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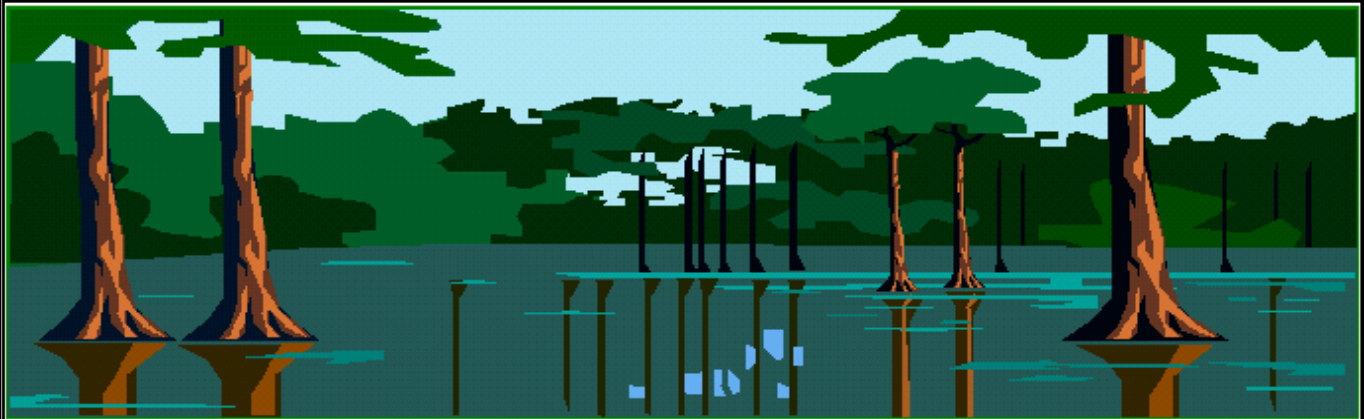


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Next Meeting

July 14, 2007

9:00 AM

Harahan Senior Center

100 Elodie St

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Main Demo @ 10:00AM

FROM THE HEADSTOCK

A great meeting and a really good challenge. **Mike Gaule** did a great job on rolling pins, preparing you for the upcoming challenge in September. There will be the three standard ballot sections, best of show, multimedia and most creative. A limit of three pins per member will be allowed.

The challenge went fairly well, at least that's what **O.B. Laccoste** thinks. The old guy walked away with three of the four awards. **Jerry Markowitz** has included his winning pieces and a description in this edition of the

got lots of tables, lots of covers and can add time to the gallery portion of the program. Besides, the fall is coming up, the auction is in December and you get points for up to 3 items in the gallery. Speaking about the competition, we're already up to 2900 points awarded in the program; it's going to be one interesting



John Byl
Cherry Bowl with Burned Rim

auction. I'm still soliciting donations and support from vendors and others. We're up to over \$2000 at this time and it's growing. The blockbuster is doing nicely at this time. I've managed to lose the envelope with the cards; we'll

Skew. **John Byl** won the open class with a beautiful piece. There was some beautiful art in this competition; you guys are really doing some nice turning.

The gallery was also very nice this month. One of the board members suggested that we start adding a third table to the spread because we're running out of room. That is the best news I've heard in a long time. We've

have to pick new names next two months. This time I'll be sure to get my name into the draw, I like the blockbuster challenge. **Jerry Markowitz** took photos this month; you have only one more opportunity to enter this year's calendar competition. Remember, you have as much a chance as anyone because after the voting all remaining entries go into a lottery for three remaining pages.

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MEETING MINUTES

Our meeting began at 9:58 a.m. As mentioned before, **David Ellsworth** will be here to demo the weekend of May 3-4 of next year, with four days of hands-on the following week. Tickets for these events will go on sale in January, that month being reserved for sales to club members. Slots for the hands-on are limited and we expect sales to be very brisk so at the end of that month, we are going to hold a lottery for any remaining slots. Your check will be your lottery ticket. Start saving your pennies now because we can't stress enough that tickets will disappear VERY fast. Remember, David is not only a world-class turner and a superb teacher; he is also a true artist!

