

# WOODTURNERS OF ST. LOUIS

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

August 2008

## Next Meeting

### **Inside Out Young and Old**

A collaborative presentation  
by a young turner and  
a more seasoned turner.

August 24, 2008

1-4 pm

at

### **Woodcraft**

2077 Congressional Dr.  
St. Louis, MO 63146

## September

### **Family Picnic**

At

Spencer Creek Park

Tool & Wood

Swap/Sale

(See details inside)

## Up-Coming Programs

### October

Chainsaw Safety  
and Operation

### November

Wine and Cheese Social  
Auction

### December

No Meeting

## **Bowl Bottoms: A Round-Table**

For the July meeting, club members collaborated to provide an interesting round-table program on turning bowl bottoms. Bill Farney, Matt Keim, Mike White, Gary Hinegardner and Dave Endres demonstrated a variety of techniques. Gary Johnson, Bill Rubenstein, Dixi Smith and Matt Keim showed examples of their design choices for bowl bottoms. Bill Rubenstein, below left, discussed his unique, asymmetric, 3-footed vessel. Gary Johnson, right, showed an example of a narrow footed, segmented bowl.



Clockwise below,  
Mike demonstrates his  
self-fabricated jig for



holding a variety of  
bowl sizes while turning  
the bottom. Bill Farney  
told how to use cole  
jaws and Dave offered



pointers on his favorite "ogee"  
style, taught to him by Fletcher  
Heartline.

## AAW Appoints Editor for 25th Anniversary Book

Richmond, VA - The Board of Directors of the American Association of Woodturners has appointed John Kelsey, of Lancaster, PA, to be editor and project manager for its 25th anniversary book.

The 25th anniversary book, which will be available in time for the AAW's 2011 conference in St. Paul, MN, will record the organization's history and recount the role of its members in the evolution of woodturning as an art form. According to its mission statement, the 256-page book will also examine the growth of turning as an amateur activity, and the place of woodturning in the context of American and international craft and culture.

The 25th anniversary book will emphasize personal stories by diverse voices, and will be illustrated throughout with photographs of work, AAW members, and AAW events. It will be a beautifully produced and manufactured volume.

Kelsey, 62 and an amateur woodturner himself, is a

professional journalist and editor with a long resume in the woodworking and woodturning fields. During the early 1970s, Kelsey participated in several of the early woodturning symposia that were organized by Albert LeCoff and Palmer Sharpless and that led to the formation of the AAW in 1983.

From 1976 until 1984, Kelsey was editor of *Fine Woodworking* magazine, at the time the only journal covering the woodturning field. In its pages he first introduced Bob Stocksdales, Peter Child, Richard Raffan, Mark and Melvin Lindquist, Stephen Hogbin, and David Ellsworth to the woodworking world. Since then he has been publisher at Cambium Press, and a freelance manager of many publishing projects.

"I'm delighted to accept this assignment," Kelsey told the board during its Richmond meeting in February 2008. "It's a chance to come full circle about events and people who have been very important to me personally as well as to the AAW and its members. Plus it's going to be a lot of fun."

Since the February meeting, Kelsey has appointed Maura Zimmer of Providence, RI, as art director for the project. Zimmer and Kelsey had previously worked together on the *Furniture Studio* series of book published by The Furniture Society.

Kelsey and Jean LeGwin, AAW board member and chairman of its publications committee, are organizing an editorial advisory board to help guide the project. They also have been working with long-time AAW member Steve Loar on the outline for the 25th anniversary volume. (See **Anniversary Book**, page 5)

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#### Kindred Spirits

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Taken from  
[woodturner.org](http://woodturner.org),  
AAW forum

