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The President's Turn

Jerry Chandler, President 2011

Last month we had the opportunity to learn the basics of creating segmented turned items from Troy Bledsoe. Troy also very generously donated a finished item for our Christmas gathering as well as several items in various stages of completion to members to help them get started with segmented turning. It was obvious that Troy spent a lot of time in preparation for this demonstration and we very much appreciate this type of dedication on the part of our teachers. I hope you gained something from this program that you can apply to your future woodturning experiences.

This month's program will be presented by Warren Carpenter from South Carolina. He will also conduct a hands-on training session during the day of the meeting. This is short notice for the hands-on session and we have only five openings so contact Bob Black (770-271-8871) right away if you are interested. There are more details about this later in this newsletter. I hope you'll take advantage of this special learning opportunity that Bob Black has arranged for us.

It's time to consider officers and board members for 2012. Our by-laws call for the annual election of a board of directors consisting of four officers- President, Vice President/Program Chair, Secretary and Treasurer- along with two board members at-large. The immediate past President also serves on the board. As I write this, the nominating committee is working on securing commitments from members who are willing to serve in any of these roles. The success of our chapter in the past has been due, in large part, to those members who were willing to step up and serve in these positions. I encourage each of you to be looking ahead to how you can take your place of service and leadership in the future. If we are all content to simply be spectators, this chapter of AAW will not continue to provide the training and fellowship we have all come to enjoy.

September 13 Demonstrator is Warren Carpenter

Warren will demonstrate turning a winged vessel from a crotch. Warren is from Seneca, SC. He is a member of the AAW board and a member of the Carolina Mountain Woodturners in Asheville, NC.

Warren will also do a hands-on workshop on intermediate level bowl turning from 10:00 to about 4:30, the same day. Call Bob Black at 770 271 8871 or email him at bobblack@atnex.net to sign up for the class. There is room for six people. The cost is \$30. Wood will be provided. Bring a sack lunch.

From Warren's web site: <http://www.woodbywarren.com/gallery.htm>

Woodworking has always been a part of my life, but what else would you expect from a

Carpenter? I have been a homebuilder since the mid 70's and built furniture and sculpted in wood in my spare time. Since 1999, my passion has been turning wood. With a creative eye and an ever-expanding knowledge of wood, I am always watching for those special trees or parts of trees that may someday become a unique turning. There are few things better than finding a burl and figuring out the best way to turn it into one or more pieces of artwork. Beyond creating "normal or natural" bowls, I enjoy experimenting with new shapes and forms to help me release the natural or not so natural beauty of a piece of wood. The final step in the creation process is the finish that will protect and enhance the wood without making a statement of its own. A finely finished turning, shows all the beauty of the wood, in a shape that is pleasant to the both sight and feel.

Woodturning Saturday on Sep 17

By Don Griffiths

The next Saturday Turning meeting will be Sept. 17 from 10:00 to 2:00. Project will be making a pair of salad forks.



For those who have access to the internet, go here to see a video on turning salad forks.

http://www.woodworkersjournal.com/Main/Articles/Turning_Salad_Forks_8658.aspx

Cost of session is \$5 and wood will be supplied. Please sign up at the regular club meeting. Or call Don Griffiths at 770-535-0341 or e-mail at r2d2griff@charter.net if you plan to attend.

Bring a lunch, drinks are available for \$1. Bring your favorite tools if you wish especially small drive and tailstock centers.

August Meeting Notes



Troy Bledsoe demonstrated basic segmented turning with a Tea light project.

Here Troy is showing us the glued up blank. Troy was generous to offer several project kits as door prizes. The lucky ticket holders were Jerry Chandler, Dave Martin and Theron Rogers. Troy is a proponent of "Gorilla Woodworking", that is, strong but ugly! We had a good turnout of 26 for a summer meeting.

Turning News, Tips or Techniques

By Mike Peace

AAW members are reminded to Vote for the AAW Board of Directors. Your vote must be cast electronically or postmarked no later than October 21, 2011. To vote Electronically: visit <http://woodturner.org/boardvote/> and log-in using your member number and password.

Here is a link to a fun project on making spatulas

<http://www.aroundthewoods.com/spatula.shtml>

I have made several of these spatulas for gifts and they appear to be well received. Sawnee lumber in Buford has been a good source for cheap curly maple at \$1/ BF.

Wes Jones provided this interesting picture on full use of a log for lumber.



Woodturning Instruction

The following club members give private instruction in their shops.

Dan Albertus, 404-702-0400, Building & design of woodturning shops,
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2011 Events Schedule

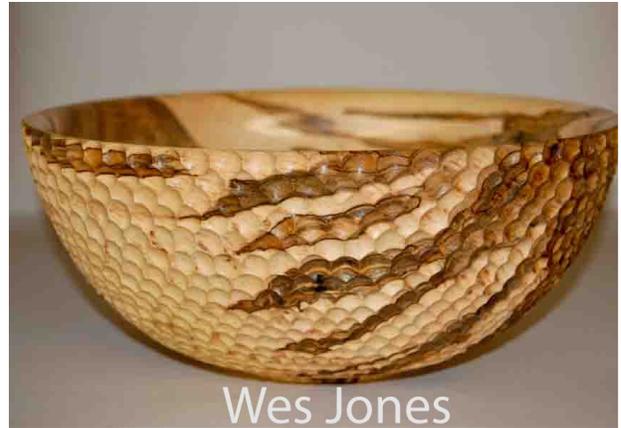
DATE	NAME
Sep 13	Warren Carpenter
Sep 16-18	Turning Southern Style Woodturning Symposium at Unicoi
Oct 11	Leigh Brookes
Oct 6 – 16	Georgia National Fair Woodturning competition and display
Nov 8	Phil Colson
Dec 14	Christmas Party

August Show and Tell

Pictures by Mike Gibson



Mike Peace



Wes Jones



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John & Joy Moss



Troy Bledsoe