

September 2010

Our next meeting is 7:00pm September 6th

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This Month's Demo is...

"Four Projects"

PRESENTED BY Eli Avisera

Eli Avisera lives in Jerusalem where he has been a professional woodworker since 1977.

Eli is known throughout the world both for his turning and as a wood turning demonstrator and teacher. Japan, England, France and America are included on his list of places he has been invited to demonstrate. He uses a line of his own signature tools that he has developed based on his years of woodworking experience. His work appears in many exhibitions around the world.

In 1988 Eli established the "Wood Craft Center" where he teaches workshops for furniture building, wood turning and wood carving at all skill levels. Eli has taught hundreds of students and has been instrumental in promoting the art and craft of wood turning.



Eli plans to demonstrate four projects. The first project will be a bird. Eli will use this project to illustrate the utility of the skew. The second is a lady pen which demonstrates off-center turning techniques. His third project will be a dreidel with a box which demonstrates spindle techniques as well as surface texturing using a chatter tool. His last project will involve making thin finials. Eli gives excellent demonstrations and you don't want to miss this one!

President's PatterHave you noticed?? The days are getting shorter and the nights are getting cooler. What does that mean? Well, for me it means that I will be able to get back into the shop without it feeling like an oven and get some of that turning done that I have put off in the 100 degree days. I always look forward to this time of year. It feels like a refreshing start to fall. I have tons of projects that I want to get to and now feel like I can start to tackle them.

As I write this we have just returned from a weekend in Waco and the SWAT Symposium. It by far was the best symposium that SWAT has put on. There were over 700 attendees this year, an all-time record. Peter Tkacs put together a record number of vendors so we had the best opportunity ever to part with some of our long saved cash. I think the last count was about 35 vendors. There was more nice wood there than all 700 attendees could carry home. The national demonstrators included big names like: Eli Avisera, Alan Leland, Clay Foster, Molly Winton, Mike Jacofsky and Jennifer Shirley. I sat through four sessions with Eli Avisera and learned something new in each of his demos. (By the way Eli will be our demonstrator at the September meeting). Molly Winton created mini vessels with carving and surface treatment that were just mind blowing. What amazing talent. One of the aspects that I always enjoy is the gallery with turnings from fellow SWAT / club members. It gets better each year. It is an inspiration to see what can be done on a lathe with a few tools. Makes me want to continue to learn and improve my skills. There were about 25 GTW club members in attendance this year and I hope each of you enjoyed the symposium as much as I did. If you have not attended a SWAT symposium it will be in Waco again next year, the last weekend in August. Put it on your calendar now and plan on attending. You won't be disappointed. We will have pictures of the gallery up on the web site shortly.

Our monthly meeting for September will be September 6th. Yes It is Labor Day but we have never postponed the meeting in the past because of that, so plan on coming out for a fun evening with Eli Avisera as our demonstrator. This is one demo you won't want to miss. I will be in NYC (with our new granddaughter) so Neal Brand will be conducting the meeting.

Again this year, at our November meeting, we will hold the election of new officers for 2011. That means that we need to have candidates for office in place at the October meeting. That only gives us one month to get the slate of officers in place. Gene Colley has agreed to be chair of the nominating committee. Are you willing to help? Don't be part of the 80% that just sit back and do nothing. Take an active roll in your GTW club and help it move forward. We can't have the same people doing all the work. If asked please indicate your willingness to help. You can also search out Gene and let him know your desire to be a part of the future of GTW.

We have been asked by the City of Roanoke to again participate in their Celebrate Roanoke Festival on Saturday October 9th from 10:00 AM until dark, usually about 5:00 or 5:30 PM. We have agreed to participate and will again turn cars for kids. We will need some help cutting blanks for the cars. If you can help please let Neal know at the Sept. Meeting. This is always a fun day so mark your calendars and plan on turning a few cars on Oct. 9th. Never turned a car? Come on out and we'll show you how. They are not hard and the expression on the kids faces is something to behold.

If you are an AAW member I would encourage you to vote in the upcoming election for Board of Directors. The ballot can be found in your current American Woodturner magazine. Just fill it out and send it in. AAW needs your support and this vote gives you a say in the make up of the Board.

AAW has asked each club to participate in their upcoming 25th anniversary by adding something to the gallery at the 25th annual Symposium in St. Paul next June. If you are an AAW member you can find the details on page 14 of The American Woodturner Magazine. If you are not a member, I encourage you to join, you can also find a copy of page 14 in this months news letter. I would like the club to consider being a part of this gallery. We are thinking of having a contest and picking the best for the gallery display. Entries need to be complete by February to be considered. More information will be discussed in the upcoming meetings.

We are approaching the final month for Bowl of the Month Club. All bowls must be turned in by mid October to be included in this years Empty Bowls Luncheon to be held at noon October 23rd. If you are behind, try to get caught up. Thanks for your efforts with this program.

Don't forget your bring backs and show-and-tell items.

Keep your tools sharp and the lathes turning. See you at the October meeting. (Can't be there in Sept.) John Solberg



- If you did not attend SWAT this year you missed a great opportunity to: learn some neat tricks, see some beautiful turnings, purchase that special tool or piece of wood you have been wanting. You also missed the chance to win one of 4 lathes, many other tools and turnings in the two-for-one raffle.
- →Be sure and checkout the "Articles of Interest" section, on page 9, for important information from the AAW.
- →There are several members that have more than completed, some who are close to completing, and some that have not started their Bowl-Of-the-Month club commitments. See page 8 for your personal status to see if you are falling behind.
- There are more opportunities for community service and turning fun coming this fall so we all need to...

 JOIN IN FOR A GREAT 2010!

