



MEETING DATE: SEPTEMBER 8, 2007
MEETING TIME: 10:00 AM
MEETING PLACE: SEE MAP TO JAKE KEMPER'S
SHOP
DEMO: DECORATING TECHNIQUES

WOODCHIPS

Our next meeting is just around the corner. It seems impossible our year is coming to a close. Future plans call for two demonstrations, a family outing, and our Christmas party. This has been a phenomenal year. Our club has been more active and ventured into more new activities than any year I can remember.

Last month's demonstration was just such an occasion. Thanks to Jim Ketcham! We can use his teaching to do what most of us spend our time on...turning green wood. It was very well done. It is imperative to know how to treat and work the wood in order to come up with a finished product. Wood has a mind of its own, and it must be worked a certain way or a lot of good work can be all for naught. Be sure to thank Jim for the good demo.

I certainly am anxious to see the September demo. Stan Kretzler will demonstrate a decorating technique that can enhance many different turnings. A few years ago I won one of his Christmas ornaments at our annual Christmas party where he used this technique, and I have been interested in how it is done since that time. I can't describe it, but I certainly recommend to everyone to attend and watch this demo.

Our meeting place will be changed, and Stan's demo will be done at Jake and Euda Lee Kemper's shop. A map is drawn on the back for all to use. Call if you aren't sure about directions.

The Ector County Fair will be held in Odessa starting the 6th of September (for us). Members of the club will be setting up our booth in Barn "G" on that night. The format will be similar to our Celebration of the Arts format. Tom and Keith will be in charge, and I encourage us to give them all the help we can. We can use volunteers a plenty as this is a very busy outing with lots of attendance. Let's help all we can. Our projects can be entered into the Ector County Fair for competition if we care to participate. They need to be dropped off and registered September 2nd, 3rd, or 4th during the afternoon hours at Barn "G". They will need to be picked up on Sunday, September 16th between 10 AM to 2 PM.

The Midland College class is on schedule again this semester. (For the most part) It looks like another successful venture.

Our next Christmas party was discussed at our last board meeting. All is go for the second Saturday in December....the 8th. A good reminder now.....our member raffle was a stunning success last year due to the quality of all the turnings that were brought. Now is a good time to begin working on our quality piece to bring to the party. If possible, let's try to top last year's presents that show our members and guests what we are capable of.

Let's keep in mind our sister club in Lubbock is planning a gala also. Let's try to keep that date open to support them. The date for their party will be announced soon.

I hope to see a good crowd on September 8th at the Kempers. See you there!!

Don Farris
President, Comanche Trail Woodturners

UPCOMING MEETINGS FOR 2007

Month	Demo	Demonstrator
September	Christmas Decorations	Stan Kretzler
October	Social	Club Members
November	Large Inside/outside turnings	Jake Kemper

Permian Basin Fair & Exposition

You may have heard that we will be doing demonstrations at the Permian Basin Fair & Expo between Sept 7th and 15th. The fair organizers have asked that we enter woodturning projects into the fair for judging, and we will also have a display booth behind/near the lathes where we are working to show off what we do. Please consider entering some of your work into the fair for judging or just in our display booth.

The rules and categories for entries can be found in the attached *07_Creative_Arts_Book.pdf* file. To enter something in the fair you have to take it to building G at the Ector County Coliseum at one of the following times:

Sunday, September 2, 2007	Enter Exhibits	Noon to 6:00 p.m.
Monday, September 3, 2007	Enter Exhibits	Noon to 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday, September 4, 2007	Enter Exhibits	10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

The objects must be picked up on:

Sunday, September 16, 2007	Pick up Entries	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
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We will be setting up our woodturning area on the evening of Thursday, September 6th. If you have something that you would like to put into our display area please get it entered. The organizers said that the area will be behind a chain link fence (out of arms reach of the crowd) and there is security in the building at night.

Also feel free to come help demonstrate or just visit with us silly turners and the crowd :-). The fair hours and cost are:

Fair Hours:

Friday	Sept. 7	5:00 p.m. - midnight
Saturday	Sept. 8	10:00 a.m. - midnight
Sunday	Sept. 9	12:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
Monday	Sept. 10	5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Sept. 11	5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Sept. 12	5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Thursday	Sept. 13	5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Friday	Sept. 14	5:00 p.m. - midnight
Saturday	Sept. 15	10:00 a.m. - midnight

Admission:

Adults	\$8.00
Seniors	\$4.00
Children	
12 and under	\$4.00 on Friday, Saturday, Sunday & Monday FREE on Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday
3 and under	FREE

We don't have them yet but will be getting some special admission tickets for the demonstrators. If you need one please contact me.

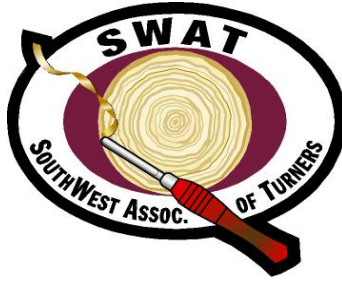
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Remember, the Southplains Woodturners meeting in Lubbock. They will be meeting the first Saturday of each month at Target Sheet metal. The time will be 10:00 am.
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CHRISTMAS IS COMING! It's not too early to get started on a gift for the exchange at the Christmas party Saturday December 13 at Ranchland Hills Country Club. This is a wonderful gathering of many talented and grateful people. It is also a chance to show your best in your turning and let someone else have a part of your talent in their home.
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If you placed an order for our new club shirts, they should be here for the meeting on the 8th. We have extra hats available for the reasonable price of \$ 4.87 including tax. Please see Chris to pick them up.



