



The Monthly Newsletter for  
the Tennessee Association of  
Woodturners

# THE TN TURNER

*Next Meeting*

*Sept 1: Meeting start time is 6:45 - David Rush*

*Sept 5: Saturday Turn In*

TN Turner

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August 2015



# President's Letter

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Welcome to your newsletter,

It's that time of year again where we start our Christmas ornament sales activities. Looking at our inventory, we discovered we are extremely low! If you have an ornament, platter, pen bottle stopper or bowl that you would like to donate to our fundraising efforts, please bring it to the September meeting. If you can't make the meeting, call one of your club officers and we will arrange pickup.

If you don't have any items now, please consider turning one of the items mentioned above and donating it to the cause. All of our proceeds go to the Tennessee Baptist Children's Home and this is how we pay for the use of the space they loan us.

Again, our inventory is extremely low and we would appreciate any help in building it back up.

Until next time,

Keep Turning!

Lou



# Safety First

## Segment

I never thought it would happen to me. After not turning much due to (lack of) time recently, I had been looking forward to doing some serious turning. I closed my business on July 3rd and was determined to have a full day of turning.

Well, at about 7:00 AM, I was cutting the corners off of a 12 inch thick piece of wet hard maple using my band saw. Something I have done 1000's of times. It only takes once when it comes to safety!

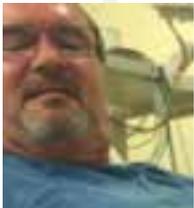
It was early, I was in a hurry, and the blade was dull. I tried to force it and when it cut thru the wood jumped forward taking my hand with it.

I was rushed to Vanderbilt by ambulance. The first words from the ER Doctor was "they will probably need to amputate at least two of your fingers".

The good news is that after surgery, they think I will keep all of my fingers. The littler finger will never be the same.

I am only sharing this because this story can help another woodworker. This has been scary, painful stuff. Not to mention, now it will be a couple of months before I can even think about turning.

Jerry Prosis



# Meeting Minutes

## TAW August 4th Meeting Notes

Lou Mineweaser called the meeting to order  
There were 7 guests and 68 members present.  
Phil Roberts conducted the “Safety First” discussion.  
Jerry Prosis told everyone about the accident to his hand.  
We need feedback on the safety practices.  
Volunteers are needed for the Tennessee Craft Fair demonstrations.  
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We need ornaments for the ornament sale.  
Harvey Meyer demonstration is October 17.  
The September demonstrator will be David Rush.  
The October demonstration will be Christmas ornament round robin.  
The November demonstrator will be Squire Babcock.  
Jeff Brockett encouraged everyone to vote for the AAW board of directors.  
Barry Werner was the August President’s Challenge winner.  
September President’s Challenge is a turned piece of food.  
Instant Gallery items shown.  
Mike Zinser introduced as the demonstrator for August.

# News

## OUR MISSION

## Info

So you paid your \$25 – congratulations, you’re a member! But, a member of what? Do you know TAW’s Mission? Do you know what it has to do with you? If you’re a member of TAW, then you are a part of its mission – as a contributor as well as a beneficiary.

The Tennessee Association of Woodturners’ “mission is to educate Woodturners and the public, in and about the art and craft of woodturning. This mission will be accomplished by encouraging and facilitating the establishment of various programs for Woodturners; by disseminating information about sources of material and equipment; by exposing the art of woodturning to the public; and by serving as a center of information about woodturning for members, galleries, interior designers, other interested groups and the general public.” (The Association By-Laws, Article II, Purposes and Objectives).

Packs a lot into a small space doesn’t it? For example, “... to educate Woodturners ...”. You could spend a lifetime on such an ambitious goal. Especially when it seems that no one person knows it all – yep, you most likely know or will at some point know something related to turning that the rest of us don’t know. And may never know unless you share it with us. That’s why we have meeting demonstrations, Saturday turn-ins, mentoring, website projects, and a Newsletter - so we can learn from each other. I’ve never learned so much as when I’m teaching someone else.

