

**Meeting Info:**

Zoom connections will be sent out prior to the club meeting on the 3rd Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

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Rick Urban Jan. Demonstrator



Tri-State Woodturners
An official AAW chapter



Rick Urban has been fascinated with wood his entire life and turned his first bowl in 1959. Though he owned a lathe during most of his next 40 years, it stayed in the background throughout education and careers in military aviation and the computer software industry. After moving to Georgia in 2002, the seed planted over 40 years earlier sprouted and began to grow.

He attended his first AAW Chapter meeting at Jim Madsen's house in 2003 and was hooked! He joined The Tri-State Woodturners of Chattanooga, Tennessee on the spot and the American Association of Woodturners (AAW) soon after. He was a past president of the Tri-State Woodturners and has been a member of Apple Ridge Woodturners in Ellijay, Georgia; Brevard County Woodturners in Mims, Florida; and the Mountain Regional Arts and Crafts Guild in Hiawassee, Georgia.

In 2006 he founded the Dalton Area Woodturners Guild (DAWG) and was president for three years. During that time DAWG obtained funding from the Georgia Council for the Arts and local patrons to help sponsor the first Woodturner Roundup which increased awareness of woodturning in the region.

His work won awards at the Georgia Creative Arts Guild Fine Arts Festival 2006 and 2007. In 2010 he moved to Florida where he won a number of competitive awards at the Flagler County Art League events including "Best in Show" at their 2011 Spring Festival.

His demo Tuesday Jan. 26 on Zoom will start about 6:30 p.m. **entitled Plater Chatter** Sometimes two designs or forms can be ever so similar in their fundamentals but have dramatically different aesthetic im-

pact. Why does one form instantaneously make you look more closely while another almost escapes notice? This demo strives to find answers to some of those kind of questions. Often it is only nuance that sets two works apart. Handout notes are at: <https://rickurbanwoodturner.wixsite.com/woodshaper/classes-1>





President's Corner

Well, here we are, another year and still dealing with COVID. We will continue holding meetings and demonstrations virtually until the vaccine takes effect. Let's hope and pray that we will be able to meet in person heading towards summer.

\$3000.00 being donated to the Chattanooga area food bank. That is tremendous! A special thanks to Doug Spohn for taking the lead on this project and to Jerry Schnelzer who essentially did all the groundwork supplying and maintaining our donation locations.

Thanks to all that supported the Christmas ornament project. I do not have the final dollar amount, but we will end up at around

Keep safe and keep those lathes turning!

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TSW club meeting is
Thursday January 21 at
7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Please fill out the membership form
Page 12 & Mail it with your 2021 dues

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 will be 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.

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

Beginning Balance this period		\$5,169.96
Income		871.57
Ornament sales	831.57	
Dues	40.00	
Expenses		300.00
TSW share of Zoom demos		
Ending Balance		\$5,741.53

Making a wooden sphere can be challenging. There are a number of jigs available if you want to spend the money for one but I thought you might like to see how to make a jig for yourself. Here is a DIY sphere making jig for the lathe on Youtube.

<https://youtu.be/URtB1i8Axsk>



Ornament sales to date are \$2306.57
Currently 11 members have paid their 2021 dues



Zoom Meetings

More will be coming in the new year so keep watching for them to be posted. If you have a demonstrator or demo you would like to see contact Doug Spohn at (423)240-4386.

2021 TSW Club Challenges

following indicates the number submitted

	Novice	Confident Turner		Novice Turner	Confident Turner
January	Utilitarian	Utilitarian	July	Not Wood	Not Wood
February	Spurtle or Dibble	Stool	August	Jar Topper	Salt/Pepper shaker
March	Bowl	Bowl w/embellishment	September	Tool Handle	Nut Cracker (Soldier)
April	Napkin Ring	Urn	October	Bottle Stopper	Unique Xmas Ornam't
May	Honey Dipper	Ring for a person	November	Trivet	German-style Ring
June	Magic Wand	Flower Pot	December	* * Silent Auction Item * *	



Safety Tips from AAW

Woodturning safety is YOUR responsibility

ROUTINE

- ◆ Check that all locking devices on the tailstock and toolrest assembly (rest and base, often called the “banjo”) are tight before operating the lathe.
- ◆ Frequently check the tightness of chuck jaws throughout the woodturning session.
- ◆ Remove chuck keys, adjusting wrenches, and knockout bars. Form a habit of removing them when finished using and checking they are removed before turning on the lathe.
- ◆ Know your capabilities and limitations. An experienced woodturner is capable of lathe speeds, techniques, and procedures not recommended for beginning turners.
- ◆ Don’t overreach, keep proper footing, and keep your balance at all times.
- ◆ Never leave the lathe running unattended. Don’t leave lathe until it comes to a complete stop.
- ◆ Stay alert and watch what you are doing. Don’t operate machines when you are tired or under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Pay close attention to unusual sounds or vibrations. Stop the lathe to investigate and correct the cause.

EQUIPMENT

- ◆ Keep lathe in good repair. Check for damaged parts, misalignment, binding of moving parts, and other conditions that may negatively affect its operation.
- ◆ Ensure that all guards, belt covers, and other safety features are in place.
- ◆ Keep the lathe bed, toolrest holder (banjo), and tailstock mating surfaces clean and operating smoothly. Remove rust or debris that would cause binding.
- ◆ Keep turning tools sharp and clean for better and safer performance. Don’t force a dull tool -- sharpen it. Inspect frequently for cracks or defects. Never use a tool for a purpose that it was not designed or intended for.

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This is a gift you can give to one of our military men or women to show your appreciation for their service. John Dekle has a good supply of pen kits right now from Woodcraft. Each pen you turn will impact one of our troops in a very positive way.



Pens for the Troops



Pens turned by members of Tristate Woodturners

2017	560 pens turned	
2018	436 pens turned	total 996
2019	314 pens turned	total 1,310
2020	402 pens turned	total 1712

TSW Zoom Meeting

7:00 p.m. Thurs. Jan. 21

mark  your **Calendar**

Next Zoom Demonstration

with Rick Urban

Tue. Jan. 26 - 6:30 p.m.

Links for the Zoom meetings will be sent in an email prior to the meeting

Club Challenge for Jan.-Utilitarian



Don Moore Chalice ↑



Don Maxwell Rolling Pins ↑

John Dekle Connector for Vacuum Cleaner ↓

**Why not
try doing the
Club Challenges
It's a great
experience**



Donation Projects



20 Pens for the Troops by
Jerry Bowman ↓



Beads of Courage Box ↑ by John Dekle

20 Pens for the Troops
by Don Moore →



Show, Tell & Learn Instant Gallery



Don Maxwell made this interesting Bowl with the voids (2 pictures), the Chalice Holder and the Bowl.

John Dekle created the Spurtles and the Cedar Vase

Show, Tell & Learn Instant Gallery

Bowls made by Don Moore



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Show, Tell & Learn Instant Gallery



These items were all inspired and created by Don Moore

Show, Tell & Learn Instant Gallery

Vases
made
by Don
Moore



Your items could
Be displayed
Here

IF

You had submitted Pictures

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 Confident 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

**MAIL THIS FORM WITH YOUR CHECK (to: Tri-state Wood Turners) OF \$40 TO:
TSW C/O, MR. CHARLES JENNINGS, 11730 CLIFT RD. SODDY DAISY, TN 37379**

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do not write below this line

Dues paid	date:	Amt:	date form updated
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