## From the editors:

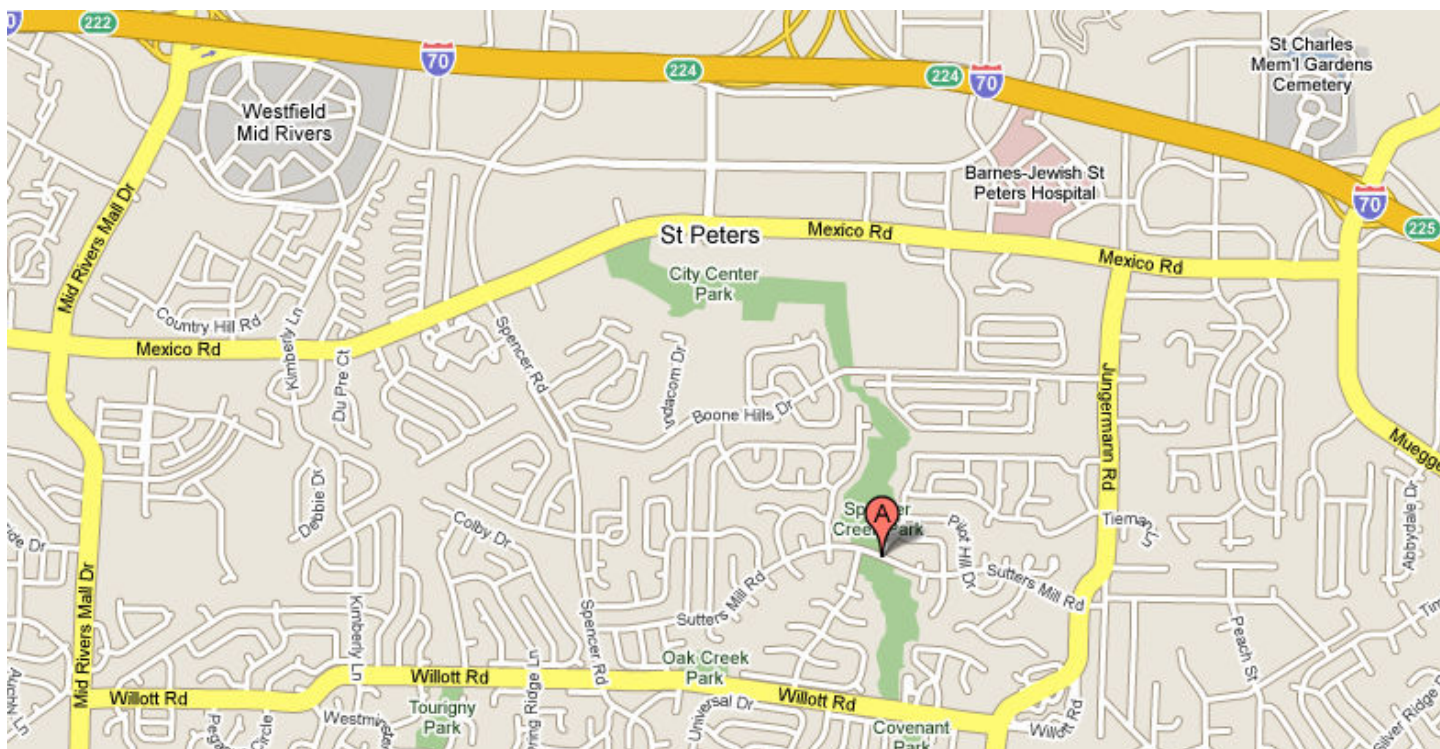
Remember in our first letter to you we asked for your patience while we learned how to perform the job of editors. Well, we have succeeded in trying your collective patience a couple of times since June. We did not get it together for the July publication and we apologize. Then we made the mistake of sending out a postcard about the Bonnie Klein events by email as soon as it was completed not thinking about how many more days it would take for the hard copy to arrive by snail mail. Our enthusiasm for spreading the word overtook our rational thought - giving those with email access a distinct advantage in securing their desired spot in a class. At this point it seems there is nothing to do except assert that we will do our very best in the future to mail out notices 2 to 3 days before sending an email when an event is first-come-first-serve.

