

WOODTURNERS OF ST. LOUIS

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

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August Remote Meeting: The August 23rd WTSTL meeting was held remotely due to the CORONA-19 pandemic and to protect and keep our members safe. Laura Spelbring led the meeting discussion. Members provided several pictures of their work during the quarantine and those were presented and discussed by each member during Show and Tell. The President will continue to issue a monthly turning challenge as an inspiration to try a project that you would not have tried otherwise. We hope to continue the previous PC program when we resume in-person meetings. Please send a picture of your work (both President's Challenge and other turnings) to cwsapp@charter.net for inclusion in the Show and Tell for the remote meetings and the newsletter. ***When submitting your pictures – provide the type of wood (if known); the finish; the size; and any comments. See the information presented on the Show and Tell pictures in this newsletter.***



Joanne Sauvageau provided a demonstration on using ink and stamps, embossing powders, and airbrushing to decorate turnings. There are legal issues with using stamps, but the “angel rule” applies and it is ok to use them to decorate items for retail sales. However, it is nice to mention the name of the stamp company used. Joanne uses multiple stamps to create scenes – mountains, streams, wild life,... And depending on the object mythical stampings are also used – fairies...



Ink stampings can be used on raw wood. However, most times Joanne uses the stamping as a guide and wood burns or carves out the stamping patterns. Coloring and painting are also used.



The size of the piece must be matched to the size of the stamp. Unless you plan to just stamp on raw wood, the piece must be sealed and made non-porous. She typically applies a white acrylic paint (gesso) and 2 coats of lacquer; then sands to 400 grit to remove any bumps. Background colors are applied with an airbrush (she likes the Copic system) and ink stampings applied. NOTE: A fixative must be applied between each layer of decoration to keep the alcohol from mixing layers. When stamping, she dabs the pad on the stamp vs stamp on the pad.



Embossing powders with a special embossing pad can be used to provide texture.

Links: <https://www.thesprucecrafts.com/apply-ink-to-a-rubber-stamp-2905202>

Supplies:

- Liquitex Professional - Flexible Modeling Paste
- Stampscapes rubber stamps (her favorites) stampscapes.com
- Lavinia stamps <https://laviniaastamps.com/>
- StazOn Jet Black ink pad
- Ranger Archival Ink pads
- Copic Sketch Markers Copic Airbrushing System

- Spray bottle with 91% Isopropyl Alcohol
- Hero Hues White Dye Ink Pad

Some other products she introduced briefly:

- Baked Textures by Seth Apter
- Wendy Vecchi Embossing Powder
- Cosmic Shimmer Gilding Flakes
- Acrylic paint white
- Mohawk spray lacquer
- Archival alcohol inks
- Modern Masters metal effects
- Pinata color
- Ranger Adirondack alcohol inks

At this time COVID-19 restrictions continue to evolve and change. We do not know when we will be able to resume group meetings at CJAP. When we do, the environment will be different. Your Board continues to work on the club mission of providing woodturning education and information and thanks you for your patience and support of the remote meetings. We plan to continue meeting remotely through November to protect and keep everyone safe. Bob Goulding is scheduling a robust Interactive Remote Demonstration program for you so that you can participate while we are meeting remotely and face to face when we resume meetings.

Our Sept 27th meeting will be remote on the Zoom platform. **Rudy Lopez**, nationally known woodturner, will be demonstrating turning a natural edge wing bowl from a half log. Members can participate in the IRDs for no charge, but there is a \$10 fee for **nonmembers** to participate in the Lopez demonstration. Meeting information with the link will be emailed about a week before the meeting. Please sign on to the meeting with your full name for verification against our roster.

If you are not a member of the club and would like to participate, register for the event on the club web site by Sept 24, 2020.



Library News • Material will be available when we resume our in-person meetings. In this extended time of remote meetings, please keep track of any material that is checked out to you. Material can be mailed back to Rich in the interim if you wish. His contact information is available on the web site under the “members only” tab / picture roster. – **Rich Hinkebein**



President’s Spin • Summer is winding down and hopefully so are the temperatures and humidity so you can get back to your unairconditioned garages and turn a thing or two! It's been great to see so many of you have been attending our Zoom meetings. We feel safety is important. We have decided to not have an official presidential challenge until next year but we want you to continue to challenge yourself by learning a new technique or hone in on your basics. I will be using some of Jon's unfinished bowls from the turning classes to try out Joanne Sauvageau's embellishment techniques. Yes, I have stamps, markers, ink...

