

# 'M'aine Wood Turners 'S'

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Member AAW

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## LAST MEETING

Our last meeting was the John Jordan Demo. It was an all day affair on Sunday from 9-4. John made one of his famous hollow forms and spent the last hour or so demonstrating his carving techniques. Even if you're not into hollow forms the carving was well worth the time.

If you couldn't make the meeting and would like to see Johns work he is in Patrick Spielmans book ,the Art of The Lathe.

John started the demo by turning a block of wood between centers. He left a small tenon that just fit into the center of a 4" faceplate, which allowed him to keep his work on center. He then finish turned the outside emphasizing how a slight variance in the curve effects the piece. He also showed some shear cutting techniques. The hollowing it self isn't all that fun to watch. John uses the Stewart system. An important point if you want to make your own hollow tool is to use a 3/16 HSS bit sharpened not just on the tip but also way along the sides. A tool bit like this can be had from Grissley and super glued in place. They cost about \$3.00 but can be cut in half.

I thought John was an exceptional demonstrator, both humorous and informative. If you weren't there you missed a great meeting.

## Future Meetings

All future meetings will be held at Erskine which is located off route 32 about 1 mile past Dave's road. Look for a cemetery on your LEFT and it's the next right turn just before the school..

## Next Meeting

### *Enter the Competition!!*

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday November 19 from 7-9 PM. The theme of this meeting will be a competition. Our new president, Bob Baker, needs a gavel to keep order among our more unrulier members. Every one should make a gavel for the next meeting and the best will become permanent property of the club. It can be any size up to 8 inches in diameter by 3 feet long and of any wood. However in this writers opinion Bob is a little too gray and has worked for the state a little too long to wield such a large instrument.

## Recomended Reading

Patrick Spielmans book ,The Art of the Lathe is both informative and inspirational. It is highly recomended. A great book if you want to take pictures of your work is Photographing Your Artwork by Russell Hart. Both are available at Barnes & Noble.

## Library News

We have a new librarian, Mike Chase. If you have any books or videos that you forgot to return please bring them to the next meeting. The library is going to move to a storage cabinet at Erskine and money has been allocated to add tapes and books. Requests are welcome.

## Club Dues

This will be your last newsletter unless your dues are paid up to date. We will have to assume you are no longer interested in the club and I'll remove you from my mail list and you won't be included in the upcoming members directory.

## Next Issue

The next issue will contain a copy of our mail list so you can contact other members. This membership directory can be especially useful for car pooling etc. I don't have telephone numbers for several members. If you want your number in the directory see or call me. Some of you may even have an Email address. My Email is Joe Dallorso <dcantara@somtel.com>