



Kansas City

Woodturners

November 1998 Local Chapter of The American Association of Woodturners Newsletter No. 53

The November Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7:00 PM, Monday, **November 9th**, at Consolidated Lumber and Millwork in Merriam, KS. Please park at the front or side of the building, outside the gates, because the gates will be locked later.

The scheduled speaker for November's meeting will be Kansas City Woodturners member **Chris Kunzle**. Chris recently gave a talk and demonstration at the Woodworker's Guild meeting where he honed his speaking skills to a razor's edge. At our next meeting he will demonstrate some of the more unusual Robert Sorby brand lathe tools.

We will have a special raffle at the next meeting. For \$1 you will have a chance to learn how to turn chechem burl caps from KC Woodturner member **Chuck Carnahan**. Chuck has turned and sold dozens of these at local art shows. **Rick Farrell** of Paxton Woodworkers Store will donate the chechem burl cap. Chuck will donate two three-hour sessions at his shop in Martin City to help the lucky winner complete a piece. Chuck will also donate any semiprecious stone inlay for the piece. Chuck has very generously donated his time for this raffle. Chuck asks that the finished piece be displayed at the next KC Woodturners meeting "Show and Tell".

The KC Woodturners officers have decided to give an incentive to first-time "Show and Tell" presenters. You will be given a free entry into the \$1 meeting raffle when you show off your project or interesting "whatsit" to the members. Unfortunately, we can't promise you'll win.

Refreshments for the November meeting will be provided by **Steve Sandelich** and **Dick Smith**. Refreshments consist of three 2-liter bottles of soda pop, 40 cups, a bag of ice and four dozen cookies. Setup and cleanup volunteers are **Warren Wicker**, **Chris Payne** and **Pat Roman**.

Call For Officers! If you are interested in being a Kansas City Woodturners officer please let us know at the next meeting. All officer's positions will be available for 1999, including my position as **Secretary and Newsletter Editor**. I have really enjoyed the position but need a change of scenery. Anyone who wishes to give it a shot should let us know. We will vote for new officers at the **December** meeting.

Last Meeting

The October meeting featured the Kansas City Woodturners member **John Shackelford**. John demonstrated making Christmas tree ornaments. The ornament design was one that he saw at a woodturning demonstration by a nationally-known turner. John did a terrific job at explaining the ins and outs of making the ornaments. He made a list of everything that he wanted to say at his demonstration so he wouldn't miss anything even when he became involved in the demo.

Show and Tell

Russ Blaser brought a good-looking small vase turned from wormy box elder. Russ turned the inside through a small hole in top. He had to strengthen the vase with duct tape while turning the inside to keep it from flying apart.

Anthony Harris showed off a really big walnut bowl he turned - nearly three feet in diameter. He turned the bowl on his Record lathe that is powered by a 7-1/2 hp motor. Nice job Anthony.

Chuck Carnahan displayed several very nice bowls made from Mexican Yucatan peninsula woods. Two of the bowls were turned from chechem burl. The third was turned from ziricote. Chuck said that these woods caused a rash on his arm while turning them. He also said that he later discovered that "poison ivy blocker" cream, which is available in most drug stores, seems to help with this kind of reaction.

Upcoming Events

The John C. Campbell Folk School, July 5, 1998 thru March 27, 1999 at the John C. Campbell Folk School in Brasstown, NC. This school has one week and weekend adult classes year-round. Demonstrators include Dave Barriger, Larry Hasiak, Nick Cook, Robert Rosand and many others. This is a hands-on school. Call 800-365-5724 for details.

Robert Sorby Tool Representatives from England will be at The Paxton Woodcrafters' Store on Friday, November 13th from 2pm to 5pm. They will demonstrate metal spinning, spiraling and texturing, hollowing, shear scraping and fingernail gouges. This event is free.

Kansas City Woodturners Officers

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Videos and Magazines

Please see Librarians **Rich McCartney** or **Dick Smith** to check out or return videos and magazines during the monthly meetings. If any of you have old woodworking-related magazines or catalogs gathering dust at your house and want to get rid of them, please bring them to the meetings and put them on one of the tables. Someone might be interested in them. We'll toss any unclaimed magazines at the end of the meeting.

Associate Members

Several area businesses have supported the Kansas City Woodturners so we list them to show our appreciation and encourage your patronage:

- **Jeff Farris** and Farris Machinery in Grain Valley Missouri. Jeff has quite a selection of wood lathes and lathe tools. Their address is 1206 Pavilion Drive, Grain Valley, MO 64029. Tel (816) 229-3055.
- **Paul Butel, Bill Coomer** and Woodcraft Supply. One of the best selections of woodworking equipment in the Kansas City area. Their address is 8645 Bluejacket Road, Lenexa, KS 66214. Tel (913) 599-2800.
- **Rick Farrell** and The Paxton Woodcrafters Store. Rick is offering a 10% discount on everything in the store. Paxton's Fall Burl-A-Rama features 30% to 60% off on a wide selection of burls, blocks and turning squares of madrone burl, redwood burl, eucalyptus burl, spalted maple blocks, rare New Zealand species and many more. Their address is 6311 St. John Ave, KCMO 64123. Tel. (816) 483-0659 and (800) 333-7298.

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. **Bob Wickstrom** has a homemade tool sharpener for sale. He did a really nice job on this sharpener. It looks and works the same as the "scary sharp", uses sticky back sandpaper disks and is reversible. Comes in a nice wooden box.
2. **Bob Wickstrom** has a riser block for a Delta 14" band saw for sale. He is asking \$40. If you are interested, call Bob at 642-8061, or see him at the Woodcraft Club Shop in the Woodcraft Store.
3. **Ed Provost** of the Topeka Woodturners Club has his magazine collection for sale. Woodworker's Journal, January 1977 thru June 1997, approx. 120 issues for \$120. Fine Woodworking, December 1975 thru August 1997, approx. 126 issues for \$126. Wood Magazine, September 1984 thru August 1998, approx. 117 issues for \$117. Woodsmith, March 1979 thru June 1998, approx. 117 issues for \$117. The listed magazines to be sold as file units only. If you are interested, please call Ed at 785-478-9323.
4. **Steve Sandelich** has a Sears woodlathe for sale. The lathe includes a stand, speed reduction pulleys and a duplicator. Steve also has included some basic lathe tools in the

deal. The lathe is used but in good condition. Asking \$200. If you are interested, contact Steve at 321-1801.

5. **Chris Kunzle** has a 14" CMC radial arm saw for sale. It is 3HP, 220 volt, single phase. The saw comes with a stand, table, fence, several blades and a dust collector hood. This saw has been completely rebuilt and is in very good condition. Chris is asking \$1500 (or best offer) for this \$6000 saw. If you are interested, call Chris at 897-6660.



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.