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President's Message

Dear GAW Members

This has been one hot summer and I for one am looking forward to some cooler weather as Fall approaches.

Georgia National Fair is coming up October 4th through 14th. From Fred Morris - attached is this years docent schedule. You can email me (Fred) your preferred time to serve. If you have questions, call me at 770-358-6500. Be aware there are 3 docents per time so initially there is no problem getting the time you want. WE NEED docents after 6 pm. This is the time we get most traffic. Docents are there to explain woodturning and to encourage people to vote for peoples choice awards. Last year over 2,000 people took a ballot, reviewed the work and voted for their favorite(s). The quality of work and the perception of the public of woodturning has increased and improved over the years.

See available Docent slots on next page...

If you are entering a piece to be judged your paperwork and photo have to be submitted by September 1st. Call Fred Morris with any questions 770-358-6500.

Please have all of your finished art to me, Mark Sillay, no later than September 6th so that I can deliver it to the Fair on September 7th. You can bring it to the meeting or you can call me at 404-556-1736 to arrange to bring it to my house at 2109 Willow Chase Court Tucker, GA 30084.

Sign up for the 2012 Symposium --> We are almost full.

Our Demonstrator this month is our own Nick Cook, one of the most famous and talented turners in the AAW. He will be demonstrating turning table lamps. Bring your notebooks and record all of the details.

Donate some of your old tools or things from your shop to our drawing. There may be some of our newer turners who need what you have grown out of.

Final Cuts on Bowls
Rules that will leave you with clean cuts and almost no torn grain.

Side Grain Bowls:

- Outside Final Cut: Starts from the base of the bowl and progresses to the rim.

- Inside Final Cut: Starts from the rim of the bowl and progresses to the center of the inside bottom of the bowl.

End Grain Bowls:

- Outside Final Cut: Starts from the rim of the bowl and progresses to the base of the bowl with the gouge aiming to the center of rotation.

- Inside Final Cut: Starts from the inside base at the center of rotation and progresses outward towards the rim.

Before any final cut, SHARPEN YOUR GOUGE.

Safe turning. Mark Sillay.

Reminders, Items of Interest

2012 Georgia National Fair—Docent Schedule

Date	Slot 1	Slot 2	Slot 3	Slot 4
October 4	3:00-6:00			
October 5	9:00- 12:00	12:00-3:00	3:00-6:00	
October 6	10:00-12:00	12:00-3:00	3:00-6:00	6:00-9:00
October 7	10:00-12:00	12:00-3:00	3:00-6:00	6:00-9:00
October 8	9:00- 12:00	12:00-3:00	3:00-6:00	6:00-9:00
October 9	9:00- 12:00	12:00-3:00	3:00-6:00	6:00-9:00
October 10	9:00- 12:00	12:00-3:00	3:00-6:00	6:00-9:00
October 11	9:00- 12:00	12:00-3:00	3:00-6:00	6:00-9:00
October 12	9:00- 12:00	12:00-3:00	3:00-6:00	6:00-9:00
October 13	10:00-12:00	12:00-3:00	3:00-6:00	6:00-9:00
October 14	10:00-12:00	12:00-3:00	3:00-6:00	6:00-9:00

New Steady Rest on The Market

Steve Pritchard

Carter Products, one of the vendors at the 2012 AAW Symposium, announced the availability of a new and revolutionary steady rest, which they call the MultiRest (TM). The product has been in development for about two years and makes using a steady rest much more convenient.

The "hoop" on most steady rests is one solid piece. This model is circular and is constructed in two pieces. Looking from the head stock, one piece covers from about 5:00 to 10:00 around the bottom and back of the circle.



The other section covers from 10:00 around to 5:00 on the top and front and completes the circle. The top front portion is bolted at the top and hinged at the lower front. Remove a bolt at the top and it swings forward and is then easily removed.

Normally, particularly with spindle turning, one has to decide whether a steady rest is necessary before work begins. Due to the swing away

feature, this model can be put in place or removed at any time during the turning process without requiring the tail stock to be moved out of the way. This unit has two design features that allow it to be used on large and small lathes. First, the wheel arm attachment points can be moved anywhere on the arc and the arms can be placed at any angle. This allows them to adjust for proper contact with work on any



Reminders, Items of Interest—Cont.

lathe from a mini up to a 20" swing. In addition, remove the front piece and you have a bowl steady.

Second, most steadies are designed for a specific model of lathe because their attachment block is of a fixed size and shape. This model features two independently adjustable spacer blocks that accommodate ways slots from 1" to 4.5". So, if one has a small lathe and moves up to a larger model, buying a new steady rest is not necessary or, if one has more than one size lathe, it will accommodate them all up to a 20" swing.

Finally, the MultiRest's double ring construction provides a rigid framework while weighing in at about half of comparable steel steady rests.

This unit will retail for approximately \$360 and is now shipping. Check them out [here](#).

