



Chattahoochee Woodturners Newsletter



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The President's Turn

Jerry Chandler, President 2010



As 2010 winds down there is still a lot for us to do to end the year and start 2011 on a successful note. First, the Nominating Committee would like to make the following nominations for officers and directors for 2011:

President: Jerry Chandler

Vice President/Program Chair: Wes Jones

Secretary: Michael Peace

Treasurer: Ron Norris

Board Members at Large: Bill McMahan and Donald Wilkins

We will vote on officers at the November meeting.

Next, our up-coming December Christmas Gathering promises to be a great event again this year. I hope all of you plan to attend. This is also open to friends as well as members. There is a full-page announcement about this later in this newsletter but I want to emphasize a few important parts.

The ornament exchange has been part of the December meeting as long as I can remember. If you would like to participate, just bring an ornament or other turned items and we will draw numbers to see who gets which item. If you would like to bring one for your spouse, please do. Do not wrap you item so we can all enjoy them prior to the drawing.

The raffle will consist primarily of items donated by our demonstrators during the year and some special added items. Each of you will be receiving a letter explaining the importance of this raffle along with ten tickets for you to sell. We'll also be sending out another e-mail a little later with details of both the raffle and auction items.

The auction was just added last year and was very successful in raising much-needed funds for the operation of our Chapter. Dan Albertus is in charge of this and has more information later in this newsletter.

Finally, our Chapter will be participating in the AAW 25-year anniversary exhibition, Turning 25 – A Celebration by having any of you who are interested submit an item that will be displayed at the Christmas Gathering. We will select one of the pieces to represent our Chapter. The AAW guidelines for the piece are that it must fit inside an 8" cube and must weight no more than three (3) pounds. The money for sold items will be shared with the turner. For more details, go to the AAW website at www.woodturner.org.

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It's a busy year-end but one I hope will usher 2010 out with a lot of fun and usher in 2011 in sound financial condition. Thanks so much for your help. See you Tuesday for a timely program on photographing your woodturnings. □

November 9 Demonstration High Quality Photographs with Simple Equipment by Bob Schlowsky

Bob Schlowsky has been a professional photographer for about 30 years and also happens to be a woodworker. So he has a lot of knowledge and experience with photographing wood art. Your editor has discovered that the further I advance into woodturning, the more I want to increase my photography skills. Good photography skills help with sharing your work in emails, newsletters, and on-line galleries and woodturning forums like Sawmill Creek and the AAW site. Good photography helps with seeking help or critiques in the on-line forums. We have members like Wes Jones who have even published articles in woodturning magazines where good photography is not only desirable, but essential. So this should be an interesting presentation you won't want to miss. □

October Meeting Notes

by Mike Peace

We had 24 folks attending as Jerry Chandler gave an entertaining presentation to inspire us to try turning simple ornaments. One was an icicle turned using a wooden Morse Taper. One of his points was that dark ornaments do not display well on a tree as it gets lost. He made a platform to fit in the banjo to hold a Dremel tool in a V block to make flutes. He also demonstrated the ease of making a home made index wheel of tempered Masonite. One detail you can add to a finial is to use chatterwork on the endgrain parts of a finial bead. □

Here are a couple of pictures of the **Show and Tell**.

The HF with carved leaves is by Leigh Brooks.



Jack Morse made the two green pieces. Don Griffith made the box. Mike Peace turned the pecan bowl. □



Dan Douthart made these jewelry pendants. □

Turning Saturdays

These are being placed on the back burner right now as participation dropped off significantly with the last couple with folks signing up but not showing up. □

Your topic, tip or technique

Thanks to Wes Jones for this link to lots of woodturning articles:

<http://davidreedsmith.com/Articles.htm>

I want your Newsletter input to include Articles, News items, tips, hints, suggestions or classified advertisements to list your surplus equipment or supplies for sale, etc.).

We would like your input two weeks before the second Tuesday of the month. Contact me at mtpeace@bellsouth.net, 770-205-1610. □

The Christmas Party Auction -- December 14th, 2010

By Dan Albertus

The Club's main moneymaker each year is the Auction and Raffle at the Christmas Party. We hope every member and their spouse/important other will make an extra effort to come. We have a wonderful time. The Auction this year should be spectacular! We have 19 Club Members signed up to bring some of their finest work for the Auction. If you know of friends or family that love excellent turned artwork, please invite them to come and bid on the pieces. The prices are generally not that high and it is so important to the Chapter's Financial Health! We want to thank the following Members who will be Turning for the Auction:

Wes Jones	Lemyel Verner
Mike Gibson	Ralph Evans
Ron Norris	Bill McMahan
Mike Sewell	Mike Peace
Jack Morse	Bob Aldea
Gale Carlson	Bob Black
Leigh Brookes	Andy Smith
Dan Douthart	Dan Albertus
Theron Rogers	Don Griffiths
Jerry Chandler	

Please invite people to come to the Christmas Party which is at 6:30 PM but if they want to come just for the Auction and Raffle -- please have them show up no later than 7:30 PM. Anyone that would like to volunteer to turn a piece, please call me. Those members turning a piece (listed above) please call me no later than Dec. 5 to make arrangements to deliver your piece of art.

Dan Albertus, Auction Chair 404-702-0400.



Chattahoochee Woodturners 6:30 PM, Tuesday
Christmas Gathering 2010 December 14, 2010

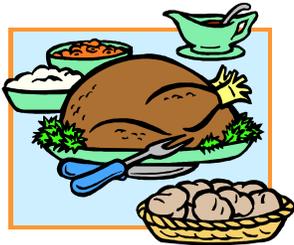
Location: Lakewood Baptist Church
2235 Thompson Bridge Road
Gainesville, GA 30501

It's hard to believe that it is almost holiday season again. It has been a very busy year for most and filled with some fun and some uncertainty for many. We're looking forward to a time of fellowship and food with our Chattahoochee Woodturner friends again this year.

Our Christmas Gathering will be at a **new location** this year, Lakewood Baptist Church, in Gainesville. You can get directions from their website at www.lakewoodlife.org. Go to the bottom of the home page and click on "directions." There will be signs directing you to the fellowship hall that evening.

We plan to eat around 6:30 PM, have some time to visit then move on to the ornament (or small gift) exchange followed by a great raffle and auction. Last year we had many fine items in both the raffle and auction and raised a record amount of money to help fund our 2010 programs. This year we will also be selecting a member's woodturning to represent us at the 25th anniversary symposium of the American Association of Woodturners.

The cost for the catered meal will be \$10.00 per person. Since this is intended to be a family time, we hope you will plan to bring your spouse or special friend.



Menu:
Turkey & dressing
Green beans ▪ Sweet potatoes
Rolls ▪ Homemade deserts
Tea or coffee.

If you would like, you can write just one check to cover all of the following three items:

\$10.00 per person for the Christmas Gathering meal

\$5.00 each or \$20 for five Raffle tickets

\$25 for 2011 Dues, \$40 per family

Please make your check payable to "Chattahoochee Woodturners" and give it to Ron Norris at the November meeting or mail it to him at 4747 Creek Wood Dr., Gainesville, GA 30507 (phone: 770-654-7009; e-mail: norris4747@comcast.net) **Be sure to include** a note telling him the number of meal reservations and raffle tickets you are paying for, and if your check includes your 2011 dues payment. Ron will write your name on one half of the raffle tickets and give you the other half at the Gathering.

Please join us on December 14, 2010 for the Chattahoochee Woodturners Christmas Gathering.