



June Program:

This month's meeting will be on Thursday, June 19th at 6:30 PM in the Highland Woodworking upstairs activity room. Visitors are always welcome at our meetings. Our demonstrator will be June 19 - Rebekah Quattlebaum, Cumming, GA – Chess Pieces.

President's Message

I want to invite all of you who are coming to the upcoming AAW Symposium in Richmond to attend the Annual Chapters meeting. It will be held in Room B 15a in the Convention Center on Saturday, June 21, 2008 at 9:45 AM. This is a great opportunity to meet all your fellow Chapter presidents and to discuss topics and issues that are of interest to you and your Chapters. If you have items that you'd like to put on the meeting agenda, please contact me and/or Dan Albertus (albertus@alltel.net). Dan is president of the Chattahoochee Woodturners in Georgia and has offered to help with this meeting. We both want to have this meeting well attended and successful. Please contact us with agenda items, questions, comments or whatever. This is a reminder that Symposium attendees are encouraged to bring tops and turned toys for donation to the Children's Hospital in Richmond. If you would like to participate and are not planning to attend the Symposium and would like to contribute to this project, you can turn toys and give them to me or others that will be attending.

Leigh Brooks Vice President will be conducting the June meeting due to my being in Richmond for the AAW Symposium. Hope you enjoy Rebekah Quattlebaum's demonstration on making Chess Pieces at the June meeting. I will see all of you at the July meeting.

Danny McCravy
President

Future Club Demonstrations

Jim Sibley and Harvey Meyer have a great demonstration schedule set up for the remainder of the year:

June 19 - Rebekah Quattlebaum, Cumming, GA – Chess Pieces

July 17 - Bruce Bell, Australia

August 14 - John Lucas, Tennessee - Photography

September 18 - Jimmy Clewes, Great Britain

October 16 - Suzie Tindall, Atlanta - Ornamental Turning and Her Rose Engine Lathe

November 20 – Dave Lewis with Norton Abrasives – November

December 18 – Club Holiday Social

Turning Southern Style XIV Symposium

Turning Southern Style Symposium, is coming up September 19-21, 2008. This will be GAW's 14th woodturning symposium and is one of the longest continuously running symposiums in the country. The featured turners this year will be Jimmy Clewes, David Ellsworth, and Bonnie Klein. We expect this year's symposium to sellout early, so register now. Harvey Meyer is our Symposium Director and is working hard to make this the best one yet. Go to our website to register or get a symposium brochure and registration form from any club officer. Early payment discount expires August 1, 2008- save \$20 by registering before August 1, 2008.

Georgia National Fair

This year the Georgia National Fair in Perry, Georgia will be October 2-12. Due to the success of the woodturning exhibit last year, they have invited the woodturners of Georgia back again this year and will be greatly expanding the exhibit and sale. Last year was a huge success and we had 117 woodturned pieces exhibited. This year we hope to double that number.

Cash prizes and ribbons will be given in 5 different categories judged by Nick Cook. This year there will also be additional Awards of Merit and Honorable Mention awards. Many fair patrons and visitors also purchase the displayed work. Several members of our club sold pieces and received cash awards last year. This year there will be no requirement to have your entries jurored or to submit pictures to display your work. There is a \$5 entry fee per piece, but there is no commission paid upon sales.

The Georgia National Fair is an incredible opportunity to promote woodturning to the general public. For woodturners it is a chance to display some of the finest examples of woodturning we will see this year. The opportunity to sell your work and not have to pay a commission is also a nice bonus to woodturners.

During the fair, woodturning docents will be on duty to talk to the public about woodturning and to answer any questions about the pieces on display. Docents receive free parking and 2 free tickets to the fair. To volunteer as a docent or for more information about displaying your pieces, contact Fred Morris at rfmorris@bellsouth.net.

DVD/Video Tape Library

The Georgia Association of Woodturners (GAW) has instructional videos available for rental before each GAW meeting. A full list of the videos is shown on our website. Only members may rent tapes and DVDs. Rentals are \$2.00 per month. Rentals are limited to 2 tapes or DVDs per month, and the items must be returned the following month. Late fees of \$2.00 per month will be assessed for each item not returned on time. New titles are being added every month!

Woodturning Schools

The following schools in the Southeast offer classes in woodturning, as well as other arts and crafts. Check out their websites to see the scheduled course offerings.

John C. Campbell Folk School www.folkschool.org
Arrowmont School of Arts & Crafts www.arrowmont.org
Highland Woodworking www.highlandwoodworking.com
Appalachian Center for Crafts www.tntech.edu/craftcenter
Dogwood Institute School of Fine Woodworking
www.dogwoodwoodworking.com

Woodturning Instructors

The following GAW club members give private woodturning instruction in their own shops. Contact them for more information.

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www.gawoodturner.org/contact.shtml.