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Newsletter of Ozark Woodturners

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<http://www.ozarkwoodturners.com>

March 2015

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March 21, 2015 1:00 P.M. Lakeview Civic Center (14 Skyles Lane)	<u>Next Meeting</u> Club Business Show & Tell Demonstration For Sale Table Raffle OWT Library	Refreshments Provided By: Larry & Alice Wagner Roger Repta Ron Ufkes Bob Lovett
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Meeting Sign Reminder

Ron, please take care of the meeting sign. *Thank you!*

Name Tag Reminder

Please wear a name tag when attending any Ozark Woodturners club function. If you aren't wearing a name tag, you will be required to stand and introduce yourself.

Spouses and Visitors

Spouses and visitors are always welcome at our meetings.

For Sale Table & Raffle

Bring woodworking tools or accessories that you want to sell. Please make the deal before the meeting, during the break, or after the meeting. Also, bring any extra wood, tools, sandpaper, or anything that you may have for

the Raffle. Visitors are welcome to participate. The raffle tickets are \$1.00 each and the proceeds go to the Club treasury. Every ticket is drawn and the choice is made in the order the tickets are drawn.

The Demonstration for March's meeting will be by Ron Ufkes who will show the fine points of making a crochet hook.



A message
from the
President ...

Hello members,

Joe Parks is off to California and unavailable to write his message, so I thought I would update you on a few matters of importance to the members. The club officers met recently to discuss ways to improve the club, its organization, and functions. These discussions included proposed changes to the By-laws, planning for professional demonstrations and workshops, management of club equipment, library materials, club brochure, member survey, annual Show and Sale and other club related matters. Specific proposals will be brought before the club membership for discussion at future meetings.

It was decided by the officers that several new club positions and/or committees are warranted to improve the overall functioning and success of the club. These include public relations, management of club equipment, and coordination of refreshments at meetings. These will be discussed at an upcoming club meeting. Please think about how you might assist in one of these positions.

Regarding the annual Show and Sale, it is thought that it might be more successful if it was scheduled later in the year, closer to Christmas. Kenneth Higgins would like the membership to consider rescheduling the event from November 7th to December 5th (with the 4th as a set-up day). The latter date is available at the Fairgrounds, but we must book it as soon as possible. A discussion and vote on this matter will take place at the March meeting.

Bring something to the meeting for the Show and Tell to let others see what you have been turning. Also, please bring some wood or other things for the raffle.

Happy and safe turning,

*Ed Boiteau, Secretary
for Joe Parks*

Club News

Treasures's Report:

We currently have \$1,930 as our bank balance. Dues can be paid directly to Darcie Didden at the meeting or send your check payable to Ozark Woodturners in the amount of \$20.00 to:

*Ozark Woodturners
c/o Darcie Didden
847 CR 142
Oakland, AR 72661*

Darcie Didden, Treasurer

Basic Turning Course:

The club offers a "Basics of Wood Turning" class to its members. The next class is tentatively scheduled for March 27th and 28th and there are slots for 3 to 4 participants. If you are interested, please contact Kenneth Higgins at (870) 405-7283 or e-mail him at higgs52@suddenlink.net.

Phil Wiles Open Shop

Phil Wiles will be having Open Shop at his house in Norfolk on Tuesdays from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm starting on the 7th of April through the 26th of May. This is for any member who would care to go over to just watch, bring wood to make something, is in need of assistance with turning tools or with a current project, or just anything to do with turning. All are welcome but Phil would love to see new members or members who have not been to his shop, just to get to know one another if nothing else. Stay a couple hours or stay all day. Please call Phil beforehand at 870-499-7746 and bring your lunch if needed.

Club Member Discounts:

The following vendors offer club discounts to our members. At the time of your order, inform them you are a member of Ozark Woodturners, they will verify it with the roster we've provided and allow your discount

Hartville Tools

Klingspors

Woodworker's Supply

Volunteers for Refreshments:

We need members to sign up to bring refreshments in 2015. The sign-up sheet will be at the front table during next meeting. Please sign up for at least one meeting this year. This has to be a shared responsibility by everyone to work.

Join AAW

*All club members are encouraged to join the American Association of Woodturners. With a \$55 general membership, you'll get more than \$120 of educational resources. You'll receive six issues of American Woodturner journal and six digital issues of Woodturning FUNDamentals, an educational series that offers information, projects, and videos to advance basic turning skills. You'll also get free digital content like *Safety for Woodturners*, *Let's Go for a Spin*, and *Sharpening Woodturning Tools*. You'll have members-only access to the largest collection of woodturning information and resources anywhere in the world, which includes AAW's ever-expanding video library and other content to help maximize your overall woodturning experience. Check them out online or call at 877-595-9094 (toll free) or 651-484-9094.*

Club Library:

If you have any materials checked out, please return them at the March meeting. Thank you for your cooperation.

Kathy Levo, Librarian

Tip of the Month:

Homemade friction polish. I am usually leery of the make-your-own advice I find on the internet, but recently I decided to try a friction polish recipe made from equal parts of denatured alcohol, boiled linseed oil, and clear shellac. Start with two coats of lacquer sanding sealer and a light buffing with fine steel wool. Then drizzle on the mixture while buffing the piece with a soft cloth or tissue while the piece is spinning at slow speed (500 rpm). Buff firmly until the finish is dry and repeat the process until you achieve the desired gloss. Rub in some paste wax for a final finish. It was easy and cheap with great results.

Ed Boiteau

Classifieds & Services

Items to be included in this section should be sent to the Secretary 10 days prior to the next meeting.

- Ozark Woodturners Caps - \$5.00 ea.
- Carbide Circular Saw Blades Sharpened
- Anchor Seal - ½ Gallon - \$9.50
- Custom Log Sawing
- Band Saw Blades – 5 Sizes & Teeth Type

James Pruitt (870) 481-5315

In My Shop



Kenneth Higgins' shop in Flippin where he turns and teaches; shown here with one of his younger students demonstrating good technique.



Phil Wiles in his shop in Norfolk doing production bowl turning. Wow, look at those shavings!

Darcie Didden in her shop in Oakland looking stylish as she turns on her Jet mini lathe.



Ed Boiteau in his shop in Mountain Home getting ready to turn a piece of osage orange into a pepper mill on his Nova lathe.

