

## 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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## No Demonstration In May BUT . . .

No demonstration has been scheduled for May but it looks like June we will have a demonstration. In the meantime you can be planning for the AAW Virtual Symposium July 17—July 18 with many internationally known woodturners. Admission is \$45 for AAW members and \$60 for all others. With 12 featured demonstrations, that's as low as \$3.75 per demonstration. A great value! And, you get many other compelling event elements included with the price of Virtual Symposium admission.

When you register, you'll have access to recorded replays of featured demonstrations and panel discussions even if you're not able to participate in the complete two-day online experience. You'll be able to watch them on your own time .

Register today and you'll have a front row seat to all the action. The Virtual Symposium



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will be your chance to benefit from the collective know-how, innovation, and creative passion of woodturners worldwide all in one venue and from the comfort of your own home. AAW will use an enhanced virtual event software platform to offer multiple concurrent live demonstration tracks, panel discussions, special interest topics, a trade show, Instant Gallery, live and silent auctions, drawings, and more. You'll be able to plan your experience, hop back and forth between sessions, and have opportunities to engage with other attendees face-to-face.

The latest information about the virtual symposium is on the AAW website and will be updated regularly. <https://www.woodturner.org/>

## Look what June holds

See the announcement about in-person-meetings starting soon in the President's Corner on page 2. Your response is needed—see page 4



# President's Corner

Finally, we are at a point in the pandemic where we can finally have in-person meetings. We are currently planning on resuming in-person meetings in June. We do plan on following the CDC and Governor Lee's recommendations. Masks are recommended for those that have not been fully vaccinated. For those that have been vaccinated, it is a personal choice as to whether a mask is worn. We will provide updates and further guidance as we approach the June meeting.

Some members have voiced a desire to change our meeting day

and time. As we slide back into in-person meetings, now would be the time to make changes if needed. **Please respond to the questionnaire on page 4, in this newsletter, as to your preference for a meeting time** and we will accommodate the wishes of the majority.

Finally, don't forget about our Pens for Troops challenge with the Nashville area and it is not too soon to start making Christmas ornaments for the Chattanooga Area Food Bank Project. Be safe and keep those lathes turning!

## TSW CLUB OFFICERS

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Tri-state Woodturner Mentors



**TSW club meeting is  
Thursday May 20 at  
7:00 p.m. via Zoom**

**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.

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# Treasurer's Report



# The Web

Beginning Balance March		4,690.53
Income		200.00
Dues	200.00	
Expenses		537.00
Web set-up	537.00	
Ending Balance		4,890.53

In this Craft Supply video, Kirk DeHeer will take you step-by-step through the process of shaping and sharpening tools so that your tools cut cleaner with a better finish. This will reduce sanding time and increase tool life. He will also show how to re-shape your tools to a correct profile with a simple trick or two.

<https://blog.woodturnerscatalog.com/2021/02/woodturning-101-video-4-how-to-sharpen/>



## Zoom Meeting

This will be the regular TSW monthly meeting for May but with no demonstration. Links for the Zoom meeting will be sent by Email prior to the meeting. Date: Thursday, May 20, 2021 - Time: 7:00 p.m. Join us for a great time of discussion. Even though we cannot meet in-person this gives us a chance to visit and catch up with each other.

## 2021 TSW Club Challenges

# following indicates the number submitted

	Novice	Confident Turner		Novice Turner	Confident Turner
January	Utilitarian	Utilitarian—4	July	Not Wood	Not Wood
February	Spurtle or Dibble	Stool—2	August	Jar Topper	Salt/Pepper shaker
March	Bowl	Bowl w/embellish—2	September	Tool Handle	Nut Cracker (Soldier)
April	Napkin Ring	Urn—3	October	Bottle Stopper	Unique Xmas Ornam't
May	Honey Dipper	Ring for a person— 2	November	Trivet	German-style Ring
June	Magic Wand	Flower Pot	December	* * Silent Auction Item * *	

# Questionnaire regarding TSW Meetings

We really NEED your input on this matter. We are hoping to begin meeting in person in June. A suggestion has been raised that we change our meeting times. This directly impacts you as well as all the members of Tri-state Woodturners. Here are some options already submitted.

## Please let us know what is your preference.

If you have another option please let that be known as well. By the end of May send your response to John Dekle at [Turning411@Yahoo.com](mailto:Turning411@Yahoo.com). All the responses will be considered before making any change. You don't have to wait, your response can be sent as soon as you read this newsletter. If you send it right away you won't forget.