REGISTER NOW FOR SWAT SYMPOSIUM

If you haven't already registered for this year's SWAT Symposium in Wichita Falls, time is running out for the reduced cost advanced registration. You need to register before September 1 to take advantage of the lower price. You can register with the blank included on the brochure you received in the mail from SWAT. If you have misplaced that, you can register using the SWAT web site, www.swaturners.org, where you have two options. You can either register electronically using the web site, or download and print a registration form and register by mail. Either way, it is time to look for the check book and get it done. You won't want to miss the outstanding program planned for this year.

SWAT LEAD DEMONSTRATORS FINALIZED

National leads for 2007 are **Cindy Drozda, J. Paul Fennel, David Marks, Stuart Mortimer** and **Alan Stirt**. Our featured regional lead demonstrator is **Stacey Hager**.

Cindy Drozda is a full-time woodturning artist from Boulder, Colorado and has been turning since 1985. She has worked with wood since 1977. She is well known for her elegant burlwood boxes and containers topped by delicate finials. Cindy's trademarks are precise techniques, fine details, pleasing forms, and exploring the elements of successful design.

J. Paul Fennel has had an interest in turning wood dating back to the early 1970's. His work has been focused on the aesthetic of the hollow-form vessel; forms are derived from variations of simple, but pleasing classical shapes. Paul's recent focus has been on surface texture, carving and other treatments on these forms. He resides in Scottsdale, Arizona.

David Marks has been a professional woodworker since the 1970s, and shifted his focus to woodturning and sculpture in the 90s. He is well known for his patina finishes, which combine painting, gilding, chemical patinas and lacquering techniques. His finished pieces have an

ancient petrified stone look about them. David is a resident of Santa Rosa, California.

Stuart Mortimer has been turning wood since 1969. He holds the world record for the largest bowl turned from one piece of wood. He is well known for his spiral turnings, and is the author of *Techniques of Spiral Work*. Stuart resides in Hampshire, England. He has taught and demonstrated throughout Britain, Europe and the US.

Alan Stirt considers himself a “bowl maker” more than a wood turner. While the turning process fascinates him, it is the resulting bowl that commands his interest. Alan uses patterns, whether created by grain structure, organic fluting and carving or repeated geometric shapes, to enhance his pieces. Al resides in Enosburg Falls, Vermont.

Stacey Hager grew up in a cabinet shop, did some turning in the 60s, but began turning seriously in the 80s. Stacey is well known for his knowledge of tools and tool making, and has written several articles on tool making for the AAW journal. His woodturning interests cover a broad range, from large bowls and hollow vessels to long, thin spindles.

In addition these outstanding lead turners will be supplemented by a great cast of Regional Demonstrators:

Andy Chen - *Corian® - an alternative turning material*

Bill Kloepping - *making laminated swirly blanks*

Bill Tilson - *Wrap Your Box - using veneers with turnings*

Dave Smith - *alcohol drying techniques with turnings*

Drew Shelton - *turning a Femisphere*

Joel Crabbe - *turning an earring and pendant set*

John Horn - *tools and techniques for end grain turning*

Tom Crosby - *fitting lids on boxes and bowls*

Anthony Harris - *Spheres Three Ways*

Delbert Dowdy - *quick, simple and accurate segmenting*

Bruce Hoover - *shop tips*

Bill Rubenstein - *topic to be announced*

ALTERNATES

Craig Timmerman - *Making Bowls Fly - square turning*

Dan Henry - *turning an inside out ornament*

REGISTER NOW FOR SPOUSES PROGRAM

This is your official reminder to prepare for the Annual Ladies Instant Gallery. Please bring your crafts, sewing, quilts, artwork (oils, pastels or whatever), jewelry, scrapbooking etc. We need your talent!

Friday, October 5 - 2:00 to 4:30 PM

Italian Cooking Class - **\$15.00 each**

6:00 PM - Barbeque buffet dinner followed by a musical "Night On Broadway" at 7:30 PM.
\$24.00 per person for both dinner and theater

Saturday, October 6 - 9:00 AM - Visit The Finishing Touch, a gift and craft store, for refreshments and cookies!

10:30 AM - The Scrapbooking Store for instruction in the "art of scrapbooking"

12:00 Noon - Georgann's Tea Room and Craft Mall for lunch and shopping

2:30 PM - Tour of the Wichita Falls History Museum hosted by Jim Peddijohn.

Cost for all Saturday events - \$24.00 each

Sunday, October 7 - 9:30 AM - Making three elegant greeting cards. **\$5.00 each**

It would be appreciated if you would register in advance. You can do this by listing the things you intend to attend and then sending a check made out to SWAT LADIES PROGRAM for the total to:

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