



NICK COOK – OUR FALL WEEKEND DEMO ARTIST - SEPTEMBER 29TH & 30TH

Jake Neidling, our August Demo Artist



Jake did an outstanding job of showing us how to turn a three piece pedestal dish at our August Meeting. The three pieces he turned for us included the top, the spindle and the bottom (naturally). With Jake's usual

"let's keep things simple" method of instruction, everyone in attendance could go home and turn one of these delightful dishes. I foresee a lot of Christmas Gifts in the offing. An example of the "let's keep things simple" methodology, Jake standardized the size of the tennons on the pieces to fit the size of the needle nose jaws on his chuck. Eliminated a lot of tool and equipment changing.

Monthly Newsletter

Smoky Mountain Woodturners August 2018

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COMING UP IN SEPTEMBER

Our September Meeting Demo will feature Gordon Sloane demonstrating Embellishing Thin Wall Vessels.

AUGUST SAFETY MESSAGE

By Mike Anthony

CHAIN SAW SAFETY

- *Clear away dirt, debris, etc from the chainsaw's path. Look for nails or metal in the tree before cutting.
- *Shut off saw when carrying it over rough terrain.
- *Keep your hand on the saw's handle.
- *Wear proper safety gear (hand, foot, hearing, eyes).
- *Do not wear loose fitting clothing.
- *Watch for branches under tension.
- *Make sure all protective devices on the saw work.
- *Be cautious of kick-back. Don't saw with the tip.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a great demonstration, an elevated candy dish, put on by Jake Neidling. I hope that many of our members will try turning this project, but if you are new to turning you may need a little help with this 3-part project. Wood turning starts with gaining the knowledge of the processes and techniques required to create the type of project you want. Time spent learning the basics and practicing (repetition) will eventually lead you to refine techniques and work more efficiently. The knowledge you gain in the beginning will provide the building blocks to tackle even more complex things. Thanks, Jake, for putting on a great demonstration.

Having said all that let me again encourage everyone to take advantage of our upcoming Fall Woodturners Weekend with a very experienced and knowledgeable production woodturner, Nick Cook. It doesn't matter if you are an experienced bowl turner or a brand new beginner, everyone will learn from watching Nick's demonstration and his hands on workshop.

I was really excited to see all the entries for our first woodturning challenge, a gavel and sound block. Every gavel I saw that night was a winner in its own unique way. The challenge is not so much in whose project is picked but in the camaraderie that is built among club members, sharing their skills with everyone. I know the end of the year, bowl woodturning challenge, will have entries that will not only dazzle the eyes but also open our minds to new techniques and ideas for future projects. I hope to see 100% participation from all club members in December and I know you will not let me down.

"For the Woodturning field to grow, we need individuals brave enough to speak their minds in defense of the traditions of woodturning, as well as new approaches. We don't need to all be in total agreement and should in fact agree to disagree, embracing freedom of speech. We should create, collect, and discuss the work that we love freely and learn from the experiences that are presented in the process of discussing the work." Kevin Wallace (in case you missed last month's message).

Thanks and Keep Turning

Gordon Sloane

Scholarship Draw Results

Our winners of the monthly Scholarship Draws for August are:

Arrowmont - Dick Hammat

J.C. Campbell - Gordon Sloane (Again)

Wood Donations for August

Our thanks to the members who brought wood for the August Wood Draw: Giles (Dick) Hammat, Jake Niedling, Rob Smith, Lucy Bobb and Gordon Sloane.

Monthly Door Prize

The Door Prize Winner for August was Clint Black

INTRODUCTORY MEMBERSHIP



The AAW has an exciting new membership promotion for first-time AAW

members, which began in December 2017. Below is a summary of the details.

- **FOR JUST \$20**, individuals may sign up for a three-month introductory AAW membership that includes a mailed issue of *American Woodturner* journal. When the introductory three-month membership period ends, individuals may renew by upgrading to a full general AAW membership for just \$40.
- Only individuals who have **NEVER** been AAW members are eligible for the introductory three-month membership offer.
- The introductory three-month membership offer is available to individuals **ONE TIME ONLY**.

