



Newsletter of the Ozark Woodturners

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Next Meeting

Saturday, May 10th
TIME: 9:30 a.m.

WHERE: Mountain Home VFW 214 West 7th Street

DEMONSTRATION: Phil Wiles will demonstrate how to turn a potpourri pot. He will also show how to apply a CA glue finish.

Ozark Woodturners News

- ◆ The Challenge for the July meeting is to turn a Christmas ornament.
- ◆ Phil Wiles will have his shop open to assist OWT Members Monday—Friday. Please touch base with Phil prior to dropping in. Cell 870.421.9342.

President's Message

Thanks to everyone who turned a simple acorn lidded box. As most will testify they are not so simple! Thanks Ken for making it look so easy. Bill's acorn earrings stole the show.

Don't forget the carving show May 3-4. If you have turnings for our table you can drop them off Friday afternoon or early Saturday morning. This is a great show. The carvings are amazing!

Phil Wiles will do the May demo. He will turn a potpourri pot with a CA finish. He is a master turner and his finish is flawless. If you want to step up your skills pay attention you will learn something new.

We still need input on what you want to see for future demos.

Hope to see everyone at the May 10th meeting!

Steve

Newsletter Editor: Linda W. Moore

Meeting Minutes April 8th

Officers Present: Steve Wagner, President; Dallas Hensley, Vice President; Sandy Lord, Secretary; Doug Green, Treasurer; Mary Meyer, Librarian

Members Present: 31

Guests: 2

Announcements:

- Steve brought in 200 pen blanks ready to be drilled for the V.A. Would like to get them done within the next couple of months.
- Danny has a lathe for sale.
- Jerry has eggs for sale.
- Two sign-up sheets are being circulated. One for the Woodcarvers Show and the other for snacks for our meetings.
- Tip of the week from Phil: The black dot on cans of spray paint is for you to line up the nozzle with before spraying. Who knew?
- Dallas noted that Phil and Red brought in wood scraps which are great for use for pens. So if members have scraps, feel free to bring them in.
- Dennis brought in five pen and pencil kits for members to take home and finish.
- Steve noted that our U-Tube channel is now known as Mountain Home Ozark Woodturning.

Show and Tell:

In response to last month's challenge, several members brought in lidded acorns of all different sizes as well as a box of "failures" shared by Kurt. Also shown was a home-made pen turning jig for use with a drill press, a beautiful collection of pens, and several lovely bowls. Phil won the drawing, but deferred to a second draw which was won by Jerry.

Treasurer's Report:

Doug reported that the VA Account has \$1,750.47, the Club Account has \$6,888.77, for a total amount of \$8,634.23.

Demonstration:

Doug and Dennis demonstrated how to drill and turn pen blanks. Their demonstration included the following points:

1. Selecting wood or acrylic. (Wood is easier for beginners).
2. Sizing. (Kits come in different sizes).
3. Drilling
4. Turning. (Be sure to match end of blank to bushing size).
5. Sanding. (Sand in reverse. Start with 120 or 180 and go up to 320 or 400. Be careful because there is not much material to work with).

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6. Finishing. (There are all kinds of finishes to use. Doug used sand and sealer and a high friction polish).

7. Assembling. (Follow the directions that come in the package).

Fifty/Fifty Raffle:

Vince Woods won the \$60 initial drawing.

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted, Sandy Lord, Secretary

April Lidded Acorn Contest Pictures by Dallas Hensley

Lidded Acorn Winners



Bill Dorzok and Mark Adams were the winners of the Lidded Acorn contest.

Bill turned a set of acorn ear rings, the caps were removable. Wood is OTF.

Mark Adams made his acorns from: bases are Basswood and Unknown and the tops are Butternut.

April Show & Tell Pictures by Dallas Hensley



Above are the various Lidded Acorn entries. Turners who participated: Steve Wagner, Mark Adams, Bill Dorzok, Mark Lille, Kurt Dekker, Terry Butler and Linda Moore.

April Show & Tell Pictures by Dallas Hensley



Doug Green—Doug displayed a portion of the 200+ pens he's turned. Nice variety and beautiful work.

