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FEBRUARY MEETING

Demonstrator: John Lucas

Biography: I am a retired photographer who also repaired all of our machines and cameras. I have been working in wood both turning and flat work for about 35 years or more; I also dabble in metal working. These skills have allowed me to build almost anything out of wood that I can come up. I also enjoy modifying my machines and building tools. I enjoy learning new and innovative woodturning techniques including trying new tools and new cutting techniques. I have turned a little of almost everything. I'm known for my hand mirrors which I do in many different styles. I enjoy sharing this knowledge to try and help others get past the learning curve. I have written many articles and produced videos on Youtube to try and pass on these skills. I have taught classes at John C Campbell, Arrowmont, and The Appalachian Center for Crafts as well as doing Demos at the National symposiums and many other local symposiums and clubs.

Demonstration: John will demonstrate the necessary requirements and skills needed to turn a natural edge bowl.





Ramblings from the President

Bob Black, President 2015

The Eagle Ranch project for the booth in Market Place in November is taking shape. All money received in excess of the booth rental will go toward the turning studio at Eagle Ranch. Keep those wheels turning?

If you have been reluctant to turn anything for lack of an outlet for your work now you have a place for your turning to go. The place is Eagle Ranch at Market Place. A lot of turned items are necessary to fill up the booth and have backup merchandise under the table to restock the shelves. Any turned item you feel is appropriate for a gift is what we need. We need a lot of these items.

I firmly believe we can do it. Keep in mind that when John C. Campbell Folk School was raising money for the Willard Baxter Turning Studio Jerry Chandler had the vision that Chattahoochee Woodturners should be the top donor among AAW chapters. \$3200 was raised and we believe that put Chattahoochee at the top of the list. Historical note: Willard Baxter was our founder and it is in his shop that we meet. There was no obvious market back then for the turned work that was produced for the studio. Here we have a readymade market in Market Place.

There is an ongoing need for raffle items. Please bring in your excess wood, tools or whatever else a wood turner would like to have. Chattahoochee has costs; such as demonstrators and rent. We have a unique position in the turning world in that we have, essentially, our own turning shop. It takes money to keep all of the balls in the air and the raffle is one of the ways we raise money.

TURNING WEDNESDAY: This is one of the best things about Chattahoochee. We have monthly classes in our own shop. They are open to everybody. The only cost is we ask you to throw five bucks in the pot to keep the lights on, and to pay for supplies and wood. The same can be said about our all day workshops put on by outside expert turners. Yet sometimes we have trouble filling these classes.

I suspect that one of the reasons is that many of us are reluctant to turn in a group. You think the other guys are better turners than you or you will be criticized. There is always some guy who is a better turner than you are no matter how long you turn, so get over it.

Don't worry about criticism. Don Griffiths, who runs the Turning Wednesdays, is the best guy I've ever seen at calmly standing by your shoulder helping you get the cut right, show you where to start or answer anything you are having trouble with. Look him up during a meeting and take a moment to get to know him. You will be glad you did. AND, go to a Turning Wednesday or take an all-day class when they come up.

Turning is a physical sport and you learn much faster if you learn by doing. Doing with an instructor to point out better ways to do the job is a lot faster than trying to be self-taught. The better you get the more fun it is. Remember, that's this year's theme – HAVE FUN

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Ken's Korner

February Menu*

by Ken Spruill

Bison 7 Chilli Chilli

Baked Potato

Sour Cream and Cheese Toppings

*\$5.00 Meal and Drink

Videographers Schedule

February: Wes Jones

2015 EVENT SCHEDULE

| DATE | NAME | DEMONSTRATION |
|----------------------------|-------------------|--|
| February 10 th | John Lucas | Turning a Natural Edge Bowl. |
| February 18th | Don Griffiths | Continue work on Eagle Ranch Project. Turn birdhouses. |
| March 10th | Mike Peace | Adding Pizzazz with Texturing Tools. |
| March 18 th | Dom Griffiths | Continue work on Eagle Ranch Project. |
| April 14 th | Derek Weidman | Wood Sculpture on the Lathe and an all day Workshop |
| April 22 th | Don Griffiths | Hands On Workshop – |
| May 12 th | Kimberly Winkle | TBD |
| May 20th | Don Griffiths | Hands On Workshop |
| June 9th | Jerry Chandler | TBD |
| June 17 th | Don Griffiths | Hands On Workshop |
| July 14 th | Monthly Meeting | TBD |
| July 22nd | Don Griffiths | Hands On Workshop |
| August 11 th | John and Joy Moss | TBD |
| August 19 th | Don Griffiths | Hands On Workshop |
| September 8 th | Monthly Meeting | TBD |
| September 16 th | Don Griffiths | Hands On Workshop |
| October 13 th | Monthly Meeting | TBD |
| October 21st | Don Griffiths | Hands On Workshop |
| November 10 th | Monthly Meeting | TBD |
| November 18 th | Don Griffiths | Hands On Workshop |
| December 8 th | Bob Black | Christmas Celebration |

