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Board meetings are the First Monday at 7:00 p.m. at McCray Lumber

**Club Events Calendar**

All events are held in the basement of the McCray Lumber building off I-35 on 67<sup>th</sup> street in Merriam Kansas, entrance on west side of the building.

**FEBRUARY**

- 2/9/08 – **Alan Lacer Demonstration** – Three-Legged Stool - 9:00am-4:00pm  
Open to all but please call early to reserve seat and lunch, see below.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday Open lathe morning cancelled due to Alan Lacer Demo.
- 2/11/08 – **Regular Monday Night Club Meeting** 7:00pm-9:00pm. **Demo** is turning a square edged bowl by Alex Garcia. **Turning Challenge** is a turning that will fit inside a 1" diameter by 3" to 18" long volume.

- 2/23/08 – 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday 6:00pm-9:00pm. Open lathe night.
- 2/28/08 – 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday 8:30am-11:30am. Open lathe morning

**MARCH**

- 3/8/08 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday 8:30am-11:30am. Open lathe morning.
- 3/10/08 – **Regular Monday Night Club Meeting** 7:00pm-9:00pm. **Demo** is undecided. **Turning Challenge** is a turning that will fit inside a 3" to 9" diameter by 1" thick volume.
- 2/22/08 – 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday 6:00pm-9:00pm. Open lathe night.
- 2/27/08 – 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday 8:30am-11:30am. Open lathe morning

**A Message from our President  
Richard Davis**

The year 2008 will bring new challenges for the Kansas City Woodturners Association (KCWT). We have elected to begin paying for meeting space that promises to enlarge our horizons. Negotiations for leasing our present home may have already concluded. Whatever the outcome, we have agreed to carry a recurring financial obligation that is greater than in past years.



Meeting that financial obligation will stimulate activities of the KCWT to higher levels, and in new ways. We are engaged in discussions with other like-minded groups that may join with us. Notable among these is the Kansas City Woodworkers Guild.

Focused attention to the individual interests of every member will strengthen our group. An enhanced membership program is needed. Activities that increase the KCWT visibility and reputation will help.

As this year unfolds, the goodwill and spirit of our members, that has already been demonstrated repeatedly, will carry us through the new challenges ahead. As your president, and with your support, I am confident that we will arrive at year's end with pride about what we have accomplished.

Note from the KCWT Treasurer: As of the publishing of this newsletter, the total pledged funds for our Clubhouse Lease Fund is \$11,467 by 47 of our 134 members. The Lease Fund pledges exceeded the \$11,200 decision threshold for lease negotiations, so we will go to the next step in securing our clubhouse.

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## February Meeting Woodturning Demonstration:

### Turning a Square-edged Bowl with Alex Garcia

Our own KCWT member Alex Garcia will demonstrate how to make a square-edged bowl.

I am interested in finding out how Alex keeps his knuckles clear of the spinning corners.



### February Meeting Turning Challenge

This month's turning challenge is to make a turning that will fit inside a 1" diameter by 3" to 18" long volume. In other words, as small as 1" diameter by 3" long or as large as 1" diameter by 18" long.

Examples could be a pen or a spindle but there's no limit except your imagination.

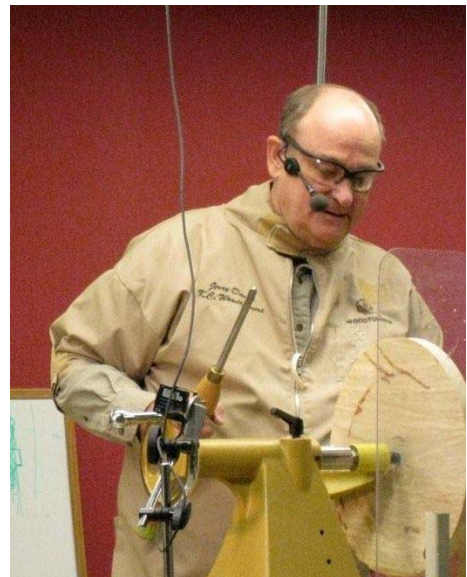
### Last January Meeting's Turning Challenge

Last month's turning challenge was to make a turning using an unusual material. The winner was Anthony Harris' turnings made from materials as unusual as styrofoam and wax. Second place went to Judy Chesnut's beautiful tagua nut miniatures.

