



OCT. 2024 MEETING @ KNOXVILLE WOODCRAFT

Smoky Mountain
Woodturners
NOV.19, 2024

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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
OF WOODTURNERS

PRESIDENT'S OCTOBER MESSAGE:

Our November meeting was another well attended meeting, and I'd like to thank our membership for their great support. Randy Fritchman was our demonstrator, and Randy did a great job turning a Glen Lucas Dublin Viking style bowl. Randy also talked about his visit to Glen Lucas' shop in Ireland and what to expect if you sign up for Glen's turning course. I would like to thank everyone who turned out for our annual "Pens for Vets" day at Woodcraft on November 9th. The group and participants turned 60 pens that day which brought our pen total to 641 pens sent for 2024. A special thanks to Randy for once again leading the "Pens for Vets" program and a great showing. On a similar note, Don Adams reported that the "Fantasy of Trees" ornaments were delivered, and it was another great effort with over 200 ornaments donated which raised about \$5500 for Children's hospital. Smoky Mountain Woodturners has a long-standing tradition of supporting our local community and I hope this continues for many years. Another great woodworking club in the area is the Tellico Lake Woodworkers Club and I am proud to be a member of both clubs and their charitable efforts. Some of The Tellico Woodworkers showed up as special guests for our November meeting with 15 beautiful "Beads of Courage" Boxes for Children's hospital. A great effort by a great club and a special thanks to Bob Brown for coordinating that effort.

Our annual BOD and Officer elections are coming up and we have just enough volunteers for the BOD. Therefore, the BOD will not need a membership election. The BOD will meet in January to vote on the officers. The BOD meeting is scheduled for January 1st but that is a holiday, so I am going to suggest that we push that BOD meeting to January 8th and have it in person at Woodcraft.

The next meeting will be our annual Christmas party on December 17th at the Woodcraft in Knoxville. Randy Fritchman is coordinating the Christmas party food and drinks. Please contact Randy if you plan on bringing something to the party. There is going to be a dirty Santa swap, and a \$20 gift is required to participate. I hope to see everyone there.

Ron Comtois – President SMWT

Nov. 2024 Demonstration



Randy Fritchman gave us a tour of Glen Lucas's new school/shop, in Ireland, and demonstrated one of Glen's signature pieces – the Dublin Viking Bowl. The picture in the center above shows key club members who were fixated on Randy's concise and well executed demonstration. Randy used a walnut bowl blank to turn the bowl and was surprised to see a crack materialize halfway through the demonstration. With careful tool control Randy was able to finish turning the bowl and will finalize it in his shop at home. Thanks for a great demonstration and showing off Glen Lucas's new school/shop. Remember – "Wood moves and if a crack develops it will usually happen during a demonstration."

Club Visitors

Jerry Coy
Don Naylor
Kathy Ruzic

Scholarship Draw Results

Our winner of the monthly Scholarship Draws for November are:

Arrowmont - Larry Garner
J.C. Campbell - Colin Chambers

Bring Back Box Result

Our Winner for the November monthly drawing is – Colin Chambers. A beautiful candle holder was turned by Dennis Smith.

Quarterly Challenge

Phil Penicks

November Wood Donations

Gordon Sloane

Pauline Bayne

Roy Cuff

Andy Milligan

Tellico Village Woodworkers



Fantasy of Trees:

Finished up the year slightly behind 2023 but a great contribution. Thanks to those club members that gave freely of their time and talents.



**The Woodturning Shop
At the Sawmill**

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If you have questions about our SMWTS educational program at the Ranch or would like to participate as an instructor, contact Bob Law - rockytopbob1@gmail.com

What's Happening at the Ranch in November?

A very special "Thank You" to Dan Land, the Kaleidoscope Man! The students and our instructor team all enjoyed Dan's workshops this month as we learned about the history of kaleidoscopes and how they are "built". As we often say to anyone who will listen, "we learn something new, even as experienced turners, every time we work with our students at the Ranch. Our students did an outstanding job of completing this project over a period of three months, from start to finish. You can view Dan's work at [HTTPS://arristudios.com](https://arristudios.com). To say the least, the students loved this project!