**Option 1:** Continue to meet on Saturday at 1:00 p.m. (Third Saturday with a target to be over by 3:30-4:00)

**Option 2:** Meet on Thursday evening at 6:00 p.m. (Gather at 5:30 to visit, start at 6:00 with a target to be over by 8:00 p.m.)

**Option 3:** During the Summer meet on Thursday evening then switch to Saturdays during the winter months when it gets dark earlier.

**Option 4:** You don't have an opinion and willing to attend whichever option is chosen

If you have questions regarding this call Jim Dvorak 423-833-2212,  
John Dekle 423-508-8051 or ask at the Zoom meeting May 20

## REMINDER

If you haven't filled out a membership form or paid you dues for 2021 PLEASE do so—see page 10



For the June meeting let's celebrate with everyone bringing a turned piece —maybe the June challenge which is a magic wand for Novice turners or a flower pot for Confident turners.

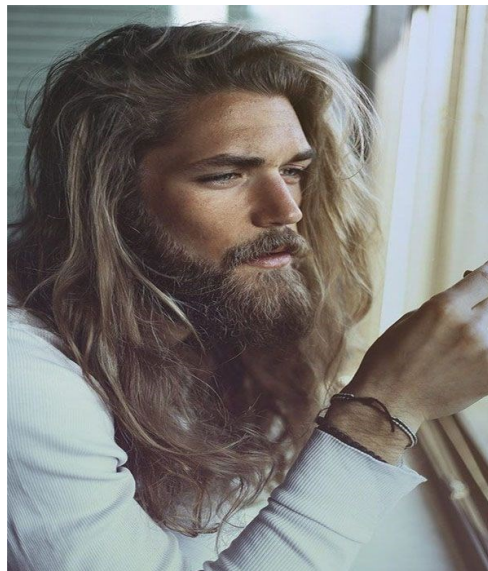




# Safety

## What do these things have in common?

By John Dekle



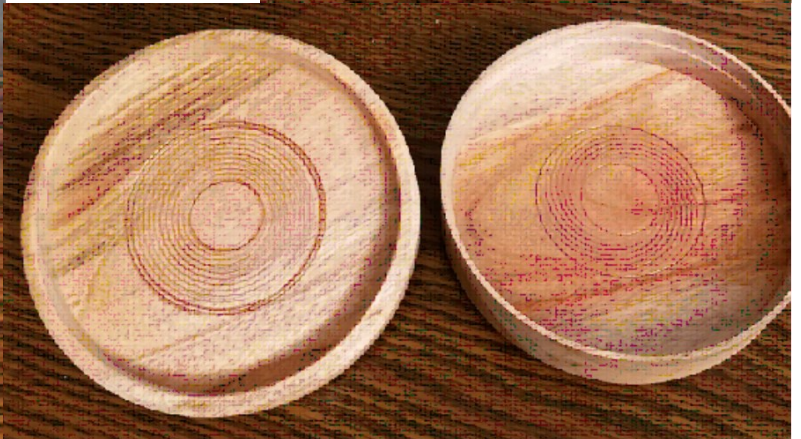
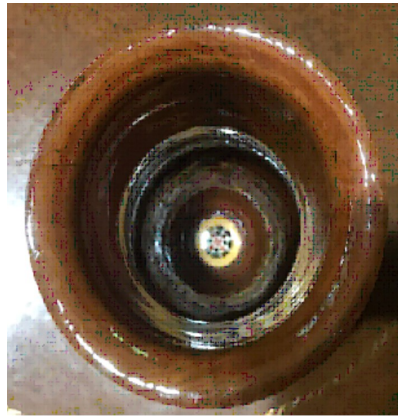
1. Hats with strings
2. Hanging necklaces
3. Loose bracelets
4. Loose long sleeves
5. Long hair or beards

Any thing hanging loose can get caught in a lathe turning at extremely fast speeds causing serious injury. Close examination and removal or securing things that could get caught is very important. This is a personal responsibility that will enhance the joy of turning and remove the danger that could cause pain and grief.

# Show and Tell



Cherry Vase made by Larry Skaggs with a button in the bottom



Camphor Lidded Box and Pens created by Ron Plumley



# Show and Tell



The creations on this page were submitted by  
Charles Jennings

# Show and Tell



This page shows the creations of Steve Elliott



The challenge for May is a Ring someone can wear



# Show and Tell

Resin rings sizes 9, 9.5 & 11, Segmented ring with lidded box, Pen for military neighbor boy,



Segmented bowl with insert coins, Seamstress sticks all made by John Dekle



# 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) with \$40 TO:  
TSW C/O, Dr. John Dekle, 6310 Cedar Cove Lane, Harrison, TN 37341**

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do not write below this line

Dues paid	date:	Amt:	date form updated
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