
❖ WOODTURNERS OF ST LOUIS ❖

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

February 2000

Next Meeting:

Sunday, February 27
1 - 4 PM
Woodcraft Supply
12511 Olive Street Rd.
(Dierberg Heritage
Center)

Woodturners of St Louis Officers:

President

Bill Rubenstein
(636) 947-7701

wsr@hibdonhardwood.com

Vice President

Mario Vitale
(314) 423-8120

mariol.vitale@att.net

Secretary

Elaine Navarro
(314) 532-3153

wdpurner@rescomp.wustl.edu

Treasurer

Jim Wulfers

(314) 739-1819

jimwulfers@ninenet.com

Newsletter Editor

Gary Johnson
(314) 739-4791

garyljohnson@email.msn.com

**THANK YOU TO
WOODCRAFT SUPPLY
FOR OUR MEETING
PLACE, MANY DOOR
PRIZES AND SUPPORT**

Joy of Turning 2000 with Richard Raffan Saturday May 20

Richard Raffan will present a full day of turning demonstrations on Saturday May 20 at Tillman Elementary School in Kirkwood. You have seen his books and videos. Now you have the opportunity to see this master woodturner in person. See the enclosed flyer and registration form. Send your check and form to Jim Wulfers.

Highlights from the January meeting:

Bernhard Voss is heading a committee to establish a **club library** that will have woodturning books and videos for loan to club members. The club voted to allocate up to \$1000 to build the library. Watch for more information on this subject in future newsletters.

February 27 Meeting

Bill Rubenstein will demonstrate the production techniques he uses in making turned mallets

Bring something for our Show and Tell session. Sharing of successes and problems during this session helps everyone and we always get ideas for new turning projects.

January Show and Tell

We had an outstanding Show and Tell session at the January meeting. I think more pieces were shown then ever before.



John Buehrer and Fletcher Hartline show their very tall thin walled vessels that were turned in Hartline's shop over the new years holidays. The inside depth of Fletcher's is 30 inches and was made first. John, not to be outdone turned his to 31 inches deep. Don't tell me that woodturners aren't competitive. They used an Exocet tool for the hollowing. Fletcher said they had a great time and recommends that others get together to turn.

Carl Hacker showed a nice Osage Orange bowl.

Bill Brown showed a Grass Tree bowl, a Paela burl bowl, Buckeye burl bowl, a Cocobolo bowl and to keep the rest of us from feeling bad about our failures, he showed a bowl that he had cut through the bottom and turned it into a flying object.

Andy Seckinger showed a Holly bowl and some bottle stoppers he made after attending a Nick Cook demonstration. He also showed some seam rippers that are nice spindle projects.

Bernhard Voss showed a Hackberry bowl, a large Cherry bowl with a carved lip, and a plate that started out as 16 inches dia. and ended up as 13 in. dia.

Mario Vitale showed a tall vessel that had broken on the lathe when the scraper caught in the inside bottom. It is very easy to see the wall thickness now.

Dixi Smith showed a deep Cedar bowl.

Herb Bilgram showed several ornaments that were made using "Inside-Outside" turning technique. He showed step by step how these pieces were made. He also showed a birthday candle ring that could be an idea for a club project as there are a lot of individual turned parts. Herb also showed a nice lidded box with beautiful inlay work and turned feet.

Bill Rubenstein showed a 12 inch dia. bowl that he turned green to a one inch wall thickness. It was coated on the outside with end sealer and left to dry in a plastic bag. A large crack opened up through the wall. A good discussion was then had on walnut, on drying wood, and on making the crack a design feature.

John Buehrer in addition to his tall vessel showed a small Pin Oak vessel and a tall turned Ash box designed to hold long matches.

