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The October Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7:00 PM, Monday, October 13th, at the Kansas City Woodturner's new permanent meeting location: Consolidated Lumber and Millwork in Merriam, KS. A map is attached. As most of you know by now, due to remodeling and operations changes at Woodcraft Supply, we had to look for a new meeting location. KC Woodturner Jim Lambie recommended that we talk to Bill Wilson and Michael Chapman of Consolidated Lumber, who were eager for our group to meet at their facility. Some of their employees may even join the KC Woodturners. Their building is ideally suited to our meeting requirements, including the occasional woodturning demonstration. Anyway, we gladly accepted their offer of a new meeting place.

The Kansas City Woodturners would like to buy a wood lathe for demonstrations at our monthly meetings. To this end, we would like to hold a special tool auction at the November meeting. Any member who would like to donate a tool, for example a lathe tool you don't ever use, to the auction, please bring it to the October meeting. You might also include a minimum bid for the tool and what the new tool price was. If the minimum bid is not reached, you would get the tool back, at your option. Those members that can't attend the November meeting but want to donate a tool, please make arrangements with Kevin Neelley prior to the November meeting so we can publish a listing in the newsletter. A cash contribution, to be used for lathe purchase, would also be very welcome.

October's meeting will feature KC Woodturner **George "Sonny" Sharrar** as guest speaker. Sonny has prepared a presentation of how he makes his segmented bowls. Many of our newer members have seen Sonny's excellent work but have never heard him explain his tricks and techniques. Many of the older members sometimes need a refresher course.

Several KC Woodturners attended the recent Woodturners of St. Louis Annual Turning Symposium. Reports indicate that it was worth the trip. Maybe some of the attendees will describe the events and demonstrations to those of us that couldn't make the trip.

Last Meeting

The September meeting featured KC Woodturner **Chris Kunzle** as guest speaker. Chris had a very polished presentation on how to make a long, thin-stemmed turned wooden goblet. Chris

brought several examples and some props to help explain the steps necessary for a successful project. He says that the beauty of these goblets is that they look impossible to make, but they really aren't that difficult.

Show and Tell

George "Sonny" Sharrar brought two very nice segmented bowls to show. The first was a curly maple and cardinal wood bowl with one of his signature star designs inset in the bowl's bottom. The second was a bocote and bloodwood bowl. Sonny also gave some tips on how to cut and install decorative veneer layers in segmented bowls.

Pete Stiglich showed us a very usable walnut and brass scribe he made. One of the good features of his scribe was the triangular point, made this way so the scribe can more exactly follow a straightedge.

Russ Blaser brought a good-looking natural-edged buckeye burl bowl. He said that it was a very wet turning. Russ finished the bowl using deft.

Kevin Neelley brought a tall segmented purpleheart ginger jar. The jar was compound mitered and had a curly maple central ring and knob boss.

Chuck Carnahan brought a very large and beautiful jarrah-wood platter to show off. The voids in the wood were filled with lapis stone. I heard that Chuck has already sold this piece.

Dan Moreno exhibited two really nice pieces. One was a hollow turning made from "goldfield" eucalyptus. The other was a vase made from maple and walnut.

Rick Farrell showed off a good-looking hollow-turned bowl made from chechem burl. The bowl featured turquoise inlay and a very small opening.

Upcoming Events

Hidden Glen Arts Festival. October 4 and 5. Olathe, KS. \$2 admission. Hours are Saturday 10 to 9 and Sunday 11 to 5. Chuck Carnahan and Kevin Neelley will be there to sell their bowls. Russ Blaser will also be there to sell bowls at his first arts festival. Take Highway 10 west (toward Lawrence, KS). Exit Highway 10 at Cedar Creek Parkway. Drive south on Cedar Creek Parkway and follow the signs.

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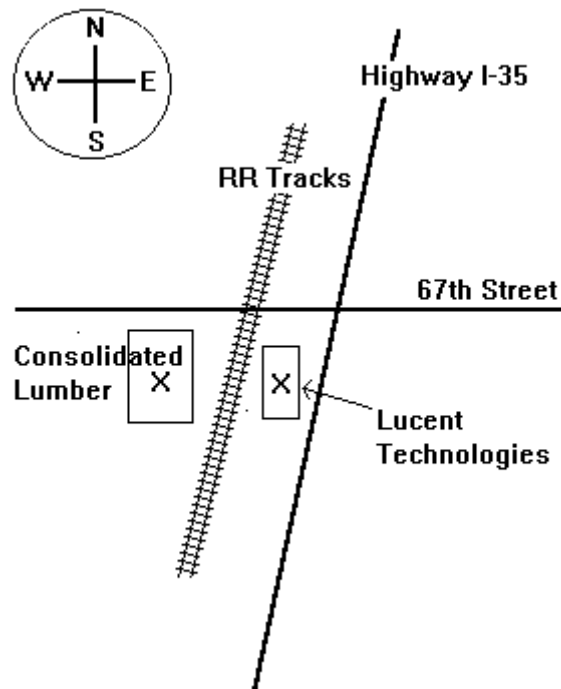
If any members can recommend woodturning video titles, please let us know and we will purchase them for our collection. Please return checked-out KC Woodturners videos and magazines during the monthly meetings. Do not return them to the Woodcraft Store. John Larson will bring the box to each meeting. Thanks.

Buy, Sell, Trade

If anyone has tools, machinery, wood, etc. that they would like to sell 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. Craftsman 12" bandsaw for sale. Good condition. Price is \$200.00. If interested, call Dean Harper at 381-7318
2. Sorby Ornamental Turning Machine for sale. Very good condition. \$300.00 or best offer. Also, assorted lathe tools for sale. Very good condition. Sorby, Raffan and Glaser brands. If interested, call Chuck Carnahan at 361-9722.

Map to Consolidated Lumber and Millwork:



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 Consolidated Lumber and Millwork in Merriam, Kansas at 7:00 PM.