



WOODTURNERS OF ST. LOUIS

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A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

August Demo – Turning Spheres by Jon Spelbring & Bob Espy • Thanks to Jon and Bob for



demonstrating a couple of techniques to turn a sphere (just in time for the club Bocci tournament in Sept). Jon's technique was to turn the cylinder, then flip it (between centers) so that the end grain is facing you; use a parting tool to cut a groove; back to normal orientation; then just turn until the groove is gone using the ghost images as a guide. Finish turning used cup chucks. Jon's notes are published on the club web site under: "[What's New](#)". Bob's approach was different in that he



rough turned the sphere on the original axis and then used cup chucks to remove the small nubs and to finish turning. This link to our club newsletter in 2005 also has step by step turning instructions for turning a sphere: http://www.stlturners.org/newsletters/WTSTL_NL_2005/Sept_2005.610.pdf

August Pre Meeting Demo – Sanding by Walt Ahlgrim • Most of us do not like to sand our work but we typically end up doing at least some. Thanks to Walt for providing tips on effective sanding. Keep your lathe speed slow so that your sandpaper follows the peaks and valleys. Slow speeds will also help keep your turning cooler, prevent heat cracks, and reduce paper clogging. Final sanding should be with the grain. And treat your sandpaper (as Matt has told us) like someone else gives it to you; meaning replace it often. Remember that worn down 120 grit is not the same as 220 grit. It is just worn out sand paper. You may also want to try the metallic open weave materials. They are very effective. The open weave cuts quickly and can be shaken/blown clean of material for extended life.

AAW News • Remember to vote for your 2013 [AAW Board of Directors](#). You can vote online at: www.woodturner.org.

Photo shoot for club web site • A professional photographer will be at the November 25th meeting to take pictures of your work for the club web site. So be sure to bring your work to the meeting. See the August newsletter for details.

Annual Election of Board Members • The annual election will be held at the regular November meeting. The position of vice president, secretary, and treasurer will be up for election; Jon will be serving the second of his two year elected term. If you are interested in serving, please contact the Club President. Dan has indicated that he is willing to serve another term as VP. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the meeting.

September Meeting > Annual Picnic 23 Sept at Spencer Creek Park, 200 Sutters Mill Road, in St. Peters, MO • Join us for the annual Club Picnic. Our annual picnic will be held on Sunday, Sept 23th at

Spencer Creek Park in St. Peters. The picnic will be held rain or shine and is open to our members, family, and friends. The club will be providing the meat and dinnerware for the picnic. Each family is asked to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to share and drink of your choice (club will be providing coffee).

The picnic will begin at 1pm and continue until about 4pm or until the last turner leaves. The picnic offers a fun time for all and will feature contests and other activities. There will be a swap/sell table so bring any tools, wood, finishes, etc that you would like to swap/sell.

Challenge – members are encouraged to turn a bocce ball. If you attended our August meeting then you saw a great presentation on turning a sphere. If you couldn't attend, follow the "how to" in this issue of the newsletter. The standard size for a Bocce ball is 113mm or 4.45 inches. So turn a solid sphere around 4.5 inches.

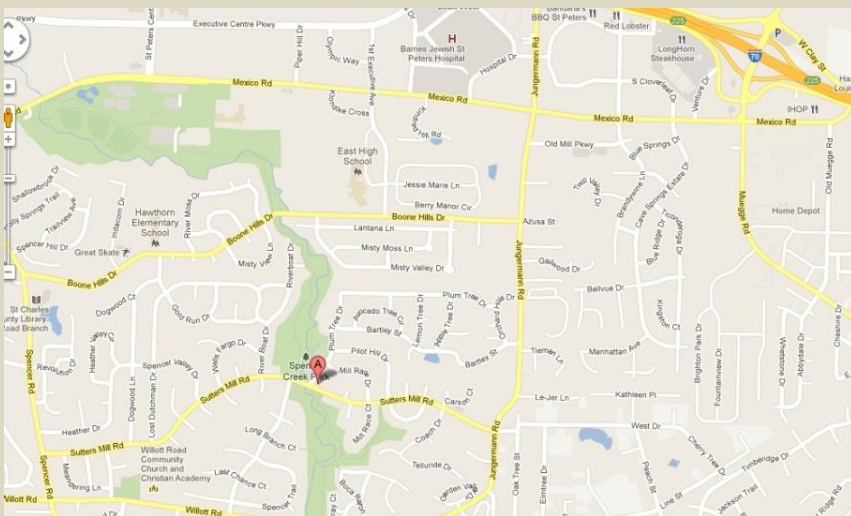
The bocce ball contest awards will be given for People's Choice and the best toss. You can bring two, one for the best turned contest and one for the tossing. Rules for the game can be found at:

<http://backyardbrigade.com/guide/115>. However, rules are subject to change based on input from our board members.

Rich will have the library cards and DVD's at the picnic. Any item can be returned.

A map to Spencer Creek Park is shown below. Call the NL editor or any of the Club Officers if you have any questions. Hope to see you there!

Maps to Spencer Creek Park for the annual club picnic. *(Note, the tool bar in Adobe Reader will let you zoom in or increase the power to make the maps more readable.)*



President's Spin > Jon Spelbring • Greetings fellow turners! I can't believe that summer is almost gone. I'm looking forward to the picnic, and to seeing who can kick whom's butt in Bocci ball. Of course, I still have to make mine - how about you?

It's been a busy year for the club, what with the Great Chair Crisis back in the early spring, to turning scoops with Soren Berger, getting ready for Trent Bosch, and then coming to the holiday season – annual picnic, wine and cheese social, officers election, and the ornament exchange. Remember that we do not have a meeting in December. It really does feel like just a few weeks ago that I started the job as club president. So far, it's been a lot of fun, and I've learned quite a bit - both in turning, and in club matters. Fortunately, I've had an excellent team to work with. Dan, Bob, Walt as the other officers; Dave and James taking on the demonstrator planning and newsletter. Truth be told, it's a pretty groovy gig. Maybe after next year, I'll run for VP or secretary and have to do some real work.

I'd also like to put in a big thanks to Rich, our librarian. Granted, he comes close to panhandling when it comes time for the budget, but he's managed to assemble what I'm told is that largest library of any AAW chapter in the country. I'm looking forward to another exciting year in 2013.

I'll close with this: Remember, it's your club. If you see things that need fixing or changing, tell me (or one of the other officers). If you have ideas for demonstrators - talk to James, the new Demo Dude (I'm thinking of making that an official title). If you have topics that you'd like to share (as in do a demo), again, talk to one of us. If live demos aren't your thing, maybe consider writing an article for the newsletter.

Library News > Rich Hinkebein •

New material:

- * Woodturning Design magazine for October 2012
- * DVD of the Arrowmont Symposium held November 11-14, 2010 for Segmented Woodturners. The instant gallery is well worth watching for those interested in segmented turning. It takes about 10 minutes. Donated by Jon Spelbring and the Segmented Woodturners group.

Let Rich know if you have a particular author or subject of interest. A complete list of library material is posted on the club website: www.stlturners.org.

Trent Bosch Demonstration and Hands-On Turning • Trent will host a demonstration on Oct 13 at 9am at the Kirkwood High School in the upstairs auditorium (different room than where we have met in the past). The cost to attend the demonstration is \$40. Then on Oct 14 & 15, Trent will host a day of hands-on turning. The hands-on turning will be at Dave Endres' shop. The cost for the hands-on is \$100/day. Slots are available for 6 turners/day. Maps and application forms for the demo and hands-on are provided in the newsletter.