What about “... to educate the ... public ...”? Why? Because before you learned to turn you were the public! They are the pool from which future members of our craft come. That is why we have public demonstrations and shows. They are also the collectors of what we make. Don’t sell your turnings? Do you donate items for the fundraisers that support TAW’s outreach programs?

What’s all this got to do with you? How do you think all of this is going to get done if you don’t pitch in and do what you can do? You reap benefits just by being a member – why not reap even greater benefits by also being a contributor? How?

The list is long but try these easy ones on for size: Participate in show and tell; Submit your favorite turning tip(s) to the Newsletter; join in Safety First discussions – you may help someone avoid an accident; come early and help set up – stay over and help clean up - someone will show you what to do.

Want to do a little more: Take the President’s Challenge & grow your skills; Show off your best work – sign up for one of the library displays; Write an article for the Newsletter – get it off your chest, tell us how to do it, or why we shouldn’t; submit suggestions to the Safety Committee; tell the Officers who and/or what you would like to see demonstrated at a meeting or Saturday turn-in. Inspire future turners – sign up to demonstrate the fun and art of turning at public demonstrations.

Ready to go all in: Do a Meeting Demonstration; be an Officer; join a committee; become a mentor. Become involved in carrying out YOUR Association’s Mission. There’s always something that needs doing at every level of interest.

# Upcoming

## Calendar

September 1: TAW monthly meeting David Rush Meeting start time is 6:45  
September 5: Saturday Turn In  
September President's Challenge - Something that looks like food  
Sept 18-20 Turning Southern Style Symposium Dalton, GA [click here for info.](#)  
Oct 9-11 Ohio Valley Woodturner's Guild Turning 2015 Symposium [click here for info.](#)  
October 17 - Harvey Meyer demonstration

## Events & News

### *Projects Needed*

Have a project you would like to add to the TAW website? Email your project to [secretary@tnwoodturners.org](mailto:secretary@tnwoodturners.org)

### *President's Challenge 2015*

The TAW will once again challenge members to stretch their skills with a brand new set of President's Challenge projects for 2015. All projects must be newly turned for 2015. A winner will be drawn each month from those members who have completed the challenge, winner will receive a \$25.00 Woodcraft gift certificate. Members who complete all 11 challenges will be entered into the end of the year drawing for a \$100.00 gift certificate or a free two day registration to the TAW 2016 Woodturning Symposium. Challenge projects for 2015 are:

September	A piece of food
October	Christmas Ornament
November	Vase

### *Saturday Turn In Sessions*

(8:00 am to 1:00pm unless otherwise specified)

These sessions are conducted to help with turning issues you may be encountering. Hopefully we will have enough established turners to help each newcomer attending. We want to have the seasoned turners provide guidance on tool sharpening, chucking, proper tool use and any other questions that arise.

# Upcoming Club

## Demonstration



David Rush

David is a self-taught, “can do” Woodturner with twelve years of experience. Like most budding professional Woodturners he is transitioning from one career to another. David integrates his skills as a full time Turner into the architectural work he performs as a contractor.

David is from Kingston Springs and has performed turning demonstrations for the Tennessee Association of Woodturners, Dickson County Woodturners, Mid-South Woodturners Guild, and others. He also volunteers as a demonstrator for TAW’s outreach programs. He is a past President of TAW, a current Member of our Board of Directors, and an active member of the Association’s Safety Committee.

At the September meeting David will demonstrate his approach to turning a bark edged bowl. This will include a discussion of wood selection and design.



