



WOODTURNERS OF ST. LOUIS

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

September 2006

JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC

Our annual club picnic will be held on **Sunday, September 17th** at Spencer Creek Park in St. Peters. The picnic will be held rain or shine and is open to our members, family and friends. Our club will provide the meat and dinnerware for the picnic. Each family is asked to bring a side dish, salad or dessert and your drink of choice (no glass containers allowed.) The picnic will begin at 1pm and continue until the last turner leaves.

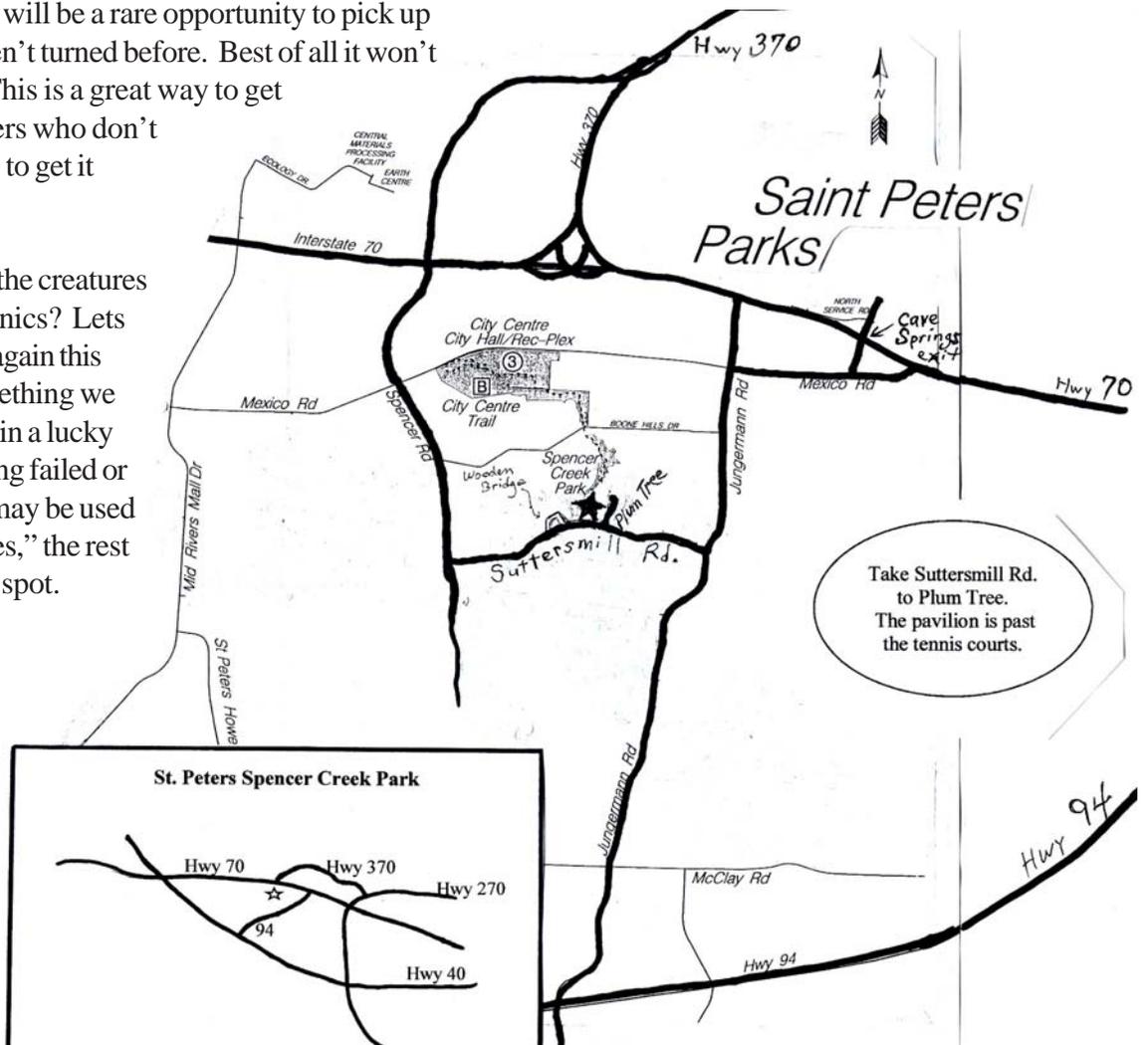
The club picnic offers a fun time for all and will feature many other fun activities.

At the picnic we will have a wood swap. Bring some of the wood you have lying around for a great exchange at this year's picnic. If you're not interested in bringing wood back home, drop some off for someone else. This will be a rare opportunity to pick up something you haven't turned before. Best of all it won't cost you a dime! (This is a great way to get wood to our members who don't have an opportunity to get it themselves.)

Remember the creatures from year's past picnics? Lets revive this tradition again this year and create something we can proudly display in a lucky winner's home. Bring failed or spare turnings that may be used in our new "creatures," the rest will be made on the spot.