SKEW III arrives in August, and will take the place of a

regular meeting for that month. Tickets are only \$20.00 and that includes lunch. As happened last time, there will be a critique during the lunch break.

We now have a complete schedule for this year, October and November having been filled in.

In September we go to PMC machinery in Albany (that's Louisiana, not New York). The people there are opening the store on Saturday especially for us.

Acadian Hardwoods is holding an open house on Friday, July 13 and they have asked us to set up and do a few demos for the occasion. Sean Sullivan is in charge of things for this event, so

if you are interested, contact him.

We are working with the Jefferson Parish Library to get a display/demo going for this fall. We'll keep you posted as we get things set up.

This year the WYES art auction had only a few pieces of wood art. Next time, we intend to have a full board for the event.

The merchandise for the Members' Rewards program is now valued at well over \$2000.00, including **David**

SKEW III COMES IN AUGUST, AND WILL REPLACE A REGULAR MEETING FOR THAT MONTH. THE EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE HARAHAN SENIOR CENTER. TICKETS ARE \$20.00 FOR THE EVENT AND THAT INCLUDES LUNCH

Ellsworth tools and videos, one of **Gorst Duplessis'** priceless pieces and a complete Blackhawk sharpening system from **Eddie Castelin**. We have also persuaded **Alan Lacer** to donate a couple of his skews.

Jerry Markowitz, our club photographer took another set of photos for the calendar competition at this meeting. There will be one more photo shoot in September, and that will be your last chance to enter the calendar competition. Calendars will go on sale in November.

Joel Blazek is going to AAW in

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Upcoming Events



July 2007

Harahan Senior Center- July 14th

Demo: Multi Axis Turning

**Acadian Hardwoods & Cypress Open House
July 18th**

August 2007

Harahan Senior Center- Aug 11th

**SKEW III
Workshop**



September 2007

PMC Machinery- Sept 8th

Demo: Holiday Gift Items



**Rolling Pin
Challenge**

**Calendar Contest
Photos**



October 2007

Harahan Senior Center -Oct 13th



**Calendar
Contest Judging**



**Nominations for
2008 Officers**

November 2007

Harahan Senior Center -Nov 10th

**Nominations for
2008 Officers**



**2008 Bayou
Woodturners
Calendars For Sale**

December 2007

Harahan Senior Center- Dec 8th



**Member's
Reward
Silent Auction**

**Election of 2008
Officers**



**SSS
2008 Dues are Due**



January 2008

TBA

February 2008

TBA



**Bayou
Woodturners
Turn 9**



**Pig Roast
Date:TBA**



**David Ellsworth
Workshop
April 2008**

June Demonstration:



Mike Gaule Turns a Rolling Pin



Some of the many handle shapes that Mike uses on his rolling pins



Pepper Mill Challenge



10" Winner/Multimedia
O.B. Lacoste
Banksia/Padauk
"Big Brother"



Best in Show
John Byl
12" East Indian Rosewood



Most Creative
O.B. Lacoste
8" Banksia/Padauk
"Little Brother"



Joel Blazek
10" Cocobolo



Brian Harrell
10" "Harry"



Richard Corley
10" Maple



Eddie Castelin - 10"
"All the Stripes Line Up"



**Sean Sullivan 10”
“The Queen”**



**Janet Sulzer 10”
Maple/Mahogany**



**Steve Kilchrist
10” “Da Saints”**



**Mike Wilensky
10” Mahogany**



**Ray Hoffman 10”
“Checkerboard**



**Joe Perret
10” Beechnut**



**Ron D’Aunoy 10”
“Mummy Case”**



Joel Blazek 9”

Editor’s Note:

Due to the number of entries in the Pepper Mill Challenge not all of the Mills could be included in this month’s Newsletter – be sure to see the rest of the entries in the August Bayou Skew.