# Future

## Demonstrations

*Who: Harvey Meyer*

*What: Demonstrating a Basket of Illusion Platter and a Turned Lid-  
ded Box*

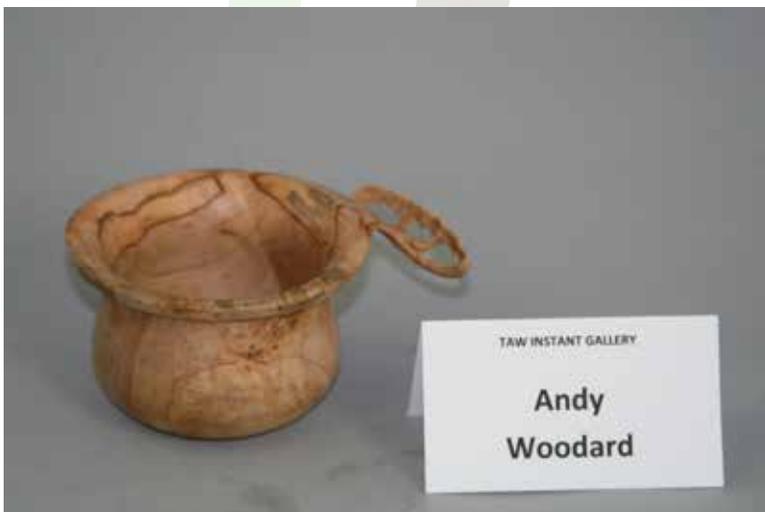
*When: Coming this Fall!*

Harvey retired from a 43+ year career as a telecommunications engineer and has been a woodworker for most of his life. After building furniture for many years, he started woodturning in 2000 and now exclusively turns wood. Most of the wood he generally comes from trees downed in storms or from tree removals. He also likes to turn exotic woods and burls. Harvey turns most types of forms and objects including bowls, platters, hollow forms, goblets, boxes, pepper mills, wine bottle stoppers, pens, etc., but his main focus is on hollow vessels. He embellishes many of his turnings by piercing, burning, coloring, carving, and texturing. For the last several years he has focused on the "basket illusion" where a turned piece attempts to resemble woven basketry. Harvey says he "enjoys demonstrating and teaching. All in all, I'm just having fun". He's an active member of the Georgia Association of Woodturners, Atlanta Woodturners Guild, and the American Association of Woodturners. Harvey's website is [www.harveymeyer.com](http://www.harveymeyer.com)

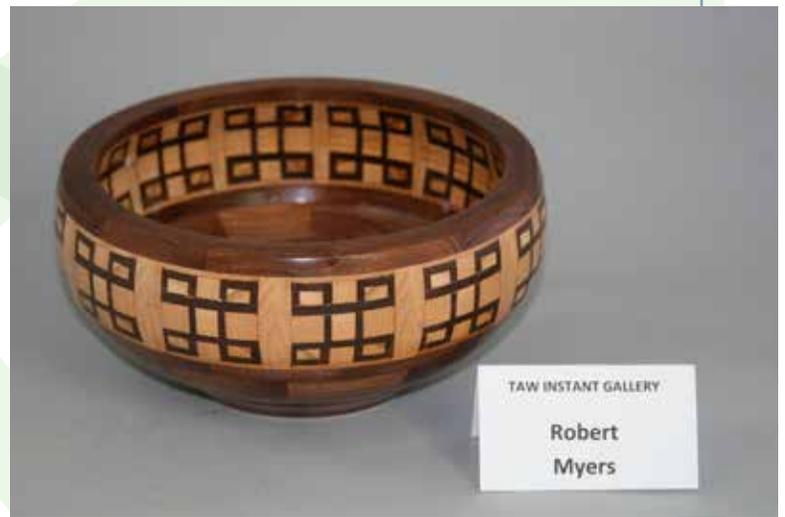
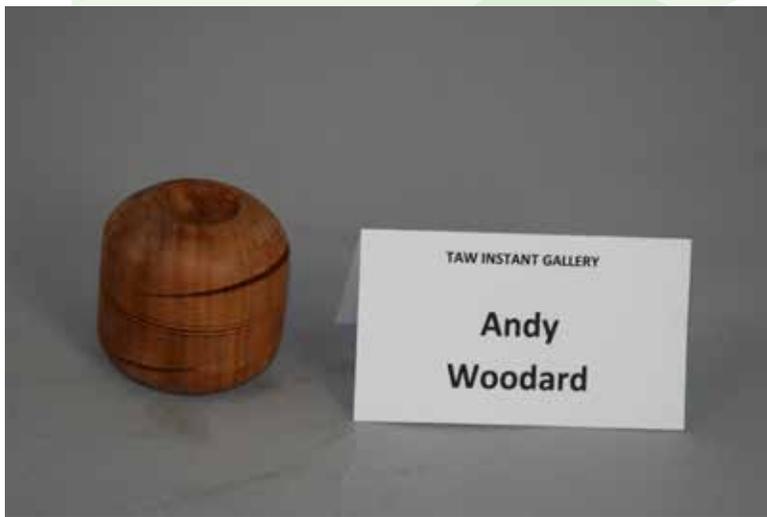