Jerry Swartzentruher—(Right) Maple bowl and (Below) Spalted Elm. Both finished with CA glue.



April Show & Tell Pictures by Dallas Hensley



Ron Hulstein—Ron's 49th segmented bowl. It is made of: Ash, Osage Orange, Spalted Hackberry, Walnut, Sapel and Red Cedar. Finish: 2 coats sealer, 3 coats lacquer and 2 coats wax.

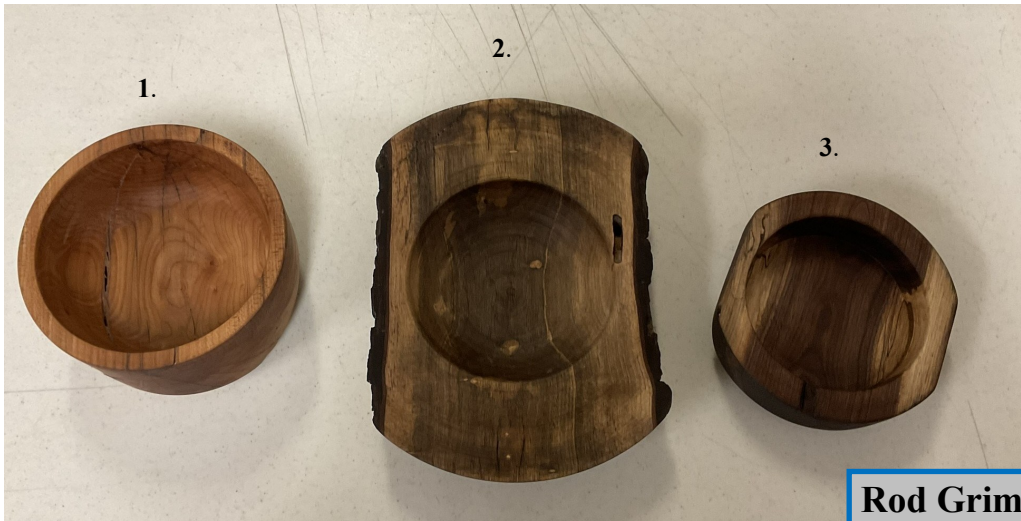


Mark Lillie—Walnut bowl with CA finish.



Jerry Hankins—Pear wood was used to make the Pear and Apple and another Apple was out of Cedar. He also presented an acorn. All items finished with lacquer.

April Show & Tell Pictures by Dallas Hensley



Rod Grimes—(From left to right)

(1) Cherry bowl which gave him some challenges in glueing. (2) Walnut bowl turned with Air! Finish is 4-5 coats of Danish on outside and Feed-N-Wax on inside. (3) Walnut bowl with Feed-N-Wax finish. He said he likes to cut them thick and heavy.



Steve Wagner—Two Hackberry bowls with a CA and Lacquer finish.



April Show & Tell

Pictures by Dallas Hensley



Bowl woven with leather.

Phil Wiles Page



Bradford Pear



Cherry



Mesquite



Spalted Maple

April Demonstration

Doug Green and Dennis Feldkirchner demonstrated how to turn a pen using the NEW pen tools that the club has purchased (the Pen tool set can be checked out of the library by members).