Wood Available at Nick's Shop

Recently Nick Cook had cherry, magnolia, chestnut and some unidentified wood behind his shop free to anyone who is interested. Some of it has a pretty good size diameter. No need to ask for permission. It can be picked up at any time. Also, if anyone is interested he usually has five or ten, 30 gallon black plastic bags of shavings from his turning that also available and free. Most folks use it for ground cover or as garden mulch. Nick's shop is at:
Artisian Resource Center
585 Cobb Parkway South, Suite I
Marietta GA 30060

Wood Available from Wayne Germon

Steve Pritchard received a call recently from Wayne Germon. He has a nicely spalted red maple log that is from 12" up to about 20" and about 30' long. It is still in log form and can be cut to your specifications.

If interested, please contact him at 678-600-7821 or waynegermon@comcast.

Georgia National Fair—Details

by Wes Jones

It's almost time for our annual state fair in Perry. This is your chance to win fame and cash money for your woodturning. If you want to enter your woodturning pieces in the fair, you must do so before September 1st. Each entry will cost you \$5.00 and must have a picture submitted with it for identification purposes. There are different classes, such as bowls and hollow forms. Delivery of woodturnings will be on September 7 and 8.

[Here](#) are the rules for the woodturning competition.

[Here](#) is a link to print an entry form.

And [here](#) is a link to enter online.

If you love to talk about woodturning, sign-up to be a docent and help us educate the public about the hobby we love. Docents will get 2 free tickets to the fair and free close-in parking. You don't have to be an expert to be a docent – just be willing to share your knowledge and enthusiasm about woodturning with others. You will also be handing out ballots so that visitors can vote on the People's Choice award.

If you can work a 3-hour shift on a day from October 4 – 14, contact: Fred Morris rfmorris@bellsouth.net 770 358-6500 to sign-up. Talk to your friends and plan to go down to the fair to work together.

If you have additional questions, feel free to contact me: Wes Jones wwjones@comcast.net 770 972-6803

Demonstrations, Events

Upcoming GAW Demonstrators:

All meetings are the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm. See Contact page for location information.

- January 19th 2012—Alan Leland
- February 16th 2012—Joe Matwick, CA Glue Finishes
- March 15th 2012—Frank Bowers, Review of Hollowing systems, coring techniques
- April 19th 2012—Joe Gettys, Easy Wood Tools
- May 17th 2012—Leon Thomas, Surface Treat-

ments

- June 21st 2012—Turk Alliston, Unique Methods for Bowl Turning
- July 19th 2012—Ashley Harwood
- August 16th 2012—Nick Cook
- September 14th—16th 2012—**Turning Southern Style XVIII**
- September 20th 2012—
- October 18th 2012—
- November 15th 2012—Steve Pritchard
- December 20th 2012—

Instant Gallery Photos, July Meeting

July 2012 Instant Gallery

The quality of work our club members produce is always high, and consistently improving. Browse the pieces below and I think you will agree.



Two Poplar stools (different styles), made in a recent class—Denis Delahante

Disk with several carving and coloring techniques demonstrated. Made in a recent a class at Arrowmont—Steve Pritchard



Several small lidded boxes of various types of wood including: Cherry, zebrawood, Olive, Tambote, Walnut, Bocote, Eucalyptus, and more.—Harvey Meyer



Small Ambrosia Maple bowl—Kim Muthersbough

Large spalted Hackberry bowl, finished with Woodturners General finish—Ron Britton



Maple vessel with small opening (hollowed from the bottom), and dyed / textured design around top.—Wes Jones

Small bowl with multiple layers of various wood laminated together—Charlie Stevens



Small Pear, burned and carved vessel—Michael and Cynthia Gibson

Instant Gallery Photos, July Meeting—Cont.



Small Maple pencil cup (above) with burning and texturing. Also, two Maple lidded boxes (right), one with burning and texturing—Kevin Wood.



Multiple segmented ornaments with many different woods used—Jimmy Stripling

Two small lidded boxes, with segmented lids cut off from the ornaments—Jimmy Stripling



July Demonstrator—Ashley Harwood

Ashley demonstrated making a utility bowl using a push cut with her bowl gouge.



Rounding out the blank

Initial shaping of the outside



Working on the inside of the bowl

Final shaping of the outside of the bowl. Making the walls thinner.



Some of Ashley's finished products.



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 lim-

Take advantage of this valuable and money saving resource.

ited 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

Woodcraft of Atlanta www.woodcraft.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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Meeting Location:

GA Tech Digital Fabrication Lab
676 Marietta Street Atlanta, GA.
www.dbl.gatech.edu/dfi/home



The Georgia Association of Woodturners (GAW) is a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW), dedicated to providing education, information and organization to those interested in woodturning.

The GAW services those in the metro-Atlanta area. We meet on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 P.M. at the Ga Tech Digital Fabrication Lab near I-75 and North Ave. Meetings are open to all. Parking is at the Lab, and across the street at Randal Brothers.

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800-551-8876

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www.packardwoodworks.com

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American Association of Woodturners

www.woodturner.org

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Q & A on Woodturning

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www.gawoodturner.org/contact.shtml