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WOODCHIPS:
BY: GEORGE HANCOCK EDITOR

Dear Member and Guests:

It's that time again. Our annual "Turn in the Park", or in this case at George's shop is upon us. The board again decided against trying to haul lathes to a park, and risk Heat, Cold, Inadequate electricity, Wind and rain that we have braved in years past, in favor of using our meeting place.

This meeting is designed to allow more experienced members to work with new and novice turners to help them develop their skills. We will have 3-4 lathes available, and if you can bring your own tool roll, and wood if you have something you want to try. Typically we have enough wood (limbs) to work with. If you need to work on finishing a project, we can also help if it isn't too big or involved.

Interested in segmenting? I'm sure some segmented turner will be present to assist in getting you started. We will have plenty of wood for this purpose. Interested in Pen making? I'm sure some of our great pen-turners will be happy to help you. Bring your goggles, or face shields if you intend to turn.

As always, lunch will be served. We are planning on BBQ with all of the trimmings. Some of the members will bring some desert's.

It is our plan to start promptly at 10:00 am, break for lunch around noon, and then start up again as you finish eating. Generally we will wind up around 3:00 pm. If you have a friend that would like to try wood-turning, bring them along.

Some find this is the best meeting of the year, so if you want to teach, learn, or just visit, plan on a nice relaxing day.

See you Saturday.

**THINGS TO
REMEMBER:**

- **Renew your AAW Membership.**
- **Plan to Attend Club Functions.**
- **Club Dues should be paid at or before the January meeting.**
- **Make an attempt to participate, and make your needs and ideas known.**

PROGRAM

NO FORMAL PROGRAM THIS MONTH. IT'S ALL HANDS ON

SWAT Symposium 2019
 August 23 - 25 2019

Sign up for SWAT begins March 15th and ends August 1st.

PRESIDENT'S TIDBITS

What a great turnout again for our April meeting. There were 26 members present and three new members. Thanks to Ron Wingo, Nathan Ehni, and Mark Doverspike for their membership. Mark, thanks for the show and tell of your segmented vases. What a inspiration to all of us. The Nano Cad program for the layout pattern gave all of us another source of information to use.

Randy Smith is checking into getting guest demonstrators for future club meetings. Our meeting for May will be our Turning at George's. Please plan to attend because a lunch meal will be provided. Last year's meal was outstanding. No one left hungry.

Thanks to Roger Pearson for the outstanding demonstration on the spring pole lathe and tool maintenance. Learn to use your tools safely and keep them sharp. Proper posture and addressing the lathe tool rest are necessary for enjoyable turning on the lathe.

We have an outstanding resource in our club library available to all. Get with Bob Price if you have any questions. If you join AAW, the videos and back issue resources are available to all members.

Thanks to all who continue to make our club what it is. Keep your tools sharp and the chips flying. See you in May.

