

## GAW Newsletter — April 2013

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### President's Message

Dear GAW Members,

Spring has sprung! Open up your shops and let some fresh air in. Do some spring cleaning. Hoe out and throw out. Reorganize, rearrange and do all of those things that you have been thinking about doing to your shop to make it more user friendly. Make a list or set aside all of those items that you would want to sell or swap and then submit them to our ITEMS FOR SALE Section of our news letter just email the webmaster (webmaster@gawoodturner.org) with a photo (if you have one), item description, price and contact information.

Thank you to all of those that participated in demonstrating and hosting our booth at the Atlanta Woodworking Show. We were a hit and a special thanks to Ron Britton for all of his hard coordination work and coming up with a three station set up for the lathes that was much more show and crowd friendly.



**APRIL DEMONSTRATOR** - Warren Carpenter from Seneca, SC. Member and past treasurer of American Association of Woodturners, Member and past president of Carolina Mountain Woodturners. He is recognized na-

tionally as one of the leading woodturners in the USA specializing in natural edge bowls, platters and unique art pieces from burls, crotches, and especially beautiful ambrosia maple.

He is the master of the Liberon Oil finish. Here is a picture of Warren in his booth at the recent American Craft Council Show held here in March.



For more information about Warren's Hands On classes see the Reminders, Items of Interest page.

**MAY DEMONSTRATOR** - Mike Peace Adding threads to your turned objects. How to hand chase threads. Please note his article in the Feb 2013 AAW magazine, American Woodturner, about his shop made threading jig.

### AAW TAMPA SYMPOSIUM

Join us for the 27th international symposium, to be held at the Tampa Convention Center, Tampa FL, June 28-30. The Tampa Convention Center, 333 South Franklin Street, Tampa FL 33602, is only 7.5 miles from the airport.

Registration fees, hotel information and symposium information can be found at [www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org).

## *Presidents Message—Cont.*

### AAW Instant Gallery

The AAW's Instant Gallery is the largest display of turned-wood objects under one roof, and the work is both interesting and varied. Attendees, bring up to three of your best pieces to add to the excitement (demonstrators may display up to 6 pieces). Drop off your work at the Instant Gallery on Thursday, June 27 (3p to 7p), or Friday, June 28, starting at 7a. Pick up your pieces on Sunday after 3p. Sales during the symposium are between the seller and buyer.



### EOG Fundraiser Auction Donations

The Saturday night auction is the AAW's annual fundraiser for the Educational Opportunity Grants. One hundred percent of the proceeds from donated pieces go directly to members and chapters ... many members use lathes purchased by local chapters utilizing EOG funds, and hundreds of AAW members have received individual grants from EOG funds. The total money awarded for 2014 will depend on this year's auction proceeds.



### AAW Auction

Consider donating a piece to the auction and, of course, attend the auction and bid high and often! By submitting your piece early, we are able to work on pre-event publicity for the auction. Your donation

can be dropped off at the Instant Gallery in Tampa. Note that a 7% tax will be collected and paid to the State of Florida on all items purchased at the auction.

### IN MEMORY

We were all saddened to hear that Terry Smith passed away. He was very active in promoting woodturning in the Gray, GA area and helped out organizing and demonstrating at the woodworking shows.

### SAFETY TIP

If you are doing any wood burning to disguise cracks, burn surface designs, etc. while your object is still on the lathe, place an old cookie sheet or some aluminum foil under the object on the ways of the lathe. If a glowing ember happens to drop down into the usually dusty condition under the lathe you may ignite something. 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!!!! Also, be careful to use and store finishes, solvents, etc. as directed.

See you at the meeting Thursday night at 6:30 pm,  
Mark Sillay  
404-556-1736

## *Reminders, Items of Interest*

### *Warren Carpenter Hands on Class at Woodcraft—April 17th*

9 am - 4:30 pm 8560 Holcomb Bridge Road Alpharetta, GA.

This class will be for turners with "some" turning experience. The focus of the day will be on the bowl gouge. Thru a series of exercises we will work on control of the gouge. We will then turn several bowls work toward a finished bowl and finishing tech-

niques. Last minute sign ups -- call Mark Sillay 404-556-1736 Cost \$50.00 GAW Members \$100 Non members.

For those that want to attend his demonstrations:

For Atlanta Woodturning Guild on Wednesday night: at Woodcraft 7pm

1. What's In The Crotch of the Tree?

## *Reminders, Items of Interest—Cont.*

Key Points: This session will focus on many different ways to find and turn bowls out of the crotch of a tree.

I will show the attendees many different unique shaped bowls that can be found in the crotch of a tree. I will include discussions and demonstrations starting with getting the blanks out of the tree crotch and ready for the lathe. The focus will then turn to the use of the bowl gouge to safely turn several very unusual shaped bowls. Drying and finish are important topics of discussion for this session.

For GAW Thursday: at GA Tech Digital Fabrication Lab 676 Marietta Street 6:30 pm

1. Be Gentle, Don't Cut The Pith Out Of It!

Key Points: This session will focus on turning bowls that may contain the pith when finished.

Attendees will learn new ways to look at the log to find new or unique shaped bowls. I will include discussions and demonstrations starting with getting the blank out of the log and ready for the lathe. The focus will then turn to the use of the bowl gouge to safely turn several bowls. Drying and finish are important topics of discussion for this session.