*Thomas Simon*

*Katy Hinegardner*



# How to Find Spencer Creek Park



## Family Picnic

Bring the whole family for good food and fun to pavilion K in Spencer Creek Park, St. Peters on Sunday, Sept. 28th. Ray and Cheryl Koeneman always do a splendid job cooking the meat and providing bread, buns and place settings. All you need to bring for the meal is your drink of choice and a side dish or dessert. Put it on your calendar today! There are plenty of picnic tables with benches for seating.

Don't forget to throw in any tools or wood you want to sell or use to barter for that treasure that is just what you've been looking for.

### DIRECTIONS:

Spencer Creek Park is located at 151 Sutters Mill Road. From I-70, you can take the Cave Springs exit or the Mid Rivers Mall Drive exit. From the Cave Springs exit, head south on Cave Springs to Mexico Road. Turn right, west. Go to Jungermann Road then turn left. Go to Sutters Mill Road and turn right. Continue to park entrance.

From the Mid Rivers Mall Drive exit, head south on Mid Rivers Mall Drive to Mexico Road. Turn left (east) on Mexico Road. Take to Spencer Road and turn right. Go to Sutters Mill Road and turn left. Continue to park entrance

From the south, take 94 to Jungermann Rd. Go north for 2.6 miles to Sutters Mill Rd and turn left.

Whatever route you take, go through the covered bridge and Pavillion K is on the left.

## Announcements

Mike Marxer, our resident professional photographer, has agreed to take photos of each member's best work and create a presentation that will be played on a continuous loop during the Meet Bonnie night, September 23rd. Once the show is generated, it can be used on the website and during exhibitions such as the Collinsville Woodworker's show. Dave Endres has a portable studio containing backdrop and lighting which he will bring to the next meeting. Mike will shoot as many pieces as he is able during the meeting and then make arrangements to take the remaining pictures at a later date. This is a wonderful opportunity! Take advantage of it.

The turned item that is made during the August meeting will be auctioned at the November Wine and Cheese Social.

## Treasurer's Report

In lieu of reading the treasurer's report during the meeting, it was suggested that the information be placed in this newsletter. (See box to right). If you have questions or comments, please communicate your thoughts to one of the officers.

### Welcome To Our New Members

Mark Koritz  
Ed Daly  
Robert Greenwood  
Krank Koonce

### Coming Soon



### The Toolbox

Have a turning tool  
to sell or trade?  
Contact Thomas Simon  
618-222-1533  
We will post it in the next  
newsletter.

## Club Collaborative

We were unable to capture a prize this year at the AAW Symposium but here's the turtle



worked on so long and hard by the collaborative group.

(Photo as it appeared at the AAW website, [www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org))

## Cash Flow - YTD

1/1/2008 through 8/11/2008

Category Description	1/1/2008-8/11/2008
<b>INFLOWS</b>	
Uncategorized	0.00
Demonstrations	
Demo Expense	-1,748.02
Demo Income	780.00
Workshop Income	600.00
TOTAL Demonstrations	-368.02
Drawings	
Ticket Sales	28.00
TOTAL Drawings	28.00
End Sealer	
End Sealer Sales	255.00
TOTAL End Sealer	255.00
Members Dues	
2008	2,120.00
TOTAL Members Dues	2,120.00
<b>TOTAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>2,034.98</b>
<b>OUTFLOWS</b>	
Club Expenses	
Flyers	51.22
Gifts	100.00
Government Fees	20.00
Picnic	25.00
Postage	16.40
tools	67.74
Other Club Expenses	3.16
TOTAL Club Expenses	283.52
Libaray	733.63
News Lertter	
Postage	86.09
Printing	159.21
TOTAL News Lertter	245.30
<b>TOTAL OUTFLOWS</b>	<b>1,262.45</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>772.53</b>

