

# WOODTURNERS OF ST. LOUIS

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

May 2009

## Candlesticks of Every Shape and Size

Numerous creative examples of candle holders were shown and described by club members at the April meeting. Dixi Smith's creations (right) featured a pair of mirror image, double twists, that is, one twisted clockwise and the other, counter-clockwise. He also produced a beautifully executed Rube Osolnik-like trio.

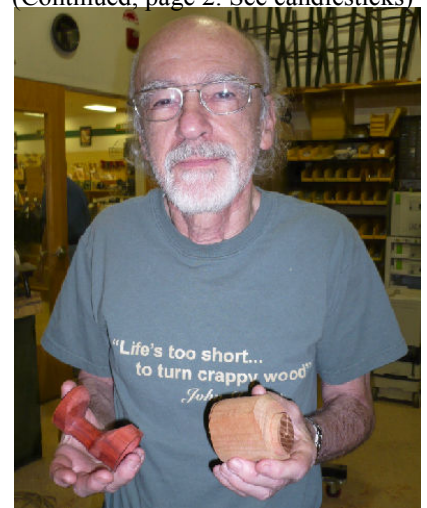
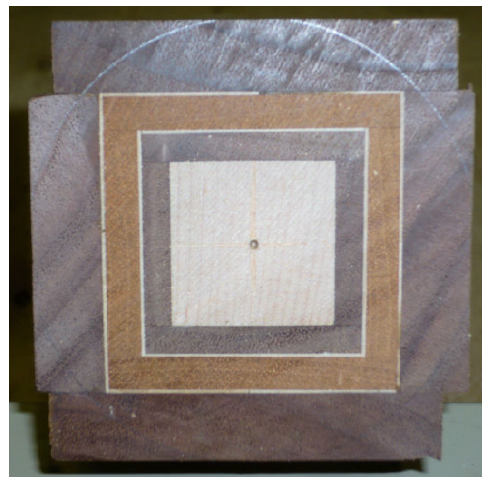
Herb Bilgram (below, left) shared his expertise in creating a segmented turning. He explained how he glued up the block to create contrasting layers (below, center) using mahogany, maple veneer, cherry, more maple veneer, walnut, and



maple at the core. He used the hand plane he brought from Germany in 1945 to smoothly remove the excess veneer.

Bill Rubenstein (below, right) shared two proof-of-concept pieces experimenting with very-off-center turnings using redheart.

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## Next Meeting

**NOTE CHANGES  
IN DAY AND LOCATION**

**May 17, 2009  
1pm**

## **Build a Tool**

Presented by Walt Ahlgrim  
At Stubby USA  
3483 New Town Blvd  
St. Charles, MO 63301  
(See map, page 3)

**No Pre-meeting**

## Upcoming Meetings

**June 21 - To Be Announced**  
**July 26 - Commercial Turner**  
**August 23 - Kim Winkle**  
**September 27 - Picnic**  
**October 25 - Ornaments**  
**November 22 - Annual Wine and Cheese Party**

*These plans are subject to change.*



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(Candlesticks continued) (Clockwise from top left) Dave Endres brought three candlesticks to share. The large diameter piece was turned when he was in high school while the other two are recent. The one on the left is from locust the other, holly and cherry. Matt Keim produced a trio of burned and textured ash candle holders in three heights. Gary Hinegardner brought a mirrored, cherry candleholder with metal accents. Paco and Elaine Navarro sent a group of collaborative pieces, some recent and some older.

For the Jigs and Gadgets part of the meeting, Walt Ahlgrim shared a commercially produced golden mean caliper. At the next meeting, members will be able to reproduce this caliper. Walt also showed a user-friendly, thickness gauge with a spring-loaded measuring rod.

### *From the editors:*

Just want to remind everyone that the reason the meeting is May 17th instead of the 24th is to avoid the Memorial Day weekend.

Also, another plea for member participation in generating the activities of this club. Please give your officers feedback and suggestions on the presentations, workshops, mentoring program, etc.

Lastly, we still want to receive your thoughts and/or photos for publication in your newsletter.