### *Special Hands On Classes With Warren Carpenter*

Special 2 student hands on sessions will be held Thursday and Friday 9am to 4pm at Mark Sillay's shop 2109 Willow Chase Court Tucker, GA 30084 for those who wish to have advanced personal training with Warren. Cost \$150 per person. Call Mark Sillay 404-556-1736 for reservations.

### *2013 Southern States Symposium*

April 26, 27 and 28, 2013. \$150 Early registration.

Featured Demonstrators for 2013:

- Keith Gotschall from Salida, CO
- Dick Sing from Joliet, IL
- Al Stirt from Enosburg, VT and
- Jacques Vesery from Damariscotta, ME

New Location for 2013: Clarence Brown Conference Center, Cartersville, GA

For more information:

[www.southernstatessymposium.org/home](http://www.southernstatessymposium.org/home)  
[www.BrownConferenceCenter.com](http://www.BrownConferenceCenter.com)

### *AAW Symposium Tampa, FL*

JUNE 28 - 30, 2013

Start your projects now for the instant gallery. Go to the AAW Website [www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org) for all the symposium info.

### *Turning Southern Style Symposium 2013*

September 20, 21, 22 Dalton, GA

This is our GAW fundraiser. Please block out these days on your calendar now and prepare to volunteer your time to help set up and to help clean up. Prepare to donate some of your turned art to our auction to raise money for our scholarship fund. Also bring your work to our Instant Gallery for everyone to see during the symposium. Online registration is now open. Click [here](#)

## 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 17th 2013—Joe Ruminiski
- February 21st 2013—Brian Sykes, Teapots, wall tiles, tools and finishes
- March 21st 2013—Mark Gardner
- April 18th 2013—Warren Carpenter
- May 16th 2013—Mike Peace—hand chasing threads
- June 20th 2013—
- July 18th 2013—
- August 15th 2013—
- September 19th 2013—
- September 20th—22th 2013—Turning

### Southern Style XIX

- October 17th 2013—
- November 21st 2013—
- December 19th 2013—Christmas Party

### 2013 AAW Symposium—Tampa FL

The AAW Symposium in Tampa, FL will be June 28th - 30th, 2013. Online registration is open.

### Turning Southern Style Symposium 2013

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## March Instant Gallery

### March 2013 Instant Gallery

The March meeting found our members bringing a variety of excellent work, as usual. Enjoy the photos below.



Cherry bowls carved and ebonized—Roman Stankus



Unfinished vessel, carved—Roman Stankus

Yew natural edge vase—Eugene Hertzler



Curly Mango vessel—Harvey Meyer

Southwest basket illusion" platters made from Maple and dyed with alcohol markers—Harvey Meyer



Cherry burl vessel with void—Harvey Meyer



Cherry goblet—Harvey Meyer



Cherry burl vessel with sapwood—Harvey Meyer

### March Instant Gallery—Cont.



Ambrosia Maple vase—Harvey Meyer



Cherry vase with natural edge—Peggy Schmid



Three Cherry bowls with various shapes and sizes—George Daughtry

Box Elder vessel with Ebony threaded finial—Peggy Schmid



Spalted, quilted Ambrosia Maple vessel with black finial—Marty Wildes

Ambrosia Maple vessel



Square bowl, burned on top and dyed multiple colors (bottom) - Jack Morse



Rimmed bowl, dyed (inside and outside) - Jack Morse



Big Leaf Maple, dyed, book matched platter—Jack Morse

#### Selected photos of Mark Gardner

Mark delivered an interesting talk on an easier way of hollowing—split the piece into two halves, hollow each, and then join them. Here are a few selected photos of the process.



Roughing out the shape



Fitting the body into the top

## March Instant Gallery—Cont.



Drawing out what he wants the shape to be, and also determining the planned thickness of the bottom.

Nifty little tool that shows contours to help with form and design.



Some of Mark's finished work...



## 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](http://www.folkschool.org)

Arrowmont School of Arts & Crafts [www.arrowmont.org](http://www.arrowmont.org)

Highland Woodworking [www.highlandwoodworking.com](http://www.highlandwoodworking.com)

Appalachian Center for Crafts [www.tntech.edu/craftcenter](http://www.tntech.edu/craftcenter)

Woodcraft of Atlanta [www.woodcraft.com](http://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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*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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Woodturning Association

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[www.woodturnerscatalog.com](http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com)  
800-551-8876  
Woodturning Supplies

Packard  
[www.packardwoodworks.com](http://www.packardwoodworks.com)  
800-683-8876  
Woodturning Supplies

Klingspor  
[www.woodworkingshop.com](http://www.woodworkingshop.com)  
800-228-0000  
Abrasives and woodturning supplies

Highland Woodworking  
[www.highlandhardware.com](http://www.highlandhardware.com)  
800-241-6748  
Woodworking tools, supplies

Peachtree Woodworking  
Supply Inc.  
[www.ptreeusa.com](http://www.ptreeusa.com)  
888-512-9069  
Turning and carving tools, supplies

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[www.pennstateind.com](http://www.pennstateind.com)  
800-377-7297  
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800-547-5461  
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Atlanta Wood Products  
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Woodcraft of Atlanta  
[www.woodcraft.com](http://www.woodcraft.com)  
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## Closing

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[www.gawoodturner.org/contact.shtml](http://www.gawoodturner.org/contact.shtml)