Anchorseal • Anchorseal creates a wax barrier that protects against end checking and costly degrade in freshly sawn logs and lumber. Our club purchases a 55 gallon drum and it is dispensed as members request it. The price is \$15 for 2 gallons. Contact Dave Endres at 314.568.1244 or email him at endrestoh@att.net if you would like to purchase Anchorseal. You can pick up your order with 2 business days notice at Dave's office: Treecourt Industrial Court, 63122 or at a club meeting with 3 business days notice. If you have any empty jugs for the Anchorseal, please get them to Dave (whether you want to buy the Anchorseal or not) as he does not have many available. Payment is made to Walt Ahlgrim, Club Treasurer.

Upcoming Events:

Calendar of Events		
23 September 2012	No meeting; annual picnic at Spencer Creek Park.	See the Sept newsletter article for more information.
13 October 2012 14/15 October 2012	Trent Bosch demonstration T. Bosch hands on turning	Demo Oct 13, 9am; Kirkwood High School \$40 members/\$45 non members. Hands-On Oct 14 & 15, 9am; Dave Endres' shop, \$100/day. Trent's web site is: http://www.trentbosch.com/portfolio
28 October 2012	Meeting at Woodcraft	Pre meeting: Christmas ornaments Meeting demo: Christmas ornaments
25 November 2012	Meeting at Woodcraft	Election of Club Board Members, ornament exchange, followed by wine and cheese social (members, spouses, and significant others invited) & web photo shoot. See newsletter articles for more info.

Newsletter Delivery • If you currently receive the newsletter by snail mail and also access it electronically, please consider eliminating the snail mail copy. The club spends around \$600 per year on printing and snail mailing the newsletter. Our electronic editions allow us to reduce our printing costs, provide more pictures, improve readability using color and graphics, and provide access to copies going back several years. Please send me an email if we can remove your name from the snail mail list. You will continue to receive an email reminder with a direct hot link to our site when the newsletter goes on-line. Thanks in advance for your consideration in reducing waste and for the savings to the club. As always, your feedback and suggestions are appreciated. Charlie cwsapp@charter.net.

WoodTurners of St. Louis present Trent Bosch

Demonstration at Kirkwood High School, Saturday, Oct 13, 2012 9am – 4pm

* Students 18 years old and younger may attend for free but must complete this form and register prior to the demonstration.

** Saturday Lunch can be on your own or you may order a box lunch for \$10 (all participants).

Member: \$40 ☐ Non-Member: \$45 ☐ Student: \$0* ☐

Box lunch: \$10** ☐

Name: First _____ Last _____

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

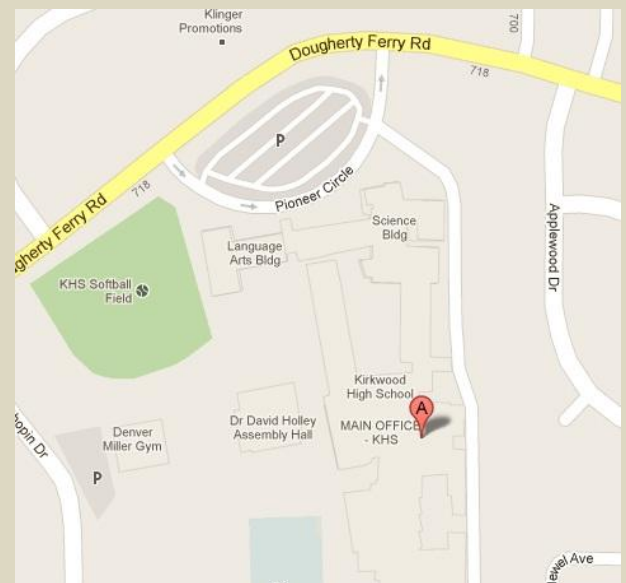
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Total payment enclosed: \$ _____

Make checks payable to **WoodTurners of St. Louis**. Mail the completed form and payment to:

Walt Ahlgrim
10 Ramblewood Lane
St. Louis, MO 63141

Map to Kirkwood High School 801 West Essex Ave; Kirkwood, MO for Trent Bosch Demo Oct 13, 2012 at 9am
(Note, we are in the upstairs auditorium on the North end of the school near Dougherty Ferry. Look for the signs to the location. The tool bar in Adobe Reader will let you zoom in or increase the power to make the maps more readable.)