# President's Challenge

## & Shared Items



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TAW INSTANT GALLERY  
**Ron  
Sanda**



TAW INSTANT GALLERY  
**Mike  
Hillenbrand**



TAW INSTANT GALLERY  
**Pete  
Wiens**



TAW INSTANT GALLERY  
**Mike  
Hillenbrand**



TAW INSTANT GALLERY  
**Mike  
Zinser**



TAW INSTANT GALLERY  
**Ross  
Randgaard**

# President's Challenge

## & Shared Items



# News Info

## TAW Christmas Ornament Sale



Over the past four years TAW members have turned and donated ornaments and other turned items for the Tennessee Association of Woodturners Christmas Ornament Sale. The proceeds of the Christmas Ornament Sale the past four years have totaled over \$12,000! All proceeds from the Christmas Ornament Sale benefit the Tennessee Baptist Children's Home. The TBCH does not charge the TAW for the use of the meeting space or the space in the workshop. The Christmas Ornament Sale proceeds and the annual gift from the TAW are our way of saying thanks for the partnership. Our first Ornament Sale for 2015 will be at the Tennessee State Fair. We are in need of ornaments and other turned items to build our inventory and have a better selection for customers to look at. We would ask that members who are willing to turn and donate ornaments, small platters, bowls or any other items please turn the items in during the TAW September 1 meeting.

# News

## & Shared Items

### Volunteers Needed

TAW volunteers are needed to demonstrate and assist with the State Fair and the Tennessee Craft Fall Craft Fair. During the State Fair we demonstrate and sell Christmas Ornaments. Our ornament sales benefit the Tennessee Baptist Children's Home and it would be embarrassing to have to cancel our attendance because we were unable to get enough volunteers to step up and help. If you are able to fill any of the volunteer slots listed below please contact Phil Roberts - vp@tnwoodturners.org by August 28, 2015.

### Tennessee State Fair Volunteer needs:

Saturday, September 12

10:00 am - 1:00 pm need one speaker (sell ornaments)

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm need one demonstrator and one speaker

Sunday, September 13

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm need one speaker

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm need one demonstrator and one speaker

Monday, September 14

9:00 am - 11:30 am need one speaker

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm need one demonstrator and one speaker

Tuesday, September 15

9:00 am - 11:30 am need one demonstrator and one speaker

11:30 am - 2:00 pm need one demonstrator and one speaker

Saturday, September 19

10:00 am - 1:00 pm need one demonstrator and one speaker

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm need one demonstrator and one speaker

Sunday, September 20

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm need one speaker

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm need one demonstrator and one speaker

State Fair demonstrations are in air conditioned building and volunteers will have free parking and fair admission.

### Tennessee Craft Volunteer needs:

Friday, September 25

10:00 am - 1:00 pm need one demonstrator

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm need one demonstrator

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm need one demonstrator

Saturday, September 26

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm need two demonstrators

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm need two demonstrators

Sunday, September 27

10:00 am - 12:00 pm need one demonstrator

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm need one demonstrator

Help Setup - September 24 need two volunteers - Help Takedown - September 27 need two volunteers

# News Info

I am selling my Jet 1220 Wood Lathe with a few extras. I have had it for 6 years and taken extremely good care of it. It is in excellent working condition, with normal cosmetic wear. I am selling this lathe because I recently upgraded.

