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The President's Turn

Dear Members,

In May we had two successful events for our Members in addition to the monthly meeting. On May 17th Frank Bowers and Bob Black trained Members on our new lathes and on May 27th we conducted another "Excursion of Interest" to Mark Sillay's warehouse of wood for turning.

John Moss is finally out of the hospital and on the mend. John's illness illustrates the need for all of us to be very careful about breathing dust and solvents from turning. Please reexamine your shop ventilation and personal use of dust masks & face shields!

Craft Supplies is offering our Chapter Members a 10% discount on all abrasives discs and finishes by using a source code (**CLUBMEM**) when ordering online or on the phone. You have to enter or mention the code when making an order. They also give our Club three \$10.00 coupons for our raffle each month.

Be sure to attend this month's meeting June 10th featuring Doug Barnes (NC). He will be turning a multi axis platter and demonstrating his unique texturing with a 16d nail. Doug is the Resident Artist at the John C. Campbell Folk School - Willard Baxter Turning Studio.

There are a number of us attending the AAW Symposium in Richmond, VA June 20-22. Please call me for details if you feel you would like to attend: 404-702-0400.

June 10th your Chapter Board will be meeting to conduct business.

Best regards,
Dan Albertus

June Demonstration

Doug Barnes (North Carolina): Multi-axis platters, texturing with a 16d nail.

Upcoming Demonstrations

July 8 th	Bruce Bell-Australian professional woodturner, topic TBA
August 12 th	Wes Jones: Eclectic turning turned up a notch
September 9 th	Stephen Hatcher (WA): Turning, A Mosaic. See note on special hands-on demo from 9-4 this day.

Norton A275 Sanding Disk Review

by: Wes Jones

If you're going to turn it, you're going to have to sand it. So we're all looking for more efficient ways to sand our work. Jack Morse's demo on sanding techniques last month was great. Good sandpaper is one of the key ingredients to a good finish.

I recently tried out the new Norton A275 aluminum oxide sanding disks that Highland Woodworking is now carrying. Norton developed the A275 sandpaper for the automotive auto body finishing business and it is now available in 3" diameter 'hook and loop' disks that are perfect for power sanding our work. The disks are available in grits 80, 100, 120, 150, 180, 220, 240, 320, 400, 500, 600, 800, 1000, 1200, and 1500. The finer grits can be used to polish high gloss finishes.

Some of the features of the A275 disks are:

- Heat-treated grit for 30-50% faster sanding.
- B-weight, latex-reinforced paper backing for improved performance and flexibility.
- A superior grit bonding system for better grit adhesion and longer disk life.
- Water-based stearate coating to minimize disk clogging.
- May be used wet or dry.

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Excursions of Interest

By: Bob Black

May 27, 2008 found a small group of CWT members touring Mark Sillay's old and new turning wood warehouses. The old building on North Decatur Road in Decatur is stacked high inside and out with native wood. Mark kept busy at his band saw trimming out blanks for all of us buyers.

About lunchtime we moved on to his new warehouse that is close to the corner of Stone Mountain Industrial Drive and Ponce de Leon in Stone Mountain. The new shop is loaded with exotic wood, mostly burls from Australia. Mark is in the process of moving his tremendous stash of native wood to the new facility that will have a turning room with several lathes, plus a band saw for sizing blanks.

By my count there were six of us who made the trek inside the perimeter. I believe it was a unanimous that each of us came home with a little less money and a whole lot more wood. Bob Black

AAW National Symposium

Remember the annual symposium of the American Association of Woodturners will be June 20-22 in Richmond, VA. To register go to www.woodturner.org. Volunteers are also needed. If interested in helping contact inquiries@woodturner.org.

Georgia National Fair

October 2nd through 12th, 2008, Perry, GA
Check out www.georgiawoodworkers.com and the Chattahoochee Woodturners web site for detailed information on this upcoming opportunity to display to the rest of the world what woodturning is all about. We'll have more information in this newsletter in the next couple of months.

May 17th Training Class

by: Bob Black

Nine CWT members gathered at Baxter's shop on Saturday, May 17, 2008 for almost a full day of woodturning under the direction of Frank Bowers. Beginning at 9:30 AM the group watched Frank demonstrate how to turn a green bowl using an 8" cherry blank.

Frank gave a short course on sharpening and then explained how to turn first the outside, then the inside leaving the bowl about an 1" thick and further provided information on how to let the bowl dry to be turned later to final dimensions.

