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Next Meeting: May 17

Joe Millsap will show use how to turn a hat, Oklahoma style!

President's Words of Wisdom

This month Joe Millsap from OK will be our monthly feature artist. Joe has been turning for most of his life and has won many awards and has been one of our demonstrators at SWAT. This month Joe will be turning of all things a Hat. This should be fun to see, and hopefully you will be able to see it better with our new projection system that should be in place. Some of guys got together last week and did a trial run, the results were positive... Let us know how you like it. AAW has provided this in the form of a Grant to help the local club and DAW intends to put this to good use.

AAW is just around the corner. This year AAW Symposium will be held in Portland OR. Make you reservations now to attend. Go to the AAW site to register. As always they have a great line up or demonstrators and the gallery is always a big hit. Malcom Tibbits has asked for volunteers. If you are going and can help let him know.

Our Saturday workshop went well again. Thanks to Hugh and Dale for organizing this. This month we have been working on our new training room, but it is not quite ready. Saturday May 5th Ken Rodgers, Randy Rice, Clay Schoessler and myself showed up ready to build a wall. We are about 2/3rds the way done and hope to have it finished (or close to finished) by the end of the month. This room will be used for our Saturday workshops after the club meetings starting in June. We also expect to use it for training classes for our members. Anyone want to volunteer as training coordinator???

For the Quarterly raffle this time we have purchased a \$125 gift certificate to Wood World. I was in there a few weeks ago and Crag had some nice wood and I even saw display with some turning tools. Lots of things are happing so if you want to help, let one of the board member know and we'll put you to work !!! Speaking of work...It would be a GREAT help if we can get some more folks helping with cleanup after the demo. I noticed some the same people staying and helping. A BIG Thanks to those who do stay, and to the rest, stay just a few minutes longer and help us clean up!!! Make it fun for everyone...

The weather is getting warmer and Summer is just around the corner. Speaking of weather there should be lots of green wood available. I know, Garland had winds close to 100mph a few weeks ago the street curb had lots of fresh wood available.. So no excuse for not having the wood to turn... (Now if I can just find the time...oops you didn't hear me say that).

Last month I asked if anyone was interested in building "Rose Engine" I four takers. If anyone else is interested send me a note so I can include you.

Keep on turning
Jimmy C.

May Program

Joe Millsap, from the Tulsa area will demonstrate making a small hat. Joe has demonstrated at SWAT and always does a great job.

Open Shop Saturday

The Saturday after our May meeting we will have the DAW "Open Shop" at Dale Buchanan's place again. Same time (9 to noon). Pick up a map and other information at the meeting or call one of the officers. Hugh Hurst will supply some wood and the focus will be on bowl turning.

Schedule of Upcoming Events

May 17 - DAW Club Meeting- Joe Millsap
June 7 - DAW Board Meeting
June 21 - DAW Club Meeting – Johnny Tolly
June 29 thru July 1 AAW Symposium - Portland, OR
July 5 - DAW Board Meeting (May be shifted)
July 19 - DAW Club Meeting – Clay Foster

AAW Educational Grant for Video Projector and Screen

Thanks to the AAW and Bob Matern we have our new video projector and large screen so that the video of demonstrations and other activities can be viewed more easily and in more detail by our members, **starting this month.**

Steps for a Great Club Demo

Last month's demo by Stuart Batty was one of the better ones we've had, so we thought you'd like to know how we pulled it off.

Step #1: Have a persistent Program Director like Hugh Hearst. He was able to contact Stewart and convince him of what a good deal it would be to do a demo for our club. He truly pulled a rabbit out of a hat.

Step #2: Have someone volunteer to transport Stewart from Fort Worth to Dallas. Thanks Craig Fyock!

Step #3: Have someone else volunteer to provide Stewart's Thursday night lodging and transportation to the airport Friday morning. Thanks Eddie Charba! By Bob Matern

SWAT is Ready to Accept Your Registration

The 2007 SWAT Symposium will be October 5-7 in Wichita Falls and we're ready to accept registrations. All you need do is go to SWAT's web site, <http://swaturners.org/registration/index.asp> where you can sign up on line using Pay Pal or use the snail mail registration form. Our SWAT representative, Bob Matern, can also take registrations in person.

The SWAT web site also has a listing of hotels cooperating with SWAT. When you make you hotel plans, be sure to mention that you're with SWAT. By doing so, you'll be helping keep down the costs, since the hotels rebate part of your room costs to the convention center.

“How To” Corner for May

There will be some turners available before the meeting beginning at 6:15 with tools, chucks, etc. and a mini-lathe to help with basic turning "How to" Also we will have an assortment of gouges, scrapers, chucks, etc. to show and give you a chance to turn. This month we will focus on roughing out a bowl blank.

New Woodturning Educational Resource in North Texas

Up until now, woodturning schools were located primarily east of the Mississippi. No more! There's a new facility in North Texas located just west of Lewisville in the city of Copper Canyon. The name is Canyon Studios (www.canyonstudios.org/default.htm) and it is the creation of Gene Colley, well-known to many Texas woodturners. He's had leadership responsibilities in SWAT, is a multi-year donor to SWAT's 2-for-1 raffle and he's also past president of the Golden Triangle Woodturners.

Instructors for the woodturning classes (either 2-day or 5-day) include such professionals as Jimmy Clewes, Don Derry, Robert Rosand and Curt Theobald. Plus, the school will make donations to AAW when AAW members complete courses there.

In addition, plans are in the works to offer classes in other artistic areas such as glass, ceramics and woodcarving.

Check it out. by Bob Matern

Bulletin!! There may still be one opening for the following class at Canyon Studios:

May27-28th, End Grain Turning class with Jimmy Clewes due to an illness of one of the registered students. If you would like to take this class or know someone that might like to, let me know thanks. The cost of the 2 day class is \$275 plus materials. Thanks.

Gene Colley

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