



LOCAL AAW CHAPTER



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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 67th street in Merriam Kansas, entrance on west side of the building.

FEBRUARY

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

MARCH

3/8/08 – 2nd 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 – 4th Saturday 8:30am-11:30am. Open lathe morning.
2/27/08 – 4th Thursday 6:00pm-9:00pm. Open lathe night.

APRIL

4/12/08 – 2nd Saturday 8:30am-11:30am. Open lathe morning.
4/14/08 – **Regular Monday Night Club Meeting** 7:00pm-9:00pm. **Demo** is undecided. **Turning Challenge** is an "egg" theme.
4/24/08 – 4th Thursday 6:00pm-9:00pm. Open lathe night.
4/26/08 – 4th Saturday 8:30am-11:30am. Open lathe morning.

Annual Dues 2008

\$20 – Cash or Check made out to Kansas City Woodturners. Give to Kevin at the meeting or mail your check to Kevin Neelley, 14738 West 80th St., Lenexa,KS 66215. You will then receive a new 2008 KCWT Membership Card with barcode which allows the member to check out books and videos from our library, as well as receiving % off merchandise from Woodcraft, Schutte Lumber and Metro Hardwoods.

Support Staff

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President's Note To All Members

We have received the lease contract for our review and action. The most noteworthy terms--rent amount, utilities fee, periods of agreement--are all as we had expected. Specifically, the term of the lease is for 1 year beginning March 1, with two additional options for 2 years. So, the rent/utilities fees are fixed for five years if we exercise both options to renew.



Now we have an interval to breathe easy, and concentrate on where we want the KCWT to go. HOWEVER, WE MUST MAKE A DECISION BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 2008. The lease agreement requires that we notify the landlord before December 1, 2008 as to our intention to renew the lease or move. Therefore, we have NINE months to decide our long-range plan for the KCWT.

President's Note To All Members, con't.

By that time, for the decision to stay in our present home to be realistic, we must have an established program of revenue production to service the lease in 2009 through 2012. This is probably the one largest challenge we face in the months ahead.

Whatever we do, we will have to expect new and substantial effort by each KCWT member in ways that have never been expected before.

Our donation program for the current year lease fund was a tremendous success. The generous donations of over 50 of our 135 members produced enough funds to cover about 75% of the lease/utilities costs of the first year. I am convinced that making a call for special donations to meet our financial responsibilities should be a last resort in the years to come.

There are many income programs under discussion. One possibility that has been mentioned is a program for funding KCWT that gives each member two general choices: (1) a member could choose to work in KCWT programs that are designed to generate income, or, (2) a member could choose to be a SUPPORTING MEMBER of KCWT by providing some money on an annual or monthly basis. A member could participate in both of these options. Just what detailed program these ideas might take is to be developed. Your board urgently needs your thoughtful comments for income production for KCWT.

One program of the highest priority is MEMBERSHIP. We need to attract and retain more members. More members spread our financial responsibility out over a larger group and reduces the burden on every individual member.

Increased membership helps the enormous task of getting people to give their time and labor to the programs we develop. More members means that our most precious asset, the master craftsmanship in the possession of our most experienced members can be passed onward and downward to our new membership.

The KCWT can develop into a fine working guild providing high quality stewardship of the craft of woodturning. The KCWT can create an "Academy of Wood-turning" that can educate our youth in schools, and our citizens in the world at large. These are just two ideas in a vision of the future of the KCWT.

What the membership now chooses to do along these paths, or on other paths not mentioned here today, remains to be decided. Where ever we decide to go, the first steps must produce a sound financial foundation and a healthy, vibrant membership program.

We have nine months to raise the balance of our rent money. We have nine months to establish an income base in which we can have confidence. We have nine months to produce an increase in membership that will support our new programs. We have nine months until we reach the threshold of the new future of the Kansas City Woodturners Association.

...are we having fun yet?

Richard Davis, President
Kansas City Woodturners Association

March Meeting Turning Challenge

This month's turning challenge is to make a turning that will fit inside a volume 3" to 9" diameter by 1" thick. Maybe a platter, coaster or a round picture frame?

New Members

Bob Van Antwerp
Joe Gingerich
Lori Hill

Charles Bain
Ben Hayes

March Meeting Woodturning Demonstration:

Turning a Flower Pot for a Cut Flowers with Russ Blaser



Our own KCWT member Russ Blaser will demonstrate how to turn a flower pot for cut flowers. Russ demonstrated his technique at the recent Woodworkers Show. The flower pot is turned off-center and drilled for a plastic water vial for the cut flowers.

Last February Meeting's Demonstration

Turning a Square-Edged Bowl with Alex Garcia

Our own KCWT member Alex Garcia demonstrated how to turn a square-edged bowl from start to (almost) finish. Alex chose to make his bowl from osage orange. The turning went very well with the underside of the bowl but the topside of the bowl did not fare so well.

Alex was doing a great job entertaining us, teaching us, and putting finishing touches on the wings when a quick catch broke off the dovetail. Sometimes we learn more when things don't go perfectly right as Alex helpfully explained how save the bowl by remounting it and restoring the dovetail. I hope he brings the finished bowl to the March meeting.



Last February Meeting's Turning Challenge



by Bob Davis



by Chip Siskey

Last month's turning challenge was to make a turning that will fit inside a volume 1" diameter by 3" to 18" long. First place went to Bob Davis and his magic wands. Second place went to Chip Siskey and his small turned box. Bob Davis won the Turning Challenge drawing for the 3/8" bowl gouge.

All KCWT members and guests attending the meeting have a chance to vote on the Meeting's Turning Challenge winners. Voting cups are placed next to each entrant's turning (one cup per entrant). Each KCWT member or guest receives one voting ticket, which they place into the voting cup of their choice. The Turning Challenge winners are chosen based on the number of voting tickets in their cup.

All Turning Challenge entrants have a chance to win a special prize, usually a turning tool. All entrants receive one drawing ticket. The first place winner receives four extra drawing tickets and the second place winner receives two extra drawing tickets. All the tickets are placed in a container with one ticket drawn at random. The holder of the winning ticket number receives the prize. So, the Turning Challenge winners have a better chance for winning the prize but may not win it.

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Lenexa, KS 66214
(913) 599-2800

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Kansas City, MO 64103-3616

10% discount on lumber and supplies to all KC Woodturners Chapter members when you present your membership card!



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Grand Opening Celebration

PLEASE JOIN US:
SATURDAY-FEBRUARY 23, 2008
FROM 9:00am till 4:00pm

Come have lunch with us, free hot dogs and pop, from 11:00am till 1:00pm.
We will have door prizes and special pricing all day long. Come meet some
of our vendors and win some fantastic prizes and talk to them about their products.
We look forward to seeing you!!!!!!!

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SAT 9:00-4:00
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