He then went through the same procedure with a dry blank about the same size. Frank had provided red ash and ambrosia maple for the dry bowls. The group then turned a wet bowl on our new Jet Lathes, followed by a dry bowl.

After our sack lunch Frank took a dry bowl that had been sanded to 400 grit and brought up a shine with the Beall buffing system that is magical if you have never seen it demonstrated.

The group, in addition to Frank consisted of Clint Daniel, Don Griffiths and Bob Black as helpers and Bill Jackson, Paul and Annette Proffitt, Ryan Gipson and Ron Norris.

Norton A275 Sanding Disk Review

I've been using these disks for a couple of weeks now and I'm very impressed. They definitely last longer than ordinary sanding disks. Give them a try. If enough of us start buying the 3" disks, Norton may offer them in the 2" diameter size also.

Phil Brennon Raffle

A drawing will be held to raise funds for a past president and AAW workhorse and champion, Phil Brennon. Phil is now a quadriplegic who is in need of major health and financial support - many of his friends in the AAW want to help.

Fund raising raffle tickets can be purchased by calling or mailing the AAW office and on the Internet. Tickets will also be on sale at the Richmond symposium. The raffle prizes are:

1. Powermatic 3520B lathe - donated by the WMH Tool Group
2. Jet 1014 mini lathe - donated by the WMH Tool Group
3. Oneway Stronghold 4-jaw chuck □ donated by Arizona Silhouette

We will be discussing some ways our chapter might want to get involved in the worthy project. To read about the entire story and to buy raffle tickets, go to the AAW website: <http://woodturner.org/raffle/>
Here is a chance to win a lathe or chuck and help a good woodturning friend.

Membership

Let's bring a friend, relative, or neighbor to our next meeting. The more dues paying members we have, the better demonstrators we can bring in, the better the information transfer, the better and larger the raffles, etc. Please forward this newsletter to anyone you think might be interested in turning wood. Then give me his/her e-mail address and I will add them to our monthly mailing. You do not need to be a member to receive our newsletter.

Also, please notify Theron Rogers, Secretary, if any of your membership information changes, address, zip, e-mail address, phone, etc. Theron takes pictures of each new member for our web site. If your picture is not on the web site contact Theron at the meeting and he'll take your picture.

Join or renew you membership on-line at:
<http://www.chattahoocheewoodturners.com/>

2008 Program Schedule

January 8th	Rebekah Quattlebaum - Turning fruit bowls and finishing techniques.
February 12th	Frank Bowers - Hollowing a vessel using gouges rather than specialized hollowing tools.
March 11th	Phil Colson - 1-6pm Fantasy Turnings demo (\$25 each) 7-9pm Turning a waste piece of wood.
April 12th	Kimberly Winkle (TN) - Surface embellishments, color & form. Note: Saturday demo, 9:30am to noon.
April 25-27	Southern States Symposium, Gainesville, GA
May 13 th	Jack Morse - Art of sanding and finishing.
June 10 th	Doug Barnes (NC) - Multi axis platters. Texturing with a 16d nail.
June 20-22	Am. Assoc. of Woodturners Symposium, Richmond, VA
July 8 th	Bruce Bell – Australian professional woodturner. Topic TBA
August 12 th	Wes Jones - Eclectic turning turned up a notch!
September 9 th	Stephen Hatcher (WA) - Turning with mineral inlays. 9-4pm Hands-on workshop (up to 10 people -- \$65 each) 7-9pm Turning - A Mosaic". Regular meeting demo.
October 2 nd to 12 th	Georgia Nation Fair, Perry, GA
October 14 th	Nick Cook - Dynamic use of the skew and bowl gauge for platters and bowls.
November 11 th	Mark Sillay - Using the chain saw to get the results you really want
December 9 th	Christmas Party, ornament exchange and major raffle; 6:30 PM dinner

Video Library - Recent additions:

48 **"Turned Bowls Made Easy"** with Bill Grumbine: Running time:135 minutes, Excellent DVD for the beginner but contains many tips and idea for all levels. Bill shows steps from chainsawing a log to finishing a bowl. He explains how to chose where to cut the bowl blank from the log, bandsawing the blank, mounting the wood on the lath, tool choice,turning techniques, and finishing. Also, there is a session on tool sharpening. Do's and don't are given through out each topic and the camera close-ups are excellent.

49 **"Woodturning Projects # 1"** with Rex & Kip Running time: 87 minutes, Fast pace turning projects are: wall clock, Christmas ornament, spinning top, turning a green (wet) bowl, bud vase, and curly fries from potatoes.