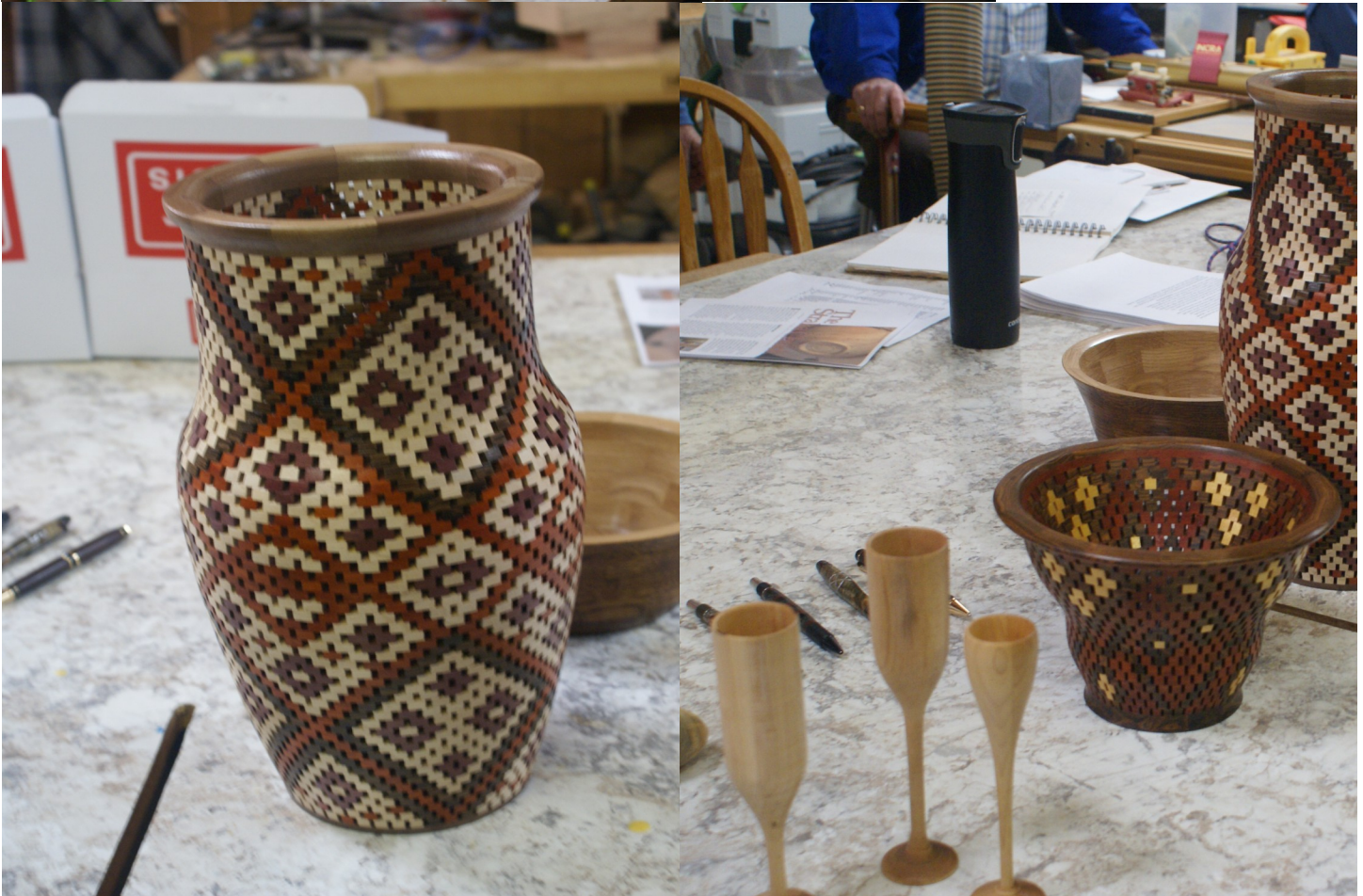
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Show and tell table last month. A little sparse, but the quality was #1.

SHOW AND TELL APRIL 2019

Show and Tell last month continues to provide a wide variety of items turned by members (and guests) Bring your best, worst and failures. It gives everyone an opportunity to “show off” or teach us what not to do. We have been blessed with a lot of wonderful items month after month.



TURNING TIDBITS, TOOLS AND HUMOR

Fixing Tear Out with Finish

By Alan Noel
Professional Wood Finisher

Imagine you're working on a project and you're running your lumber through the planer one last time to make it just the right thickness. You're getting excited because you can finally get this project going. You look through your pieces and start to notice there is some tear out that you didn't catch on the final pass, and all has been planed to the correct thickness, so there is no more room to plane again. What to do?

I had to figure out a way to make this problem as unnoticeable as possible. Since I had no more wood, sanding it out was out of the question; that would look even worse. Wood putty would look bad, not to mention having to faux the grain back in on the filler. After much thought and several cups of coffee I decided to try mixing just a little saw dust from the wood with some hide glue. In the first few strokes I soon realized that the wood dust wasn't a good idea, and switched to just glue. I brushed in the glue several times over a couple of days, letting it dry overnight. Once the glue was proud of the surface, I sanded it smooth to the level of the surrounding surface.

After I applied the first coat of lacquer sealer I was very happy to see that the tear out was much less noticeable. I then applied pour filler to the rest of the surface in order to create a polished mirror finish as the end result. After the finish was completed and polished, the tear out imperfections were virtually unnoticeable.

As for finishes where the grain is not going to be filled, the grain pattern can be "pressed" into the glue while it is still just a little soft. I've used needles, straight pins, chisels, pocket knives, etc. to mimic pores. A little practice here goes a long way!

SEEKING THE RIGHT FINISH FOR YOUR PROJECT

ITEMS SHOWN ON THIS PAGE IS NOT AN ENDORSEMENT. IT IS JUST AN EFFORT TO LET YOU KNOW OF NEW (AND POSSIBLY BETTER) TOOLS, TECHNIQUES, AND GAGETS FOR YOU TO SPEND YOUR MONEY ON. HAPPY TURNING!!!!!!