Around the Clubs



This column provides a look into what other clubs around the country are doing; how they are organized, what their demonstrators are showing, and how they are promoting woodturning among their members and the public

Coullee Region Woodturners

Upcoming Meetings and Demos:

- **March:** Winged bowls with Aaron Gesicki
- **April:** Ken Grunke, toolmaking
- **May:** **STUART BATTY**
- **June:** Lee Goehring on the business of craft shows
- **July:** Inlace technique with Duane Hill
- **August:** Short topics by members
- **September:** Pro Turner **JOHN JORDAN**
- **October:** Shop Setups with Bill Gautsch;
- **November:** Duane Hill on platters;
- **December:** Tom Mruz with music boxes.

Florida West Coast Woodturners

Member's were asked bring their jigs, tips, and techniques for a "Round Table" demo. This is a "first" for the club. Everyone will have a chance to show off some of the things that they do to make their turning easier or better. Jigs, fixtures, special tools, and techniques they have developed are all warmly welcome. Some notes and plenty of pictures will be taken, and then put it all into a booklet that will be printed for all of the club members.

Also at the next meeting the Club Challenge is to turn a "toothpick holder".

Greater Vancouver Woodturners Guild

The Guild sponsors Turning 101 sessions where new turners are shown basic techniques and safety, and then practice them by doing a simple project. They cover many topics over the course of each all-day session where a main facilitator and several mentors help out. These sessions are open to all paid-up members.

Main Event: Merv Graham on Making a Winged Bowl

Glendale Woodturners

Challenge _ Turn a Weed Pot



IN THE JOURNALS

Turned Lidded Boxes: AW, April/May 2007, No.128, pp 68-71

Learn the secret to making a tight fitting lid with Alan lacer

Give Pieces a Chance: WT, June 2007, No.175, pp 37-42
Have you yet to try segmented work? Sue Harker shows how simple it can be as she creates an open segmented bowl.

Inspiration from a Potter's Wheel – Making a Raku Pot, WD, Summer 2006, pp 74-80

Ron Hampton shows how to make and decorate a wooden vase so it looks like a raku pot that was glazed and fired in a traditional dirt fire pit.

Glue Blocks are the Answer, WWJ, May/June 2006, Vol 30 No. 3, pp 20-22

Betty Scarpino discusses the "How To" for using glue blocks as a mounting method for bowl turning. How to center your piece, what type of glue, how to turn the bowl, and how to remove the bowl blank.

Perfect Pommels: AW, Dec/Jan 2006/2007, No.126, pp 34-37

Make splinter-free square edges every time – the skew is the key to rounding a square by Alan Lacer

Banksia on it: June 2007, No.175, pp 54-58

Adrian Jacobs suggest a different use for banksia nuts – using them for an inlay on a box lid.

WWJ: Woodworkers Journal WD: Woodturning Design
WT: Woodturning AW: American Woodworker

By Ray Hoffmann

Beginning Balance 5/30/07	\$2,061.43
Income:	
Misc Sales	\$22.00
Dues	\$80.00
Anchor Seal	\$30.00
Sand Paper	\$50.00
Glue Sales	\$67.00
Total	\$249.00
Disbursements:	
Equipment	\$18.24
Hall Rental	\$25.00
Total	\$43.24
Balance -6/30/07	\$2,267.14



ON THE WEB

This month we feature the website of Andrew Hilton – www.hiltonhandcrafted.com. When you enter the site you will

Editor's Note: If you come across an interesting website that you think will be of interest to Club Members please let me know – you can write the review yourself or just email the internet address and I will include it in a future "On The Web" article.

