

AUGUST 2003

WOODTURNERS OF
NORTH TEXAS

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

Next Meeting: AUG 28th

Hands-On Session: 5pm – 6pm

Regular Meeting: 7:00pm

200-Suite B North Vacek

Meeting will feature: Ken Terrell

Program will be on “Carving, Piercing & Fluting”

**** Bring something to the Instant Gallery ****

August Demonstrator – Ken Terrell

KEN TERRELL: CARVING, PIERCING AND FLUTING TECHNIQUES

Ken has been interested in wood working for many years. In late 1995 he was introduced to hollow vessel turning by two friends in the West Texas and Houston area. After setting in on turning sessions at the Cutting Edge in Houston, he was hooked.

Having had a background in metal fabrication, Ken built a large diameter lathe which he utilizes to date.

After retiring to Tyler in 1996 and joining the East Texas Woodturners, his chief interest was in turning large hollow vessels. He admits to having an extremely large “humble pile” of turnings that made great firewood.

Following an impressive seminar by Frank Sudol, the potential of carving and piercing on hollow vessels created a new direction. In 2002, he invested in a flexible shaft carver and began experimenting with piercing and then followed with carvings on hollow vessels.

Ken's demo will briefly touch on his techniques for piercing, fluting and carving, along with tool requirements, etc.

Ramblings

There are several items to cover this month. First the temperature in our meeting room was intolerable. If you were there you knew that. We had two cooling systems go out the night before the meeting and there was no repairman in sight. The system is, of course fixed now and the temperature should be in the low 70's (inside) by meeting time.

The next meeting of the National Woodturning Symposium of Texas, formerly known as Texas Turn or Two, soon to be know as the Annual meeting for the Southwest Association of Turners (SWAT) will be held Aug 29, 30, and 31st in Wichita Falls. You should not miss this event! You can find more information on their web site at www.swaturners.com. And don't forget that our Chapter has the responsibility for one of the demo rooms. We will need everyone's help in order to put on a first class show. We will be passing around a sign-up sheet at the August meeting.

Two upcoming pieces of business are to be dealt with at the next meeting. First it is the time for our Annual election of officers. The nominating committee consists of Larry Genender, Larry Roberts, Devore Burch, Fred Denke and Alan Siebenthal. And once again Alan was appointed while he was not in the room, if you know what I mean.

The timetable is as follows; at the September meeting the nominations will be announced and we will vote at the October meeting. We will continue to take nominations until the vote is taken however, in order to include as many candidates as possible. All offices are open for nominations as we elect (or re-elect) each year for one-year terms. We are also considering adding a couple of new positions. One would be the office of Webmaster and the other, an Audio/Visual director. These would have to be approved by revising our By-Laws, which is the other item of business.

In July we formed a By-laws committee to review and propose changes or improvements on our Chapter's By-laws. There will be a couple of additions, like the additional two Officers. There will also be a couple of revisions in wording to clarify the meaning of the existing wording.

The very nature of By-laws is very impersonal. A more personal way to run a Chapter would be to let everyone run it. The By-Laws, which by the way have to be approved by the AAW, allows us to control our Chapter in a legal, orderly way. But it is definitely not personal! The changes that are proposed DO NOT take into account, for instance, who holds a particular office. It simply states what that officer should and should not do. Please make every attempt to inform those on the Committee about your decisions regarding the proposals and they will be revised until approved. They will then be submitted for consideration to the National office of AAW. Once signed, they will take effect as the document that governs our Chapter.

The By-laws committee consist of Mike Wallace, Robert Brandt and Alan Siebenthal. A copy of the proposed By-laws will be made available at the end of the August meeting. Review them and we will ask for your vote on them at the September meeting.

"Bring Back" Winners at Last Meeting

<u>Who Won</u>	<u>What</u>	<u>Provided By</u>
Wyatt Compton	Mesquite Vase	Walter Barrett
Robert Lawrence	Pecan Bud Vase	Ken Cardin

SWAT

With 370 people registered including 21 vendors as of August 24th, SWAT, the re-named "TTT" promises to be one of the best ever. We set a record attendance of 418 last year and we may exceed that number this year. Setting a record is not as important, however, as putting on a quality symposium. Expect to see an upgraded effort in bringing you the quality of symposium you deserve. There is a learning curve in putting on a symposium and your Board of Directors and others are meeting the challenge with tireless efforts and are already at work on the symposium for 2004 in Temple, TX.

The addition of the Banquet and the two-for-one raffle is turning out to be a big drawing card. Already 286 have paid their Banquet fees. About 30 turnings have been promised by the lead demonstrators and other turners from throughout the region. Taking home any of these turnings will be a treat and an honor for the recipient. The Powermatic 3520a lathe for the Sunday raffle is expected to boost the sale of tickets. Buy them early and buy them often.

Last but not least, at this point we have 21 vendors, more than twice as many as any previous symposium. This is a large number for this size of a symposium and we are asking you one last time to support them to the fullest extent possible. Make them welcome and invite them back next year. They will all appreciate your positive comments and your purchases. Most of the vendors will be traveling many miles and going to great effort and expense to bring a lot of equipment and supplies to the symposium.

See you all in Wichita Falls August 29-31.

Jerry Whitaker
Board of Directors
SWAT Publicity Chairman

Ernie Newmann: hosted by the Dallas Area Woodturners

Ernie Newmann from Australia will be giving a brief demo at the September meeting of the Dallas Area Woodturners, Thursday September 18, 7 pm, at Turning Point Enterprise, 300 S. Kirby Suite C, Garland, TX.

On Saturday, September 20th Ernie will be offering an all day demo at the above address. Anyone who would like to attend this session is welcome. Admission of \$20/person is payable at the door .

On Friday, September 19th, Ernie is conducting a hands on training session at Jimmie's Shop, 501 Vernet, Richardson, TX from 9am until 4pm. If you are interested in attending this all day hands on session, submit the tuition of \$100 to Laurence Briggs, 5218 Ridgedale Av., Dallas, TX 75206. There is room for 5 students in this class. The seats will be allocated on a first pay/first enrolled basis.

Sunday & Monday, Sept. 21-22, at Jimmie's Shop, Ernie will offer a 2 day hands on session for \$200. Anyone interested in attending the 2 day session mail your \$200 check to Laurence Briggs, 5216 Ridgedale Av., Dallas, TX 75206.

If you have questions about this offering, please contact Laurence Briggs, 214-213-6597 or ceo@investin.com . Most of us who have seen Ernie Newmann demonstrate believe he may be the most entertaining woodturner today, plus he has unusual skills at the lathe.

Calendar of Events

- August 28
Thursday "Hands-On Session"
5:00pm to 6:00pm, then
WNT Monthly Meeting: 7:00pm
200-B N. Vacek
Demo: Ken Terrell
- August
29,30,31 SouthWest Association
of Turners (SWAT) Symposium.
Wichita Falls, TX
- Sept 2
Tuesday WNT Directors Meeting
6:00pm at Angelo's BBQ
- Sept 19, 20
Fri, Sat Jazz by the Boulevard
Historic Camp Bowie Blvd.
<http://www.fortworthjazz.com/>
- Sept 25
Thursday "Hands-On Session"
5:00pm to 6:00pm, then
WNT Monthly Meeting: 7:00pm
200-B N. Vacek
Demo: Robert Brandt

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1. Shopsmith Mark V \$800.00 :
Scroll saw, 4" Planer, 6" Belt Sander,
Band saw, Wood Lathe accessories,
reconditioned motor.
Wayne Clowers: 817-834-7755
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1. Nova Lathe 3000
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