January Meeting Notes

Demonstrator: Doug Thompson

Doug gave us an excellent demo on sharpening all the lathe turning chisels. He also included a detail discussion of metals used for lathe chisels and the relative hardness of the current offerings, including the ones he manufactures. He basically has a hands on operation and personally sharpens each of his tools before they are delivered to the customer. His interest in woodturning took him in the direction of toolmaking and now he makes thousands of tools and ships worldwide. Despite his success and having a manufacturing operation that employes five people, Doug still considers this a hobby. I guess that means he is still having fun.



Communication with Mr. Jon DeWaal, Director of Education of Eagle Ranch School.

He came to our January meeting to describe the purpose and mission of the school. They are a school with about 70 at risk kids in residence. The exchange of emails and his response might be interesting to you, the members of CWT, for insight of how Eagle Ranch views our efforts.

"Thanks for coming to the CWT meeting last night. I think the guys were impressed with Eagle Ranch. I think what CWT is trying to do in conjunction with Eagle Ranch is pretty small potatoes for Eagle Ranch given your overall operation, but it's a big deal for CWT . Thanks for helping us promote it.

Bob Black

Thanks for the invite Bob. I thoroughly enjoyed seeing you guys run a wood turners meeting. I would not down play the significance your organization can bring to Eagle Ranch –no small potatoes indeed. In fact I have a strong hope that your organization will have a significant impact on students' lives –giving them something to be proud of from their own efforts to create beauty and function.

I will never forget the response from my mother when in 7th grade I gave her my wood turned bowl for Christmas. She used that bowl till she passed away at 88. I now have that bowl beside my bedside to put my loose change in no small potatoes.

Thanks Bob for your organization's vision to partner with us to do something great for these kids.

Jon DeWaal,
Director of Education, Eagle Ranch School "



Hands On With Don Griffiths

February Session:

Call for Woodturners. The continuation of the Eagle Ranch gift production for the Market Place show will be on the February 18th, Turning Wednesday. These will be a small turned birdhouse projects.

All skill levels are invited. If you are a fairly new turner you will get help on basic spindle turning which is considered the basis for most other styles of turning. If your skills are advanced beyond the novice stage you can participate by going into production mode or helping out others. Everybody helps out each other. Helping each other out covers everything from someone showing you how to make a particular cut on the lathe to old guys who can't think of a certain word and another old guy fills in the word. We like to have young guys since they can think of the missing word faster.

If you have never participated in Turning Wednesday make this your first one. Some people are hesitant to turn in a group of other turners thinking that everyone will be a much better turner than they are. Forget about that line of thinking. You will find the Turning Wednesday under Don Griffiths is a totally non-judgmental group. You will get instruction on what you need to know and if you are not very careful you will have fun learning.

Chattahoochee is one of the few AAW chapters in the US that has its own shop equipped with 7 lathes. Why not make use of the facility.

Come at 10:00 AM, throw \$5 in the box for wood and keeping the lights on, bring a sack lunch, drinks are in the fridge at a buck a piece, turn until 2:00 or whenever you want to quit. One word of warning – keep a skeptical mind while listening to the stories around the lunch table. Everyone is very truthful, but some people have been known stretch the truth to great lengths to make a good story better.

January Session: The ornament project was the snowman icicle. We had a good group of turners and instructors.

Attendees: Bill McMahan, Bruce Purdy, Bert Nagy, Bill Tuttle, Kimberly Tuttle, Rhys Tuttle, Bob Black, Mike Peace, Ron Norris, Don Griffiths and David Martin.

Cost: \$5.00 **Time:** 10:00am to 2:00pm.