For those that have a book/video checked out of the library, can you send Rich H. an email letting him know that you have it. He has the list of names but he wants to make sure that you know that you still have it! You can hold on to the book/video or send it back via postal.

There is another opportunity to not leave the comfort of your home and watch over 30 demonstrators with over 40 topics! The Woodturners Worldwide Online Symposium. www.woodturnersworldwide.com Sept 24-26 . Also, the videos will be available for a month after the event. It's \$89.00 but if you mention Jeff Hornung you will save \$10. It is a pre-recorded demo's with live interaction with the turners. See you next month. Stay safe and happy turning. – **Laura Spelbring**

Positions to Fill / November election● A slate of nominees will be presented to the club at the October meeting. Nominations are open for President (one year term to fill out Laura's term), VP, Secretary, and Treasurer. Contact any of the current Board if you are interested.

We also have these positions to fill .

- NEWSLETTER EDITOR – The editor is responsible for collecting articles, editing, and assembling the club newsletter.
- AV Operator – The operator is responsible for setup/breakdown of the AV equipment for each meeting. We would like for at least 2 people to fill this role so a backup is available. We do have a mentor to get you trained.

President's Challenge



The President will continue to issue a challenge each month as inspiration to turn an item that you would not have tried otherwise. Since your turnings cannot be reviewed by the membership to select a winner, please include pictures of your work along with your other Show and Tell items. Email pictures to cwsapp@charter.net for our remote meeting and newsletter.

September President's Challenge - Turning Enhancement – Inking or other

Re-Turning to the Community ● At a future meeting there will be a gift certificate drawing for members that contribute to our community service programs. Sixty dollars in Craft Supply gift certificates will be awarded (\$30 first prize, \$20 second, and \$10 third place winners). For each item that you Re-Turn to the Community you will receive an entry for the drawing. You do not have to be present at the meeting to be a winner. **(NOTE: Please continue to work on these items but hold on to your turnings until we start meeting in-person).**

Nursing Home Project: This community service project for our members is to make small lidded boxes for individuals in nursing homes. Approximate dimension should be no larger than 3X3 with loose fitting lids. If you have suggestions for the nursing home, please let Laura know. This will be an ongoing project for 2020.



Beads of Courage – Our support for the Beads of Courage program continues with boxes going to Children's Hospital. Check out their [link](#) or talk to Ken Bald for more information.



Pens for the Troops ● Since 2004 over 175,000 pens have been crafted for the troops thru Woodcraft's Turn for the Troops program. The pens are sent to active duty or recovering military personnel across the globe. In 2018 WTSTL club members turned 30 pens; in 2019 you turned 40 pens; and our goal for 2020 is to turn 50 pens for the program. See Treasurer, Charles Sapp, if you would like to get a pen kit to participate in the program. There is a \$3 deposit for the pen kit but it is refunded when the completed pen is returned. If possible, the pens will be delivered to Woodcraft before Veterans Day for distribution to the services. However, this is a year-round program so delivery will depend on COVID-19 restrictions and resuming meetings. **(NOTE: In the interim if you want to be turning pens for this program you can use pen kits that you currently have and they will be swapped out for a pen kit when you turn in a completed pen. Slimline pen kits will be swapped, but you can submit any kit that you want. If you want to pick up pen kits, contact Charlie Sapp to make arrangements for pick up.)**



Basket of Hope ● This foundation works with seriously ill children and their families in the St. Louis area. They have a fund raising event in November and are asking for turned items to be donated for their silent and live auctions. Contact Rick Madden (636.240.0853) if you would like to donate items. Rick will make arrangements to pick up items in October.