Nov. 2024: Instant Gallery:





Instant Gallery 1) Jim Vogelsang 2&3) Jake Niedling 4,5,6,7,8,9, & 10) Tellico Woodworkers 11,12, &13) Colin Chambers 14 &15) Pauline Bayne 16,17, &18 Bill Hochmuth 19) Bill Penicks

Election of BOD 2025

President Ron Comtois asked for nominations for the 2025 Board of Directors at our November General meeting. No new nominations were forthcoming. Therefore we do not need an election from the membership for new Board Members. Our Board of Directors for 2025 will consist of the following club members:

Bruce Pharis 2024-2025
Maria D'Elio 2024-2025
Colin Chambers 2024-2025
Jerry DeLaurentis 2024-2025
Randy Fritchman 2025-2026
Jack Harris 2025-2026
Gordon Sloane 2025-2026
Gordon Fowler 2025-2026
Mike Johnston 2025-2026

Election of officers (President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer) will be held on Wednesday January 8, 2025, at 6:00 pm, at the Woodcraft workshop classroom. All club members are invited to attend Board of Directors meetings.

Present Officers: And Board of Directors:

Ron Comtois, President 2024-25

Bruce Pharis, Vice President 2024-25

Bill Thurman, Secretary 2024-25

Jack Harris, Treasurer 2024-25

Members at Large:

Maria D’Elio, 2024-25

Jerry DeLaurentis, 2024-25

Colin Chambers, 2024-25

Randy Fritchman, 2024-25

Past President: Andy Milligan

Special Assistants to the Board:

Website – Jim Vogelsang
Newsletter Editor – Gordon Sloane

Video/Zoom – Jim Vogelsang and
Andy Milligan

Program Director – Bruce Pharis

Special Projects:

Fantasy of Trees: Don Adams/J. Vogelsang
Beads of Courage: Bill Thurman

Pens for Troops: Randy Fritchman
Education: WVR Proj.: Bob Law
Mentoring: Don Adams

Smoky Mountain Woodturners 2024 Meeting Schedule

Jan. 16 Presenter: Cancelled due to weather

- Feb. 20 Presenter: Dennis Smith
Program: 3-D Wave Bowl
Description: Dimensional Illusion
- March 19 Presenter: Bruce Pharis
Program: Ring-A-Ding-Ding
Description: No Clue
- April 16 Presenter: Mike Anderson
Program: Eggception
Description: Surprise
- May 21 Presenter: Gordon Sloane
Program: Proportion and Form in Turning
Description: An open discussion to improve turnings.
- June 16 Presenter: Collin Chambers
Program: Textured Bowl
Description: A process used to add interest to bowls
- July 16 Presenter: Ron Comtois
Program: Making A Tool Handle
Description: How to make a Tool Handle.
- Aug. 20 Presenter: Wood Auction
Program: Bowls, Platters, Blanks, etc...
Description: Bring Money
- Sept. 17 Presenter: John K. Jordan
Program: Thin Spindles/Magic Wands
Description: What you need to know to put magic in the wands.
- Oct. 15 Presenter: Colin Chambers
Program: Sculpturing Jig
Description: Come see and be amazed
- Nov. 19 Presenter: Randy Fritchman
Program: Glenn Lucas – Course Review
Description: One week with Irish Turner Glenn Lucas
- Dec. 17 Presenter: None
Program: Holiday Party

Description: Christmas social event

Notes from the editor:

1. Send your \$30 annual dues to SMWTS Treasurer, PO Box 50141, Knoxville, TN 37950-0141.
2. A big thanks to Jake Niedling for stepping in and taking pictures for this month's newsletter.
3. Another big thanks to Jim Vogelsang and Andy Milligan for the great Video/Zoom work they do for our monthly meetings.
4. To all the members who help clean-up after the meeting - Thank You.
5. The January 2025 BOD meeting will be held on Jan. 8, 2025, at 6:00pm, at the Woodcraft classroom. All members are welcome to attend the meeting.

SMWTS Christmas Party: Instead of our regular general meeting on Dec. 17, 2025, we will be having our end of the year social event. This is a pot-luck type of event with members bringing food for all to enjoy. The club will provide drinks, paper plates, utensils and other essentials. We are looking for main dishes, salads, chips and dip, nuts and cheeses, and desserts. A silent auction will be held from choice items that club members contribute. A dirty Santa gift exchange will also be held for those that bring a wrapped gift (\$20 value approximately). To be successful in this endeavor we need information on who is attending, what they are bringing, what contributions will go into the silent auction. That information should be emailed to Randy Fritchman (emmygreendragon@gmail.com).