Bring a lunch, drinks available for \$1.00



Member's Gallery



Mike Holder



Mike Holder



Mike Holder



Mike Holder



Rob Patrick



Mike Peace



Ron Norris



David Martin



Ron Norris



Herb Bolt

Re-Sources of Interest

- For those of you with a PM3520, check out <http://mustardmonster.weebly.com/> for great tips such as making your own moveable remote safety cut off switch. This is great device when you are hollowing and working on the inside of a bowl. You can make this for a few bucks compared to more than \$100 to buy one from Powermatic. Another Great related site for free on-line woodturning videos is: <http://woodturningvideos.weebly.com/>
- Here is a link to a great sharpening video by Doug Thompson, maker of Thompson tools: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZOc6giDP39A#t=29>
- Mike Peace has added several more YouTube videos to his woodturning channel at: https://www.youtube.com/user/mpax356/videos?view_as=public
- Here is a link to a youtube video showing a woodturning coming apart on the lathe. Wes Jones: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FlhWF4M9CO4>
- Bob Black recommends woodcraftbands.com for bandsaw blades. They offer a blade just like the Highland Woodworking's Turners blade for green wood but 40% cheaper for an order of 5. Shipping is about \$10."
- Here is a great website where you can find free on-line videos related to turning: <http://woodturningvideos.weebly.com/>
- **PEACHTREE WOODWORKING** - PWW, is a big supporter of our annual fund raising auction, and are now carrying a full line of Sorby tools
- **CRAFT SUPPLY** offers a 13% club discount for a group purchase of \$1,000 or more.
- **KLINGSPORT** provides a 10% discount to club members on anything not already tagged as a sale price



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- **ROCKLER:** Most of us would rather just shop online rather than driving to Sandy Springs to get a discount. I spend over three hours a day in my car coming and going so I know the frustrations in getting to our store, but keep in mind that we stock several things instore that you will never see on our website. However, if you enjoy letting the Big Brown Truck bring you packages then I would like to extend the following offer: \$7 flat rate UPS shipping if you call the store to place your order, mention that you're a club member and get your 10% discount.
Spend over \$100 and we'll ship for FREE! (excludes powertools)
I would like to personally thank your group for the continued support of woodturning in our state and local community. If there is anything we at Rockler can do to support you all, please feel free to contact myself.
Sincerely,
Jeff Slaton

CHATTAHOOCHEE WOODTURNERS VIDEO LIBRARY

Today, we have many resources at our disposal to learn from other woodturners and to gather ideas for our projects. The internet and YouTube are fantastic mediums to see and learn. Not to be forgotten, are the video resources that the club offers. August concludes the free rental period as items checked out should be returned by September 9th (meeting day) to avoid late fees. Check out the titles available on the library list.

Thanks, Ron Grindle, Club librarian

| Item # | Title /Description | Media type |
|---------------|---|-------------------|
| 2 | 1995 AAW Symposium-Demo Techniques | VHS no fee |
| 3 | 1995 AAW Symposium- Instant Gallery | VHS no fee |
| 4 | 1995 AAW Symposium-Demo Techniques | VHS no fee |
| 5 | 1995 AAW Symposium- Instant Gallery | VHS no fee |
| 6 | Introduction to Bowl Turning with Rus Hart | VHS no fee |
| 10 | Paragraphics-Demonstration Video | VHS no fee |
| 11 | 2006 AAW Symposium-Snapshots | DVD no fee |
| 12 | Fundamentals of Sharpening | DVD no fee |
| 14 | Novelties and Projects ; Dennis White | VHS no fee |
| 18 | Elliptical Turning By David Springett | VHS no fee |
| 20 | Palmer Sharpless-The Johnny Appleseed of Turning | VHS no fee |
| 22 | Decorative Effects & Coloring with Chris Stott | VHS no fee |
| 23 | Turning Projects with Richard Raffan | VHS no fee |
| 25 | Ed Moulthrop-Wood Turning Pioneer | VHS no fee |
| 26 | Tymba Turning Basics with Bruce Bell | VHS no fee |
| 31 | Bowl Turning with Rus Hurt | VHS no fee |
| 33 | Turning Wood with Richard Raffan | VHS no fee |
| 34 | Binh Pho-Turning Logs into Art | VHS no fee |
| 35 | 1999 AAW Symposium-Snapshots | VHS no fee |
| 36 | The AAW: Who WE Are-What We Offer | VHS no fee |
| 37 | The AAW: Who WE Are-What We Offer | VHS no fee |
| 38 | Turning Boxes with Richard Raffan | VHS no fee |
| 39 | Dale Nish Demo's-(4 DVD Set) | DVD |
| 40 | Turnaround, Jimmy Clewes | DVD |
| 41 | Two Ways to Make a Bowl, Batty & Mahoney | DVD |
| 42 | Bowl Turning with Del Stubbs | DVD |
| 43 | From the Tree to the Table; Making Bowls and Plates for the Kitchen: Mike Mahoney | DVD |
| 44 | The Skew Chisel with Alan Lacer | DVD |
| 45 | Beginning Spindles to Bowls with Joe Ruminski | DVD |
| 46 | Introduction to Segmented Turning with Curt Theobald | DVD |
| 48 | Turned Bowls Made Easy with Bill Bumbine | DVD |
| 49 | Woodturning Projects #1 with Rex and Kip | DVD |
| 50 | Woodturning Projects #2 with Rex and Kip | DVD |
| 51 | Turning Projects with Richard Raffan | DVD |
| 52 | Beyond the Basic Bowl with Bill Gumbine | DVD |
| 53 | Back to Basics with Jimmy Clewes | DVD |