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**Hands-On Classes at Dave Endres' shop; 404 E. Gill Ave; Kirkwood, MO 63122 Kirkwood
Sunday & Monday Oct 14 & 15, 2012 9am – 4pm**

Lunch is on your own. It is suggested that you bring a sack lunch so that you can meet with the other turners and Trent during the break.

Each class is \$100 and you may register for more than one session. Classes are filled on a first paid, first served basis.

Class date preferred: Sunday 14 Oct 2012 ☐

Monday 15 Oct 2012 ☐

Name: First _____ Last _____

Address: Street _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

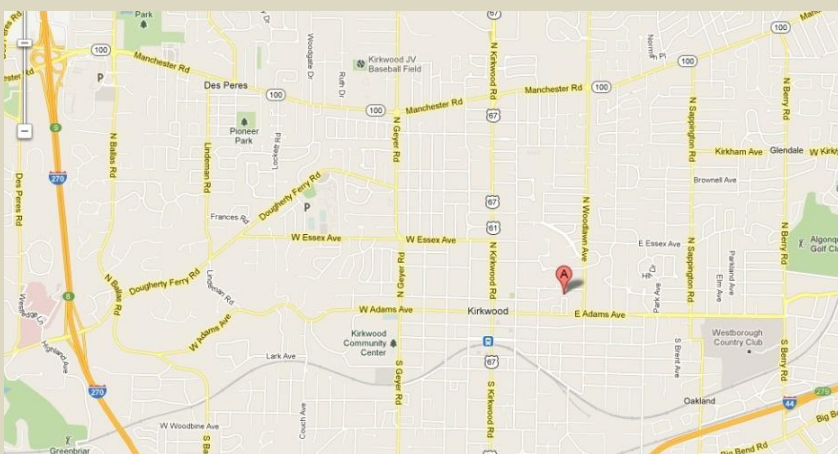
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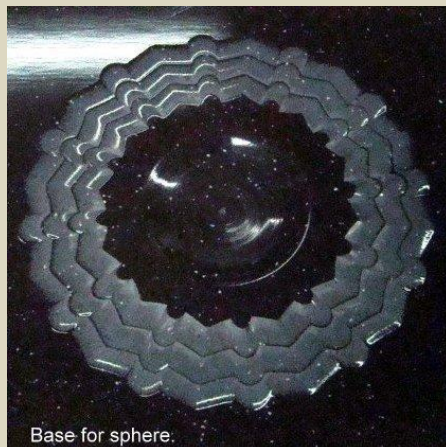
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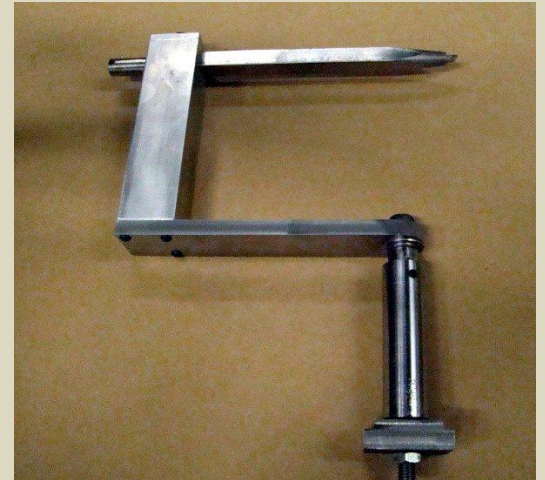
August Show & Tell

Thanks to James and Dan for providing pictures of the demos and show and tell at the August meeting. When the NL editor cannot attend the meeting we need a member(s) to take pictures and notes for the NL. Please let me know if you would be willing to take on that role. I typically know when there will be a conflict and can let you know in advance so you have your camera and note pad ready. Charlie cwsapp@charter.net



Base for sphere.





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