Vice President's Report ● [Beads of Courage](#): Let's all remember that the Beads of Courage is a program for kids in need. The beads are \$1.25 (13/16" in diameter) and available from Ken. Please continue to turn boxes for the program.
– Ken Bald



Treasurer ● An [application](#) for membership is available on the club web site. Renewing and new members are asked to complete the new application form. Forms will also be available at the meeting. Club patches are available from the Treasurer for \$5. –
Charles Sapp



Club News:

Attendance/Treasurers Report ● There were approximately 30 participants at the August remote meeting.

Annual September Picnic ● **CANCELLED.** For the safety and health of our members and their families the September picnic has been cancelled. *A live interactive remote demonstration has been scheduled.* We hope that next year we will be able to resume the event.

November Meeting – Remote Wine and Cheese Social, Ornament Exchange & Election • At the November meeting members will have the opportunity to exchange ornaments that they have made. If you would like to participate, just email a picture of your ornament to Charles Sapp by Nov 18th. The ornament can be simple or complex. Participants will then spin a wheel to pick an ornament made by another club member. We hope to have your ornament in the exchange. (Ornaments will be physically exchanged when we start meeting in person or earlier if you make arrangements with each other.)

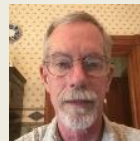


Turning Days / Mentoring• The Board recognizes the value of hands-on and one-on-one instruction. Ken Bald is offering a hands-on workshop program at his shop. It will be one turner at a time; you must provide your project, tools, and face shield; a mask must also be worn; and new turners will be given priority. Make arrangements ASAP with Ken (618.407.1636) to participate. Several of our members have taken advantage of this opportunity and provided very positive feedback on Ken's knowledge and instruction.

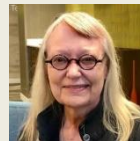


New Members• Please join me in welcoming our new members:

Tom Heusler from St. Charles, MO



[Linda Ferber](#) from St. Paul, MN



Club Shirts/Smocks• Our order has been placed on hold as many suppliers are out of stock due to the pandemic and shut downs. You will be notified when we plan to complete the order and at that time you will be able to finalize your order. No pre-payments have been accepted at this point in time.

Help Needed• We are looking for volunteers to pick up wood for west and north of St. Louis. These people should preferably have a truck and a place to store the wood until the next meeting. Contact Laura if you can assist.

Symposiums & Other Clubs•

Lincolnland Turning Saturday – Saturday October 10, 2020. This will be a virtual meeting with Trent Bosch and other remote demonstrators. Fee and more information to follow.

Woodturners Worldwide Online Symposium – Forty five demonstrations and multiple mini demos with international woodturners. Sept 24 – 26, 2020. Check their web site for more information and to register. www.woodturnersworldwide.com Jeff Hornung, WTSTL member, is a demonstrator. Use the code JEFF at checkout for a discount.

Amazon Smile ● Thanks to those that are using Amazon Smile for their orders and selecting Woodturners of Saint Louis as their charity. We are receiving quarterly donations from the Amazon Foundation thanks to them and you. There is no added fee when you make your order and it does help the club.

Shopping with Amazon Smile ● If you shop on Amazon, please consider shopping on <https://smile.amazon.com>. Just under the search bar is a link to “Supporting”. Follow the links to select your favorite charity. We hope you will select Woodturners of Saint Louis. You will need to shop on the smile site for a donation to count from now on. Click on this link to go directly to the [WTSTL charity](#).

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Date	Pre-Meeting 11:30 am – 12:30 pm	Meeting 12:30 pm – 4:00 pm
September 27, 2020	No pre-meeting.	Live interactive demo with Rudy Lopez - Natural Edge Wing Bowl from a Half Log. Free to members; \$10 fee for non-members (nonmembers must register by September 24 to participate).
October 25, 2020	No pre-meeting.	Live interactive demo with Art Liestman – Therming (multi axis turning where the axis of rotation does not lie within the blank being turned). Free to members; \$10 fee for non-members (nonmembers must register by October 22 to participate).
November 22, 2020	No pre-meeting.	Interactive meeting, ornament exchange, election, door prizes, other activities, enjoy a glass of wine or your favorite beverage in the comfort of your home in front of the computer screen with other WTSTL members

Facebook site ● Check out the club Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Woodturners-of-St-Louis/292734664135601> and “Like” the page (click on the “Like” icon) to receive updates. You can also post your pictures on this site.