Extras:

- Beall wood buff system (only used twice)
- Curved steel tool rest
- Craftsman lathe stand

Info from manufacturer:

Features:

- Heavy duty cast-iron lathe bed adds stability while limiting vibration during operation.
- Cord wrap for convenient storage of 6 foot power cord.
- Indexing mechanism allows for fast, efficient, fluting and veining operations.
- Live center has a removable pin for boring through stock.
- Cam lock mechanisms allow adjustments of headstock, tailstock and tool rest base without having to use tools.
- Hollow tailstock allows you to perform long hole boring for lamps and other vessels.
- Convenient work light allows better lighting right on the work piece.
- Swing Over Bed: 12"."
- Swing Over Tool Rest Base: 9.38"."
- Tailstock Taper: MT2.
- Hole Through Tailstock: .38"."
- Ram travel: 2"."
- Spindle taper: MT2.
- Includes 6" and 10" tool rest for added versatility.

Construction:

- Bed Construction: Cast iron.

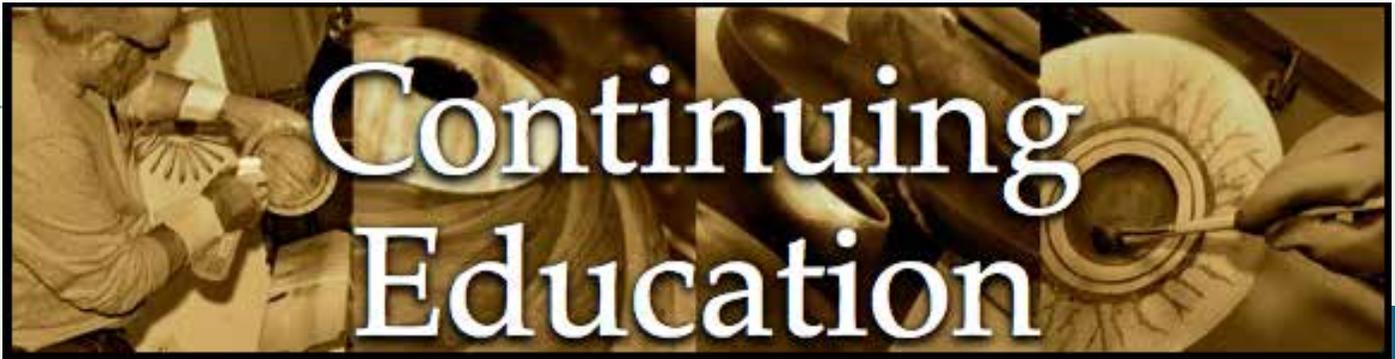
Specifications:

- Powerful 0.75HP motor helps turn bigger projects.
- Motor power: 0.75 HP.
- Motor voltage: 115 V.
- Prewired voltage: 115 V.

I am asking \$550 obo (everything included)

Shane Kimbro – [shane.kimbrow@mnps.org](mailto:shane.kimbrow@mnps.org)  
615-587-0285





