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Ramblings from the President

Mike Peace, President 2014

Steve Pritchard gave us some insight into coloring and texturing last month. This month we will have Frank Bowers demonstrate turning and embellishing platters with emphasis on design. Frank will also be doing an all day workshop on turning bowls from log to bowl. This is a great opportunity to learn to turn a bowl or to improve your existing skills. See the flyer elsewhere in this newsletter.

Congrats to Michael and Cynthia Gibson for being selected to demonstrate at the New Zealand International Woodturning Symposium in October! What an honor. Thanks again, Cynthia, for putting on your Pyrography workshop for us.

I notice that Peachtree Woodworking Supply in Norcross now carries a complete line of Sorby tools including unhandled tools.

Jerry Chandler is chairing the Nominations committee to identify officers for next year. Also, on the committee is Wes Jones and Bob Black. If you have any interest in serving as an officer, please let someone on the committee know.

We still have some openings for demonstrators later in the year. If you have any ideas, please give them to Al Pannell.

Sorry I will be unable to attend the May meeting as I will be doing a demonstration for the Barnesville Woodturning chapter down toward Macon.

April Meeting Visitors



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Jimmy Walker

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May Menu

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WHY JOIN THE AAW? (AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF WOODTURNERS)



If you are already a member of the AAW, then you have already found the benefits and services worthwhile. If you are not a member, here are some reasons that you should consider becoming a member:

Opportunities for Educational Opportunity Grants and scholarships. One of our members won a scholarship to John C. Campbell Folk School!

Six issues of “American Woodturner” annually. Based on your membership level, you will receive a well done, glossy magazine that compares favorably to any other woodturning or woodworking magazine, or online access to the six yearly issues. You also have online access to all past issues of the “American Woodturner”.

Access to the “Fundamentals” area in the member only section of the web site. This area contains a wide range of printed and video tips and instruction geared for members with beginner to intermediate skills.

Periodic drawings for tools and equipment, including lathes, and only AAW members are eligible to win. Members are automatically entered into each drawing.

Group rates for individual liability insurance.

Savings of up to 50% on AAW merchandise, including project books, DVDs, logo apparel, and more.

AAW Forum and member-only access to articles and resources on the AAW website.

Access to the AAW "Resource Directory" that contains a complete listing of contact information for members, local chapters, demonstrators, and other woodturning resources.

Annual symposium. Exhibition opportunities are the juried member exhibit at the annual symposium, The Gallery of Wood Art in St. Paul, and other venues.

These are but a few of the benefits and services available to AAW members. Others include marketing opportunities, grant and exhibit eligibility and more. There are membership levels to fit every budget. First there is an online membership for \$43 per year. Second, there is a “general” membership which includes the printed Journals and a printed resource list for \$53/year. A Family member is \$58 per month. There are additional membership levels, beginning at \$250 per year. See the AAW website for more information.

If you aren't currently a member of the AAW, consider joining today to begin receiving the many benefits of membership.

2014 EVENT SCHEDULE

DATE	NAME	DEMONSTRATION
May 7 th	Cynthia Gibson	Pyrography 101 Cynthia will share all the information you need to get started on your woodburning journey. Peachtree Woodworking Supply 10am-4pm
May 13 th	Frank Bowers	Turning and embellishing platters with emphasis on design and function.
May 21 th	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop- Turn small platter/plates. Tool Sharpening: scraper
June 4 th	Frank Bowers	He will do an all day workshop on turning bowls. From log to bowl.
June 10 ^h	Jack Morse	A demonstration on making and personalizing burial urns.
June 13-15 th	AAW Annual Symposium	Phoenix, AZ
June 18 th	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop - Goblets/Tea Cups Goblets with Barley Twist. Tool Sharpening: skew
July 8 th	Wes Jones	Adding Enameling to turnings.
July 16 th	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop – Turning hollow forms. Tool Sharpening: drills
August 12 th	Monthly Meeting	TBD
August 20 th	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop –Turning green bowls roughed out in February. Tool Sharpening: chisels
September 9th	Harvey Meyer	Baskets of Illusion
September 17th	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop –Turn standard Christmas ornaments, snowmen and icicles.
September 19-21st	Turning Southern Style Symposium	Location Dalton, GA
October 14th	Monthly Meeting	TBD
October 22th	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop –Turn vases including hollowing from bottom.
November 11th	Monthly Meeting	TBD
November 19th	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop –Turn Rolling Pen. (Register one month in advance to allow for blank fabrication)