*Thomas Simon*

*Katy Hinegardner*

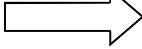


## Build A Tool — April 17

### What you need:

Members will have the opportunity to make four tools: a hook tool, a small hollowing tool, a round skew and Golden Ratio calipers. Each tool blank costs \$3.00. Please bring and wear safety glasses while grinding. If you plan to make a hook or hollowing tools, Walt suggests you bring leather gloves in order to handle the hot steel.

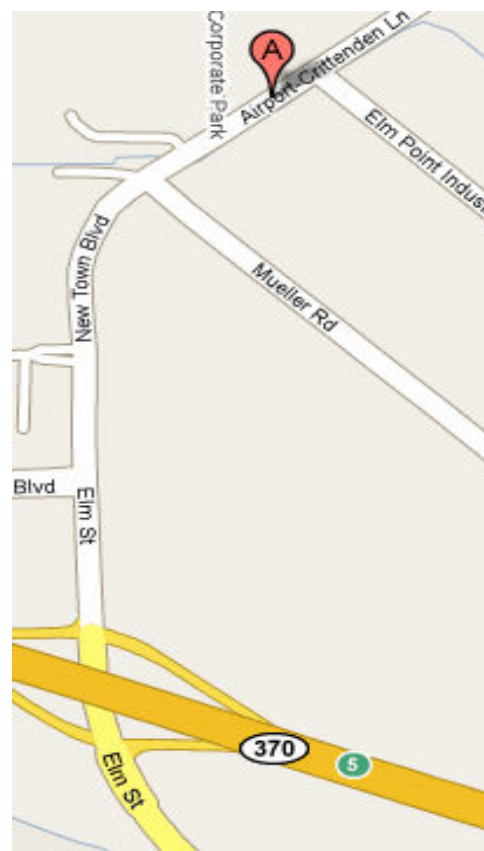
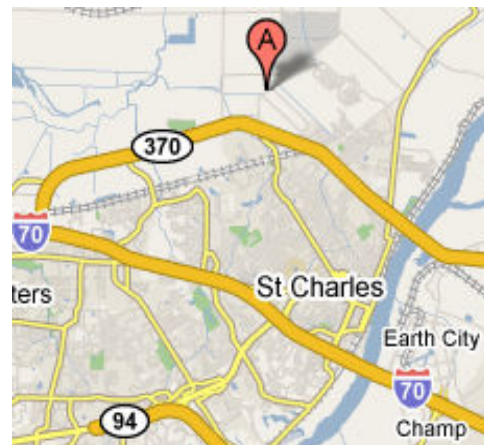
### How to get there:

Take Hwy 370 to exit 5. Go north on Elm St. (which changes into New Town Blvd at a slight right curve). Stubby USA at 3483 New Town Blvd is less than a mile from Hwy 370 and on the left. 

### Questions?

Call Walt Ahlgrim, 314-583-2527 or Bill Rubenstein at 636-949-2044. Or email Walt: ahlgrim@sbcglobal.net

**Thank you, Bill, for the use of your warehouse!**



### Announcements

End Sealer now available in 1- and 2-gallon containers for \$10 & \$15, respectively. Just email or call Dave Endres (endrestoh@att.net, 314-568-1244) to make arrangements to pick it up at his office.

## Library Notes

By Rich Hinkebein

Three new books will be available for checkout: *The Art of Turned Bowls* by Richard Raffan; *A Turner's Guide to Veneer Inlays* by Ron Hampton; *New Masters of Woodturning* by Terry Martin and Kevin Wallace.

John Buehrer donated four *Turning Points* magazines. Thank you John. We have recently received *Turning Logs into Art* by Binh Pho, and *Scroll Saw Basics* in VHS format.

Please remember to return items to the next meeting so that others can check them out.



### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

*The Woodturners of St. Louis extends a warm welcome to our newest members:*

**Steve Coughlin, Ballwin, MO**  
**Deana Crosby, St. Louis, MO**  
**James Payne, St. Louis, MO**  
**Moisy Shopper, St. Louis, MO**

# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - WOODTURNERS OF ST. LOUIS

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c/o Walt Ahlgrim  
10 Ramblewood Ln  
St. Louis, MO 63141

Make check payable to: **Woodturners of St. Louis**

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