50 **"Woodturning Projects # 2"** with Rex & Kip Running time: 88 minutes, Fast pace turning projects are: hour glass, toothpick holder, stick pen, carving mallet, wooden egg, and peppermill

51 **"Turning Projects"** with Richard Raffan Running time: 90 minutes. Raffan instructs on 12 projects with tips and techniques in this excellent DVD. The projects include mallets, hollow vessels, spheres, small bowls, and more.

52 **" Beyond The Basic Bowl"** with Bill Grumbine Running time: 100 minutes, This DVD contains more advance turning projects than our # 48 DVD. With detailed instruction and tips through out, the DVD includes how to turn a natural edge bowl, winged bowl, and how to get three bowls from one blank.

Is there someone in our membership that can copy VHS tape to DVD's and would volunteer to take on this project? The CWT library has several tapes that are aging and should be converted to DVD's before the tapes are no longer useable. The DVD is the media of choice by most everyone so our tapes are becoming obsolete. Please contact Andy Smith, CWT Librarian, if you can help us.

"NO RENTAL FEES" items:

The "Techniques/Snapshots" listed below contain a wealth of techniques and projects by the "giants" of woodturning - and there is no fee!

2 Techniques/Snapshots from 1995 AAW Symposium Christian Burchard, Clay Foster, David Ellsworth, Bonnie Klein, Stuart Batty, Others

4 Techniques/Snapshots from 1996 AAW Symposium Rude Osolnik, Dave Lancaster, Gail Montgomerie, Robert Rosand, Palmer Sharpless, Jene-Francois, Others

35 Techniques/Snapshots from 1999 AAW Symposium: Chris Stott, Jacque Vesery, Mark St. Ledger

Recent Additions:

11 Techniques/Snapshots from 2006 AAW Symposium

12 Fundamentals of Sharpening

Woodturning Links

Here are some woodturning links that you might be interested in viewing.

- Craft Supply** <http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com>
800-551-8876 Woodturning Supplies
- Packard** <http://www.packardwoodworks.com> 800-683-8876 Woodturning Supplies
- American Association of Woodturners**
<http://www.woodturner.org> Woodturning Association.
- Klingsport** <http://www.woodworkingshop.com> 800-228-0000 Abrasives and woodturning supplies
- Highland Woodworking**
<http://www.highlandhardware.com> 800-241-6748
Woodworking tools, supplies
- The Cutting Edge** <http://www.cuttingedgetools.com>
800-790-7980 Turning and carving tools, supplies
- Penn State** <http://www.pennstateind.com> 800-377-7297 Woodturning tools, supplies
- Hut Products** <http://www.hutproducts.com> 800-547-5461 Woodturning tools, supplies
- Atlanta Wood Products**
<http://www.hardwoodweb.com> 800 964-7804
Specialty Hardwoods
- Woodcraft** <http://www.woodcraft.com> 800-225-1153
Woodworking and Hardware
- Rockler** <http://www.rockler.com> 800-279-4441
Woodworking and Hardware
- Wood magazine Forum**
<http://www.woodmagazine.com> Q and A on
Woodturning
- Woodworking Products**
<http://www.thebestthings.com> Woodworking products
and others

Woodturning Classes

- John C. Campbell Folk School**
<http://www.folkschool.org> 1-800 FOLK SCH
Brasstown, NC
- Arrowmont School of Arts & Crafts**
<http://www.arrowmont.org> 1-865-436-5860 Gatlinburg,
TN
- Highland Woodworking**
<http://www.highlandhardware.com> 800-241-6748
Atlanta, GA
- Woodcraft** <http://www.woodcraft.com> 800-225-1153
Roswell, GA

Woodturning Instruction

The following club members give private woodturning instruction in their shops. If you are interested in some personalized instruction or expanding your turning expertise, contact them for more information. Other members that would like to be included in this listing are invited to contact the editor.

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AAW Liaison Wes Jones
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..... Bob Black
Youth Training: Hal Simmons

Newsletter

If you have any suggestions, ideas, complaints or items to include please contact Jerry Chandler, Newsletter Chair. Also contact Jerry for free newsletter classified advertisements to list your surplus equipment or supplies for sale.

Help Wanted: Newsletter contributors – we need reporters who will take notes and report on monthly demonstrations, special woodturning events, member profiles, training, tips & tricks, etc. Please let Jerry know if you would like to help make this newsletter more relevant and useful.