November Thanksgiving Joke: sub. By Jake Niedling



November 2024 Safety Notes

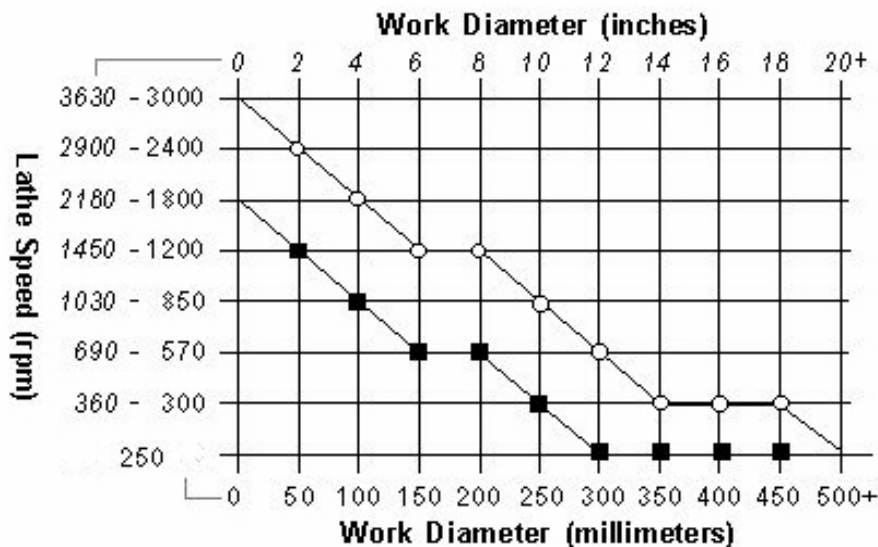
Dick Hoffman

Turning Speed Safety

Safety Issues Speed

- Too Slow Speed Can:
 - In roughing can create catches
 - Generate splinters and tear-out
- Too Fast Speed Can:
 - Cause weak or cracked wood to come apart
 - Cause a Tennon to break because of high torque
 - Having jaws registered against the bowl and releasing the junction between bowl and tenor, reduce the risk of breakage
 - Cause weak joints in segmented work to break apart
- Turning as fast a recommended will produce the smoothest, cleanest cuts that require less sanding

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WARNING!
Turn out of balance work at a suitable speed.

- 1) Find work diameter.
- 2) Follow vertical line to mark.
- 3) Scan across for rpm.

Key:
 roughing stock
 general turning

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2025 Xmas Party Silent Auction Items

Pauline Bayne items:

Power Carver/Relief Carver: Mastercarver Micro-Pro. Carver, carving burrs (stump cutter, mini stump cutters, diamond cutter set, ruby cutter set), grinder set), instructions/notes & supply list from Dixie Biggs class at John C. Campbell Folk school

List price for carver & supplies: \$250 carver + \$60 burrs = \$310

Reserved: \$150

Wood planks —
Oak, 1 5/8" thick x6" w x 3'1.5' long Quantity = 2 @ List price: \$50 at least. Excellent wood for spindle turning of all kinds of things.

Reserved: \$25 each

Joyner Offset Jig for turning pendants + 32 Spectraply colored laminated birch wood blanks, various sizes and fine sanding pads, large & small

List price: \$98 for jig & about \$20 for blanks (32)

Reserved: \$45

& holder for bottle stopper wood List price: \$19.50
No reserve

& holder for bottle stopper wood List price: \$32
No reserve

Viking Dublin Bowl – walnut (Randy's Nov. demonstration finished)

Jake Niedling:

Custom made 3/8" round skew (signed by Jake)

Custom made Xmas Ornament with stand

Gordon Sloane items:

Boxmaster 5/8" negative rack skew chisel new (List Price \$75; Reserved \$40)

Woodturners Wonders new in the box Angle Drill (List Price \$90; Reserved \$45)

Calcutta Softside Renegade Cooler – 30 can size (List Price \$100; Reserved \$45)

SMWT Club item:

Trent Bosch Hollowing System – Reserved \$400