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. GAW serves those in the metro-Atlanta area. Click here to follow us on Facebook.

When: Third Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM.

Where: GA Tech Digital Fabrication Lab
676 Marietta St.
Atlanta, GA 30318  (map)

Parking is at the Lab and across the street at Randall Brothers.

Meetings are open to all!

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**President’s Message**

I would like to extend a welcome to all members and non members that might be joining us at our monthly meetings. If you are a guest or new member, please introduce yourself to me and others at the meetings. We start gathering around 6 and start the meetings at 6:30. Our programs are meant to educate and we are all willing to share ideas and learn from each other.

Jeff Roberts will be demonstrating walking canes at this month's meeting. I have taken to the use of a trekking pole on my morning walks, so this is really good timing for me.

The national AAW symposium is starting as I write this message. The program appears to be jam packed with great demonstrators and events. If you were in Portland and saw something that you would like to see at one of our monthly meetings, please let us know. This could be a great help in making up the programs for next year.

Until next month, keep turning.

Charlie Levan

**May 17th Demonstrator: Jeff Roberts**

Jeff will be demonstrating turning of walking canes. This work is an extension of turning and Jeff is an artist in this area. You can see a gallery of his work here.
Upcoming Hands-On Workshop—July

Please join us for an exciting class with Dixie Biggs on Wednesday, July 18th. This class is currently reserved for GAW members, but registration will be open to anyone on June 27. So please book before June 27.

We will be using rotary power carvers for this hands-on session. Dixie will take you, step by step, through the process she uses to create her "leaf wrapped" vessels. You don't need any previous experience with power carving, just a desire to learn the techniques. The fee for GAW members is $37.50 for the all-day session!

Register for the workshop here.

May Demo

At our May meeting Ron Thomas demonstrated techniques to get an amazing finish using various dyes and auto polishes/waxes:

Turning For the Blind

Last year we started our chapter’s program to teach woodturning to those who are visually impaired. We have found this program to be rewarding for the clients AND the instructors. We’ve now moved to bi-weekly instruction as we’ve moved through the initial list of interested clients.

At right Charlie Self assisting a totally blind client in turning a couple of bottle stoppers. She was very excited and didn’t want to stop turning until time was up for the session.

If you are interested in helping with this rewarding project, we can always use instructors. However, if you do not want to instruct, but would still like to help, we could use a few people to periodically prep blanks. If you would like to participate email Steve Pritchard at gawoodturners@gawoodturner.org.
WIT EXCHANGE Sept 5-7, 2018

Come enjoy a unique experience of exchanging ideas, techniques, and creative processes. Each day will be a new beginning of turning, carving, embellishing, and sharing. The WIT EXCHANGE will be held September 5-7, 2018, at Arrowmont Arts and Crafts School in Gatlinburg, TN.

The concept of the WIT EXCHANGE is based on "process rather than product." We invite ALL skill levels.

The cost is $300 ($360 for non-AAW members) for event registration and meals. Room accommodations can be made through Arrowmont (865-436-5860 or https://www.arrowmont.org/contact/) or on your own at local hotels. Registration for event and rooms will open March 7th. Registration will be limited to 45 participants. If registration is full, you can still sign up and be added to the wait list.

If you are not currently an AAW member, WIT is offering incentive memberships through your AAW WIT chapter liaisons or your AAW chapter president.

Cancellation and Refund policy: There will be no refunds except in the case of a medical family emergency and no refunds two weeks prior to the event. Although we can not offer a refund, you may transfer your registration to another person if you must cancel your registration.

EXCHANGE Registration: www.woodturner.org/default.asp?page=WITExchange

Registration opens Wednesday, March 7th, at noon central time.

See you September 5th!
The 2018 Symposium
“Turning Southern Style”
September 21 - 23, 2018
Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center, Dalton, GA
New This Year—Friday Night Activities (7:00-8:30):

*There will be reserved tables for a “Women in Turning” meet & greet. 7:00-8:30 P.M.

Special interest sessions:

Session 1: Segmenting with Pete Marken – Ever wonder how to make a Vortex bowl? Join Pete for a discussion on how the blanks are glued up and slicked, how the rings are made, and how they are all stacked together. Pete will also discuss the jigs and fixtures used.

