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OCT 2023 NEWSLETTER

Meeting Info:

Meeting location:

8361A Dayton Pike

Soddy Daisy, TN

(Horsin' Around)

At 1:00 p.m. Sat.

Oct. 21, 2023

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Oct. Demonstrator Michael Anderson



Michael has always been fascinated with nature. During his childhood, days were spent climbing trees, whittling, wading in creeks, digging through the mud, and doing everything else that bored kids tend to do. Fastforward to adulthood where Michael spent most of his free time rock climbing and hiking in the woods. When his first child was born, Michael longed to spend more time at home with his family. He bought a wood lathe, and then bought a bigger lathe and never looked back. Woodturning affords Michael a deep connection to natural materials and satiates his need for creativity.

Alternating between turning calabash style bowls and sculptural pieces, Michael prefers to work with hardwoods sourced in the southeastern United States. Although Michael often showcases the natural color and figure of wood, many of his pieces are embellished after the turning is complete. He is intrigued with the variety of techniques available to alter the appearance of wood. Michael is a member of the AAW forum, Turning of the Week Team, as well as a cover team member for the World of Woodturners (WoW) online forum.

The demonstration Saturday, October 21, at the TSW meeting, will be how to turn a heart on the lathe. Michael's systematic approach involves multi-axis turning. This is an interesting demonstration that will touch on side-grain turning, end-grain turning, interrupted cuts, and a few other techniques.





Sept. Demonstation

Jeffrey Mead made a good presentation on turning a tea pot. These pictures may capture some of the process.





















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Donation Projects



Don't forget the opportunity to give to others by turning one of the donation projects; Beads of Courage Box, Pens for the Troops or Ornaments.





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 are 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 🏋





Beginning Balance August		3,949.87
Income		455.00
Raffle	85.00	
Dues	20.00	
Other	350.00	
Expenses		1,948.00
Lathes	1,050.00	
Demonstrator	250.00	
Rent	648.00	
Ending Balance August		1,406.87

Next month the challenge is to make a Yo-yo. To help with that project here is a video put out by AAW last month: (520) Turning Tops and Yo-Yos on a Lathe - YouTube

If you like to see another try Carl Jacobson at: (520) Woodturning - How To Make A Yo-Yo With

Scrap Wood - YouTube

For the salt/Pepper shaker try Mike Peace at: How to Turn a Salt and Pepper Shaker - Bing video

You can google either project for more videos

023 TSW Club Challenges

If you are a novice or beginner turner you may do the Novice Challenges or the Confident Turner Challenge. There is also the option to turn what was demonstrated the previous month.

Novice Turner		Confident Turner
Awl -1	Jan	Awl—4
Pen—2	Feb	Candle Holder w/Glass Globe—8
Jewelry –3	Mar	Acorn Lidded Box—8
Bottle Stopper—2	Apr	Pen/Pencil (w/o a kit) -5
Tooth Pick Holder—3	May	Fishing Lure—3
Napkin Ring—4	June	Baby Rattle—3
Scoop—3	July	Flask—1
Weed Pot— 1	Aug	Plant Stand—2
Door Stop –3	Sep	Stethoscope –4
Ornament	Oct	Bell
Salt/Pepper Shaker	Nov	Yoyo

Last Chance this Year



This upcoming meeting, October 21st will be your last opportunity to turn in Pens for the Troops at a TSW meeting for this year. The cut-off date to turn them into Woodcraft for this year is Nov. 11 at 11:59 a.m. Currently we are leading Nashville in the count but they may be holding back some to turn in the last minute. If you have pen kits out PLEASE take some time to finish them up this week so you can turn them in at the meeting. I have kits and will bring them to the club meeting but after turning them, you will have to take them to Woodcraft and let them know they are from Tri-State Woodturners.

Turning Pens for the Troops at Woodcraft—for the Public

This event usually occurs around Veterns Day. It is a great opportunity to introduce people to the art of turning. Some people show up with no clue as to what turning involves while others may be wood turners but not involved in a club. It has been a magnificent promotion time for TSW but also a wonderful time to interact with people and show them how to turn a pen. If you are interested in helping people learn how to turn a pen for the troops let John Dekle know and he will schedule you to help. The event this year will be held at Woodcraft on Saturday, November 4, 2023. Woodcraft provides all materials needed. Pens turned this day all go to the troops.

Useful Idea, Tips, Tools & Techniques

I watched a demonstrator one time who made an emphatic statement that "a good turner never has a catch". He was very serious and meant what he said. Well, I cannot agree as I've seen good turners and demonstrators make catches. So what do you do with that disaster?

Some may want to quit or throw the project away and sometimes, "discard" may be written all over the error. But, it can be a learning experience. The way we get better is to learn from our mistakes.



We've probably all heard the comment of "design opportunities" and that can be very true when things don't turn out as originally planned.

Have you ever heard of a bowl turner who made a funnel? That wasn't the case in this picture. If the box had become a funnel, a base with a contrasting wood or the same wood could save the project. Just consider options.



Safety Tips

At times turning something simple, I get tempted to be lazy and not put on that face shield but that is NOT a good idea. Recently while turning a small top the wing of my detail gouge caught the edge and ripped the top off the lathe and it shot across the workshop like a bullet. It was a careless mistake and could have been catastrophic had it flew toward my face and

if I had not had a face shield on. Fortunately, I had my face shield on and the trajectory was not toward my face. It was too small for design opportunities but a good safety tip—wear your face shield!



Show and Tell

These two Segmented Vases were created by Allen Quandee





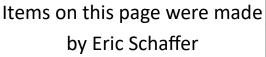
















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Pen for the Troops \uparrow made by Charles Jennings and the Bowl \uparrow Pizza Cutter \downarrow made by Dieter Kuberg and Pens for the Troops \downarrow





↓ Two Bowls (Willow and Magnolia) turned by Gene Payne ↓





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Maple Bowl turned by Jennifer Kirby ↑

Stethoscope created by Terry Pearson →

Charles Abercrombie ↓ Door Stop



Stethoscope →

And the four items below

Turned by Kennie Schaffer



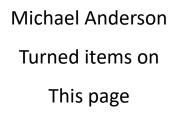


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Show and Tell











Don
Moore
Turned these
6 Bowls

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Ornaments and Stethoscope →

Made by Jerry Schnelzer



Above pens, small bowl and Tree ornament by Seth Eichenberger

Pens for the Troops

Made by Johnny Renfro











These segmented items above were turned by Larry Petty

Jerry Reed turned the ornaments and Black Gum
Bowl below





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