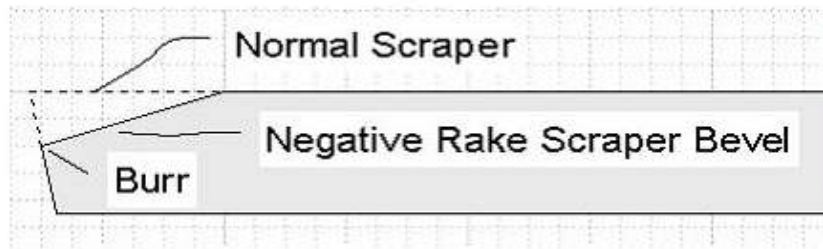
arrive at the Homepage for Hilton Handcraft of the Ozarks. Click on the Woodturning tab and you will have a choice to go to several subcategories. The Articles section contains a wealth of information covering such topics as: The Negative Rake Scraper - a short article introducing this specialty tool. A reprint of an original article from the October 2004 newsletter of Woodturners of Southwest Missouri woodturning club by Andrew Hilton, The Log Lift - A simple, cheap, handmade / shopmade device to help lift



From Article "The Log Lift"

heavy logs or other load. Basic Peppermill Methods – for those of you who did not participate in the recent Club challenge and want to learn how to make a mill, Gouge Shapes -Want to know what makes a detail gouge what it is? What to see the shape and compare the tools?, Making a Chatter Tool - This article shows you how to easily make your own chatter tool cheaply and easily while

LatheCam – which enables you to view the happenings and goings-on there in Andrew's shop. You can view from two different angles and even chat with the turner or anyone else that is logged to the LatheCam. The camera is active on Tuesday nights – 8:00PM – 10:00PM and Sunday afternoons between 1:00 PM and 4:00 PM.



giving the same great results time after time as the expensive and flimsy commercial ones, and many others. While at this site also check out the Video section. Here you will find videos for sale as well as a number of short videos that be downloaded for free, covering such topics as: Rough turning a spindle with a Roughing gouge/Skew/Gouge,



From Article on "Turning a Capture Ring"

The 7 basics Skew Cuts, The Back Cut (like Richard Raffin shows in his book), and others. There is also a

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Member's Gallery



Ron D'Aunoy



John Byl



John Byl



Paul Robin - Pecan



Keith Welsh



Jim Shackelford



James Awbrey



Gorst Duplessis



James Awbrey - Cypress

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This month **Jerry Markowitz** demonstrates multi-axis turnings. I have never attempted one and I plan on having a front row seat for this demonstration.

I'm compiling notes for a meeting with the officers and volunteer board members following the July meeting, I'd love to include your input or suggestions for growing our group in size and quality in 2008.

I'm heading out to the shop to make more bangles for the wife. After I got caught giving them to the "pretty girls at the office" I have to make a complete selection exclusive for the pretty girl at home. Stand by for excellence!

Cap'n Eddie.

*President,
Bayou Woodturners*

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Portland, looking to line up demonstrators for next year. If you know of any turner you particularly want to see, let Joel know.

Also, if you know of any items you want the club to purchase for the library, let **Dave Beehler** know.

The business portion of the meeting concluded at 10:20 a.m.