Facebook Group ● Our club has a Facebook group that is a great way to post pictures of your work, provide tech tips, and share ideas. When you go to the site:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1157348070957128/?fref=nf> click on “Join” and your request will be processed by our Facebook administrator. It is a closed group and only seen by members.

August Remote Show and Share



Turner: Richard Grossman

Wood: Quilt maple with mahogany inlay



Finish: Sanded to 800 grit; shellac sealer; Beall buffing system with multiple wax layers

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Comments: Small bowl was harvested from the top center of the large bowl (imagine the smaller bowl upside down coming out of the center)



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Lid or no lid?



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Turner: Charles Sapp

Wood: Walnut

Finish: Spray lacquer

Size: 4.5" tall; 2.5" diameter

Comments: Used Jamieson Hollowing System



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Wood: Walnut

Finish: One with wipe on poly and one with spray lacquer

Size: 3" diameter

Comments: Ribbon streptohedron based on article by David Springett in Aug 2020 American Woodturner



Turner: Charles Sapp



Wood: Maple

Finish: None at this time

Size: 3" x 3" x 3"

Comments: Patterned after forms by Max Brosi





Turner: Wayne lehl



Wood: Multiple species

Finish:

Size: ~ 3" diameter

Comments: Nursing home community project



Turner: Wayne lehl

Wood: Oak



Finish:

Size: 8, 12, and 14" diameter

Comments:





Turner: Bob Goulding



Wood: Cherry

Finish: Deft spray
lacquer

Size: 12" x 3.5"

Comments: Turned and
carved



Turner: Bob Goulding



Wood: Cherry

Finish: Watco Danish Oil

Size: 3" x 3" x 3"

Comments: Open
streptohedron - twisted
ribbon



Turner: Bob Goulding



Wood: Sycamore

Finish: Deft spray
lacquer

Size: 7" x 6"

Comments: Hollowed
out thru a knot hole



Turner: Walt Ahlgrim

Wood: Maple burl

Finish:

Size:

Comments: Plugged hole in the top and glued piece on the bottom to get the desired angle



Turner: Walt Ahlgrim

Wood: Silver maple

Finish:

Size:

Comments: Bark inclusion



Turner: Walt Ahlgrim

Wood: Holly

Finish:

Size:

Comments: Trying to break all the rules—max width at center and sanded off center so it sits at an angle.



Web site● Updates have been made to the club web site. If you have not signed on to the [club web site](#) but want to establish an account send your request to the Treasurer, Charles Sapp. Once your membership is verified, he will contact the web master and an account will be established for you with a temporary password. When you sign on for the first time you will be able to set your own password. Items submitted for the Show and Tell are now being displayed on the home page of the web. If you would like to be featured on the home page, provide Charlie Sapp with 4 to 6 good quality pictures (640 x 480) of your turnings with the same background. You can also establish your own gallery! If you have any problems with web site operation, downloading, or general suggestions please contact the officers.

If you enjoy turning wood, making things on your lathe or want to learn more about woodturning then join the Woodturners of St. Louis. Learn and share ideas with like-minded Woodturners of St. Louis. Our chapter normally meets from 1:00pm to 4:00 pm on the fourth Sunday of every month at 8300 Valcour Avenue, St. Louis, MO <http://www.stlturners.com> **We are currently meeting remotely during the COVID-19 pandemic. We have remote meetings and demonstrations scheduled for the next few months. We will relaunch when we can safely meet face to face and social distancing makes it practical. We hope that you will join us for our remote meetings and in-person in the future.**

American Association of Woodturners● WTSTL is one of 350+ worldwide chapters of the American Association of Woodturners. We encourage you to join this organization. The AAW is dedicated to providing education, information, and organization to those interested in woodturning. You can join the AAW at their site: <http://woodturner.org/member/MemberLogOn.asp>.

Membership comes with access to on-line training information and includes a subscription to the *American Woodturner* magazine. Our club is a chapter of the AAW and we encourage all club members to join the AAW. They have been publishing a great series of on-line woodturning training articles for members that are worth the price of membership by themselves. They have also indexed all of the past AAW magazine articles so you can search and find help with most any issue you have or ideas on your next project.

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