberFest at Joel Bensons

November

17th

Board Elections

Rick Gillespie - Christmas Orna-

ments

December

(to be decided) Christmas Party

Notes

- Have something you want to say or an article you want to publish in the next newsletter? Use your word processor and type it up but keeping it to about 300 words. Then email it to me. Remember you need to have it to me by the first of the month.
- If your email address has changed please let the club Secretary know ASAP.
- **KEEP IN MIND ELECTIONS ARE IN NOVEMBER THERE ARE FOUR SEATS UP FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND NOMINATION.**
- Thanks to those who are sticking around to help clean up, **it's very much appreciated**

Shop Talk

continued

I asked Rick what he got out of MSWG to which he responded "I always pick up at least one tip to help me be a better turner." Isn't that what we're all trying to do? Rick had some great ideas to help the club move forward which I like because it told me he's interested.

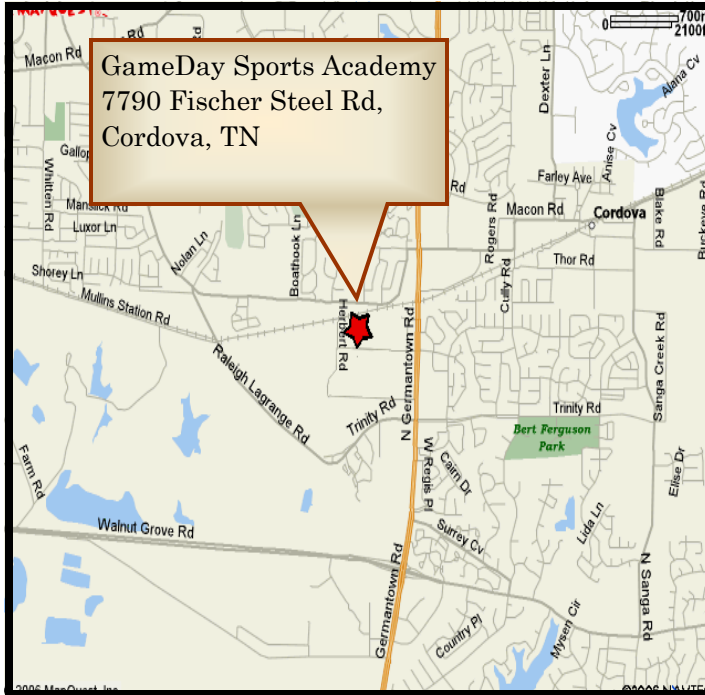
One last thing that caught my eye was Rick's tool caddy. On wheels with a Lazy Susan and high enough for his 6' plus stature.



Thanks Rick for your hospitality on such a beautiful day.

The Mid South Woodturners Guild is a not-for-profit organization formed to promote and encourage the art of woodturning and, in doing so, promote and encourage the art and craft of woodturning in general. Membership is open to anyone and includes a subscription to the monthly newsletter.

Our Meeting Location



Meeting Format:

Club Business 9:00-9:30 am.
 Demonstration 9:30-11:30 am.
 Cleanup 11:30-12:00 pm.

Meetings are held on the 4th Saturday of each month at 9:00 A.M. at GameDay Sports Academy, 7790 Fischer Steel Rd, Cordova. Annual dues are \$25.00. Address inquiries about the Mid South Woodturners Guild to *Sandi Speier*, 8736 *Johannesburg Dr.*, *Germantown, TN 38139*. Please send newsletter items to *Bob Speier* (*robtspeier@aol.com*) and website items to *Trey Campbell* (*trey-campbell@mac.com*).

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