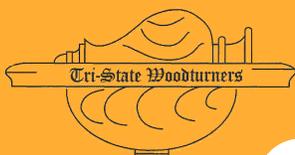


## TRI-STATE WOODTURNERS



Meeting Location:  
8361A Dayton Pike  
Soddy Daisy TN  
(Horsin' Around fac.)

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# Cuts and Scrapes

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JANUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER



Tri-State Woodturners an  
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## John Lucas

### Jan. Demonstrator

Six years ago I retired as a photographer for Tenn. Tech University where I worked for 26 years. I have been working in wood for about 36 years as a hobby. I think I have always had a creative side from singing and playing guitar as well as photography and woodworking. It is all starting to come together to let me create unique works of art. I have this constant awareness of things around me that give me ideas to work from. I think that stems from photography and learning to really “see” the simply things around us. That and the sense of humor I get from my Dad allow me to constantly play with ideas.

After I moved to Cookeville and met the wonderful people at the Appalachian Center for craft I began to work more as a wood turner and carver. This led to many explorations of what is capable with a wood turning lathe. Most of my pieces today either start or end on the lathe but I try not to limit myself. If I have a design in mind I use whatever tool it takes to create the piece. Working with the Craft Center also allowed me to learn some metal working which has proven quite useful to augment my woodworking.



Along with working in wood I like to help others learn these skills. I have written many articles for American Woodturner, Woodturning Design, More Woodturning, Woodturning Fundamentals, and the English publication Woodturning. I have also taught classes at Arrowmont, John C Campbell Folk School and the Appalachian Center for Crafts. I travel around the country doing demo's at wood turning clubs and have demonstrated at several regional and national woodturning symposiums.

The demonstration this Sat., Jan. 18, (1:00) at Tristate Woodturners will be about working with epoxy clay, texturing and coloring and an introduction to gold leaf. Sounds interesting and John always does a remarkable demonstration, so I hope to see you there.

# Dec. Christmas Party and Silent Auction





# President's Corner

Welcome to a new year. I'm really honored and looking forward to serving another year as your president. I am so proud of our club and your support of our service projects. We donated several hundred pens to our troops, broke the one-hundred mark for number of beads of courage boxes made, and sold several Christmas ornaments to support the Chattanooga Food Bank. Thank you all for this support.

I also want to thank all of you that supported our efforts to promote our craft at the demonstrations and sawdust sessions held during the past year. We will continue with these same service projects again this year and I encourage all of you to participate. I look forward to seeing all of you at our upcoming meeting.

## TSW CLUB OFFICERS

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The above officers are also official  
Tri-state Woodturner Mentors

**Tri-state Woodturners Next Meeting**  
**1:00 p.m. Saturday January 18, 2020**



Ed Lewis has been turning for 44 years and has graciously offered to open his shop on Saturday mornings to help newbies. This is as good as it comes. Ed is not only skilled as a turner but an excellent teacher. Many TSW have gained valuable lessons from him over the years to where they are now very proficient. Call Ed at (423) 344-7295 or talk with him at the TSW meeting Sat. This is an official function of TSW.

**NEW MEMBER MENTOR:** Are you new to wood turning or at least have an interest in it? TSW club is providing opportunity for you to learn from an expert turner who has provided instruction and guidance to many in the club and others. Ed Lewis opens his workshop on Saturdays and would love to help you. Contact him at (423) 344-7295. There is no fee for this instruction from an excellent turner & teacher.

The following sponsors give generously to Tri-State Woodturners and we want to encourage members to support them generously



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# Treasurer's Report



# The Web

Starting Balance	3,358.42
Income:	2,849.17
Member dues	495.00
Silent Auction	1,119.17
Ornament sales	1,235.00
Expenses:	2,150.00
Demonstrator	150.00
Rent	210.00
Liability Insurance	555.00
Donation Food Bank	1,235.00
Ending Balance:	4,057.59

I have a dust collector . . . Why is my shop so dusty? Does this sound familiar? This is the title of a good video done by Gwinnett Woodworkers. They provide a lot of really good information to consider. You can see this video at this web site:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pF9XuVv4Ens&feature=em-sub digest>

Don't let the floor or your lungs become your only dust collector - watch this video and pick-up some idea that will help you in dust collection.

## Would you like to become a better wood turner?

You have heard the saying, "Practice makes perfect." Actually, perfect practice makes perfect. But practice can help us achieve our goal of improving our turning skills. The purpose of the Club Challenges is to help us become better turners by challenging us to explore new avenues of turning.

You are encouraged not to let this simply be a club challenge but let it become a personal challenge to stretch yourself and thus become a better turner. Just doing the same old thing over and over may not help you become a better turner so this year try stepping-up to the challenge and see what you can do.