Session 2: Selling your Work Q & A Panel – Bring your questions about selling at craft shows, galleries, and everything in between to be answered by our panel members. Panel: Steve Pritchard, Nick Cook, & others.

Session 3: Newbies corner – This session offers new turners a chance to ask basic questions in a comfortable, low key atmosphere. Bring your beginner to intermediate level turning problems for our panel of experts to help solve.

Session 4: See What’s Trending at the American Association of Woodturners (AAW) – Drop in to learn about new initiatives and member benefits, including the brand new Demonstrator Direct online tool. Note: This session will be open from 5-5:30 & 7-8:00 P.M., so you can drop in earlier if you plan to attend one of the other sessions.

Vendor 1-on-1 Demos: Want to try before you buy? Some of our vendors are offering one-on-one product demos in their booths during this time. Look for more information on this page closer to the symposium.

For more information & to register. www.gawoodturner.org/symposium
Continue to follow symposium status on Facebook—here!

Reach for the Top

In the past, Turning Southern Style has supported Beads of Courage (BoC) by donating boxes and we encourage attendees to donate boxes again in 2018. However, our focus this year comes from Jean Gribbon, founder of BoC. She has suggested a partnership with Turning Southern Style to create artistic spinning tops which BoC will use for an upcoming fund raiser. The tops will highlight their connection with the woodturning community and their “arts in medicine” mission. Guidelines and inspiration can be found on the Reach for the Top project page!

Keep those tops spinning!!
May Instant Gallery

Victoria Skye
Top in a Box
Unknown wood
Wax finish

Dan Talcott

Bud Vase
Silver Maple

Bud Vase
Silver Maple

Small Vases
Silver Maple

Andy Bennett

Natural Edge Bowl
Magnolia

Jim Hutchinson

Lots of tops
Various woods,
Dyed, Py-
May Instant Gallery (continued)

**Wes Jones**
Big Leaf Maple Burl
Orange Dye, Epoxy

**Tony Raffalovich**
Ambrosia Maple

**Elisabeth Ross**
Bud Vase
Box Elder
EEE and Spar Urethane

Tea Lite Holders
Maple and Cherry
EEE and Spar Urethane

DVD Top

**Jeff Barnes**
Square Platter
Black Milk Paint

**Ed Perkerson**
Natural Edge Bowl
Wipe-On Poly
Woods

1. Acacia
2. African Blackwood
3. Albizia Lebbeck
4. Apple
5. Ash
6. Ash, White
7. Aspen
8. Australian Brown Mallee
9. Australian Pine
10. Australian Red Mallee
11. Australian Yellow Box
12. Australian White Top Burl
13. Autumn Olive
14. Balsa
15. Beech
16. Birch, Masur
17. Birch, River
18. Birch, Sweet
19. Blackwood
20. Blackwood, African
21. Bloodwood
22. Box Elder
23. Buckeye
24. Bulbinga
25. Butternut
26. Camellia
27. Camphor
28. Canarywood
29. Cape Beech
30. Cedar
31. Chake Viga
32. Cherry
33. Cherry, Yoshino
34. Chinese Chestnut
35. Chinese Privet
36. Cedar, Spanish
37. Chinaberry
38. Cocobola
39. Costello
40. Crepe Myrtle
41. Cryptomeria
42. Dogwood
43. Ebony
44. Elm
45. Eucalyptus
46. Ginkgo
47. Hickory
48. Holly
49. Hop-hornbeam
50. Ipe
51. Ironwood
52. Ironwood, Southern
53. Juniper
54. Katalox
55. Kingswood
56. Koa
57. Lignum Vitae
58. Locust
59. Longan, Dimocarpus
60. Madrone
61. Magnolia
62. Mahogany
63. Mahogany, Cuban
64. Makore
65. Maple, (Ambrosia)
66. Maple, (Birdseye)
67. Maple, Big Leaf
68. Maple, Red
69. Maple, Hard
70. Maple, Soft
71. Mesquite
72. Mimosa
73. Mora
74. Monkeypod
75. Movingui
76. Mulberry
77. Nara
78. Norfolk Island Pine
79. Oak
80. Oak, English Brown
81. Oak, Live
82. Oak, Post
83. Oak, Red
84. Oak, Water
85. Oak, White
86. Orange Agate
87. Osage Orange
88. Padauk
89. Paulownia
90. Pear
91. Pear, Bradford
92. Pear, Bartlett
93. Pecan
94. Persimmon
95. Pine
96. Pine, Eastern White
97. Pine, Norfolk Island
98. Plum
99. Poplar
100. Privet
101. Purpleheart
102. Redbud
103. Red Tip Photina
104. Rosewood
105. Rosewood, Yucatan
106. Sapelo
107. Satinwood, Nigerian
108. Saurwood
109. Sweet Gum
110. Sycamore
111. Sycamore, English
112. Tasmanian Rose Myrtle
113. Tasmanian Rose Myrtle
114. Tulip Poplar
115. Tulipwood
116. Walnut
117. Walnut, Brazilian
118. Walnut, Claro
119. Wenge
120. Yellowheart