Each introductory three-month AAW membership includes the benefits of AAW membership for three full months, including one printed copy of the *American Woodturner* journal, and access for three months to Woodturning FUNDamentals, AAW EXPLORE! Discover Woodturning, AAW Connects, AAW Forum, the world's largest woodturning tips library, safety resources, learning and mentoring materials, grant opportunities, specialty programming, services, and more.

- [Sign up for the special offer online at](#)

[http://www.woodturner.org/?page=ITM2040.](http://www.woodturner.org/?page=ITM2040)

- [Read about eligibility and how it works.](#)

Arrowmont Arts and Crafts School – September



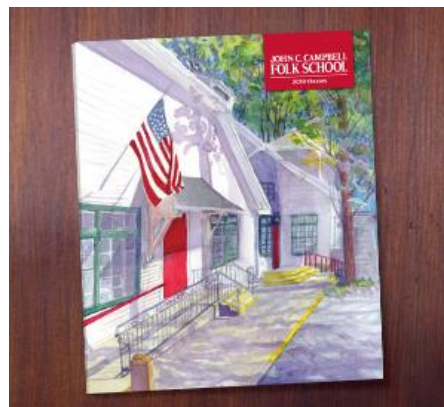
Don't forget about the **LOCAL RESIDENTS SCHOLARSHIPS** that provide 50% of workshop tuition for one workshop per person per year. Residents of Sevier, Blount, Cocke, Jefferson, or Knox counties in Tennessee are eligible. No deadline.

9-9 to 9-15 Sally Ault – Put a Lid on It !

9-16 to 9-22 – Nathaniel Chambers and John Jordan – Form, Form, Form (Shape and structure in green woodturning)

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John C. Campbell Folk School Workshops for September



9-2 to 9-8 Dave Barriger – From Tree to Vessel (Green Woodturning)

9-9 to 9-14 – Jason Swanson – Staved Segmented Turning Projects for the Kitchen

9-14 to 9-16 (Wknd) – Jason Swanson – Fun to Turn

9-16 to 9-22 – Andy Gunning – Platters: Turning, Detailing & Finishing

9-23 to 9-29 – Tom Jeanes – Learn Basic Woodturning Techniques

9-30 to 10-5 – Steve Prichard – Cremation Urns

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SYMPOSIUMS

REGIONAL SYMPOSIUMS

Turning Southern Style – Dalton, GA 9/21 to 9/23, 2018

TN Assoc of Woodturners – Franklin, TN 1/25 to 1/26, 2019

Tom's Video of the Month Link.

Member Tom

Knight has been researching the "how-to" videos available on You Tube and through the AAW Website. He thought our members would like to see some of them. This is one of the great benefits of AAW Membership and saves time searching through You Tube. Tom will select a different video each month in hopes that our Chapter members will take advantage of the videos that are available. This one is on Sharpening the Skew.....

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dNq2o2HeSVg>

FALL WOODTURNERS WEEKEND - SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 29TH AND SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 30TH. "TAMING THE SKEW CHISEL and more!" **FEATURED GUEST ARTIST – NICK COOK**

Nick Cook owns and operates the only full service woodturning studio in the metropolitan Atlanta area. He turns a variety of work including one-of-a-kind bowls and vessels along with his unique gift items—wine stoppers, baby rattles, rolling pins, spinning tops, honey dippers, and the like.

Contact Brad Duckett to make reservations for the Saturday Demo (only \$20) and/or the Sunday Hands On Workshop (only \$50) <subject to availability>

Duckettbrad714@gmail.com

Time to start turning ornaments for the 2018 Fantasy of Trees benefiting East Tennessee Children's Hospital!



Thanksgiving will be here before we know it. We need over 250 ornaments this year.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Our membership keeps growing! Please welcome Brent Quarles from Jefferson City and Patricia Rasmussen from Morristown who joined our Chapter in July.