Roger demonstrating on his treadle lathe, showing us how it was done before electricity. It works, and it certainly works the turner. Be thankful for your electric motor.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHOW YOUR WORK ON THE WEBSITE, PLEASE FURNISH RANDY SMITH WITH A CD WITH PICTURES IN JPEG OR PDF FORMAT OF THE ITEMS YOU WANT TO SHARE. WE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PAGE FOR EACH MEMBER THAT WISHES TO SHOW THEIR WORK. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS PLEASE ASK RANDY OR SHAWN.

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REMEMBER TO KEEP YOUR TOOLS IN GOOD SHAPE AND SHARP. SHARP TOOLS MAKE FOR SAFE AND BETTER TURNING.

TIPS AND METHODS

If any of you have experienced a kickback when using your tablesaw, you might find the following helpful. I know kickback's have been among some of my worst wrecks in using a table saw. Highland Woodworking has some good tips on a lot of items. Check them out.

Feather Boards

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Do you have a plan for making feather boards? I want to know what kind of wood to use, and how to cut the fingers so they're springy enough to hold my stock and prevent kickback, too.

A

Springy fingers, eh? Interestingly enough, the amount of flexibility in a feather board is inversely proportional to its effectiveness; the springier the fingers, the less likely they'll control your stock when you really need them to. After all, if you want a piece of stock to remain in contact with a fence all the way through a cut (on the tablesaw, router table, or whatever), then you *don't* want fingers able to flex if the stock tries to move away from the fence, right? If you bend a feather board's very flexible fingers so strongly that they do provide reliable control, the pressure you've applied creates a great deal of friction, which is nothing but a drag. Of course, you can't apply any pressure at all in some situations—during a second pass of raised panel shaping, for instance, where pressure from above would push the panel down onto the bit. In such a case flexible feather boards are no help at all.

All right then, how about preventing kickback, you might ask. Well, since kickback results (one way or another) from loss of control over your work, positive control is a far better preventive measure than hoping that a bunch of polished, flexible wooden fingers will lock against a workpiece and arrest it after they've allowed kickback to begin.



Given the foregoing, you won't be surprised that we recommend making quite stiff feather boards, with fingers that give very little so you can apply controllable pressure to your stock. Basically, we want performance as dependable as from a solid piece of wood, so that merely setting the fingers in contact with a workpiece will keep it positively under control. The feather board shown here is made from ash, though oak, maple, beech, birch or dogwood would work just as well. It's 2" wide, with the end cut at 20°. The fingers, cut on the **bandsaw**, average about 1/8" wide by 2" long. The infeed edge is radiused to allow smooth stock entry, and the ends of the fingers are waxed to keep friction to an unobtrusive minimum.

And of course, should you decide to forego making your own, we offer a few different varieties of **feather boards** for you to purchase.