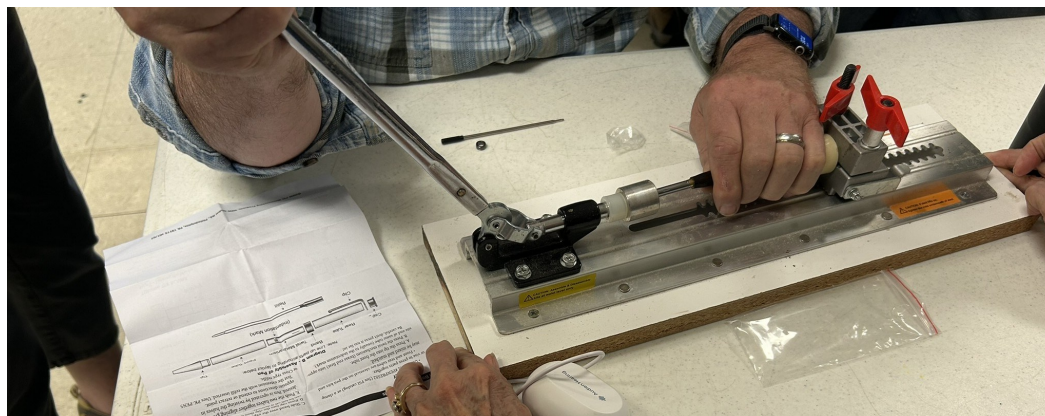
First they decided which pen kit they wanted to use. The kit determines the size of the blank needed and the size of the hole to drill in the blank. For the blank, you can use acrylic or wood with acrylic being the harder to use. The kit in the demo called for a 7mm hole, they drilled this using a Jacob's chuck on the lathe. When drilling they recommended drilling a little then backing out the drill bit to allow it to cool. They stressed the need to mark the ends of the blanks so that when you're ready to assemble the pen the grain matches up.

Next, the brass insert was roughed up using sand paper and Doug added play dough to the inside ends to keep the glue from getting inside. He also uses thick glue on the outside of the brass tube (3-4 strings of glue on the outside). Twisting the tube as you push it in will distribute the glue, also the tube should be far enough in the blanks to have room to trim it.

After the glue dried, it was time to turn the blanks. This required loading the blanks onto a mandrel in this order: bushing/ blank/ bushing/ blank/ bushing. Make sure the blanks are loaded based on the markings you made on the original blank.

Turning the blank requires light cuts until the desired shape has been attained. To sand Doug starts with 120 and goes up to 300, he does this by hand. He pointed out that the ends are paper thin and to be watchful of these. The finish is sanding sealer and CA glue (he also likes to use a friction polish (Maylands).

The final step requires special attention to the instructions from the pen kit on how to



put the pen together. Note the pen press on the left and how it makes the final steps complete the process with ease.

Club News Notifications

From the Treasurer

4/30/25 Balance:

Total: \$ 9,058.23

OWT \$ 7,307.77

VA: \$ 1,750.46

Meeting Raffle

Please bring wood or other turning items you would like to include in the raffle. Note-you are responsible to take back home anything not taken. Tickets will be: \$1.00 Each or 6/\$5.00 50% of raffle \$ goes to first ticket drawn.

Fundamentals of Turning 1 on 1 Class

Club member Kenneth Higgins offers a one-on-one "Fundamentals of Wood Turning" class. If you are interested please contact Kenneth Higgins at (870) 405-7283 or e-mail him at higgs52@icloud.com

Club Library (Mary Meyer)

Need a new project or want to learn a new technique? Come check out the 33 books and 56 videos that are in the OWT Library. Mary will have them available for check out at the monthly meeting. A list of available projects is on the OWT web site.

Club Member Discounts

The following vendors offer club discounts to our members. At the time of your order, inform them you are a member of Ozark Woodturners; they will verify it with the roster we've provided and allow your discount.

* Klingspor's Woodworking Shop-

Website: woodworkingshop.com 10% off non power tools.

* Woodworker's Supply-

Website: woodworker.com Discount varies by product. Inquire before placing order.

* The Woodwork Shop, Bartlett, TN—

In store only. 10% off non power tools.

CA Glue & Lacquer (Dennis Feldkirchner). Prices are subject to change. The numbers in the parentheses are a price range from multiple online sources.

<u>OWT Price</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>On-line Est.</u>
\$10.00	Mohawk Lacquer	(13-18)
\$23.23	EZ Bond CA. 16 oz Large	(28-38)
\$4.75	EQ Bond CA 2.5 oz Small	(6-8)
\$3.00	Activator Pump	(8-12)
\$1.50	Activator Refill	(4-6)
\$.35	Glue Caps	

OWT Hats Available **NEW SHIPMENT**

Pick one up for \$15



Member Notices

BAND SAW BLADES

Custom band saw blades for wood. Pricing is based on length and width.

Contact: Dick Rickon 870-424-4540 leave a message and he will return the call.