*Dennis Wall
Secretary*



Some of the many pepper mills entered in the President's Challenge

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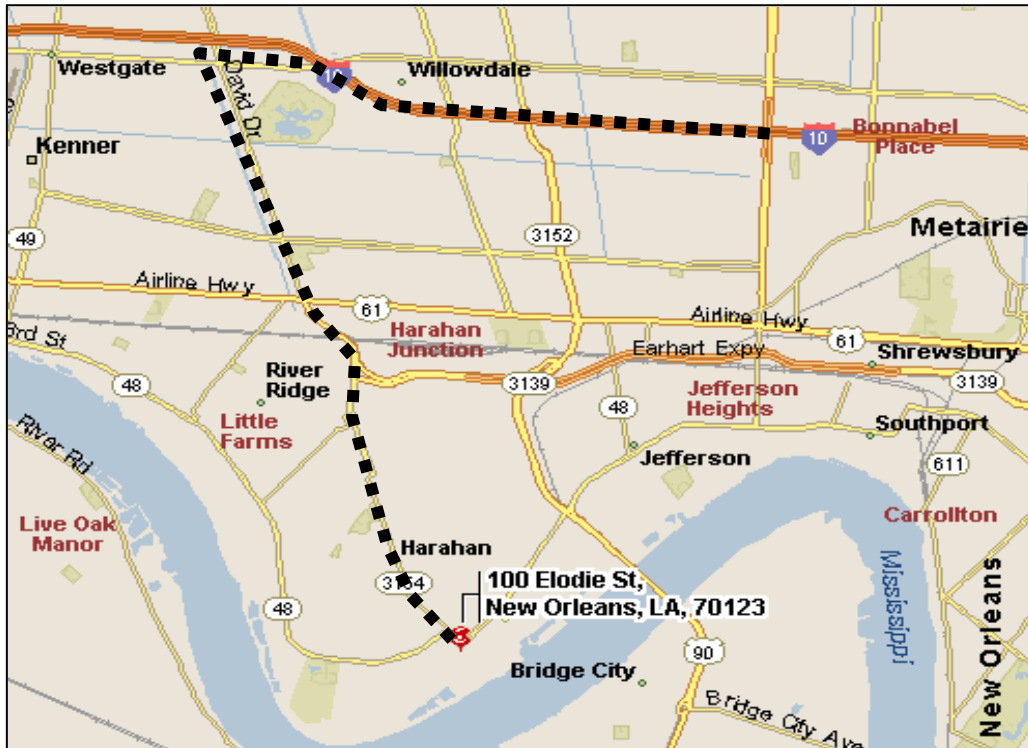
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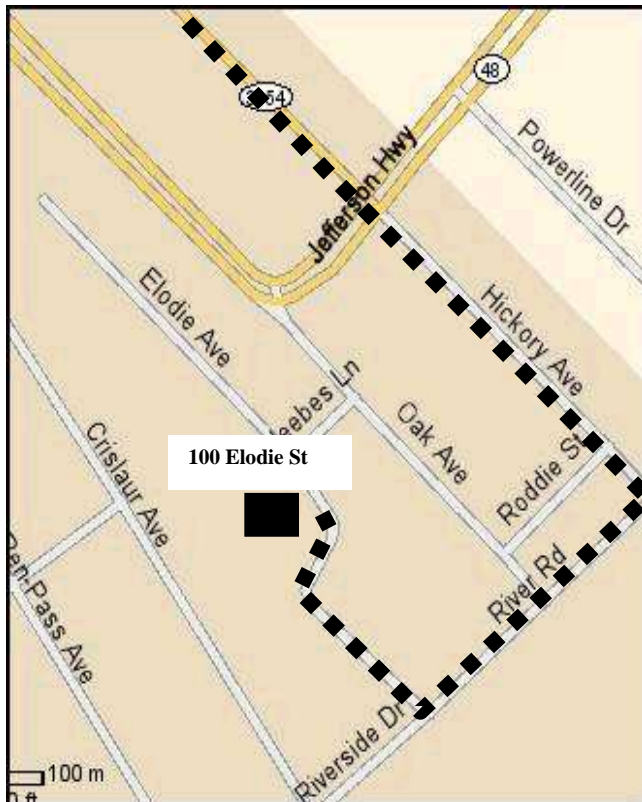
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Directions to Meeting

From New Orleans take I-10 heading west to Veterans Blvd. Turn left onto Veterans and go to David Drive. If you don't see the K-Mart on the corner, you turned the wrong way. Turn left on David Dr. Go South for about 2 1/4 mile. You will cross Airline Hwy and go over a bridge where David Drive turns into Dickory Ave. Be careful not to speed in these areas, police are everywhere! You will pass Dock Av. at the light on your right. Dickory Ave. is only a mile long and at the end, you will first turn right on Gardner then left onto Hickory Ave. Stay on Hickory for two miles. After you cross Jefferson Hwy. at River Road turn right and go two blocks. Turn right on to Elodie Ave. You're just about there! As you go up Elodie about 100 yards, you will see a red brick building. Round the curve and turn left into the Parking lot marked "Enter."



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Bill Toups –“Chocolate Swirl”
Spalted Pecan



Susan Roethke
East Indian Rosewood