Glynn Cox Editor

Photo Highlights of last meeting

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SWAT photos











Photos from the ladie's gallery



UPCOMING EVENTS



October 9th from 10:00am to about 5:30pm.

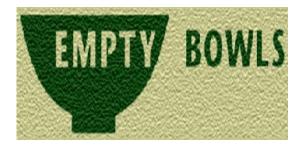
We will be turning cars for the kids and influencing their parents to take up turning and join our club. This has been a nice venue in past years with music, food, arts and crafts. It is much like the Arts and Jazz Festival in Denton only smaller. We will need several club members to come and turn.

The city shuts down the main street and sets up tents for all the participating groups. This is the first year for the festival since the completion of the renovation of the downtown area.





Don't forget, it is never too late to donate a turned box for this wonderful organization. Six to twelve inch diameter bowls, preferably with lids but not required, are used by the sick or injured kids to store the beads they receive for every procedure they receive while in the hospital. Flat work boxes are just as desirable for those woodworkers who are multi-talented.





Don't let the BOM club carry GTW's contribution to this worthwhile charity. All members need to participate and keep turning bowls. They are counting on our support again this year.

Empty Bowls of Denton is a community ministry of Christ The Servant Lutheran Church, where people of the church work in ecumenical-civic partnership with members of the Denton community to support Our Daily Bread soup kitchen and the Denton Community Food Center, enabling them to feed nutritious meals to the hungry of Denton.

CLUB EVENTS CALENDAR

September 6	GTW Club Meeting 7:00pm
October 9	Celebrate Roanoke Festival 10am to about 5:30pm



Bring back winners remember to bring a wood turning related item, preferably one you turned, back next meeting.



154 BOWLS COMPLETED AS OF LAST MEETING

Neal Brand Terri Sargent Chip Sutherland	19 6	Peter Tkacs Gary Armitage Mike Nelson John Downs	5 3 2 2
Dale Lloyd	7		2
Glynn Cox	12	Gene Colley	
John Lauderbaugh	7	John Solberg	7
Chuck Raney		John Beasley	21
Don Hawkins	8	Bob Loyd	13
Oren Zehner	7	Dick Ness	15
Richard Rivera	6	John Horn	1

Articles of Interest

ASSOCIATION NEWS AND NOTES

Call for Entries 25th Anniversary Local Chapter Exhibition

John Lannom, Ohio

The American Association of Woodturners will celebrate its 25th anniversary in 2011 at the symposium in St. Paul, Minnesota. One of the many special events featured will be the exhibition, "Turning 25—A Celebration." All local chapters of the AAW are encouraged to enter. Our goal is to have every AAW chapter represented. We would like each chapter to enter a lathe-turned work that best exemplifies and represents that chapter.

The chapter can choose its own process for selecting a piece for the show, whether it is a collaborative effort or a chapter-juried selection from members' work. Registration and color photos of the entries must be submitted online through the AAW website at woodturner.org/sym/sym2011/exhibit.

Each entry must comply with the following:

- One lathe-turned object may be submitted per chapter.
- The object must fit in an 8" (203 mm) cube.
- · Weight limit is 3 lb (1.36 kg).
- Sales will be shared 70% with the chapter or artist and 30% with the AAW.
- All pieces must remain with the exhibit and travel to various venues after the symposium. Sold work will be shipped to the buyer at the end of all exhibits, and unsold work will be returned to the chapter or individual.

Other requirements:

- · Entry fee: \$40
- · Entry deadline: February 28, 2011
- Additional details will be provided in the future.

The entry fee helps to defray the cost of a special display setup, return shipping, plus the publication of an exhibit catalog. The catalog will contain a photo and description of each exhibit piece. All participating chapters will receive a complimentary copy of the catalog.

The exhibit will be displayed in a prominent area at the St. Paul symposium and participating chapters will be individually recognized for their contribution.

With over 325 AAW chapters, this exhibition will be quite large and a powerful display of skill and talent. It would be awesome to see each chapter represented in order to comprehensively capture this special moment in our organization's history.

Questions can be addressed to Exhibitions Committee Chair, Warren Carpenter warren@woodturner.org.



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If woodturning is your hobby, your passion, your art, the American Association of Woodturners is for you.













Membership Benefits

In addition to the benefit of joining one of the largest craft associations in the country, currently greater than 13,600 members strong with more than 325 local chapters in the United States and internationally, each one-year membership includes:

American Woodturner

- Six issues of American Woodturner, official journal of the AAW, each jam-packed with
 - New one-of-a-kind projects
 - Inspiration and insider secrets
 - Time- and money-saving shop tips and techniques
 - Step-by-step instructions with helpful how-to images and diagrams
 - Beautiful color photos throughout
 - Calendar of events, seminars, and exhibitions

Education and Advice

- Annual AAW Symposium
- · Expert woodturning advice at woodturner.org
- AAW Forum and members-only access on woodturner.org
- Local AAW chapters with local demonstrations, show-and-tell, mentors, and tool and wood swaps
- Access to Educational Opportunity Grants for members and AAW chapters
- Biennial Resource and Membership Directory

Opportunities

- Marketing opportunities on the AAW website for artists, collectors, galleries, and museums
- Juried exhibit opportunities

Insurance and Savings

- Bodily injury liability insurance furnished for members involved in AAW activities
- Commercial property and liability insurance available for members to purchase
- Group rates for health, life, and commercial business insurance
- Discounts on AAW books, DVDs, and logo merchandise with savings up to 50%
- Access to merchandise discounts from multiple suppliers

Click on the link below to check out our official website!

woodturner.org

Click on the "Join AAW" link for membership information.

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