2014 EVENT SCHEDULE

DATE	NAME	DEMONSTRATION
December 9th	Mike Peace	Christmas Celebration
December 17th	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop- Free For All, your choice: bowl,box, toothpick holder, potpourri bowl, ornaments, goblets with Barley Twist,etc

April Meeting Demonstration

Demonstrator: Throughout his life, Steve has been drawn to work with wood. In 2000, he found woodturning and he has become addicted to it as a medium for expression. He feels that, like everything in nature, each piece of wood has its own character. Each piece is much like every other piece of that species, but each also has its own personality and appeal. He finds few things in life more enjoyable and satisfying than seeing that personality emerge from a large wet lump of wood and doing his best to bring out its beauty and character.

Until his retirement in 2007, his turning was limited to evenings and weekends, but since retiring, he spends as much time as possible in his shop producing craft show items, which help pay for his addiction, as well as artistic pieces. After making his share of pens, bowls, boxes and weed pots, his primary interest has focused in the exploration of three areas; hollow forms, carving/piercing, and coloring. He particularly enjoys taking a bland piece and transforming it into something much more than it might have achieved on its own.

Steve's work has been included in art galleries and numerous juried shows throughout the area

Demonstration: Steve's demonstration covered coloring and texturing as it applies to bowls and platters. Steve showed us techniques for developing design ideas and methods for applying them to a three dimensional surface. He expanded on those ideas by exploring ways to enhance these designs using various texturing and coloring techniques. He also covered methods for using rotary carvers, pyrography, lesser known types of acrylic paints milk paint and more



May Meeting Demonstration

Demonstrator: Frank Bowers:

I am a full time woodturning instructor and demonstrator. From an early age I have worked making things from wood along with numerous remodeling projects but never introduced to woodturning. After moving to Georgia I had an opportunity to see a wooden pen demonstration and was hooked on turning. From that point I took lessons from noted turners in Atlanta and professional turners from around the world who came through the area.

I enjoy using the lathe to transform recycled woods into useful items and artistic objects. The thing I like most about woodturning is the instant gratification; you can spend an hour or two and complete a project, as opposed to regular woodworking where months later you're still working on that weekend project.

Over the past 15 to 20 years I have taught over 800 classes of 6 to 8 students and an untold number of individual one day sessions. I enjoy teaching and demonstrating almost as much as turning it itself. My goal is to keep learning and pass this knowledge on to others.

Demonstration: He will be turning and embellishing platters with an emphasis on design and function. Frank is a great turner and a lot of fun to watch do a demo.



Hands On With Don Griffiths

April Session :. Mike Peace demonstrated the use of a variety of texturing tools such as the Sorby spraling and texturing tool, Wagner tool, Decorating Elf (shop made version) and the chatter tool. Participants had an opportunity to play around with these tools to see the effects that can be applied to turning. Tool Sharpening was the spindle gouge.

It was a great learning experience and as always FUN!

We had a full house attending: Fred White, Ron Norris, George Thompson, Susan Shortman, Herb Bolt, David Martin, Al Pannell, Eugene Harper and Mike Peace



May Session: May 21st. Don will be back and we will turning platters and plates. The sharpening exercise will be with scrapers. Bring any projects you need help with.

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

Bring a lunch, drinks available for \$1.00

NOTE: To anyone wanting to hone their skills and get hands on expert help, this is the place!! All skill levels can benefit from this activity and you can spend an enjoyable day among fellow turners.