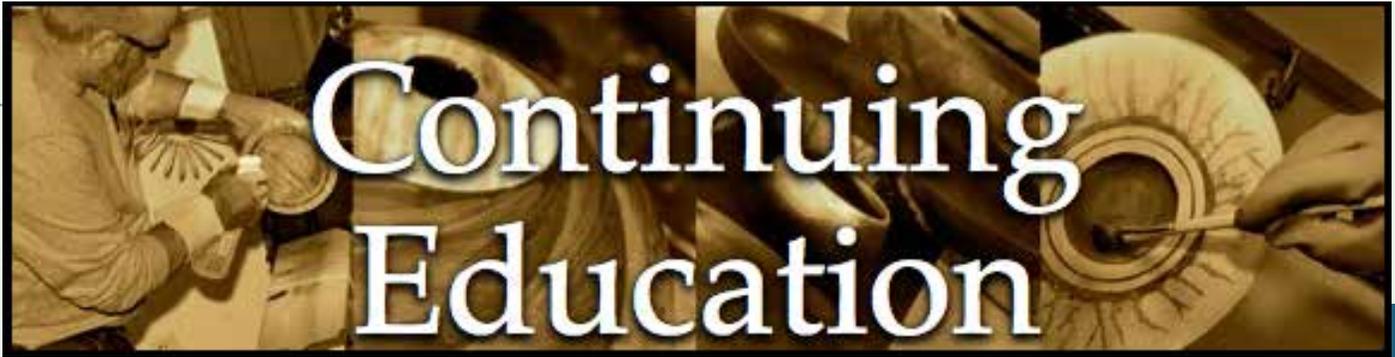
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*Sep. 13, 2015 - Sep. 19, 2015*  
*Turning Bowls...From the Simple to the Sublime*  
*Rudolph Lopez*

*Sep. 13, 2015 - Sep. 19, 2015*  
*Making and Weaving a Bench*  
*Walt Turpening*

*Sep. 20, 2015 - Sep. 26, 2015*  
*Woodturning Techniques*  
*Liam O'Neill*

*Oct. 25, 2015*  
*Kaleidoscopes - Turned Fascination*  
*James Duxbury*  
*Wood*



[John C. Campbell Folk School](#)

One Folk School Road - Brasstown, NC 28902 - 828.837.2775

Phil Colson

The Joy of Woodturning (Scottish Heritage Week)

Sunday, Aug 30 - Saturday, Sep 5, 2015

Ted Rasmussen

Novice to Emerging Artisan in One Week!

Sunday, Sep 6 - Friday, Sep 11, 2015

Donald Marks

Intro to Woodturning - Basic Course

Friday, Sep 11 - Sunday, Sep 13, 2015

John Rudert

Polychromatic Style Turning - Beauty in Detail Sunday, Sep 13 - Saturday, Sep 19, 2015

Frank Penta

Turning, Detailing, and Finishing Platters

Sunday, Sep 20 - Saturday, Sep 26, 2015

Nick Cook

Turning for Food

Sunday, Sep 27 - Friday, Oct 2, 2015

Dave Barriger

From Tree to Vessel - Green Woodturning

Sunday, Oct 4 - Saturday, Oct 10, 2015

Dixie Biggs

Bring Life to Your Work

Sunday, Oct 11 - Saturday, Oct 17, 2015

Tom Jeanes

Learn Basic Woodturning Techniques

Sunday, Oct 18 - Saturday, Oct 24, 2015

Dick Sing

Sing Behind the Lathe

Sunday, Oct 25 - Friday, Oct 30, 2015

Charles Watson

Functional and Decorative Woodturning

Sunday, Nov 1 - Saturday, Nov 7, 2015

Donald Marks

Keep It Simple (Shaker Week)

Sunday, Nov 8 - Saturday, Nov 14, 2015

Jim Bliss

Turned and Textured

Sunday, Nov 15 - Friday, Nov 20, 2015

Jim Bliss

Time to Turn

Friday, Nov 20 - Sunday, Nov 22, 2015

Kimberly Winkle

Sticks and Stool: Woodturning Basics & More

Wednesday, Dec 2 - Saturday, Dec 5, 2015

Alan Leland

Turned Treasures for the Holidays Sunday,

Dec 6 - Saturday, Dec 12, 2015



# Essential Information

## *Tennessee Association of Woodturners*

Future club communications will be sent via the Constant Contact email service and will be from Jeff Brockett - Woodwackerjeff@aol.com. You will need to set this as a favorite in your email to avoid having it swept up in your spam filter.

