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Chapter Meetings:

First Thursday of every month, 7-9 pm.
NEW address.

We've MOVED across the drive and around the corner to the East on the back of the building (Northeast

Corner) We're south of Zona Rosa just off NW Prairie View Rd., just east of the N-S drive beside the barber shop.

VP David Bartlett opened the August meeting with announcements and program preview prior to the monthly drawings. Those in attendance were in for an interesting presentation during Show and Tell. Several unique and interesting projects were highlighted by members. Pictures of those projects follow below.

Coming Attractions

Newsletters on the Chapter Website:
<http://northlandwoodturners-kc.com>

Event Information:

Show and Tell

Treasurer Chip Siskey showed a plate/bowl which he had previously turned as a demo piece earlier this year. It was a walnut turning which had been obtained from a collection of Doc's and had been rough turned but unfinished.



Another interesting project brought by Chip were the two poplar "flames" turned and hand finished with a clear water-based finish.



(size enlarged to show detail)



Comparative size shown above



(size enlarged to show detail)

Chip also brought some turned boxes in maple shown below



Shown at left with lids on and below with lids off.

Note the design inside the lid on the lower left bowl. This same design was also used on the upper right and lower right bowls. The lower right bowl is made from a scrap piece of walnut



Dick Day brought a 3-axis turned cup which was in his words, "*Gotten really wet and twisted hard!*" It was an interesting design and showed some great work.



Picture on right shows interior of the turning.



For some interesting multi-axis turnings including a demo video, go to Barbara Dill's website <http://www.barbaradill.com/gallerymulti.html>

Dick also brought a split turning candle stick made from red oak. Look very closely and you can see where the 4 pieces were joined.



Side view



Top View



David Bartlett, program “celebrity”, brought two samples of his demo work. This is a wing bowl made from sycamore. The other sample is from what appears to be mulberry. The bottom area is slightly concave to allow for the tenon used to turn the piece.



OOPS! Picture cut the corner off unintentionally. Stay tuned...More on Wing Turning in the Program Feature with David.



Big turning of the month goes to Kent Townsend for his Column base. Made of polyurethane-glued pine parts, it is about 36" in diameter at the base.

Three layers of large pine blocks were glued by the "owner" and Kent turned it using outboard turning. Very slowly, I might add!

Kent mentioned that he has 4 to turn, this being one of them.

The finished piece will be painted so fine finishing is unnecessary; however, there were several knots and voids that had to be filled and turned smooth before removing it from the lathe.

Thanks to each member who brought something for Show and Tell. It makes for very interesting examination during the break before beginning the program, and shows off YOUR skills as members of Northland Woodturners Club.

Program Feature



David Bartlett prepares to turn a wing bowl from a maple block.

David pointed out that with a large block it is important when turning a wing bowl that the blank be as accurately rough-shaped as possible. The edges should be smoothed and squared before trying to turn the bowl.

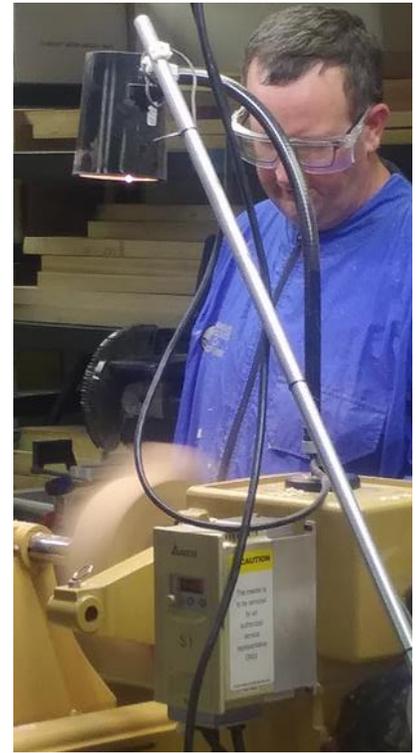
SAFETY NOTE: since there are spinning corners it is vital to know WHERE your hands and arms are at all times, especially when turning the back side. (*ed. note—The lathe is being hand-turned on the right picture.*)