## Bonnie Klein Presenting Hands-On Classes September 24th-26th at Woodcraft

*"When I discovered woodturning over 20 years ago, it became an obsession that has not gone away...I turn for the love of the creative process."*

*Bonnie Klein*

Bonnie Klein is a professional turner from Renton, Washington, well known for her tops and is a pioneer in the field of boxes with threaded lids. One of her spin top boxes, completed in collaboration with Jacques Vesary for the 2006 AAW Symposium, broke all records at the annual fund-raising auction. Bonnie has been a self-proclaimed "serious" woodturner since the early 1980's. She produces the Klein Lathe and a Threading Jig. She has created several DVD's and a Woodturning Project Book. Bonnie regularly attends and demonstrates at both the annual Utah and AAW symposiums, has served on the AAW board, is active on the Professional Outreach Program committee, is heavily involved with the Youth turning program and in 2003 was honored with an AAW Honorary Lifetime Membership. She has been invited to demonstrate and teach in Australia, New Zealand, France, South Africa, Ireland and the UK.

Now, the St. Louis Woodturners are honored to host Bonnie Klein in 3 days of classes. Everyone is invited to attend a social event to meet and greet Bonnie on Tuesday evening, September 23rd at Miller's Crossing Restaurant, 14156 Olive Blvd, time to be announced. Tickets for the event will be \$30 per person and reservations should be made in advance. Contact Dave Endres at 314-568-1244 or at [endrestoh@att.net](mailto:endrestoh@att.net) to secure this opportunity to meet one of America's most friendly and personable internationally recognized turners. She will be offering the following day-long classes:

### BASIC WOODTURNING

Wednesday, September 24 (time to be announced)

An important part of turning is to develop a technique that will produce the best possible finish from the tool - thus reducing the amount of sanding necessary. During the class, cutting theory, tool usage, and tool sharpening and shaping techniques will be demonstrated and discussed. With a good understanding of cutting theory and tool usage, this is within reach of the beginning turner as well as the more advanced turner. The students will be guided through some basics and then turn several projects good for skill building or production. The use of

chatterwork and color will be part of the class. The class has all ready reached its capacity for the bargain price of \$50 each. However, a waiting list will be made in case people are unable to attend. Individuals interested in learning to teach beginning turners may attend and observe for \$30 each.



### TURNING BOXES WITH THREADED LIDS

Thursday and Friday, September 25-26 (times to be announced)

In this class, Bonnie will share her techniques and enthusiasm for turning boxes with threaded lids, including a spin top box. Students will explore using inserts, turning acrylic, applying chatterwork and other decorative surface treatments. Attendees should have some box-making experience.

Spaces are still available for this 2-day class. Call soon to become part of this experience you will not soon forget.

(Go to [www.bonnieklein.com](http://www.bonnieklein.com) to learn more about Bonnie Klein..)

### Anniversary Book continued

During the summer of 2008, Kelsey will begin to commission and gather material for the 256-page anniversary volume. This work will continue through 2008 and most of 2009, with page layout scheduled to begin in early 2010.

The 25th anniversary volume will be offered to AAW members at a special pre-publication price, and it will be distributed to book stores through Fox Chapel Publishing of East Petersburg, PA.

AAW members who would like to participate in the project are invited to get directly in touch with the editorial team: email [editorkelsey@gmail.com](mailto:editorkelsey@gmail.com).

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - WOODTURNERS OF ST. LOUIS

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Bring this application to the next meeting along with your check for \$30 (individual membership) or \$45 (family membership) for one year's dues. Or mail to:

Woodturners of St. Louis  
c/o Walt Ahlgrim  
10 Ramblewood Ln  
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Applications for membership in the American Association of Woodturners are available at each chapter meeting

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### Next Meeting:

**August 24, 2008**  
**1pm**  
**At Woodcraft**

**Have you signed up to  
Meet Bonnie?**

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