

# AS THE WOOD TURNS

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Hands On was on August 11th at Hank's Dust Bowl

*We invite beginning turners to a learning opportunity at the Hands On for one on one instruction. Spindle or bowl turning techniques will be covered. Please reserve your lathe with Pablo Gazmuri @ [pgazmuri@comcast.net](mailto:pgazmuri@comcast.net)*

## Some of our members and family at our July 28<sup>th</sup> club cookout



## Minutes of the July 24<sup>th</sup> meeting

Steve began the meeting by announcing that there will be no Show & Tell for August and no demo as we will be jurying member turned items for the Arnold Arboretum. We will need 35 items for display. Each member can bring in 4-5 pieces. Items for their display cases will need to be in by September 5th at 5:00 and will be installed on the 19th. .

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**Tuesday August 28, 2018**

- at Hank's dust bowl at 409  
Washington St., Abington, MA at 7 pm

Lenny Mandeville will bring refreshments to the meeting.

*No Demo or Show&Tell at this meeting – instead members will judge/choose turned items for the Arnold Arboretum*

They will be on display from September 20th until November 4th. Pick up will be on the 5th. The show will run from October 5th thru the 7th. The reception is Friday night from 5:00 until 7:00. On Saturday & Sunday Len Langevin & Ken Lindgren will do demos at the Arboretum. Hours are 10-5 each day. The club will supply drinks.

The Audubon Open House is Saturday December 1st. The display of turned items for sale will run for two weeks after that. Drop off items November 26<sup>th</sup> through the 29<sup>th</sup> at their facility. Emily has final say on display.

Also December 1st.- We will have a table at the James Library Craft Show. Lenny Mandeville is coordinating the event so see him if you want to display items for sale.

Wayne announced that the National segmented Symposium is in St. Louis in October. He still has a lot of wood available to members for reasonable prices. Make him an offer.

Mike Veno said Summerfest will take place on Saturday August 18th at Brockton High School will run from 10-4:00. We will turn tops and flowers and a table will be provided to sell and display turned items. He is looking for members interested in turning tops for the kids there.

Andy Osborne brought back a Pee-Vee from the Hingham chain saw party. If it is yours, let Steve know.

John said that the club has \$2094.39 on account.

Ron announced that club members can get a 10% discount on items ordered online from Kingspor. They want a member list. If you don't want your name included, let Ron know. Also Joe Centerino is the caretaker for Anchor Seal which we buy in bulk. If you want some, bring half gallon or quart containers when you buy some from the club.

Peter Soltz announced that the club provided 21 different items donated to the Home for Little Wanderers auction. Six items sold for \$700.

**Demo – Turning flowers by Michael Veno**



Mike began by explaining that he uses a convex grind to his skew using an 80 grit sanding belt. He then sharpens it on a diamond stone with an extra fine surface to which he adds a little water. Finally he buffs it before using it.



Pictured is an oversized profile of a skew specially ground to facilitate turning flowers on the lathe. In this mockup we see that it features a rounded convex profile to the grind as opposed to the concave version. Mike tells us this is a more user friendly version and easier to avoid catches with.

He likes to begin by selecting green pieces of wood measuring 1/2 to 3/4 of an inch. Wood should also be straight with no bends.

He began by turning up the speed on the lathe to 1500 rpm. There should be no ghost images for this - or your flower may be missing some petals. He uses the point of the skew to "peel" back the bark to form the petals. After he has a few rows, he shapes the remainder of the stem.

Mike used a cue tip with some dye to wick the color into the petals. Sometimes he uses a different color for the center of the flower. He hasn't tried this technique on larger samples yet.

Googling "turning flowers" will provide links to a number of Youtube video's on turning flowers – some of which are similar to Tulips.

Stuart King has a video on turning flowers:

<https://www.stuartking.co.uk/index.php/turning-wooden-flowers-lathe/>

### Show and Tell



Lenny M. has been experimenting with polyester resin and burls. The first is with dyed yellow resin, the second used a blue green dye, and the third a yellow colored resin filled burl bowl. He decided the crack in this pieced needed a zipper so he installed one. Creative move!



Charlie McCarthy showed a natural edge goblet.



Andy showed two bowls. A woman in Concord wanted some pieces turned to use as gifts. He cores these two pieces. The one on the left was bleached the one on the right was dyed. He finished them using a water base urethane.



Charlie's goblet was finished with 6 coats of Tung oil plus 6 coats of Wipe On Poly



Joe Centrino attended Arrowmont and took instruction from Dave Ellsworth with Nigel helping out in Gatlinberg, Tennessee for a week. He turned bowls. This was from Poplar and unfortunately has a hole in the bottom. He showed us a Maple burl piece turned before he attended there.



Fred holds a maple bowl he turned at Steve's house. Nice figure



Kevin showed a "Flying saucer" box, a natural edge bowl turned from Apple [nice color], and a large platter he turned and had an associate artist engrave with some rings and other decoration as shown. This is a piece of berniewood.



New member Chad holds a natural edge Choke Cherry cup turned from a tree in his yard. He finished it with mineral oil.



