



Newsletter of Ozark Woodturners

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Club established 1995

<http://www.ozarkwoodturners.com>



April 2019 Issue. Regular Meeting April 13 at Lakeview City Hall, 1:00 P.M.  
Mentors Workshop at 9:00 AM. Bring a sack lunch.

### **2019 CLUB OFFICERS**

**PRESIDENT** Darcie Didden, **VICE PRESIDENT** Ed Boiteau, **SECRETARY** Art Ritter,  
**TREASURER** Gerald Garrison, **LIBRARIAN** Bob Shaffer

### **CLUB WEBSITE**

WEBMASTER DON SCARBROUGH encourages you to visit our website for the Links & Resources section to help your work and inspire prospective members about club benefits. If you know of this kind of info that could help others please email them to Don at [scarbrod@gmail.com](mailto:scarbrod@gmail.com). Our monthly meeting is packed with activity so the website is an auxiliary means to get to know members from afar as we represent a large region.

### **STANDING COMMITTEES**

Class Instructor - Ken Higgins  
Club Workshop Day(s) - James Pruitt  
Club Equipment - Red Murr  
Newsletter Editor - Sherm Anderson  
Membership PR Outreach - open  
Webmaster - Don Scarbrough  
Librarian & Photographer- Bob Shaffer  
Turning Supplies - Harry McBride  
Refreshments - Joe Meskaitis  
VA Project - Dallas Hensley

### **SPECIAL EVENT COMMITTEES**

Annual Show & Sale  
Professional Demonstration  
Christmas Party

**PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME TAG OR GET ONE AT THE DOOR**

**This helps members and guests put your name with your face especially if it's been awhile since you have seen each other.**

### **April Treasurer's Report**

1. Major income totals (dues receipts \$468, Raffle \$28 and Supplies sales \$120)
2. VA program balance \$293.05
3. Club operating funds balance \$1,870.61
4. Major expenditures (VA program - none & Club - Lakeview donation for room use & liability insurance through AAW) \$25 for web domain
5. Total Club bank account balance (total of Club op. funds & VA program) \$ 2,163.66

## ***PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS***

### ***Hello Fellow Members –***

I am looking forward to seeing you on our **NEW MEETING DATE** April 13<sup>th</sup>! The following are items to be aware of, as they will not be covered in the business meeting. I **REALLY** want to cut the business meeting way down, as I'm sure you would whole-heartily agree.

- \* I am hoping every member knows about our new meeting days (2nd Sat. instead of the 3rd) and the new Mentor Sessions starting at 9 am prior to meetings. If you personally know a member you've not seen in a while, be a buddy and give him/her a call to inform them about these changes. I am excited about this new change in our club and anxious to see how our Mentor Sessions go. If you come early, don't forget a sack lunch and we'll take time to grab a bite before the meeting begins.
- \* The Bylaw revisions final draft has been completed, and you will be receiving an email message with the changes and instructions. Please review them and if you have any questions or comments, respond by the deadline date as noted. Any final adjustments will be made, and a vote brought before the membership at the May 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- \* Be sure to get your door prize ticket as you arrive, write your name on the back and drop your ticket in the suggestion box. We will draw a winning ticket at the end of the meeting. (You must be present to win).
- \* If you have a suggestion, please place it in the Suggestion Box on the front table for consideration and discussion at Board Meetings.
- \* If you have not had your photo taken for the web-site, please see Bob Shaffer at the meeting. So many of us know names or know faces but can't put the two together. The Member Photo Album on the website is GREAT for this very purpose! I encourage you to have your photo added but of course, it is not required.
- \* Mark your calendar for the North Arkansas Woodcarvers' 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Woodcarving Show and Sale, Saturday & Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> at the Baxter County Fairgrounds. Several of our members will be taking part in this show and representing Ozark Woodturners. For additional information, go to their website at: [www.northarkansaswoodcarvers.org](http://www.northarkansaswoodcarvers.org)

As usual please bring wood or any other item you'd like to donate to the raffle. Raffle tickets will be sold before the meeting for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. If your donation is not taken, please give it away or take it back home as we promised the Civic Center.

