

# Revolutions



# The Newsletter of the South Plains Woodturners

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Lee Roberts, President of the South Plains Woodturners, passed away April 24th. He was a great supporter of our club and programs. Lee derived great joy by spending time in his small shop turning a variety of projects. During his illness, there were many times he longed to be able to "get back to turning".

Lee began his woodturning adventure after his retirement. He met David Turner at Acacia Hardwoods, and the rest is history. Lee responded to an advertisement I put on Craigslist about turning. He enrolled in our Beginning Turning class at the Garden and Arts Center and would come to my shop frequently for pointers. I discovered early on that turning was something Lee wanted to improve on every day. Mike Oglesby and Dick Markham both provided encouragement, wood, and tips to help Lee along the way. After completing the beginning class, Lee enrolled in the Intermediate Turning class. During the next rotation of the Beginning Class, he volunteered as a mentor. Lee mentioned that explaining techniques to the new students improved his understanding and skill. From that point onward, I could count on Lee being one of our instructors. Due to the fact that class time was so limited, Lee would invite students to his shop for more hands-

on time. I know Maverick Sperry and Michael Sauceda took advantage of this opportunity.

A couple of years into his turning career, another member mentioned to me the vast improvement he noticed in Lee's work. My response to the observation was: Lee practiced! Another opportunity Lee took advantage of was attending SWAT. After his first year there, more improvements were noticed in Lee's work. He attended 3 years and always looked forward to picking up something new! Two years ago, during an arduous search for members to step into leadership roles on our Board of Directors, Lee agreed to serve as First Vice-President. He did an amazing job of scheduling demonstrations. He stepped into the President role this past June. When he began experiencing health issues in the early fall, he reluctantly and apologetically asked me to run the meetings. "The Club", as he liked to put it, meant a great deal to Lee. He realized what a great opportunity we have to add enjoyment to the lives of all who participate. His friendship and helping hand will be truly missed.

-Jim Bob Burgoon

NEXT MEETING: 9:30AM-12Noon, Saturday, May 4, 2019,

1710 42nd St., Lubbock, ½ block west of Avenue Q. Demonstrator: Jim Burt, "Table Saw Techniques."

(Why don't YOU consider demonstrating at a future meeting?)

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#### Club Calendar

**5/4/2019 May Club Meeting** 

1710 42nd St.

**Demonstrator: Jim Burt, topic** 

"Table Saw Techniques". Election of new officers.

6/1/2019 June Club Meeting

Mahon Library!!!

(We have a conflict with another event

for our usual meeting place.)

AAW Symposium, Raleigh, NC

7/11 to 7/14 2019

SWAT, Waco, TX 8/23 to 8/25 2019

**SPW Summer Class Dates:** 

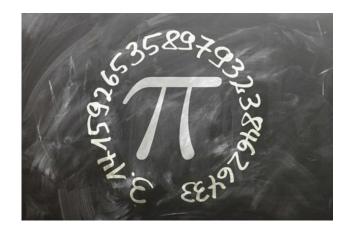
Beginner Class: May 30, June 6, June 13,

**June 20, June 27** 

Intermediate Class: July 18, July 25,

August 1, Aug. 8, Aug. 15





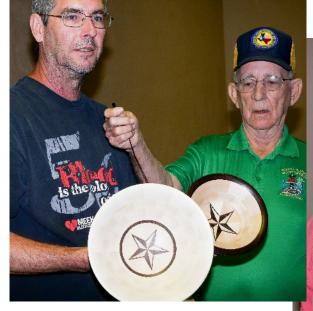
Lee Roberts, 1941-2019







He was a wood turner.









And he was a friend.

#### **Nominees for Board of Directors**

We will vote on May 4th; so BE THERE! Terms of service will begin June 1st.

President Jim Bob Burgoon
First Vice President Kent Crowell
Second Vice President David Turner
Secretary Scott Goen
Treasurer Ron Pedersen

Members at Large Robert Davis (two-year-term)

Larry Morgan (one-year term) Ken Romines (one-year term)

-Submitted by Jim Harris, Chair of the nominating committee

#### Lathe for Sale

Buddy Chesser is selling his **Oliver 159-A** 110V 12" Lathe with accessories. It has a 5' bed and a rebuilt motor with only 6 hours on it since the rebuild. The headstock moves to the foot of the bedways to facilitate outboard turning. The spindle is 1-1/8" x 8, and a 1"x 8 adapter is included, as are 3 faceplates and a Lexar shield. **Price lowered to \$700.** Email him at lubbockcc@gmx.us, call him at **806-548-0694**, or see him at the meeting.











