

Monthly
Newsletter
Smoky Mountain
Woodturners
November 2023



NOVEMBER 2023 MEETING @ KNOXVILLE WOODCRAFT

Charles Jenning's, our November Demo Artist



Charles did a great job of explaining various ways to hold your projects on the lathe. From chucks, face plates, to turning between centers, Charles covered a lot of sawdust. He and other members of the Tri-State Woodturners also brought some wood and roughed-out bowls for the clubs wood auction. Thanks again for a very informative evening.

November 2023 Safety Message:



PRESIDENT'S NOVEMBER MESSAGE:

There is lots of good news to share today.

The membership voted to purchase a new lathe for demonstrations in partnership with Woodcraft. The vote was 27 in favor of the purchase and zero opposed. We will be getting a new Jet 18x40 with a 2 HP motor. I relayed the information to Everett today to proceed with the purchase. The old lathe will be sold along with a Jet bandsaw, and anyone interested is encouraged to contact Woodcraft.

Charles Jennings from Tri State Woodturners brought us an interesting demonstration on attaching wood to the lathe. He brought two friends and several boxes of wood from a late member's estate. This wood will be part of the silent auction held at the December meeting. We had an in-person attendance of 27 and zoom attendance of 7.

The bring-back-box was won by Bruce Pharis, the John C. Campbell scholarship chance by Ron Comtois, and Arrowmont by Bill Thurman.

The pen turning Saturday at Woodcraft was a huge success. The 8 lathes were mostly busy all day. There were several walk-ins including some new turners. One lady turned 7 pens during the day, and another turned her very first pen. I believe Randy reported that around 35 pens were turned that day. The total number of pens turned in by SMWTS was 572. Thanks to everyone that participated.

Don reported that on Friday the Fantasy of Trees sales were so successful that everything was out of the packing boxes and on display. A sell out is expected. The store manager increased the prices suggested by the turners. For instance, the memory ornament bags were marked up from \$25 to \$35 until the last day. It is projected that the SMWTS effort will yield sales of \$6000 to \$8000 for Children's Hospital. Again, I thank you all for your effort.

Scholarship Draw Results

Our winners of the monthly Scholarship Draws for November are:

Arrowmont - **Bill Thurman** J.C. Campbell - **Ron Comtois**

Wood Donations for November

Our thanks to the members who brought wood for the October Wood Draw:

Roy Acuff
Pauline Bayne
Gordon Sloane
Ted Knight
Charles Jennings



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?

It's Pen Month at the Ranch.... The students love the month when everyone gets to make PENS! Our teeam enjoys working with them each month but the kids are especially excited to make these gifts to give friends and loved ones This year was no exception..

















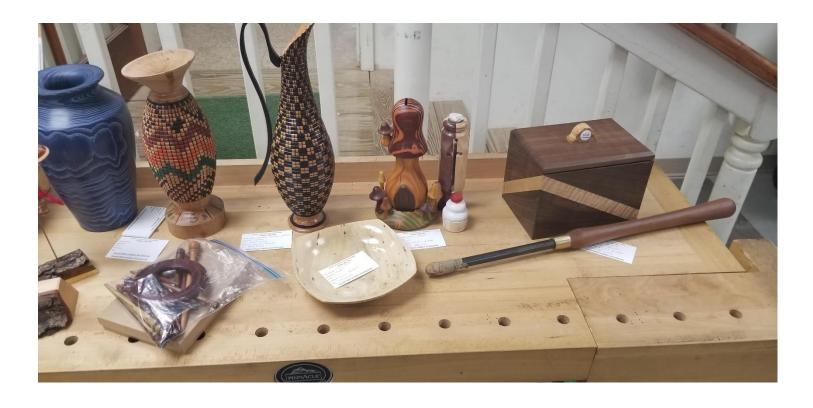




NOVEMBER SHOW AND TELL:







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Website – Jim Vogelsang Newsletter Editor – Gordon Sloane Video/Zoom – Jim Vogelsang and Dick Hoffman Program Director – Dick Hoffman

Special Projects:

Fantasy of Trees: Don Adams/J. Vogelsang

Beads of Courage: Drue Hogland Pens for Troops: Randy Fritchman Education: WVR Proj.: Bob Law

Mentoring: Don Adams

/arts in the Airport: Robert Brown

Smoky Mountain Woodturners 2023 Meeting Schedule

Jan Presenter: Drue Hogland

Program: The ABC'S of wood turning

Description: Demo on the basics for beginners and reminders for non-beginners

Event: Bring Emporium display items

Feb Note: Meeting will be via Zoom (Woodcraft using room on 3rd Tues)

Presenter: John Lucus on remote demo/video

Program: T-Light and Clock

Description:

Event: Emporium Display Presenter: Jerad Bruckner

Program: 3D Printing and Wood Turning

Description: How a 3D printer can enhance wood turning

Event:

Apr Presenter: Dan Saur (Crossville) –
Program: A hummingbird bird house

Description: Demo on how to make a hummingbird house Christmas ornament

Event: possible weekend demo/hands on event #1 at Woodcraft (see note 1)

May Presenter: Tom Knight

Program: Turning embellishments

Description: Examples and processes used to add interest to turnings

Event: possible alternative weekend demo/hands on event #1 at Woodcraft

June Presenter: Colin Chalmers

Program: Grain Orientation and thin wall bowl

Description:

Event: None

July Presenter: Gordon Sloane

Program: Wood drying and storage

Description: Tips on various drying methods and how to prevent check

Event:

Sep

Aug Presenter: Gordon Fowler

Program: Demo-Turning a 3 Part Pitcher

Description: A 2-part pitcher will be turned and a bent form handle attached

Event: None Presenter: None

t Program: Wood auction

Description: Money raising event for club by auction off turning blanks

Event: possible weekend demo/hands on event #2 at Woodcraft

Oct Presenter: Bruce Pharis

Program: Three Corner Bowl

Description:

Nov Presenter: Charles Jennings

Program: Attachments to the Lathe Description: Chucks, face plates, etc...

Dec Presenter: None Program: Dirty Santa

Description: Christmas social event

From the Editor

SMOKY MOUNTAIN WOODTURNER'S XMAS PARTY:

- December 19, 2023 Woodcraft Knoxville
- Starting at 6:30 pm (come early to help set-up)
- Silent Auction need donated items (coord. With Andy Milligan)
- Food Items club will provide some meat items
- Dirty Santa \$20.00 limit on gift (must be gift wrapped)
- No Show and Tell

A teenager brings her new boyfriend home to meet her parents. They're appalled by his haircut, his tattoos, his piercings. Later, the girl's mom says, "Dear, he doesn't seem to be a very nice boy."

"Oh, please, Mom!" says the daughter.
"If he wasn't nice, would he be doing
500 hours of community service?"

PEN TURNING WORKSHOP - Nov. 11, 2023