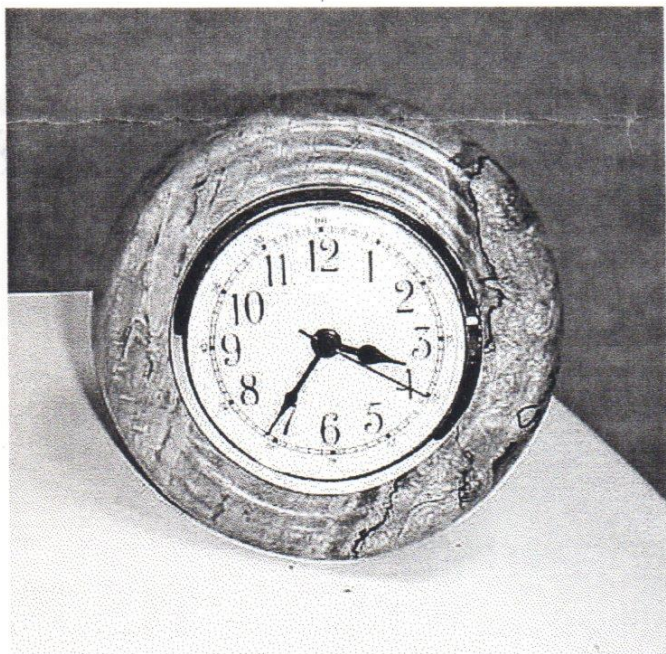
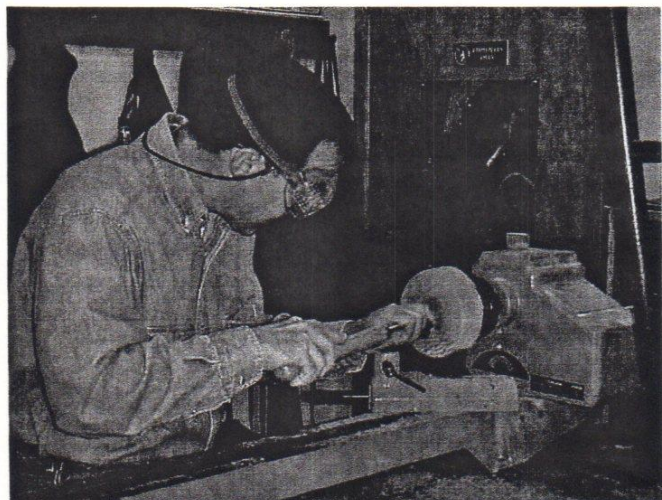
Fletcher Hartline showed two vessels that he had airbrushed with acrylic paint, sealed with shellac, and finished with lacquer. One was with a stained glass motif and the other with a leaf design.

Gary Johnson showed a segmented "Reversible Hollow Form" with 1166 pieces of Canarywood and Bloodwood. This piece had been in a traveling exhibit "Turn, Turning, Turned" during the last three years.

Woodturners of St. Louis show work at the Woodworking Show. Thanks to Ken Schaefer for organizing our display at the St. Louis Woodworking Show in Collinsville on Feb. 11-13. We had hoped to turn at the event, but after being given initial permission, they said that since we were in a carpeted area that we could not turn. Also thanks to Ernie Guhl, Ewald Altmann, John Buehrer, Marion Rood, Bill Brown, Mario Vitale, and Gary Johnson for showing some of our work and handing out information about our club, the AAW and Richard Raffan's Demo.

Mario Vitale Demonstration

Mario Vitale demonstrated making a turned desk clock at the meeting. Thanks Mario!

**Announcements**

May 27-28 Liam O'Neill workshop in Searcy, Arkansas. Liam O'Neill is internationally known for his creative woodturnings. He has taught for many years in his native Ireland and has held numerous workshops in the United States. Tuition for the workshop is \$100 and the attendance is limited to seventy. Contact Robert Miller, 2946 West Country Club Rd., Searcy, AR 72143. E-mail dedtdoc@ipa.net. Phone 501 268 5371.

June 3-4 Clay Foster at the Mid South Woodturners Guild Summer Seminar in Bartlett, Tennessee. Clay Foster is a founding member of the American Association of Woodturners and has been turning professionally since 1987. The following topics will be presented: How Tools Cut Wood, Two Piece Hollow Vessels, Multiple Axis Vessels, Multiple Axis Spindles, and Slide Show of Previous Work. Cost for AAW members-\$50, Non-members-\$65. (lunch both days included) Cost after May 15 is \$75 for all. Contact Hershel Miller, 4875 Black Gum Dr., Millington, TN 38503. Phone 901 224 4267 or 901 872 3355. E-mail hershelmm@aol.com

July 1 Entry deadline for "Challenge VI - Roots: Insights & Inspirations in Contemporary Turned Objects" exhibition. For more information, contact the wood Turning Center, PO Box 25706, Philadelphia, PA 19144. Phone 215 844 2188, FAX 215 844 6116 Email turnon@woodturningcenter.org

June 30 - July 2 AAW annual symposium, Charlotte, North Carolina

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - WOODTURNERS OF ST. LOUIS

NAME _____ DATE _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ WORK PHONE _____

Mail this application along with your check for \$20 for one years dues to:
Woodturners of St. Louis 11808 Birmington Drive Bridgeton, MO 63044 or bring to the next meeting

Applications for membership in the American Association of Woodturners are available at each chapter meeting

WOODTURNERS OF ST. LOUIS

Gary Johnson, Editor
12220 Latham Ln.
Bridgeton, MO 63044

MEETING
February 27

Ernest Guhl 12/00
12025 Kingshead Dr.
Florissant, MO 63033



