

### Meeting Info:

Meeting location:  
8361A Dayton Pike  
Soddy Daisy, TN  
(Horsin' Around)  
At 1:00 p.m. Sat.  
Aug. 19, 2023

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## August Demonstrator Doug Spohn



Tri-State Woodturners  
An official AAW chapter



As president of the Tri-State Woodturners Doug is known to the members. This is his second time as the president and has scheduled the demonstrators for club meetings for several years. A number of TSW members have been mentored by Doug as well. In addition to running his construction company full-time Doug does some amazing turning. Frequently Doug has done demonstrations for our meetings.

At the August 19<sup>th</sup> meeting Doug will demonstrate thin wall turning. This will be a good learning experience for anyone wanting to turn their work thinner. Doug has proven quite capable of turning rather thin bowls and objects.

## Next TSW Meeting

# Sat. Aug 19 @ 1:00

# July Demonstration



Allen Quadee demonstrated his process for making a three-piece finial. They are made from two different species of wood or one species of wood and a piece of resin.





# Donation Projects



President, Doug Spohn

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Don't forget the opportunity to give to others by turning one of the donation projects; Beads of Courage Box, Pens for the Troops or Ornaments.



**NEW MEMBER MENTOR:** Are you new to wood turning or at least have an interest in it? TSW provides an opportunity for you to learn from other turners who are willing to give you personal instruction and guidance. There is no fee for this instruction for TSW members. Contact one of the listed officers who will guide you to select a helpful mentor for you.

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# Treasurer's Report



# The Web

Beginning Balance July.		4,128.93
Income		74.00
Raffle	74.00	
Expenses		70.00
Rent	70.00	
Ending Balance June		4,132.93

It is not too early to start thinking about making Christmas ornaments. Alan Stratton did a video on making these segmented Christmas Bell ornaments recently and you can watch the video at:

[Turning Segmented Laminated Ornament Bells \(aswoodturns.com\)](https://www.aswoodturns.com/turning-segmented-laminated-ornament-bells)



# 2023 TSW Club Challenges

If you are a novice or beginner turner you may do the Novice Challenges or the Confident Turner Challenge. There is also the option to turn what was demonstrated the previous month.

Novice Turner		Confident Turner
Awl—1	Jan	Awl—4
Pen—2	Feb	Candle Holder w/Glass Globe—8
Jewelry—3	Mar	Acorn Lidded Box—8
Bottle Stopper—2	Apr	Pen/Pencil (w/o a kit) -5
Tooth Pick Holder—3	May	Fishing Lure — 3
Napkin Ring—4	June	Baby Rattle—3
Scoop—3	July	Flask—1
Weed Pot	Aug	Plant Stand
Door Stop	Sep	Stethoscope
Ornament	Oct	Bell
Salt/Pepper Shaker	Nov	Yoyo





# Safety Tips

Declutter—can that be a safety tip? For some turners it certainly could be if clutter prevents you from freely moving around your workspace without tripping.

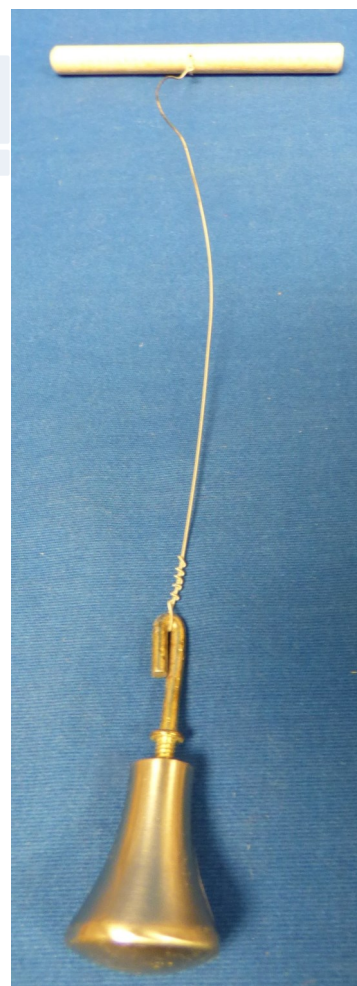
For others this may just be a good habit to once in a while eliminate stuff that is not useable any more. I have a habit of saving everything. I might be able to use it one day. . . Or as soon as I get rid of an item, within a week I need it. For some of us it can be a challenge. This past week I went through a box of wood scraps I've been saving. Some went to the burn pile and others I know I will never use went into a box I'll bring to the next meeting. Maybe someone else can make good use of them. Do you have some wood you could donate to others? Bring it Sat. and let's clean out our shops/studios.

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## Shopmade Burning-Wire Tool

AAW sends out various email with very helpful information which is one of the benefits of being an AAW member. In the recent email from the AAW Toolbox was an article, previously printed in the American Woodturner, August 2015, by Jim Duxbury, entitled Shopmade Burning-Wire Tool. You may want to take a look at his unique design .

Here is another take on the same theme with some innovations I have found in using burn-wires. The adjacent picture gives you an idea of the burn-wire but let me share a little about it and why I make them as I do. Burn-wires can be long (20") or short (12"). They can be wide or thin depending on the width of line you desire to burn. A short wire for a pen or handle is more practical than a long one which could be used on a bowl. On one end a heavy object such as a metal knob helps hold the burn-wire in place on the lathe when dropped between the ways. A wooden dowel on the other end wide enough so it does not easily fall to the ground is helpful. Mine usually are between 4.5" - 6". A screw-eye in the knob can easily hold the wire. People who play guitar often have broken strings they will give you or you can easily purchase them.





# Picnic Day at Signal Center

Each year, the Signal Center holds a summer camp for the visually impaired. This year, Tristate Woodturners was asked to support the camp's closing day picnic held on July 28<sup>th</sup>. We set up two lathes and guided seven visually impaired campers and several volunteers through the making of pens, key chains, and Christmas ornaments during the event. We also provided the grilling duties for the picnic lunch. The 'Teaching the Visually Impaired to Turn' program has become a very meaningful outreach program for the clients at the Signal Center and is certainly a blessing for those of us that support the program. I want to give a special thanks to Jerry Schnelzer, Eric Schaffer, and David Fairchild for assisting at the picnic and bringing such joy to the Signal Center visually impaired clients.





# Show and Tell



Top three made by  
Allen Quandee



Bottom three made by Eric Schaffer—  
CONGRATULATIONS Eric you were the only one brave  
enough to turn the  
Challenge of a flask!





# Show and Tell



These items were all created by Charles Jennings





# Show and Tell



← These items were turned by Doug Spohn



← Ornaments made by Gary Farlow

Ornaments ↓ created by Johnny Renfro and ↙ Pens for the Troops



CUTS AND SCRAPES



# Show and Tell



This page turned by Jake Niedling



Except these  
← Pens made  
by Peter Holt





# Show and Tell



← Created by Ron Plumley



Middle three  
made by  
Kennie Schaffer  
& Pens not  
shown



Turned by Tim Mehling →



# Show and Tell



This page turned by Jerry Schnelzer  
except the scoop at the bottom

Thanks Jerry for taking the pictures  
in July



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← Scoop turned by Tim Lemacks



# Show and Tell

Items on this page turned by Terry Pearson

Except the pens at the bottom



← Pens for the Troops

by Barton Crowell