Other Materials

1. Black Rice
2. Dymalux
3. Rose Bush Stem
4. Tagua Nut

Instant Gallery Woods and “Other Materials”

Following is a link to a Fine Woodworking chart (with information drawn from several professional organizations) that lists woods that are known to cause respiratory problems and/or allergic reactions:

http://www.finewoodworking.com/1977/12/01/toxic-woods

AAW also has information on wood toxicity:

http://www.woodturner.org/default.asp?page=toxicity

Always protect yourself from wood dust, especially when sanding—just because a wood doesn’t appear

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

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DVD and Video Tape Library

The Georgia Association of Woodturners (GAW) has instructional VHS and DVD videos available for rental before each GAW meeting. A partial listing of the videos is on the GAW website here. Only members may rent tapes and DVDs. Rentals are $2.00 per month. Rentals are limited to 2 tapes or DVDs 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 frequently so come early to the meeting and check out a video.

Woodturning Schools in the Southeast

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
Arrowmont School of Arts & Crafts
Highland Woodworking
Appalachian Center for Craft
Woodcraft of Atlanta

Editor’s Note

Newsletter Content - Please let me know if you have any comments or suggestions for the Newsletter. Each month I look for some little additional content for the newsletter I welcome your shop notes, safety tips, links to interesting woodturning websites, items for sale or exchange, etc. And if you see something humorous that has a woodturning or woodworking connection, pass it along. You can reach me via email (editor@gawoodturner.org, at the monthly meetings, or by phone (770-872-0910).
American Association of Woodturners
Woodturning Association
Tools and Supplies
Bear Tooth Woods
Specialty pen kits
Best Wood Tools
Specialized woodturning tools
Craft Supply
Woodturning Supplies
Craft ID
Signature medallions
Earth’s Watch
Wooden jewelry and watches
Franck Johannesen
Woodturning
Geiger’s Solutions
Robust Lathes and accessories
Klingspor
Abrasives and woodturning supplies
Hartville Tool
15% discount for GAW members
Highland Woodworking
Woodworking tools, supplies
Hunter Tool Systems
Carbide woodturning tools
Hut Products
Woodturning tools, supplies
John Jordan Woodturning
Woodturning tools and more
JT Turning Tools
Woodturning tools & accessories
Lyle Jamieson Tools
Hollowing tools
OneWay Manufacturing
Lathes and accessories
Packard
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Turning and carving tools, supplies
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Woodworking and Hardware
Ron Brown’s Best
Woodturning tools and videos
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Abrasives and sanding equipment
SS Niles Bottle Stoppers
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AAW’s growing collection of instructional videos
Woodturning Videos
Excellent woodturning videos
Mike Peace’s Woodturning YouTube Channel
Mike adds new woodturning videos each week

Hartville Tool Discount Program
The Hartville Tool discount program offers GAW club members a 15% discount on regularly priced woodworking items (some restrictions apply), plus free ground shipping. You are entitled to this discount if you are a member of GAW in North Woods. Use coupon code “WOODTURNERS” at checkout.

GAW Club members can get 15% discount on website wood purchases from North Woods. Use coupon code “WOODTURNERS” at checkout.

Closing
The opinions expressed in this monthly newsletter of the Georgia Association of Woodturners, do not necessarily reflect those of the Editor, Officers, or the GAW. Woodturning Schools and Instructors listed in this Newsletter are not recommended or endorsed by the GAW, but are made available to the GAW members and others as a convenience only. Your GAW questions, comments and suggestions are always welcome.
If you want to save some time with your next GAW Instant Gallery entry……