

Kansas City

Woodturners

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Local Chapter of The American Association of Woodturners

The January Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7:00 PM January 8th at the Woodcraft Store.

The scheduled speaker this month will be Jug Buckles. As many of you know, Jug has been a member of Kansas City Woodturners for a long time. Jug is a professional woodworker who also makes segmented bowls. Some of his bowl constructions are very large. He has occasionally brought his bowls to our "show and tell" and will hopefully tell us some of his tricks and techniques at his presentation.

We will collect annual dues at this meeting. At the December meeting we voted to leave dues at \$10.00 per year. It was pretty-much agreed that the dues we collect are sufficient for our normal expenditures. If we ever decided to hold an expensive event, like feature an out-of-town speaker, we could raise additional money at that time. If you are unable to attend the January meeting, please mail your dues to our Treasurer: J. R. "Russ" Blaser, 8520 Greenwood Lane, Lenexa, KS 66215.

Thanks to everyone who brought a turnable piece of wood for the December meeting's raffle. The raffle pot included nice blocks of monkey pod, walnut, purpleheart and the sample 1996 AAW Calendar. We may do this again at a future meeting but you don't need to bring anything to the next Kansas City Woodturners meeting.

The suggested "challenge" for the January meeting is a mallet or gavel. Most woodworking shops need a good mallet and they can be fairly easy to make. Plenty of mallet design ideas are available in woodworker's catalogues. Bring your mallets to the January meeting. Those of us that haven't found time for much woodworking during this busy holiday season should at least get some good ideas for a future mallet project at this coming meeting. If you were late making a holiday ornament in time for the December meeting then bring it to the upcoming meeting. Also bring any "show and tell" projects you're working on. The upcoming challenges are listed for the next several meetings to give more time to those of us that have a hard time finishing a project in a month. I have donated to KC Woodturners some photocopies of wood magazine examples of these challenges. The photocopies will be for sale at 10¢ per page. You may look at them for free. If you have any good examples or plans for the challenges, bring them in and I will photocopy them for our "library".

Roger Sheperd's Upcoming "Challenges"

January	Mallet or Gavel
February	Weed Pot
March	Tool Handle (for lathe tool, chisel, etc.)
April	Useful objects - pen, pencil, rolling pin, toothpick holder or carrier, perfume bottle, duck call, etc.
May	“Natural Edge” bowl, vase, plate or platter

Last Meeting

Our new Vice President, Roger Sheperd, presided over the December meeting. We didn't have a featured speaker at this meeting so Roger led a discussion on annual dues, as mentioned earlier. Paul, Manager of the Woodcraft Store, addressed the meeting and reassured the KC Woodturners that the Woodcraft Store is glad to have our monthly meetings in the store for the foreseeable future. We all thanked Paul and will continue to favor Woodcraft with our business and good will as we have in the past. Other meeting business included a discussion on what future demonstrations or discussions the members would like to see. Topics requested were “how to safely heat a shop” and “shop dust control”.

The December meeting's "show and tell" had quite a few great projects. Dutton Biggs brought his completed Noah's Arc segmented bowl, a very unique and ingenious creation. George Sharrar brought a couple of new bowls, including an outstanding compound-mitered osage orange bowl. Kevin Neelley brought a black palm wood bowl, utilizing both edge and end grain. Earl Reed brought a newly-completed bowl that he says is a refinement of the bowls he showed at the November meeting. The new bowl's lines show Earl has a good eye for proportion. Roger Fisher brought a fine new bowl. One thing I noticed - Roger has a personal signature disk attached to the bottom of his bowls - maybe he could tell us where he gets them. John Winfiel brought a number of projects in progress to show: a feather plaque, an intricate music box and a bowl with top having a metal hinged lip. John sure has some varied projects cooking. John Larson showed the waffle iron handles he is making with his duplicator lathe. John might be demonstrating a Vega Duplicator Lathe at the Woodworker's Show at the Merchandise Mart on February 10th or thereabouts. Roger Sheperd brought Christmas tree ornaments to show. He makes them from very light weight wood (no need to hollow them) and paints them with enamel paint. Chris Kunzle brought wooden tops with inserted small felt-tip pens. The pens draw circular designs when the tops are spun. Kids really ought to love these toy tops.

1995 AAW Symposium and 1996 AAW Calendar

If you would like to purchase a 1996 AAW Calendar for \$6.67, money will be collected at the January meeting. The 1995 AAW Symposium videos (held at UC Davis last July) are now available. The Kansas City Woodturners will purchase a set of these videos for

our members. Anyone interested in purchasing a set for themselves should contact me (Kevin Neelley) for an order form. AAW members pay a discounted \$30.00 per video set. Non-members can get the discount by ordering through the Kansas City Woodturners, which is an AAW local chapter.

Videos and Magazines

Please return checked-out KC Woodturners videos and magazines during the monthly meetings. Do not return them to the Woodcraft Store. John Larson will bring the box to each meeting. Also, we need to do an inventory of our growing collection so please return anything that is out. Thanks.

Upcoming Events

2nd AAW National Show January. Fitchburg, Mass.

John Campbell “Wood at the Folk School” Event January through June. Will feature classes and demonstrations in woodcarving, woodturning, blacksmithing, quilting and much more. Held in Brasstown, NC. Fees are around \$232.00 per class or event. Room and board can be arranged for about \$300.00 per week.

Topeka Woodturners Club March or April. SOLD OUT! Allen Lancer, former AAW National President and full time turner will talk about topics ranging from spindle and bowl turning, skew work, tool making and end grain turning. Cost is \$20.00 per person.

Ornamental Turning Seminar UMKC Campus. May 10, 11, 12, 13. Anyone interested in ornamental turning is invited. There is an extensive list of exhibits and programs. The cost will be \$150.00 to \$175.00 per person and includes three lunches and one dinner. If you're interested in ornamental turning, this seminar will be the best one in this country for years.

Arrowmont May, June, July. Russ Blaser will provide details at the January meeting.

American Association of Woodturners 1996 Symposium June 22-24. 10th Anniversary. Greensborough, NC.

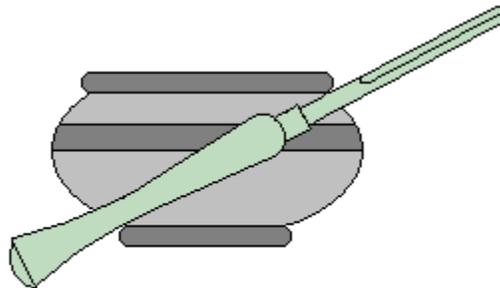
New Kansas City Woodturners Officers

President	Dean Harper	381-7318
Vice President	Roger Sheperd	236-6412
Treasurer	Russ Blaser	894-2232
Secretary	Kevin Neelley	341-1082
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Buy, Sell, Trade

If anyone has tools, machinery, wood, etc. that they would like to part with or if you would like to buy the same, give me (Kevin Neelley) a note and I will include it in the next newsletter.

1. Matt Campbell is interested in buying a band saw and drill press. Contact him at Work: 469-8500 Ext. 3274 or Home: 649-0354.
2. Tom Mouser has an older model Delta lathe for sale. 12" throw by 36" bed. 1 HP motor. 3-speed manual changeover. 3 face plates. Original steel stand. \$600.00. Contact him at (816) 471-7038, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.



The Kansas City Woodturners is a group of individuals who get together to share their common interest in working on the lathe. Meetings are held on the second Monday of every month at Woodcraft Supply in Lenexa, Kansas at 7:00 PM.