Member's Gallery



Bob Black



Dan Douthard



Dan Douthard



David Martin



David Martin



George Liotta



Don Griffiths



Doug Graves



George Liotta



George Liotta



George Liotta



Harold Wright



Mike Peace



Mike Peace



Wes Jones



Wes Jones



Steve Pritchard



Wes Jones



Steve Pritchard



Basic Bowl Turning Workshop

Wed, June 4, 2014

Sponsored by Chattahoochee Woodturners, AAW Chapter 112



Frank Bowers is a very experienced woodturner and noted woodturning trainer who demonstrates throughout the Southeast.

This workshop is suitable for novice and intermediate turners. There are no prerequisites but recent turning experience would be helpful.

In this workshop Frank will start with a log and show how to cut out the blank for a regular and a natural edge bowl.



Frank will teach you how to sharpen and use a bowl gouge to complete two separate bowl projects. First you will rough turn a bowl from green wood. He will explain how you can successfully dry this rough turned green bowl. You will then be able to take it home to dry and finish turn on your own. For the second bowl project, participants will learn how to safely mount a dry blank on their lathe and then turn the bowl to completion and finish it during the workshop. Blanks for these two separate projects will be provided.

Workshop Location: Baxter's Belmont Shop, 3738 Anglin Drive, Gainesville, GA

Workshop Date: **Wed, June 4, 2014** 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Cost: \$50 which includes materials. Lathes, chucks, tools and face shields are provided but you are welcome to bring your own. Non members wanting to attend will need to pay an additional \$25 for membership in Chattahoochee Woodturners.

Workshop Facilitator:

Tools to Bring: Bring a sack lunch. Cold drinks are available for a \$1.



Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Primary Phone: _____ Secondary Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Make your check payable to Chattahoochee Woodturners and send it with this form to our Treasurer: Doug Graves 3188 Venue Dr., Gainesville, GA 30506.

CANCELLATION & REFUND POLICY: We will make a full refund if we need to cancel the workshop for any reason. Full refund if the cancellation is received in writing 2 weeks prior to the class date. Later cancellations may be eligible for a refund if we are able to fill the slot. "No shows" will not be eligible for a refund.

Questions? Please contact: Al Pannell, Vice-President, 770-534-9861, bigalp@peoplepc.com

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> Wow, can he profile a new bowl gouge fast! Maybe because he has personally made 40,000 tools. Michael Gibson has arranged for him to be our demonstrator next January.
- Here is a link to a YouTube video by Mike Peace on Turning Angel Ornaments. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QTtQB6Jly_8
- 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 are some very informative, free on-line videos by a master turner, Stuart Batty: <http://woodturning.org/education/>
- Here is a great website where you can find free on-line videos related to turning. <http://woodturningvideos.weebly.com/>
- Craft Supply offers a 13% club discount for a group purchase of \$1,000 or more. Let Mike Peace know if anyone wants to take advantage of this program by organizing a group buy.
- Oregon State University wood scientist Seri Robinson has a YouTube presentation on spalting wood. Very interesting. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PZUir8hWvnl>
- **Klingspor** provides a 10% discount to club members on anything not already tagged as a sale price



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Hartville Tool Club Member Discount of 15% Available

- **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

Shop SAFETY Tip

Check the dial on your shop fire extinguisher and make sure it is still in the green area indicating that it has adequate pressure for use. If you don't have a shop fire extinguisher---GET ONE!!!!

Woodturning Instruction

The following club members give private instruction in their shops:

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For Sale

SPHERE CUTTER JIG

I have a sphere cutter jig for sale. It is for a lathe with 12 inch swing. It will cut a sphere up to 5 inch diameter. It works well. It cost \$270 & I am selling for \$170. I sold my 12 inch lathe & this will not work on my 16 inch machine.

Call Harold Wright...770-605-5832

