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Meeting is 7-20-2006 7 PM

Program: Texas Trees and Chainsaw Safety by Kevin Bassett

President's Words of Wisdom

The heat is frying my brain! It is having an impact on my turning. Only another ten weeks or so until those of us without air-conditioning can get back into our shops for more than a few minutes at a time.

I enjoyed the AAW Symposium in Louisville; it was quite an experience. I had the opportunity to spend some time with Stuart Mortimer (spiral turning) and to observe Jacques Vesery and Mike Mahoney, among others. One of the highlights was the EOG Auction on Friday night (in spite of the sound problems). I still don't understand how the caterer managed to serve 2,400 people at a sit-down dinner. A Bonnie Klein/Jacques Vesery "top" sold for \$11,500.

The vendor display area was mind-blowing. Just about any piece of woodturning equipment or accessory was there. Could have spent a lot of money I didn't have, but I resisted the urge.

If there is a way that you can manage it, plan on attending the next Symposium in Portland, Oregon. But in the meantime, get your registration in for SWAT in Temple, TX. The cost is much lower, the crowds are smaller, and the demonstrations are as good as those at the national meeting. If you think you might be going to SWAT, be sure to go ahead and make your room reservation.

With the year half gone, it is time to start thinking about chapter elections (November) and our big party (pencil in December 1 on your calendar).

Slowly I turned...Rand

Welcome to the June New Member

Welcome to the following new member:

Larry Maughan - Plano

July Program

This month our own Kevin Bassett will cover the following topics:

- 1) He will show and discuss a chainsaw safety DVD from Stihl. (They did a demo for us a few years ago and promised us a video. I guess we finally got it.)
- 2) Common DFW metroplex trees suitable for turning and how to identify them in tree form. Or road kill menu for scavengers of wood.
- 3) Compartmentalization of decay in trees.
- 4) Q & A

Report from AAW Symposium

Nine DAW members, joined by 1800 other turners, took over downtown Louisville the last week in June for what can only be described as a turner's version of heaven on earth. From the very highest quality demonstrators to the incredible Instant Gallery to the Turner's Toy Store (aka vendors' exhibit hall), virtually everything you could want was there.

For a view of a small part of the Instant Gallery pieces, check out these web pages

www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2006/Walkabouts/ and Steve Worcester's

www.turningwood.com/AAW2006/aaw06ig.htm. We were able to see in person the creativity of the world's finest wood artists, not the least of which was a carved and burned pecan bowl by our own Jimmie Arledge that was chosen for inclusion the Instant Gallery critique, quite an honor.

Congratulations, Jimmie! In addition, there were several off site galleries with equally great works on display.

Another highlight was the Friday night banquet for 2400 people followed by the auction benefiting AAW's Educational Opportunity Grants program which raised a record \$83,000. (Remember, the EOG paid for a large part of some of our mini lathes a year ago.) Our own Gary Sanders saw one of his magnificent Christmas tree ornaments go for \$300!

Recent Notable Doings by DAW Members

Recent and Future Demonstrators:

May – Jimmie Arledge demonstrated making utility items for the Hunt County club.

June – Richard Duval showed the Denton club how to do spiral and double barley twist turning.

June – Dan Henry taught the Tyler club all about Open Segment Tea Lamps.

July - Bob Matern showed the Hunt County club how he does his "Contemporary Segmented Platters".

July – Kevin Bassett will talk to DAW about Texas trees and wood.

August – Bob Matern will demonstrate his "Kinetic Starburst Platter" for the Tyler club.

SWAT – Bonnie MacDonald will be doing 2 rotations of her "Marbling" demo.

Recent Recognition:

One of Steve Worcester's pieces was named "Best in Category" at The 500 Inc Artfest.

Kevin Bassett had one of his natural edge mesquite bowls chosen for the June 18 "Photo of the Day" on the AAW website – www.woodturner.org.

Jimmie Arledge had a carved and burned pecan bowl chosen for critique at the AAW Symposium Instant Gallery.

Gary Sanders donated a Christmas Ornament to the AAW Educational Opportunity Grant auction and it sold for \$300.

Larry Genender was profiled in the "Home" section of the Dallas Morning News on July 14.

Quarterly Drawing

This month is the start of a new quarterly raffle. Rumor has it that the prize will include a power sanding setup from Steve Worcester and an electric drill to boot. You do not have to be present in September to win. We are open to suggestions for prizes for future quarterly raffles. Contact Jimmy Cusic.

SWAT News

The Regional Demonstrators have been named for this year's SWAT Symposium, scheduled for September 29 through October 1 in Temple, Texas. You can also find the latest information on the Symposium, including schedules, lodging information, the Spouses Program and a registration form on the SWAT web site, www.swaturners.org.

So make your reservations now and plan to be in Temple in the fall for the greatest SWAT Symposium ever. If you have your registration form filled out and the check made out, just bring them to the meeting and hand them to Bob Matern (save yourself 39 cents).

If you have any questions about SWAT, see Bob Matern, our SWAT representative (bob@dfwair.net), or any officer.

Schedule of Upcoming Events

July 20 – DAW Meeting	September 21 – DAW Meeting
August 3 – DAW Board Meeting	September 29-Oct. 1 – SWAT in Temple, TX
August 17 – DAW Meeting	October 5 – DAW Board Meeting
September 7 – DAW Board Meeting	October 19 – DAW Meeting

Classifieds

If anyone who is looking for a Legacy 1000 (wood working) ornamental mill. I am not sure if you guys frown on these kinds of machines, but the one that I have is in excellent condition. I am the original owner, although it is a few years old, it has about 1 hour of use. I have \$1,900 invested, which includes the base 1000 unit, factory stand with taper adjustment, tooling (router bits), extra gear reduction set, manual, and 3 videos. The router is not included. I am asking around \$1,100 and I live in Plano if someone would like to see the machine in person.

I have attached a link from an interesting article about this machine; however, the link doesn't show the factory stand. <http://benchmark.20m.com/reviews/LegacyMill/toolslegacymill.html>

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