If there is anything above you need to discuss or clarify, please feel free to message or call me, I am here for you. [darciedidden@gmail.com](mailto:darciedidden@gmail.com) (870) 404-3711

***Darcie Didden, President***

**REFRESHMENT TEAM FOR APRIL**  
**Bill Dorzok, Ken Higgins and Bob Karr**

The Ozark Woodturners Club will have a “Mentor session” on Saturday, April 13, 2019 from 9 - 11:30 am at the Lakeview Civic Center. Ozark Woodturner members are invited to attend. If these sessions prove worthwhile, we will continue having them before our regular meeting on the second Saturday of each month. The purpose will be to provide “hands on” training and instruction for any club member. These sessions do not replace the Club’s “Basics of Woodturning” course. If you want specific “hands on training” at one of these Mentor sessions, contact one of the club mentors listed below to discuss the problem. It will be covered at the next Mentor session. Member’s experiencing problems with their turning projects can also contact a club mentor listed below for help at other times. We will also come up with projects from time to time that we think will be interesting and will improve your overall woodturning skills. We will try to include information in the Club newsletter about what will be covered at the next Mentor session. During this first Mentor Session we will be covering some of the basic turning stuff such as tool identification / use / techniques, sharpening, and other subjects as requested by the members in attendance.

Club Mentors: Sherman Anderson 870-615-0329,

Phil Wiles 870-421-9342, Kenneth Higgins 870-405-7283,

“Bud” Brown 870-431-5819, James Pruitt 870-481-5315

## **CAVHS VETERANS WOODTURNING PROGRAM**

**Our DAV program Coordinator is DALLAS HENSLEY.**

**Members are reminded to bring their prepared Pen blanks to the meeting this Saturday. Thanks to everyone who is supporting this Club Project as it is our main outreach ongoing all year long. When you can please contribute to this Fund through our Treasurer. The table is by the front door of the meeting hall.**

**Mohawk spray products and Super Glue** is sold by the Club at the Sale Table. Harry McBride manages this for the Club Treasury. Payment is on the honor system SO PLEASE BRING CASH in small increments.

## **Merchant Discounts**

**The Woodwork Shop, Bartlett, TN**

**Hartville Tools**

**Klingspor Company**

**Woodworker's Supply**

Ask for the your discount before you place your order. Vendors have an updated club roster.

## **CLASSIFIED ADS**

**Members can post items wanted and items for sale.** Email or text your information by the first Friday of the month to get it in the next Newsletter. Please check your writing and specifications of the item. Your ad will go in exactly as written. Photos should be edited and sent with an ad. When the ad is fulfilled be sure to advise me to remove it. Email to [treetopguy2028@yahoo.com](mailto:treetopguy2028@yahoo.com) or text to 870-615-0329.

**FOR SALE bow back Side Windsor Chair kit** from Highland Woodworking with instructions. Hand made with a squared bow and single carved beading. Steam-bent oak bows, hard maple spindles, sugar pine seat cut to shape and holes bored. Project time 10 hours. Tools needed: orbital sander, hammer, drill and a few chisels. \$250.00 Sherman Anderson, call or text 870-615-0329. It can be seen at his show and sale table.

### **Easy Wood Tools (now Total Wood Working Tools)**

Sherm Anderson has represented this manufacturer since 2010 with a line of Carbide-tipped Turning Tools. If he doesn't have what you need he can order it direct from the factory. Club Members get 10% off if paid by cash or check. Sales tax and shipping (if shipped direct) added. Credit card purchases will have processing fee added.

For your convenience post your calendar(s) way ahead.

**Meeting Dates for 2019 are as follows: Apr. 13, May 11, June 8, July 13, Aug 10, Sep 14, Oct 12, Nov 9 and Dec 14  
Christmas Party**

# **DEMO THIS MEETING WILL BE**

*“Miniature Birdhouse”*

by

**Joe Meskaitis**

**MEMBERS WHO WILL DEMO please contact JERRY HANKINS AT THE MEETING or call text (479) 857-3980 or email [jdh61turner@gmail.com](mailto:jdh61turner@gmail.com).**

## TOPIC SUGGESTIONS FOR MONTHLY DEMOS

We could use a presentation on various woodworking topics for monthly demos such as:

- \* Staining and Finish tips and techniques.
- \* Sanding and getting wood ready for finish.
- \* Shop safety and equipment.
- \* Dust masks, collection systems and equipment.
- \* Tool maintenance and adjustments.
- \* Jigs and fixtures that save time

In 2018 we covered some of these ideas and received good responses especially the summer time session on shop safety and accidents.



## **CHANGE OF RAFFLE PROCEDURE**

**The “raffle” procedure has been adjusted to run more smoothly and take up less meeting time. Tickets will be sold only before the meeting starts. During the business meeting winning tickets will be drawn and numbered on their faces sequentially. The winning tickets will be drawn and pinned, in order, to the “Notices & Reports” cork board that will be located on the tripod near the entrance door. Following adjournment of the business meeting and at the beginning of the break period, members can compare the numbers on their raffle ticket stubs to those posted on the cork board promptly select the available donation of their choice after giving winners with lower drawing sequence numbers a reasonable chance to make their choices. Although members are requested to “play fair” in making their selections, the actual process will not be monitored, so those members with low drawing sequence numbers had better move quickly.**

# APRIL SHOW AND TELL PRESENTATIONS

Editor's Note - When you sign the list for Show and Tell please list your wood (s), finish(es) and comments about each piece. This information will help improve our photos and add captions in future newsletters. Together through cooperation we can make this event a highlight educational time for all. We had 17 presenters at February meeting, six at March.