All turning challenge entries showed the members had fun with this one.

### Last January Meeting's Demonstration

#### Turning a Platter with Jerry Darter



Our own KCWT member Jerry Darter demonstrated how to turn a wooden platter from start to finish. Jerry showed how to choose a platter blank with the best grain, mount it on the lathe, and safely turn it into a very pleasant form.

Jerry's demonstration was humorous as well as informative. If we can remember all of his good tips, we shouldn't have any trouble turning our own platters.

## **The Alan Leland Demo / Hands-On Program is only two weeks away !!**



There are PLENTY of openings available for the Saturday, Feb 9<sup>th</sup> Demo, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. The Fee for this session is only \$10 for members, non-members \$20 and includes lunch. Maximizing attendance at this session not only broadens KCWT collective knowledge but helps to offset program costs for this event. THANK YOU all who are coming to this event.

ONE opening remains for the Hands-On session on Tuesday, Feb 12<sup>th</sup> (the Sunday, Feb 10<sup>th</sup> session is full). The session time is 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. and, despite previous erroneous emails, Fee DOES NOT include lunch. The Fee for the Hands-On sessions: \$42.50 for members, non-members \$62.50.

To reserve a space, please email Jim Reynolds at [kcyjimbor@aol.com](mailto:kcyjimbor@aol.com) then send your check payable to Kansas City Woodturners or payment to: Jim Reynolds, 6900 Longview, Shawnee, KS 66218.

Thank You,

Jim Reynolds  
KCWT Vice President

### **Alan Leland Bio**

Alan Leland serves as vice president of the Woodturners Guild of North Carolina. He has been a demonstrator at numerous state and national meetings, including the American Association of Woodturners Annual Symposium. He has also published an article in American Woodturner magazine. A true woodturning aficionado, Alan has studied with internationally known turners such as Allan Batty, Bill Jones, Stuart Batty, George Hatfield, Soren Berger, Roger Jacobs, Stoney Lamar, and Mike Mahoney. He, in turn, has shared his knowledge and skills by teaching at John C. Campbell Folk School, the North Carolina State University Craft Center, the Woodworking Shop and the Woodcraft Store in Raleigh, NC, and Chimney Stack craft school in Chapel Hill. Owner of Sliding Dovetail Woodworks, Alan likes working with clients to develop custom designs especially suited to their needs. He also enjoys collecting and working with many different woods and says that he could spend a lifetime doing this and still not explore all of the ideas that fill his creative vision.



**KCWT Members Chip Siskey and Kent Townsend Receive Awards at Art Exhibition**



The woodturning community frequently finds itself struggling to be taken seriously as art rather than the traditional craft of the past. Articles in *Woodturning*, published in England or *American Woodturner* from the U.S. discuss this topic.

Chip Siskey and Kent Townsend have taken a step forward in our local community. On January 18<sup>th</sup> at an award ceremony, Chip and Kent received First and Third places respectively in the sculpture category at The Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art's 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Membership Exhibition. CONGRATULATIONS to Chip and Kent !!!

The pieces were critiqued by three art professionals along with well over 100 other entries from four States. Chip's piece titled *Natures Edge* was a big leaf maple burl satellite bowl. Kent's piece, also a satellite bowl, turned from end grain mistletoe mesquite was titled *Sunburst*. Kent also received an Honorable Mention for a lidded hollow form entered.

Chip and Kent's pieces will be on display at The Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art in St. Joseph, MO through February 17, 2008.

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