We'd also like to welcome Stan Roberts from Clinton and Dennis Siemsen of Oakridge who joined in August!

Beads of Courage & Children's Hospital

Our commitment to provide Treasure Boxes for the sick kids at East Tennessee Children's Hospital is ongoing.

Unfortunately, the number of sick children who benefit from the BOC program doesn't diminish.. Our ETCH volunteer liaison, Drue Hogland, will continue to present our

Treasure Boxes as they are needed to the kids at ETCH.

Our Chapter provides BOC Beads to our members at no cost for this worthwhile project. You can pick up beads from Drue at any of our monthly meetings.



Close to Home. Wears Valley Ranch Student Graham brought his Beads of Courage Treasure Box to our August Workshop. Graham is one of the many recipients of the Treasure Boxes our Chapter and others have turned/built for our East Tennessee Children's Hospital project over the past several years.

You are urged, as well, to contact Drue for the opportunity to accompany him at the Hospital as he distributes Treasure Boxes to the kids in the BOC program!

For information on the guidelines for turning BOC Treasure Boxes please click on this link

<http://www.beadsofcourage.org/page/s/woodturners.html>



Our thanks to all of the members who participated in the Gavel Challenge. After a "spirited" round of judging, our gavel judge John K. Jordan announced the winner.

All of the entries were spectacular and you can see photos of them on the Gallery Page of our website.

The winning gavel is the property of the Chapter and will be used to open and close our meetings.



The Smoky Mountain Woodturners Chapter of the AAW meets each month of the year on the 3rd Tuesday of the Month. Our meeting place sponsor is Woodcraft – Knoxville. Meetings start at 6:20pm each month. Guests are always welcome.

Woodcraft Knoxville is located at 8023 Kingston Pike in Knoxville, near Trader Joes and one block from West Town Mall.

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PROGRAM!**

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**Last Chance to save with your
club discount through August
31st!**

THOUGHT YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW....

As part of his demo at the August meeting, Jake Neidling auctioned off a pedestal dish kit and donated the proceeds to the Chapter. Also John K. Jordan auctioned off a number of pieces of beautiful Bradford Pear with the proceeds also going to the Chapter.

Photo Gallery



Insideout Candle
Walnut & Oak
Wayne Balm



Taza Elevated Bowl
John Terpley
Fruit by Charles Ray Husky



Christmas Ornaments
Jared Bruckner



Lidded Bowl
Pecan
Gordon Sloane



Dublin Viking Bown
African Cherry
Pauline Boyne



BOC Turning by Les Black
Art Work by Shauna Berum



Squarish Dished Platter
Figured Maple
John K. Jordan

Be sure to look for all of the photos that are posted on-line. Just go to our webpage and click on the gallery tab!



WHAT'S NEW AT THE RANCH?

August has been another busy month at WVR. Our students were able to turn some might nice projects. The beginners produced two piece candlesticks and the intermediate students worked on skill building by turning a plate. All the kids were able to finish their projects and proudly shared the experience with the staff members at the Ranch.

Our Advanced Turner, Jack, wanted to learn more about Acrylics. Our thanks to Randy Fritchman who taught Jack how to mix and mold acrylic material and then turn an acrylic pen during his session this month.



This month, we completed the refurbishment of the two Rikon Mini Lathes as well as the Jet Lathe. All three received complete new tail stock assemblies as well as other worn parts replaced. Our friends at Woodcraft have ordered the Jet Cyclone Dust Collection System and the Jet Air Filtration unit that the Chapter is donating to the Ranch. It should be here mid-September. The Ranch is working on closing in the Shop with the double doors and windows on the inside wall to help get us ready for colder weather.

Our thanks to Randy Fritchman for filling in for Jake while he was out of town. Randy helped facilitate the August Workshops.

We are still in need of a drill press for the shop. If you would like to donate one, please contact Bob Law (info@smwts.com)!