

GAW Newsletter — November 2013

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President's Message

Dear GAW Members,
Our last few weeks have been full of fall colored leaves, crisp clear air and lathes spinning out Christmas ornaments and gifts. A special thanks to Betty Fugate and Steve Mellott who came to my shop to make pine ornaments for children to paint in the activities room at Eggleston Children's Hospital. My offer still stands that my shop is open to anyone who wants to come and hang out and turn ornaments to donate. Does anyone have any turning tools or shop equipment they would like to donate to Daniel Baltimore, one of our wounded warriors who has really made therapeutic progress through woodturning. Just call me to make arrangements. 404-556-1736

CONGRATULATIONS DENIS DELEHANTY.

GAW Member Denis Delehanty has just been elected to serve on the Board of Directors for the American Association of Woodturners. If you have any issues or ideas that you would like brought to the attention of the AAW now is the time. Denis will be an excellent level headed business and results oriented person to have on the AAW Board.

GAW PICNIC

Our GAW Annual Picnic was held November 16, 2013 at Danny and Jane Mc Cravy's beautiful lakeside home located in Douglasville, GA. I was unable to attend but, from the reports I got, everyone had a great time and enjoyed the country stew, peach cobbler, wood turning demon-

strations and the good friendly conversation,

VENDOR THANK YOU

Thank you to Atlanta Hardwoods for putting on WOODTOBERFEST. The weather was super. The demonstrations were great. Funds were raised for the Wounded Warriors. The tool swap was fun and everyone raved about the smoked brats from the grill.

Thank you to WOODCRAFT for their huge sale and demo event. The store was full of people with at least 6 different demonstrations going on at all times for both days. Steve Quehl and his staff worked their hot dog buns off and were fantastic hosts to a very large crowd. It was a very educational and friendly event for woodturners and woodworkers.

NOVEMBER DEMONSTRATOR - SKIP WILBUR

Skip Wilbur is currently the president of the Mid-South Woodturners in Memphis, TN. His many years of woodturning experience on all types of woodturning projects will be focused on fine lidded box skills. His hands on workshop at Woodcraft Wednesday November 20, 2013 will be "Thinking Inside the Box".

"Thinking Inside the Box" - This workshop will produce boxes with a slip fit lid. Skip says "it will be enhanced with the addition of a special noted item on the interior". Together we will discuss safety, design, technique and finishing. We will practice spindle turning and end grain hollowing. With

Presidents Message—Cont.

Christmas is fast approaching this promises to be a great gift to that very special person on your list. His many years of woodturning experience on all types of woodturning projects will be a treat for all that attend.

ELECTIONS

Please volunteer to help our club in the capacity of a Board Member at Large, Program Chairman or Symposium Chairman. Please consider this if you are a newer member or an older member and would like to be more involved in helping to direct our club. Call Ron Britton at 770-253-0882.

SAFETY TIP

When using the drill press in your shop set up a fence and clamp system to hold the object that you are drilling. Holding what your drilling freehand can lead to an accident if the drill binds and starts spinning the object you are holding.

When drilling on your lathe remember that the Ja-

cobs Chuck can pull or vibrate out of the Morse Taper on the headstock or the tailstock whichever way you are using it. When extracting the drill always put pressure on to the Jacobs Chuck directed back to the Morse Taper so that it doesn't pull out.

Slow the drilling speed down so you don't burn the wood and relieve the chip build up often so the drill bit doesn't seize up in the wood.

DECEMBER MEETING

Elections
Membership Voting on changes to GAW By-Laws
Christmas Party

See You at the Meeting,
Mark Sillay
President
404-556-1736

Demonstrations, Events, Reminders

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—Nick Agar
- July 18th 2013—Frank Bowers
- August 15th 2013—Harvey Meyer
- September 19th 2013—Stuart Mortimer—Demo Ideas being solicited now
- September 20th—22th 2013—Turning Southern Style XIX
- October 17th 2013—Dixie Biggs
- November 21st 2013—Skip Wilbur
- December 19th 2013—Christmas Party

GAW Christmas Party

Don't forget about our annual Christmas party next month. December 19th at the usual meeting place. Pizza will be provided. Bring a dessert to share, if you are so inclined.

Time to pay your GAW Dues (and AAW)

As we approach the end of this year, it is time to pay your GAW dues for 2014. Our dues are still the lowest of any woodturning club in the metro Atlanta area. And with our subsidized hands-on workshops, great demos, and scholarship program for woodturning training you can't get better value for your money.

Dues are \$25 per year or \$30 for a family. You can pay Wes Jones, our Treasurer, at the meeting or send him a check at:

Wes Jones – Treasurer
591 Battersea Drive
Lawrenceville, GA 30044

2014 GAW Elections

The nominating committee of Fred Morris, Jim Hutchinson and Wes Jones have put forth the following candidates to be voted on in December:

- President—Steve Pritchard
- Vice President—Doug McCulloch
- Treasurer—Harvey Meyer
- Secretary—Bob Black
- Member at Large—Open
- Newsletter—Bob Lough and George Daughtry

October Instant Gallery

The instant gallery was a little thin last month. Enjoy the photos of this work below. Contact the turner with questions.

Bring some of your work to share this month.



A 'Stuart Mortimer like' carved vase—Kevin Wood



Two twisted stem goblets—Kevin Wood



A Cherry sphere—Kevin Wood

Dixie Biggs Demo—Relief Carving, leaves



Laying the shape of two overlapping leaves out on a disc. Removing some wood from the surface around the outside of the first leaf, and beginning to outline the 2nd leaf.



Beginning to use a different burr in her power carver to give some depth and three dimensionality to the leaves.



Finishing giving depth to the leaves and to define the veins of each leaf.



Showing different techniques for texturing and burning the leaves for other effects.



Showing a shop made small sanding tool for working around the edges.

October Instant Gallery—Cont.



Some of Dixie's sample pieces and finished work.



2013 GAW Picnic



The weather was great, and Danny and Jane were very generous in opening their home and grounds to the club.



Several folks turned some small projects...



And others just socialized.



Georgia National Fair 2013



The food and drinks were delicious: grilled pork loin, corn bread, collards, beans, home

made beef stew

and all topped off with several desserts including Danny's specialty— peach cobbler, cooked over an open fire.



After all that, several folks took a walk around Danny & Jane's private lake to burn off a few calo-



ries.

The view from across the lake towards Danny & Jane's beautiful home.



It was a great time again this year. A time to socialize, relax, reflect and have fun with your GAW friends.

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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www.woodturner.org
Woodturning Association

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www.woodturnerscatalog.com
800-551-8876
Woodturning Supplies

Packard
www.packardwoodworks.com
800-683-8876
Woodturning Supplies

Klingspor
www.woodworkingshop.com
800-228-0000
Abrasives and woodturning supplies

Highland Woodworking
www.highlandhardware.com
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Q & A on Woodturning

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Your GAW questions, comments and suggestions are always welcome. You may contact any officer through the contact information in this newsletter, or our website's contact webpage:

www.gawoodturner.org/contact.shtml