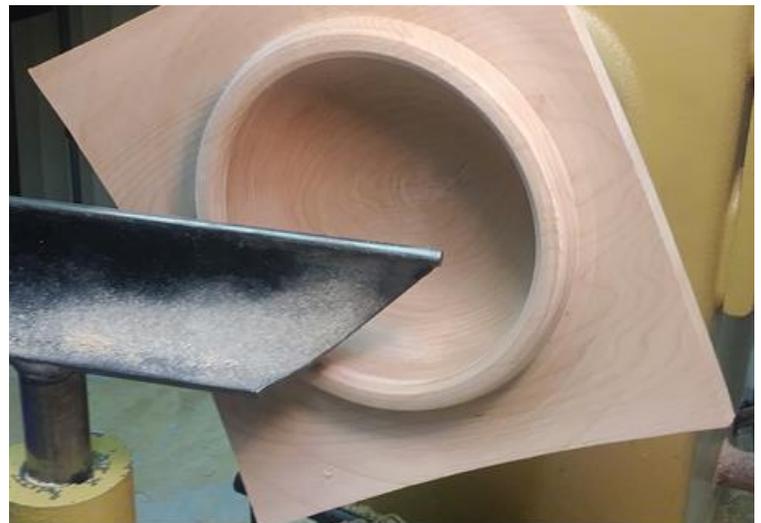
Note on the left picture that the chuck tenon has been turned and the underneath face has been smoothed prior to the actual shaping of the bowl.



At left David is turning the lower face of the wing bowl and on the right the blank is being smoothed next to the headstock. Again David pointed out the importance of knowing where hands and arms are as the corners spin by.

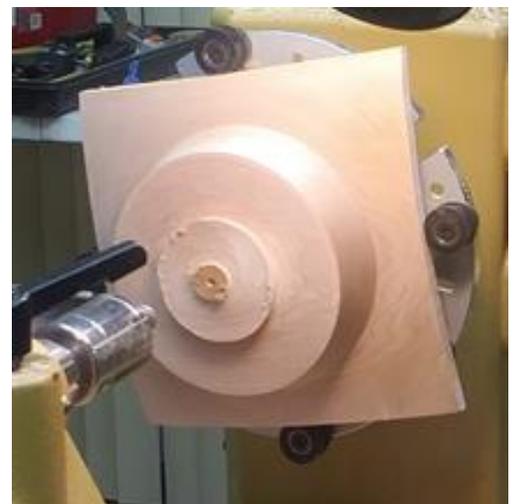


At left above is the back side of the bowl showing the curvature and general shape before thinning the “wings”. At the right shows the inside of the bowl on the tailstock side with the depth and rim taking shape.



In order to turn the outside of the bowl, a special chuck is being used. The right picture shows the bowl mounted in the chuck and aligned so the center point left from the original shaping aligns with the tailstock.

The bowl is now ready to have the final shaping on the underside. The points of the “wings” are still a hazard if hands get in the way, though.





First the chuck area and original center point is removed. Then the bottom is smoothed and flattened. Finally an indentation to give a “foot” to the bottom of the bowl is turned. This completes the turning of David’s Winged Bowl turning. All in all, his presentation was interesting and quite informative. For more ideas on turning these kinds of projects, see the previously mentioned website on page 3 of this newsletter.



The finished product, sans sanding, which mostly will need to be final sanded by hand due to the “wings; a nice job and interesting idea.

Damage Control Plugs

Thanks to everyone who's helped with our plug orders. Our inventory is getting low so we will be asking for help getting restocked. There will be boxes of blanks at the next meeting. Please consider taking a box home and turning them by the following meeting. Here's a table with the plug dimensions for reference.

It's also on the CLUB NEWS tab of the club website at

<http://www.northlandwoodturners-kc.com/>

Plug	Lg. Dia.	Length	Sm Dia.
#1	1 1/2	7	5/8
#2	2 1/4	4	1 1/4
#3	3 1/4	3 1/2	2 1/8
#4	4 1/4	5 3/4	2 3/4
#5	6 1/2	6	4 3/4



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