## **March Demo in Review by Sherman Anderson**

Meeting went over time so I cut the Demo short to get us out by our usual time. This document is a summary of my Presentation of how to maintain a turning chuck. Maintain an Easy Chuck for Woodturning

By Sherman Anderson, dealer representative of Easy Wood Tools since 2010, member of Ozark Woodturners since 2001 and American Assoc. of Woodturners since 2004. The Easy Chuck is manufactured by Easy Wood Tools and Total Wood



Working Tools of Lexington, Kentucky. It can hold six sets of Easy Chuck jaws and two sizes of Easy Bowl Jaws. As of March 2019 this is the only interchangeable wood lathe chuck on the market. Photos show the chuck with its standard jaws (photo 1, front left) and the five accessory jaws and Big Easy Jaws and key steps of the maintenance procedure.

### **INTRODUCTION**

This information is written specifically for an Easy Chuck. Other chuck brands can be maintained in similar fashion as the engineering principle is similar but the gears and chuck key design may differ. A person with a mechanical aptitude should have no problem using this instruction with some adaptation to define the

parts for service for other brands of chucks.

## WHAT MAKES A WOOD-LATHE CHUCK JAM

Ask yourself three questions: why do you need to maintain the chuck? What would happen if you put it off for awhile or don't do this at all? What is the next best option to doing this and why did you decline? If you are proactive on equipment maintenance inspect and clean your chuck every three to six months or as needed. That's for you to determine.

Wood dust and soil from bark will accumulate in the scroll gear a spiral drive which moves the primary jaws (like shoes or skates) which move the turning jaws in and out. When chuck jaws get sluggish and require extra effort to adjust it's time for maintenance. Wood debris in the gears causes need for this procedure. Only as a last resort should you disassemble the Easy Chuck body from lathe motor



## SERVICE PROCEDURE

Get tools supplies and chose a work surface such as a tray table or bench top. Place chuck on work surface. Open chuck using the T-handle Wrench or turn the knurled ZOOM ring until turning jaws and their primary jaws drop out of the chuck and separate. Put turning jaws aside for final assembly. See photo. Examine jaws to locate their numbers 1, 2, 3 and 4. Turn jaws over to see bottom sides with six gear teeth. Each jaw's tooth set has a different six-tooth configuration than the other three jaws. Apply a small amount of cleaner solvent WD-40 to sides and bottom of each jaw to soak and loosen debris and place on rag or paper towel. Hold chuck body in one hand and turn ribbed ZOOM ring with the other hand to observe how the scroll gear rotates in the chuck and grooved channels. As you rotate the ZOOM ring clean the scroll gear with a toothbrush. Inspect and clean the four machined slots of chuck body which primary jaws slide in. Note each grooved slot has a #1 through #4 indicating where the numbered primary jaw rides. Put the chuck aside for a moment. Now clean the primary jaws brush to remove debris.

## REASSEMBLY

Spray dry lubricant sparingly on scroll gear and the primary jaws. Hold chuck body and turn knurled ZOOM ring clockwise until the starting edge of scroll gear is at slot #1. Hold #1 jaw and feed it into slot 1 of the chuck while turning knurled ZOOM ring clockwise one-fourth rotation to be at slot #2 on the chuck and put jaw # 2 into that slot. Turn knurled ZOOM ring clockwise one-fourth rotation to slot 3 on the chuck for jaw #3 and slot 4 for jaw #4. See photos. To check your work turn the knurled ring until the primary jaws meet at first circle on the chuck face. They should meet at the same mark. See photo on left. Finally slide the chuck jaws onto shoes and turn the ZOOM ring for inspection.

WHEN THE JAWS OPEN AND CLOSE CORRECTLY the maintenance is done. Go turn some wood enjoying your clean chuck..

## **LAST BUT NOT LEAST**

The month of April is National Woodworking Month. In the April Issue, page 6 of Woodworker's Journal (WJ) Dan Cary posted that the magazine is partnering with AAW to launch a monthly newsletter called "Woodturning Monthly" featuring articles and videos from the AAW and it's a free online subscription.

## **ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM**

The 2019 AAW Symposium will be July 11 to 14 in Raleigh, North Carolina. Don't you wish you could go?