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| Item# | Title/Description | Media Type |
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| 54 | Turning the World with Jimmy Clewes Vol. 1 | DVD |
| 55 | Turning the World with Jimmy Clewes Vol. 2 | DVD |
| 56 | Turning the World with Jimmy Clewes Vol. 3 | DVD |
| 58 | Woodturning with Ray Allen | DVD |
| 59 | Hollow Forms and Urns-A Workshop with Mile Mahoney | DVD |
| 61 | Fabulous Finial Box with Cindy Drozda | DVD |
| 62 | Turning Unusual Materials with Bonnie Klein | DVD |
| 63 | Beginning Spindles to Bowls with Joe Ruminski (2 Copies) | DVD |
| 64 | Hollow Forms- the Easy Way with Lyle Jamieson | DVD |
| 65 | Hand Crafted Pens-The Basics from Penn State | DVD no fee |
| 66 | Holding Wood on the Lathe with Mike Peace | DVD |
| 67 | Effective Demonstrations with Frank Penta | DVD |
| 68 | Turning Fancy Christmas Ornaments the easy way with Ron Brown | DVD |
| 69 | Fancy Vignettes & the Polychromatic Laminating System with Ron Brown | DVD |
| 70 | Wood Turning into Art with Jerry Crowe | DVD |
| 71 | Elegant Finials with Cindy Drozda | DVD |
| 72 | The Skew Chisel with Alan Lacer | VHS no fee |
| 73 | Turning Projects with Richard Raffan | VHS no fee |
| 74 | The New Yankee Workshop-Table Saw Station | VHS no fee |
| 75 | Turning Wood with Richard Raffan | VHS no fee |
| 76 | Space Fence Joinery Basics | VHS no fee |
| 77 | Fundamentals of Sharpening with Bonnie Klein, John Jordan Bill Johnston, and Alan Lacer | VHS no fee |
| 78 | Turned Wood with John Jordan | VHS no fee |
| 79 | Turned Wood with John Jordan | VHS no fee |
| 80 | Turning Boxes with Richard Raffan | VHS no fee |
| 81 | Bowl Turning with Del Stubbs | VHS no fee |
| 82 | Turning Wood with Richard Raffan | VHS no fee |
| 83 | Perfect Wood Finishes with Bob Flexner | VHS no fee |

Video rental fee is \$ 2.00 per month. No charge for a month checked out if there is no regular meeting. VHS tapes are rented at "No Fee" Please return after use.

Have a video in your shop that you no longer refer to or seldom use? Consider donating to the library. A label will be attached indicating that you donated it so if you subsequently check it out, there will no charge to you.

Woodturning Instruction

The following club members give private instruction in their shops:

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New Resource For Wood

Elisabeth Ross

Two Tree Boyz Wood

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Our company is Two Tree Boyz Wood. We are located in Buford, GA, and we sell green wood for turning. We will be bringing block blanks and end grain rounds for sale at your Feb. meeting. Members can check us out at [Two Tree Boyz Wood](http://TwoTreeBoyzWood) or www.facebook.com/2treeboyz to see what types of wood we have in stock. If someone would like something custom cut (We are saw cutting so it can be in either of the above-mentioned types or in log form. They would need to contact me by Friday, 2/6.

I will bring along something for your raffle and I would like to donate a log for your Eagle Ranch Market Place project if someone in your group could cut it down into blanks. Please have someone contact me before the February meeting as to what type of wood would be desirable for that.

We currently have spalted maple, ambrosia maple, black walnut, spalted oak, Bradford pear, American holly, Leland cypress, and rainbow poplar. Most of it is still in log form, which we would be happy to cut to order prior to coming. There is a detailed current inventory with sizes and features on our blog www.twotreeboyz.wordpress.com.



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For Sale: Triton Power Respirator. Includes Helmet, Shield, Ear Muffs, Power Air Unit, Charger, Extra Filters and Owners Manual. Like New \$100 or Best Offer. David Martin 770-891-1686 or dmm5610@bellsouth.net



For Sale Oneway Easy Core system. This is for a 12 inch swing lathe. It works very well on green wood. Sharpening jig included. Retail price from OneWay is more than \$290, For sale at \$130. Call 770-605-5832 . Harold Wright