## Air Compressor for Sale

Ingersoll Rand, new, \$400

Jeff McKinnon 806-778-2748 jeff@alaserstouch.com

#### **April Raffle**

We need 1 or 2 early bird Greeters / set up crew (8:00 AM) to help Kent at the welcome table to sign in members and guests & develop the roster. This job could be done by a wife or relative. Members will simply find their name and make a check mark by their info. Should take 5 seconds. If we don't have the member listed, they can enter on a paper, smart phone or Kent's Laptop. Guests are asked to help us with a guest log book. The Chairperson will be able to read off the guests & info at the start of the meeting.







At the April meeting, Rhonda Settle won four drawings. See how happy she is?! That could be you—just buy a lot of tickets!

SPW revenue from the Lubbock Arts Festival totaled \$1,868.61. How about that?!

# Members & Guests Please Sign In



Your participation in the Raffle helps pay for the building, coffee, and snacks.



## April Demo: Mike Chambers Showed Us How to Turn "Twists".











Finished twists.

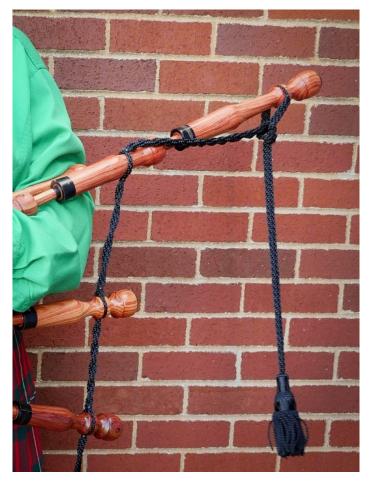


Randy Thorne brought in a pickup full of Chinese Photinia. It was all free for the asking. Thanks, Randy!

## **April Show and Tell**

It seemed to be the consensus that this was the best Show and Tell in club history!





Ray Hughes presented our demonstration at the March meeting, and we asked if he could come to the April meeting in full battle array, and he obliged, as you can see above. Ray is known for making (and playing) bagpipes. He uses several varieties of wood–tulipwood is shown above with ferrules of water-buffalo horn. Other woods he uses include African blackwood, sapwood, birdseye, and Ramonburl. He did not answer the question regarding what a wood turner wears under his kilt. But an SPW shirt fashionably completes his ensemble!

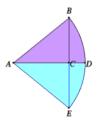




Christian Jensen: ball-and-cap toys.

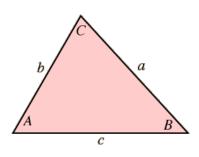


Jim Burt: 6-point starburst bowl of pine and cedar (this will be the first part of the May demo); walnut and poplar whistles for our sale at the Lubbock Arts Festival; and a quilt-block lazy Susan of mesquite, yellowheart, purpleheart, oak, maple, and walnut, also for the Arts Festival.



Randy Thorne: vases of big-leaf maple (Randy says it turns great); lidded vessel of box elder and tiger wood with a hackberry finial; and platter of ambrosia maple bought from Jim Bob, who brought it from SWAT.

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## April Show and Tell, cont'd.



**Harry Hamilton** 



Robert Clark: bowl of hackberry



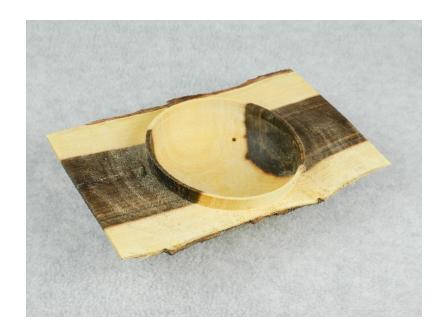
**David Turner**: toy top and mesquite platter.