Newly Elected Officers and Directors  
TAW 2015 Officers and directors

Lou Mineweaser	President term expires Feb 2018	president@tnwoodturners.org
Phil Roberts	Vice President term expires Feb 2017	vp@tnwoodturners.org
Ron Sanda	Treasurer term expires Feb 2017	treasurer@tnwoodturners.org
Jeff Brockett	Secretary term expires Feb 2016	secretary@tnwoodturners.org
Brett Corrieri	Newsletter editor serves as volunteer	newsletter@tnwoodturners.org
Bill Tucker	Librarian serves as a volunteer	bill@oldhickorystick.com
Ross Randgaard	Director term expires at Feb 2017	ross.randgaard@gmail.com
Pete Wiens	Director term expires at Feb 2016	wienspa@comcast.net
Andy Woodward	Director term expires at Feb 2017	adledandy@gmail.com
Matt Burch	Director term expires at Feb 2016	dakdodge02@yahoo.com
Cathy Sanders	Director term expires at Feb 2017	cathy.sanders27@yahoo.com
Brett Corrieri	Director term expires at Feb 2017	bcorrieri@gmail.com
David Rush	Director term expires at Feb 2017	woodnut36@comcast.net

The Tennessee Association of Woodturners is a local chapter of the American Association of Woodturners. Our purpose is to provide a meeting place for local turners to share ideas and techniques and to educate the general public regarding the art of turning. The TAW meets the first Tuesday of each month at the Tennessee Baptist Children's Home, off of 1310 Franklin Road in Brentwood, TN and periodically sponsors local exhibitions and demonstrations as well as an annual symposium.

Email Club Questions to: [Lou Mineweaser](#) or Mail: TAW-P.O. Box 158296-Nashville, TN -37215

*From the Editor*

Articles are due the 15th for the upcoming newsletter and should be submitted to Brett Corrieri @ newsletter@tnwoodturners.org.

*Member Projects*

If you have a woodturning project that you would like to showcase to our club members, you can send me detailed information about your project with pictures.

*Members Questions & Answers*

Members are asked to submit woodturning, finishing and tool questions to our resident experts to answer. There are no dumb questions, someone else in the club may have had the same questions.

*Classified Ads*

Ads for woodturning and woodworking related items are free to members. Send detailed information with pictures.

*Wood to Turn*

Do you have wood, need wood or know about wood that is available for turning? Let me know and I'll pass it along.

***Woodturning Links***

***ASSOCIATIONS AND CLUBS***

American Association of Woodturners: [www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org)

Tennessee Association of Woodturners [www.tnwoodturners.org](http://www.tnwoodturners.org)

Duck River Woodturners Club, Columbia, TN [www.duckriverwoodturners.com](http://www.duckriverwoodturners.com)

Tri-State Woodturners Club, Chattanooga, TN [www.tristatewoodturners.com](http://www.tristatewoodturners.com)

***SCHOOLS***

Arrowmont School of Arts & Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN, 1-865-436-5860 [www.arrowmont.org](http://www.arrowmont.org)

John C. Campbell Folk School, Brasstown, NC [www.folkschool.org](http://www.folkschool.org)

Appalachian Center for Crafts, Smithville, TN [www.tntech.edu/craftcenter](http://www.tntech.edu/craftcenter)

Marc Adams School of Woodworking, Franklin, IN [www.marcadams.com](http://www.marcadams.com)

***VENDORS & SUPPORTERS***

Woodcraft of Nashville, 615-599-9638 [www.woodcraft.com](http://www.woodcraft.com)

Got Wood? [www.turningblanks.net](http://www.turningblanks.net)

John Jordan [www.johnjordanwoodturning.com](http://www.johnjordanwoodturning.com)

Hunter Tool Company [www.hunterwoodturningtool.com](http://www.hunterwoodturningtool.com)

Easy Wood Tools [www.easywoodtools.com](http://www.easywoodtools.com)

Big Monk Lumber [www.bigmonklumber.com](http://www.bigmonklumber.com)

Thompson Lathe Tools [www.thompsonlathetools.com](http://www.thompsonlathetools.com)

Lyle Jamieson [www.lylejameson.com](http://www.lylejameson.com)