We are on the web

www.comanchetrailwoodturners.org

BUSINESS NAME

George Hancock's Shop

1709 Clark Street

Midland, Texas

10:00 A.M. Second Saturday



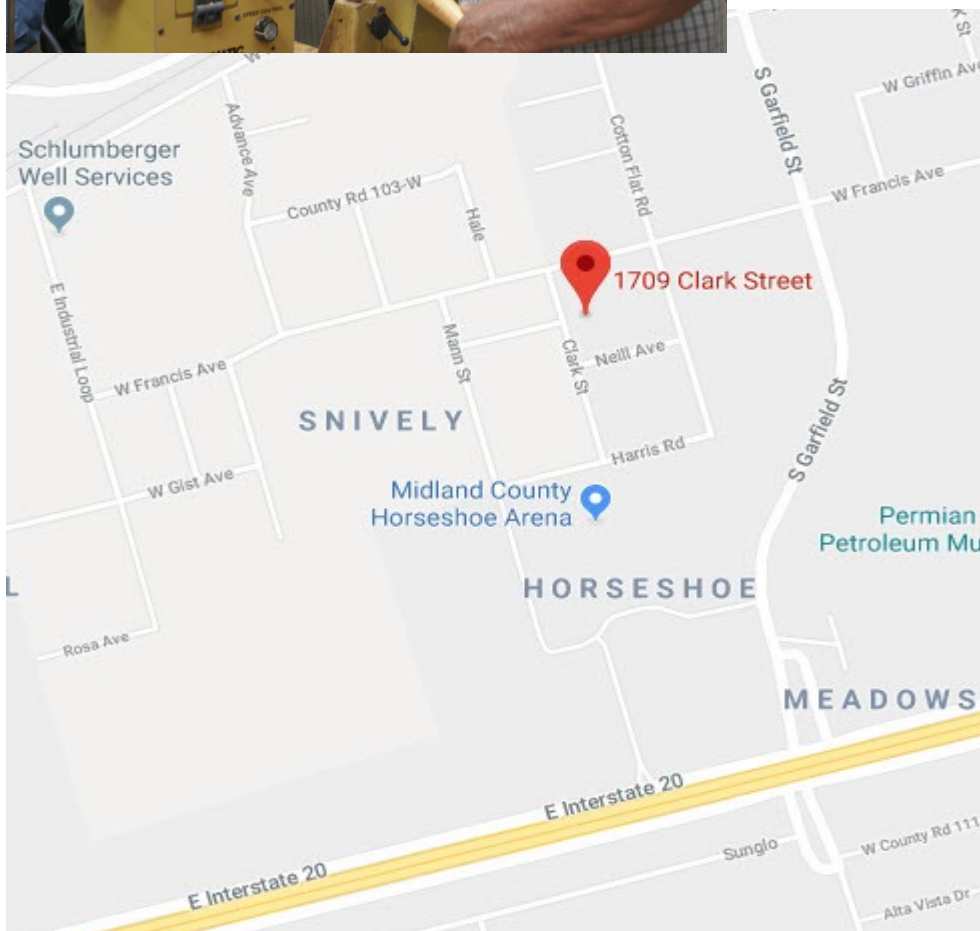
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SINCE ITS INCEPTION THE PURPOSE OF THE CLUB HAS BEEN TO PROMOTE WOODTURNING AND PROVIDE A VENUE WHERE THOSE HAVING A PASSION FOR TURNING AND WOODWORKING IN GENERAL CAN HAVE A PLACE TO SHARE IDEAS, HELP ONE ANOTHER, AND DEVELOP NEW SKILLS.

SERVING THE MIDLAND AND ODESSA COMMUNITIES, THE CLUB HAS GROWN OVER THE YEARS AND IS BLESSED WITH A NUMBER OF WORLD CLASS TURNERS. EACH OF THESE SKILLED INDIVIDUALS ARE MORE THAN WILLING TO SHARE THEIR KNOWLEDGE WITH LESS EXPERIENCED TURNERS, AND TO PROVIDE HANDS ON INSTRUCTION IF REQUESTED.

OUR MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES THOSE SKILLED IN PEN-MAKING, SEGMENTED WORK, BOWL TURNING, FURNITURE MAKING, SHARPENING AND JUST ABOUT ANYTHING THAT INVOLVES WOOD.

NEVER HESITATE TO ASK FOR HELP!



Meeting:

May 11, 2019

10:00 a.m.

1709 Clark St.

Midland, Texas

Something to think about while the glue dries...



"Three days before our wedding anniversary my wife drops her iPhone in the toilet. I got the hint. She wants me to buy her a cheaper phone..."

Woodchuckles



Early attempts at the table saw.

Stole my neighbors family portrait & got it tattooed on my back. Now I'm standing in their living room facing the wall 2 see if they notice.

I'm sorry, everyone who wrote stay cool in my yearbooks

When I go to a business that offers hand sanitizer by the cash register, I spit in it and say, "If it works, that shouldn't be a problem."

I've been eating eggs thinking they came from a egg plant. I'm going to be sick, now that I know where they really come from.

Dear Customer Service: First of all, you should know that I'm typing this with my middle finger.

I saw a boat with a sign that said "For Sale" so I added an "ing" to the end. Those idiots are lucky I came along.

Nice try, cheese graters, cheese is already great.

Fall is fast approaching. Time to sew all my jean legs back on.

If a man tells you he'll fix it, he will fix it. There is no need to incessantly remind him about it every 5 to 6 months.

Well no wonder we haven't cured cancer yet. Our standard for the "best medicine" is laughter.

CAMPING TIP: If you get lost in the woods, a compass can help you get lost more north.

Cargo shorts are awesome because you have extra pockets to carry all the ladies numbers that you get.

Somebody should tell Forrest Gump that on the back of the box of chocolates it tells you exactly what you're going to get.

I'm in line behind a lady with 100 coupons so come visit me in jail, OK?

I read an article about how much college will cost in 20 years so I'm scraping some paint chips off the house for my daughter to snack on.

Of course he's a "jolly" rancher. He's herding candy. I'd be freaking delightful if that were my job.

What idiot named them jet skis instead of boatercycles

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