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WOODTURNERS**

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Meeting Info:

Meeting location:

Woodcraft of
Chattanooga

5824 Brainard Rd.

Chattanooga, TN

at 1:00 p.m.

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June Demonstrator

Colin Chambers



Tri-State Woodturners

An official AAW chapter

Colin will be coming this Saturday to demonstrate turning a platter. A woodturning demonstration in Perth, Scotland got him started on a thirty year plus love affair with lathes and the wood I have turned on them. To take something many might think good only for the fireplace and create a useful home item, or a beautiful artistic piece worthy to go on that fireplace mantel, is a calling that has given me a lifetime of enduring satisfaction and happiness.

Like many new self-taught turners, I developed a working style of my own through trial and error. Although confident with what I was doing, I still wanted to learn what others might know that would help me to become more proficient and productive. Through the years I have been blessed to learn from many world class woodturners. Thanks to the formal training and mentorship of these teachers my knowledge of the craft and technique have significantly improved. Combining what I learned on my own, from others, and years of



doing the work, I finally mastered a proper technique.

This allows me to turn efficiently with little physical effort, very few tools and without torn grain.

Now I enjoy teaching these techniques to other woodturners showing them what I have learned and helping them become more confident in their abilities. This makes it a

May Demonstrator

Nick Cook is no stranger to those who have been TSW members for any length of time. Nick did a wonderful demonstration for us this last month. He did a wonderful demonstration showing his speed and talents of making lidded boxes. Nick cuts through them with lightening speed.

He showed how to match the grain of the wood so the lid fits in the box and not on top.

During his time with us he turned 3 different boxes showing the versatility.

He grew up around his father's woodworking equipment and became interested in the art of woodturning in the mid-70s after several years in furniture design and manufacture.

A founding member of the American Association of Woodturners, Nick served six years on the board of directors, including one as vice president.

In addition to creating one-of-a-kind pieces and his staple gift items, Nick teaches and lectures on various woodturning topics, has written articles for several woodworking magazines, and produced two woodturning videos.

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The primary materials that he now uses are maple, cocobolo, and tagua nuts. He employs a variety of woods, both domestic and exotic for his one-of-a-kind pieces. Nick's work is marketed in gift shops and galleries from coast to coast and is included in numerous corporate and private collections. You can also find Nick selling his pieces at craft fairs in the South-east.

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Next months meeting will
be on June 21, 2025

**Next month's challenge will
be to turn a mirror.**

IF YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS FOR A MONTHLY
CHALLENGE, PLEASE CONTACT ERIC SCHAFER
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President, Doug Spohn

TREASURE'S REPORT

Beginning Balance—April			4042.51
	Income		535.00
	Raffle	35.00	
	Dues	240.00	
	Donation	260.00	
	Expenses		380.00
	Donation	0.00	
	Insurance	0.00	
	Guest Turner	300.00	
	A/V Equipment	0.00	
	Gift Certificates	80.00	
	Ending Balance		4197.51
A/V Special Contribution Fund		164.00	

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2025 TSW Club Challenges

Each member that brings a “Challenge Piece” and signs it in at the meeting, for the month of the challenge, is entered into a drawing for a gift certificate. You may do what was demonstrated the previous month as well. Doing the challenges provides you with experience in trying something new and will give others ideas of what they can make. If you previously made

Month	Item	Month	Item
January	Gavel or Mallet	July	3 Penguins — Father, Mother, Child
February	Toothpick Holder	August	Lidded box
March	Off center	September	3 Snowman — Father, Mother, Child
April	Napkin ring	October	
May	Vase	November	Ornament
June	Mirror		

May TSW Club Challenges



Show and Tell



Charles Jennings

Charles brought us some beautiful bowls this month. The bowl in the upper right has an inlay of oyster shells. On the upper left is a Beads of Courage box decorated with stickers. On the bottom left is a candy dish filled with goodies for the club.

Show and Tell



Kennith Schaffer

Kennith's has 3 different vases from different woods.

Eric Schaffer

Eric brought us a small lidded box with 2 spinners and a small vase



Jerry Reed

Jerry got creative and glued together some bamboo sticks then tuned them into a great looking tooth pick holder.



Show and Tell

Ron Plumley

Ron did a great job on a pen kit and this bottle stopper.



Allen Quandee

Allen did a great job on an acrylic pepper mill. Allen is well versed in acrylic's. His vase is a work of art

Gary Farlow

Gary did a beautiful job on his vase.



Show and Tell

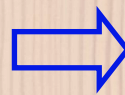
Larry Samuels

Larry brings us 2 great looking bowls and a beautiful vase



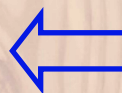
Rodger Kent

Rodger made a wonderful looking vase with an insert.



Robert Hale

Robert made a wonderful looking bowl for us to see.



Show and Tell

Gene Payne

Greg made some fantastic bowls for us to see.



Tim Mehling

Tim made a very interesting hollow form vase.

