



TURN NORTH



Monthly Newsletter of the Northland Woodturners, Kansas City MO

November 2007

Nov. 7 Meeting Marks New Meeting Time *Dennis Liggett demo was Great Fun!*

Mark your calendars now!! At the last meeting and because of scheduling conflicts with the management of Overland Tool North, the members present voted to change our monthly meeting to the first **Wednesday** of each month, beginning in November 2007. We'll still meet from 7-9. We're glad to make the change to support the Overland Tool folks who have been so very supportive of us.

Dennis' demo was great, well received by all. His goblet tutorial will be posted on the Yahoo Group site.

The chapter meets on the first Wednesday of each month from 7-9 pm at Overland Tool North, 1404 Gentry, North Kansas City MO 64116.

Their phone number is (816) 268-4304. Off Missouri Hwy 9, turn east & go 4 blocks on 14th St.—Off I-35, take the 16th St. exit, go west to Gentry & south to the intersection of 14th St.

For a map, visit: <http://maps.google.com/maps?q=1404+Gentry,+North+Kansas+City,+MO&iwloc=A&hl=en>

October Highlights

Several items were discussed. The first had to do with a combined project for turning pens to be distributed to U.S. troops stationed in the Middle East. We'll be turning in cooperation with the Independence and KC chapters, using the KC Woodturners' clubhouse on 11/10 and 11/17. More inside.

The others had to do with upcoming elections, the change of meeting night, and other upcoming events.

Coming Attractions

Nov 7, '07	New Meeting Date!!
Dec 5, '07	Holiday Fest
Jan 2, '08	??
Feb 6, '08	??
Mar 5, '08	??

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More Chapter News in the Northland

President Marci Eigenshenk contacted VP Alex and submitted her resignation. It seems like she was overwhelmed with too much stuff and had to pare back. Alex thanked her for her service and wished her well. The members present at the October meeting also wish her well.

Dennis Liggett's presentations on turning in general and spiral turning in particular were well-received. Turnout was good, all things considered, and no one was disappointed. Dennis brought a wealth of information and interesting techniques to share.

There will be a full roster at the November meeting so that we can update mail and email addresses, as well as phone numbers. We will also talk in November about other aspects of membership, including keeping our file of signed releases current.

The Northland chapter provided funds for 100 pen kits for the 2007 Kansas City effort for the Freedom Pens Project. We'll join with turners from around the country to turn pens for our Armed Services members stationed in the Middle East. Freedom Pens Project has provided over 74,000 pens in three years through the efforts of turners across the country. The Independence Chapter and the KC Woodturners Chapter also purchased 100 kits each, plus the FPP has provided 100 additional kits. More info on the next page.

Thanks to Kent Townsend who turned a nifty wooden replacement box to fit under that Copenhagen tin lid.

Nice project, Kent!

Thanks to all who participated in the Show and Tell. Bring your projects and your stories. It's part of what makes the club a good one.

2007 NOMINEES FOR THE NORTHLAND WOODTURNERS

The nominating committee for the chapter met and offers the following names to be voted on in November. Other nominations can be offered from the floor.

For President:	Alex Garcia
For Vice President:	Ron Ford
For Secretary/Editor:	Dean Thomas
For Treasurer:	Larry McClintock
For Advisor:	Chip Siskey Kent Townsend

IMPORTANT NORTHLAND WOODTURNERS LIBRARY NEWS

Dr. Frank Hoog, our illustrious librarian, asks that if you have any NWT Library books or videos, please bring them back to the meeting, or to call him and let him know what you have, please. Your cooperation is very much needed in his effort to inventory our collection. We don't want to have to replace or duplicate things. Check your shelves, please, for any strays. Thanks in advance!!

The KC Metro Area expression of the Freedom Pens Project 2007 is under way!



The Northland, Independence, and KC Woodturners chapters of the AAW are cooperating in purchasing and creating a BUNCH of SlimLine pens that will be distributed to our US troops serving in the Middle East. We'll add our energies and creativity to the hundreds of turners who've created and delivered more than 74,000 pens to those troops in just three short years.

What we have:

- Access to the KC Woodturners' Clubhouse (and the small gaggle of lathes that live there!) on two Saturdays, November 10 and November 17, probably from 8:30 to noonish each day, and maybe longer if we have people turning.
- Four hundred (400!) SlimLine pen kits are in hand and ready to build.
- About 450 wood pen blanks with even more promised.
- About 20 pounds of red, white, and blue Corian material to use as accents or to make entire pens from, if someone chooses to.
- Special CA glue for the Corian.
- A growing list of volunteer turners looking forward to spending some time talkin' and turnin' on those two Saturdays.

What we need still:

- Mandrels and bushings for all of the lathes so we can use every single lathe for the whole time, should we have that many volunteer turners at once. All of the KCWT lathes are Morse Taper #2 spindles.
- Pen assembly presses (one or two would be great, please).
- End mills (only for the 7 mm tubes)
- Glue for assembly (some like thick CA, others prefer epoxy, but not all week-end drying glues, please)
- Abrasives (to at least 320 or 400 grit for shellac or lacquer based finishes, generally higher for CA and some other such finishes)
- Finishes of choice (Hut's CrystalCoat, Deft's lacquer finishes--brushed, not sprayed, appropriate fast drying Behlens, Liberon, or Mylands products)

The hope is that KC area turners will adopt this program, make it their own, and come with lathe tools in hand, as well as their own preferences for sanding and finishing, ready to treat the troops special.

The KC Woodturners club house is located in the basement of the McCray Lumber Co building, one block west of I-35, on 67th Street, on the south side of the street just west of the railroad tracks. There's plenty of parking.

Feel free to contact Dean Thomas with any questions. Email is best at DeanZF@yahoo.com, or at home generally between 4pm and 9pm 816-421-5781.

*Read a good woodturning-related book lately? Watched a good wood video?
Willing to write a short review?*

Got an idea for an article or a need for some information that you think would interest everyone in the chapter? Contact Dean Thomas and let's see what we can do!

Remember, we want to publicize your favorite tips. Talk to your friendly newsletter editor for details, or to our illustrious VPrez to demo it at one of the monthly meetings.

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