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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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NEWS for TSW folks

For the past four months we have been fortunate to be able to have some Zoom demonstrations with a couple other clubs. We have no scheduled Zoom demonstration planned for December that I know of and the November meeting has already occurred. If you missed it you can see a video of the Demonstration by Harvey Meyer by requesting the link. It is an excellent demo and I encourage you to log on to this video and watch it.

Due to the Covid restrictions, it has been determined that the scheduled Christmas dinner and silent auction for 2020 will be canceled. Maybe, when every



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thing gets back to normal we will have some kind of celebration party to make up for this cancelation.

There will be a Zoom meeting this coming Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. You may need to set an alarm to remind yourself to log in for it. I hope you will join the meeting.

If you have turned things since the last meeting please send pictures to John Dekle at: Turning411@Yahoo.com. I will try to get a slide show together of all items sent to me by Wed. night. My computer crashed, and I had to get another after losing everything then my email got hacked so the only picture I currently have is from Larry Skaggs.



President's Corner

Thanks to all who participated in our last virtual meeting. I look forward to our next meeting this coming Thursday at 7 pm. We will again have time for Q&A, so bring those questions forward at our meeting. Also, please be prepared for the show and tell. We would like to see what you have been working on this past month. If possible, please send John Dekle a photo of your projects so we can all see it during the meeting. We will again have gift certificate drawings for each category.

Last week, our club was asked to participate in Woodcraft's veteran's day celebration. We did so by manning several lathes and helping customers turn pens for the troops. It's a great way to meet people, promote our craft, and support our 'pens for troops' service project. We had a good turnout with several pens being turned in for the troops. A special thanks to Gary and John for helping mentor Woodcraft customers while making pens.

Keep safe and keep those lathes turning!

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The above officers are official Tri-state Woodturner Mentors



TSW club meeting is Thursday November 19 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 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

This month the featured woodturning YouTube channel is Sprague Woodturning. He comes out of Canada and he has a number of interesting inlay project that could be applicable for most turners. Twisted wire, cross sections of branches and other inlay materials. He shares a lot of other ideas that you may find interesting for use in your shop/studio. You can find his channel at: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC79W2RiyI-DtPQ6bxBHRpbw/featured>



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.

2020 TSW Club Challenges

following indicates the number submitted

	Novice	Confident Turner		Novice Turner	Confident Turner
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 * *	

TSW Zoom Meeting

7:00 p.m. Thursday



Tools

All turners have tools and it seems are constantly being tempted to buy new ones. The topic of discussion at the TSW Zoom meeting on Thursday will center around tools especially home made tools you have made that are helpful and how you store your tools.

Often a picture is worth a 1000 words. If you send John Dekle (Turning411@Yahoo.com) pictures of tools you've made or your method of storing your tools it will be available during the Zoom meeting which will help others to see what you have to share.

By sharing you will help others. This has been a common characteristic of turners—their willingness to share with others. Join the group of turners who share with others.



Carving spoon ↑ Carbide parting tool ↓





Safety Tips from AAW

Woodturning safety is YOUR responsibility

Safe, effective use of a wood lathe requires study and knowledge of procedures for using this tool. Read, thoroughly understand, and follow the label warnings on the lathe and in the owner-operator's manual. Safety guidelines from an experienced instructor, video, or books are good sources of important safety procedures. Please work safely.

PERSONAL PROTECTION EQUIPMENT

- ◆ **Use a full-face shield** for all woodturning operations, any time the lathe is turned on.
- ◆ **Wear safety glasses** when doing operations other than on a running Lathe.
- ◆ **Use a dust mask**, filtering respirator, or a powered air filtration respirator in conjunction with a dust collection system and proper ventilation. Fine particles from a grinder and wood dust are harmful to your respiratory system. Be especially mindful of dust from many exotic woods, spalted woods, or any wood that gives you a skin or respiratory reaction.
- ◆ **Wear hearing protection** during noisy procedures. If a procedure is even moderately noisy and you are doing it for an extended period of time, wear hearing protection.
- ◆ **Wear shoes or boots** to protect your feet from falling objects.

BLANKS AND TURNING MATERIALS

- ◆ Turning stock should be physically sound and carefully inspected for cracks, splits, checking, ring shake, and other defects that compromise the integrity of the wood. Always be aware that defects may be present but undetectable through visual inspection.
- ◆ Exercise extra caution when using stock with any known defects, bark inclusions, knots, irregular shapes, or protuberances. Beginners should avoid these types of stock until they have greater knowledge of working such wood.
- ◆ Frequently stop the lathe and inspect the blank to determine if defects are being developed or exposed as material is removed. Discard blanks that have significant defects. Adding adhesives in an attempt to "fix" defects in the blank is not advised. **Do not rely on glue to keep a defective blank together.**

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