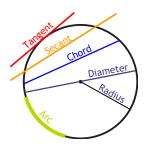




Ed Spence: lidded vessel of claro walnut, purpleheart, and ambrosia maple, with finial of African blackwood and acrylic cabochon.



**Jim Bob Burgoon**: "Wings over South Texas" of Texas ebony, from the wood-turning retreat at Nave's Sawmill, Kingsville, TX.





Mike Chambers: unfinished tool handle, above, of photina, donated to raffle; lidded box of ash with handrubbed tung oil finish; 8" bowl, also of ash with tung oil; and small bowl of spalted maple ("10-minute fun piece"), also finished with tung oil





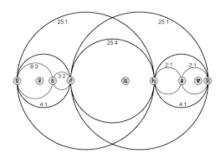
Which one is the muse of wood turning?



Coy Hunt: vase of walnut and maple.



Wallace McKee







Mike Oglesby: mesquite platter with turquoise inlay (photo above with pen to show size of platter).





#### Mark Middleton:

beech platter finished with walnut oil to be food safe; (on platter) acorn threaded box of mesquite and maple from a baseball bat; (rear) lodgepole pine vase with segmented walnut rim. Mark says Ron Butler gave him the wood, so he tried to make the vase look like one of Ron's pieces.

And inlaid Celtic-knot pen (not a laser kit) of walnut and maple.



#### Ron **Pedersen**: birdhouses of walnut and maple; candle sticks from 2x6 white wood; Art Deco bowl of Western Cedar (tough to turn without tearing); top (in bowl) of poplar from beginners class; rattle of black walnut and oak.

#### April Show and Tell, cont'd.



**Robert Marsh** 

## **How to Free a Stuck Faceplate**



Faceplates provide an easy way to get bowl blanks mounted on the lathe. One downside....the direction in which they spin is the same direction in which they tighten. That is, of course, a good thing when it comes to keeping the bowl blank on the lathe. But it can be a bad thing when it comes to getting the faceplate OFF the lathe. The more you turn, the tighter the faceplate gets. This can quickly lead to you trying to figure out how to free a stuck faceplate. No problem, we've got a solution for you.

#### **Breaking it loose**

Some faceplates are faceted so you can put a wrench on them. Others have a hole in them somewhere you can put a rod into for leverage. But if your faceplate doesn't, or you don't have the tool for the job, there's another tool that'll work. Run out to the garage and grab your oil filter wrench. This tool works perfectly to free a stuck faceplate. They are, after all, designed to grab round things. You'll have plenty of leverage and plenty of torque, making it very simple to get the faceplate off.

#### Our Web Site (https://southplainswoodturners.weebly.com/)

Have a question about what responsibilities of the Officers and Board Members-at-Large have? Find the By Laws under the Leadership Tab. Note: We did not post the private telephone numbers or email addresses of any members on our web site. We use contact boxes where guests can reach us through a safer method.

Or maybe you missed a recent "show and tell" or Buddy Compton's black bowl with silver cream. Let's take a closer look at what you will find under our "About" tab. One of the goals of the AAW web page is to find what you need with a single click. Here on our site you will find the next meeting location, a calendar, a "Contact Jim Bob" box, maps to the meeting and classes, and a call for demonstrators starting in our new year in the month of June. At the top where guests and members can't miss it are graphic links to SWAT and AAW as well as the Google Docs Form where we need you to enter your info so we can prepare a better membership roster for rollout soon.

Past first-place winners of the chapter website contest and newsletter contest have been inducted into AAW's Hall of Fame, prominently honored at Woodturner.org

The web page is never done and we will strive to keep it up to date. Don't see your pic? Send something to Kent, Ed, or Christian for the next update or issue.

We hope you will take some time to take advantage of this powerful tool and continue to support us in our mission to educate, inform, and organize woodturning in the South Plains.

Are you new to the South Plains Woodturners? If so, have you actually read this far? Then why not become a member? Clip or copy this form and bring it to the next meeting!

SOUTH PLANS WOOD LUBBOCK, TEXAS	lign me up for membership in the South Plains Woodturners!!  Name:	
Email address:		
Street address:	City/State/ZIP:	
Home phone (if any):		

# **Our Founding Corporate Members**





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