# 2020 TSW Club Challenges

# following indicates the number submitted

cards will be available for you to post as a reminder

	<b>Novice Turner</b>	<b>Confident Turner</b>		<b>Novice Turner</b>	<b>Confident Turner</b>
January	Turned Bookends	Turned Bookends	July	Bottle Stopper	Egg Cup
February	Pen	Salt/Pepper Grinder	August	Candle Holder	Whimsical figure/piece
March	Lidded Box	Lamp	September	Toothpick Holder	Urn
April	Paper Towel Holder	Paper Towel Holder	October	Ornament	Nut Cracker (soldier)
May	Toy/Top	Pencil	November	Vase	Stool
June	Jewelry	Full size Bird House	December	* * Silent Auction Item * *	



Is the floor your best dust collector? Breathing in dust particles can be very hazardous to our health. There are other contaminants we often encounter in turning as well that can be dangerous to our health. Do you only put on breathing protection if a certain type of wood being turned causes you to have an adverse reaction? There are many particles too small to be seen and don't cause immediate reaction facing wood workers. While I do not have allergies or reactions to many things I can tend to become complacent and lazy about taking proper precautions to avoid that which can be harmful so watching the Gwinnett Woodworkers video, listed in the "The Web" section, on page 4, was a good reminder of this safety issue. You are encouraged to watch it.



# AAW Symposium

## June 4-7, 2020

Seldom does the AAW's International Symposium happen so close to us as it will this summer. You can learn all about the symposium on-line at:

[tiny.cc/Louisville2020](http://tiny.cc/Louisville2020). It is not too early to start making plans to attend. AAW is looking for people to be videographers for various session. This is one way you could get your registration paid for.

There is a \$25 discount offered to AAW chapters with 10 AAW members attending. A chapter representative must express a commitment to AAW by Feb. 1 that 10 members will attend and their payment will be due by April 1. Chapters that elect to participate will also receive one complimentary reserved table at the Sat. evening dinner.

It is expensive to attend an AAW International symposium but there are a lot of benefits in the

huge amount of classes offered and taught by world class demonstrators. There will be a dramatic amount of vendors available with every imaginable tool and materials for wood turning.

The AAW Symposium's Instant Gallery is the largest display of turned-wood objects under one roof! The open member show features more than 1,000 art works and crafts in wood by woodturners who attending the symposium. Woodturners of all skill levels will be represented.

Young people ages 10-18 are eligible to attend free and can learn how to turn in various hands-on sessions designed specifically for them.

If you have never attended an AAW International Symposium you are encouraged to consider this opportunity which is just 300 miles away.

# STEP UP TO THE PLATE

**SAVE THE DATE: STEP UP, ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE TO HAVE A BALL AT**



## AAW'S 34<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

Louisville, Kentucky • June 4-7, 2020

### STEP UP!

Step up, accept the challenge to up your game. You'll find experts from around the globe who will share their techniques and insights to help you bring your woodturning abilities to the next level. For a complete listing of Symposium demonstrators, visit [tiny.cc/Louisville2020](http://tiny.cc/Louisville2020).

You'll find demonstrations targeted to your skill level and areas of interest.

Over three-and-a-half days, you'll have 100+ compelling presentations to choose from to help you enrich your woodturning experience, including:

- Bowls & Platters
- Embellishment, Finishing, Carving, Design
- Segmented Work
- Tool Making & Tool Handling
- Pens
- Hollow Forms & Boxes
- Inspiration, Creativity, Narratives
- Small Treasures
- Spindles, Finials, Multiaxis Work
- Useful Panel Topics



**Dan Tilden**, *Madrone burl #5*



### SYMPOSIUM FACILITY

**Kentucky Expo Center**  
937 Phillips Lane, Louisville, KY 40209

Louisville, Kentucky's largest city, sits on the Ohio River along the Indiana border. Baseball is celebrated at the Louisville Slugger Museum and Factory, where Major League bats are produced and a giant baseball "slugger" marks the entrance. Save the date and make this trip a highlight for 2020!

**Mark Sfirri**, *Rejects from the Bat Factory*

Watch for updated information at [tiny.cc/Louisville2020](http://tiny.cc/Louisville2020). Or scan the QR code.



# 2020 Donation Projects



Do you appreciate what our troops do to provide for our freedom? Making some pens to give them would really be appreciated by them knowing people are supportive. Pen kits will be provided by Woodcraft. It does not take a long time to make a pen but it would be appreciated for years to come. Consider stepping-up this year and make a few pens.

Kids with serious illness need these boxes to keep all their beads, which they get for various treatments. Jim has shared the ecstatic joy kids express when getting one of these boxes. You can be an encouragement to a kid who is going through traumatic health issues by making a box to store their beads. Couldn't you make one this year? The beads and a card to insert will be available at TSW meetings along with guidelines for the size. Please consider making a Beads of Courage Box this year.



Food Bank provides affordable food for people in need and we can contribute significantly in helping them do this. In 2019 the ornaments made by TSW members were sold and provided \$1,235 for the Chattanooga Food Bank. Ornaments are so easy to make. In no time at all you could make a few for this project. Please make ornaments that have enough quality people would be willing to buy them.

# It's time for Membership dues

## Tri-State Woodturners Membership Form

PLEASE print or write legibly and complete each area - Thank you!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone 2:(cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Member's website (if you have one): \_\_\_\_\_

May the above info be placed in the club directory on line? (check one)  Yes  No

Would you consider yourself a:  Novice  Intermediate  Advanced woodturner

Year you started turning: \_\_\_\_\_ Would you be a mentor? \_\_\_\_\_

Type of lathe(s) you own and use: \_\_\_\_\_

Year you first joined TSW: \_\_\_\_\_ Are you currently an AAW member?:  Yes  No

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Dues paid	date:	Amt:	date form updated
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