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Ramblings from the President

By Mike Peace, President 2012

What a great turnout last month to watch Peg Schmid demonstrate surface decoration. Some folks like “brown and round” but I think once you have been turning a while, you start looking for ways to take it to the next level. I think that was the biggest turnout I have seen at 39 including several guests. I am looking forward to Don Griffith demonstrating how to turn a music box at this meeting. Don is a very skilled turner and his woodturning Saturdays are a great opportunity to get some hands-on experience and help from other turners.

I was pleased with the turnout for our March 22 cleanup day. Ron Norris, Jerry Chandler, Harold Wright, Michael Gibson, Mike Peace and Ken Spruill all pitched in to clean up the studio. Some of the improvements include adding an outlet for one of the mini lathes and relocating an air compressor outlet to the front of the shop. We made room to store the new dining tables, hung the sound system and mounted the last lathe tool box. We got rid of a couple of unneeded appliances and cleaned up a lot of trash.



Thanks guys. I do scratch my head wondering why getting volunteers to help with the Youth training program was so difficult, resulting in us scaling back to a one day session. If you have some thoughts on this, please share with me or Don Griffith.

The club raffle is frequently a great way to get some good turning wood and other cool stuff. Woodcraft is a generous sponsor and provides us with gift coupons for the raffle, so if you shop there, tell them how much we appreciate their support. When someone gets a fresh log and has more than they can use, what a great way to share. The monthly raffle results goes a long way to supporting club programs. Sometimes we get some pretty sad pieces brought in. I am talking about pieces that have been outside exposed too long with obvious drying cracks and splits running the length of the piece making it worthless for most of us to turn. Please, if you think a piece is too cracked for you to turn, don't bring it in.

If you buy something from the Atlanta Rockler store, tell them to credit the Chattahoochee Woodturners. After so many purchases they will send us a coupon for the raffle.

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Ken's Korner

By Ken Spruill

April Pre-Meeting Dinner Menu

\$5.00 for Meal and drink

- Hot Dogs
- Potato Chips
- Cole Slaw
- Drink

After dinner drinks are \$1.00

Hot Coffee will be available

April 10th Meeting Agenda

Lidded Music Box - Don Griffiths

The demonstration for April 10 will be the creation of a lidded music box.

This will be a most interesting project and we can all learn some new techniques.

The overall shape presents quite a challenge plus adding the music to the turning will make this a unique piece.



March Meeting Notes

Peg Schmid provided us with a very useful and entertaining demonstration on surface decoration. She went through the various steps of texturing, carving and coloring. She is very creative and provided us with the precise techniques required for the multi-layering dry brush application. The resulting colors were brilliant.



Woodturning Saturdays

By Don Griffiths

March Session

The March project was small bowls. There were four turners and hopefully we will see the results Tuesday night at show and tell.

April Session

The April 14th project will be turning the Nick Cook's Christmas angel.

Cost: \$5.00

Time 10:00 to 2:00.

Bring a lunch, drinks available for \$1.



2012 EVENT SCHEDULE

DATE	NAME	DEMONSTRATION
April 10	Don Griffiths	Lidded Music Box
April 27-29	Marsha Barnes	Southern States XII Symposium
May 8	Matt Moulthrop	
June 12	Dan Douthart	Christmas Ornament
July 10	TBD	
August 14	Jack Morse	Skew Chisel
September 11	TBD	
September 14-16	Turning Southern Style Unicoi State Park Helen, GA	Web Site: http://gawoodturner.org/Symposium.shtml
October 9	TBD	
November 13	TBD	
December 11	Mike Peace	CHRISTMAS PARTY

MEMBERS GALLERY



Mike Peace



Don Douthart



David Martin



Jack Morse



Jerry Chandler



Don Douthart



Jim Wallace



Leigh Brookes



Mike & Cynthia Gibson



Mike Gibson

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Mike Peace



Ron Norris



Wes Jones



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NEW MEMBERS



Gloria Sprull



Eugene Harper



Cecil Gregory

TIPS AND TECHNIQUES

Mike Peace just got the new Titan chuck and has this to say, “For those of you wanting a big chuck, Teknatool has brought their Titan chuck back into production after a four year hiatus. It is the big brother to a SN2 and about the size of a Oneway Stronghold but much cheaper and comes with the PowerGrip jaws. Woodcraft carries it and you may also find one on Amazon at a great price like I did.”

There is a long video (1 1/2 hrs. of HiDef) on “Holding Wood on the Lathe” sponsored by the Gwinnett Woodworkers that some of you may want to look at. Here is the YouTube link http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_detailpage&v=aUXil-5dEeo It is also available on DVD in our library.

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For Sale – Teknatool Powergrip jaws for holding large diameter end grain pieces such as hollow forms on a SuperNova2. List price is \$59.95, asking \$40.

6” Craftsman bench grinder with two 60 grit white wheels; asking \$45. Contact Mike Peace 770-205-1610

BOB BLACK’S HELPERS

Mike Peace, Ron Harvey and Bob Aldea pitched in to help Bob Black set up his “new used”, POWERMATIC! OK Bob, we will be looking for some great turnings with your name on them.