Steve holds a large Poplar platter with an incised and dyed resin ring from Aluma Light resin



Steve showed us what started as a punky bowl to which he added resin -dyed red for strength and then turned.



Steve scored a Red Oak Onion burl in Falmouth which he turned into a bowl with a rolled edge and finished with sanding sealer. It's 19 inches in diameter, a half inch thick, and weighs about 15 pounds.

MSSW Cookout – July 28, 2018



Members and wives enjoying the food



Bob Monaghan brought 30 lobsters and cooked them all. Yum yum



Steve cooks hot dogs and hamburgers



Food table



Jeff and Sidney



Lathes got some use.



Bob Scott on the lathe turning a bowl as Ron Reynolds and new member, Anna watch



Sid Katz turns a lid for a "flying saucer" box on Peter Soltz's lathe.

On July 14 Andy organised another chainsaw party





Pictures from the David Ellsworth workshop at Arrowmont in June provided by **Joe Centorino** <[jcentorino@verizon.net](mailto:jcentorino@verizon.net)>



Group photo of the class minus one student who ducked out before the picture was taken.



David Ellsworth doing a demonstration on a One-way lathe.



Nigel prepping some Poplar logs into bowl blanks and kept us all supplied with wood as well as providing guidance and encouragement.



David demonstrating how he "rides the lathe" when hollowing



Steve Roderick, one of the students practices riding a Robust lathe.



Alan Frank, Another student, uses an adaptive Robust lathe to turn from a sitting position.

*All in all it was a great learning experience and one I highly recommend.*

### Upcoming Events

**Corn Festival** is September 15 & 16 at the South Shore Natural Science Center 10-4 both days. We will turn tops and have a table to sell items.

**Arboretum show** - Columbus Day weekend (October 6th & 7th).

**Farm Day 2018** - Oct. 20 (3rd Saturday in Oct.) {Oct. 27 is raindate} at the Daniel Webster estate in Marshfield

The **Robert-Sorby** company will be at the Woodcraft Walpole 3rd November and Woodcraft Woburn on 4th November 2018. We'll be demonstrating many of the standard tools and good range of our specialist tools. Look out for wobble chuck, Spindlemaster, spiralling and texturing tools and of course our sharpener the ProEdge.

James Library has a one day Christmas Craft Fair Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

The Audubon Craft show for the Christmas Holidays will begin with the Open house on Saturday, December 1st. Exhibits should be dropped off the preceding week and can remain until Thursday, December 20th.

### Articles of general interest

Dues -It's that time of year again. Club dues are due for 2018. You can pay at any meeting of Hands-On by Cash, Check or Credit Card or you can go to the club website to pay through PayPal using a Credit Card. Remember to fill in the note field if you are paying for someone other than yourself. Dues are \$50.00 per person.

<http://www.msswt.org/membership.html>

From: **peter soltz** <[psoltz29@gmail.com](mailto:psoltz29@gmail.com)> "Sidney and I have combined our collections of Woodsmiths, and we have issues 7 thru 145 available for no charge if one our members would like them".



**Items For sale at the Club store : – contact Ron Reynolds at [reynoldsron@comcast.net](mailto:reynoldsron@comcast.net)**

JSP respirators spare parts (batteries, tear off shields, filters, pre-filters, and replacement face shield) available in the store

**MSSWT MEMBER STORE**

<b>GLUES:</b>		<b>PRICE</b>
	2 OZ. CA	4.50
	2 OZ. RUBBERIZED	6.00
	8 OZ. CA	13.00
	16 OZ. CA	23.00
	<b>THICK, MEDIUM, THIN: SAME PRICE</b>	
	2 OZ. ACCELERATOR (spray bottle)	3.50
	8 OZ. ACCEL. REFILL	5.75
	2 OZ. DEBONDER	3.25
	4 OZ. EPOXY	6.00
	2 OZ. REPLACEMENT CAPS	0.50
	LONG NOZZLES	0.75
	2 OZ. EMPTY BOTTLES	0.75
<b>ANCHORSEAL:</b>		
	LARGE (approx. 1 gallon)	16.00
	MEDIUM (approx. 1/2 gallon)	9.00
	SMALL (approx. 1 quart)	5.00
<b>SANDING DISKS:</b>		
	2"	3.50
	3"	4.50
	2" or 3" Replacement H&L Disk	0.50
	2" HOLDER	10.50
	3" HOLDER	12.50
	2" BLUE HOLDER	14.50
	3" BLUE HOLDER	16.50
	1/2" SOFT INTERFACE PAD EXTENSION	5.50
	3" HANDY SANDER (Palm Sander)	8.50
	SANDING TACO	4.50
	2 or 3" HAND HELD HOLDER (Kidney Shape)	12.00
<b>CLOTHING:</b>		
	CAPS	15.00
	TEE SHIRTS	16.00
	2X TEE SHIRT	18.00
	POLO SHIRT	27.00
	2 X POLO SHIRT	29.00
<b>MISCELLANEOUS:</b>		
	3" Lambswool Buff	9.00