Directions:

From I-70 take the Cave Springs exit #225, turn Left. Turn Right on Mexico Road. Turn Left on Jungermann Road. Turn Right on Sutters Mill Road. You can find us in Pavilion K.



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CHALLENGE

For the October Meeting, turn a bottle stopper. We will have a contest with three appointed judges to declare the winner of a fabulous prize.

DEMONSTRATION

For our October meeting, we will have a variety of short demonstrations beginning with turning miniatures by Ernie Guhl.

RAFFLE

Sycamore hat turned and signed by Johannes Michelsen. Chances are \$20.00 each.

Ray Key boxes, turned during demonstration in March. Chances are \$5 and \$10 each.

GREEN END SEAL

All members of the Woodturners of St. Louis Club have the good fortune to purchase end seal at a greatly reduced cost. Dave Endres has been gracious enough to store the clubs drum of end seal and sell to our members for \$15 for 2 gallons or \$10 for one gallon. To take advantage of this great opportunity please contact Dave. If you contact him before the Friday before a meeting he will bring the end seal to the meeting and collect your money. Otherwise you may make arrangements to pick it up from his business.

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ORNAMENT

EXCHANGE

Don't forget to turn an ornament for the exchange at our November Wine and Cheese Social. This has been a tradition that grows every year. There's only a few months left so start yours today.

METAL SPINNING ON A WOOD LATHE

A DEMONSTRATION PRESENTED BY THOMAS HOOPER WITH ASL PEWTER

Thomas Hooper, of ASL Pewter, came from Louisiana, Missouri to give our August demonstration. He began by explaining to us a few disadvantages to using a standard wood lathe for metal spinning and ways to overcome them. Woodcraft provided a Jet 16-42 for our use and Thomas was able to make several projects in only an hour and a half. He started by making a tankard with both a flared top and bottom. He rolled the edges so they were not sharp as he quickly described the process.

He then slowed the process down making a few shot glasses and describing the process from start to finish. It was amazing to see how quickly he formed the metal, using pressure not heat. Thomas kept us all interested and had answers for all our questions. The forms he used were turned from walnut and maple and were split into multiple pieces so they could be removed from the final form. This is necessary since the major diameter is often smaller than the exit hole.

Dan Gorry raised his hand to volunteer and was coached through pushing the metal out and then back against the form. Thomas explained that once the metal is set to the form, for about $\frac{1}{4}$ ", it is very safe and has little chance of coming off the lathe. Dan took right to the process and got to take home the tankard he spun with Thomas.

There are many tricks to the trade that a professional metal spinner has to know, but simple projects are not beyond the average woodturner. Thomas was a great demonstrator and speaker and managed to keep us all interested. Thomas also brought a spun and cast goblet for a door prize, which Mike Marxer won.

If you are interested in trying metal spinning Thomas will sell the blanks to you by the pound. He also welcomes visitors to his shop who are interested in watching, or maybe even getting their hands dirty. For more information, visit their website at www.aslpewter.com.



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ALAN LACER

DEMONSTRATION AND WORKSHOPS



The Woodturners of St. Louis are pleased to announce that Alan Lacer will be in Saint Louis for a demonstration and workshop this September.

Alan has been involved in the woodturning field for over twenty years as a teacher, writer, exhibition coordinator, demonstrator and past president of the *American Association of Woodturners*. Alan is best known for his great ability to control the tool many woodturners fear the most, the skew. The members and friends of The Woodturners of St. Louis have the unique opportunity to attend an all day demonstration and/or an all day hands on workshop with Alan.

The demonstration is on September 23 and is \$30 per person for members and \$40 per person for non-members. Youth members of the club, 18 and under, may attend the demonstration for \$20 per youth. Seating is limited, so please sign up soon. In addition, there will be two hands-on workshops, to be held on September 24th and 25th, each day will be limited to 6 students and will cost \$75 per day. Each day will begin at 9:00am and end at 4:30pm. A box lunch will be provided for both the demonstrations and the workshops. The demonstration and workshops will be held at Woodcraft in Creve Coeur 2077 Congressional Drive - St. Louis, MO 63146.

Please call Jo Williams at (636)-375-0022 to sign up and mail attendance fees to Jo at 5551 Eagles View Dr., House Springs, MO, 63051.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION --WOOD TURNERS OF ST. LOUIS

\$30 Individual Membership • \$40 Family Membership

NAME _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ WORK PHONE _____

E-Mail _____

Mail this application along with your check for one-year's dues to:

Woodturners of St. Louis
2420 Cypress
St. Charles, MO 53301

or, bring it to the next Meeting.

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CALENDAR

September 17 
Annual Club Picnic ~
Spencer Creek Park

September 23-25
Alan Lacer in St. Louis for Demo and
Workshops.

October 22, 1-4pm
Regular Meeting at Woodcraft
Challenge = Make a Bottle Stopper

NOTICE
MEETING CHANGE!