President’s Message

Happy New Year!

Below you will find some pictures of our Christmas party gift exchange—a fun event for all in attendance. At the December meeting we also recognized Harvey Meyer with a Lifetime Membership Award. I’m sure all of you have been influenced or inspired by his work and are grateful for all of his contributions to our club. We also welcomed our new board members and thanked those leaving. You will find the updated board listed below. Thanks to all members and guests that attended the party.

Jeff Barnes is diligently working on this year’s program. We really need your help in providing lodging and local transportation for our demonstrators. There is a lot of work in making arrangements for demonstrators and the ultimate success for a program depends on executing on all the logistics of the event. Jeff needs support from all of us to make this work, so PLEASE HELP THE CLUB (AND JEFF) by being a Host.

If you have not yet renewed your membership, please do so as soon as possible.

Charlie Levan

January 18th: Curt Theobald

This month Curt Theobald will be with us for our January meeting demonstrating segmenting designs and/or open segmenting.

Curt’s Artist’s Statement:
My current body of work utilizes the passion for assembly I learned at an early age. The technical challenges I create for myself in working from vision to object provide great satisfaction. My goal is to speak to the viewer of my work through the intricacies of the wood grain. The emotion the wood can convey through the use of the grain of the material as it works in harmony with the shape of the forms is compelling. It invites the viewer along on a journey—a journey of a deeper, more contemplative experience. More about Curt: http://www.curttheobald.com/

AAW News

Videos of the month—2 for 1 this month:
AAW Video on tool sharpening—it’s long (1.5 hours) but thorough
AAW Video on tool honing
December GAW Meeting

Our December meeting was our annual holiday party and gift exchange! A good time was had by all:

![Images of people enjoying the event]

Turning for the Blind

Last summer we launched our chapter’s program to teach woodturning to those who are visually impaired. The program introduces woodturning to clients of the Atlanta Center for the Visually Impaired who are partially sighted to totally blind. After having turned keychains and pens we have had responses exhibiting pride to having a totally blind client ask how much it would cost to buy his own lathe!

Instructors so far: Jim Hardy, John Stewart, Charlie Self, Andy Bennett, Charlie Levan, David Laney, John Stewart, Steve Pritchard, Wayne Johnson and Scott Questad.

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.

GAW Hands-On Workshops

Hands-On Workshops are one of the terrific benefits of GAW membership. The workshops are a wonderful way to gain new skills or to sharpen your technique. There are three more workshops scheduled this year. In August is a workshop with Glenn Lucas. Next, there will be a workshop in September with Harvey Meyer. Then in October, Harvey Meyer will do a basket illusion workshop. As a rule, the opportunity to sign up for a workshop is offered to GAW members first and the price for GAW members is almost always discounted. Keep your eye on your email for announcements and remember to sign up early. The limited number of spaces often go quickly.
The 2018 Symposium
“Turning Southern Style”
September 21 - 23, 2018
Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center
Dalton, GA

Symposium Kickoff

It’s a new year and that means time to plan for this year’s Turning Southern Style Symposium!

Mark your calendars:
The date has been selected and booked: September 21-23, 2018.

Demonstrators have been named:

Nick Agar—http://www.turningintoart.com/
Graeme Priddle/Melissa Engler - https://www.arttoursasheville.com/melissa-engler-graeme-priddle-1
Mark Palma—http://www.woodturner.org/default.asp?page=30YearPalma
Peggy Schmid—http://www.peggyschmid.com/
Mike Peace—http://mikepeacewoodturning.blogspot.com/
Frank Bowers— I’ll leave it to you to “google” Frank—he shows up in too many places online to limit to one link!

There will be much more information on the symposium and the demonstrators as the year unfolds. Be ready to roll up your sleeves as we will need many hands to make the symposium a success!

Follow symposium status on Facebook—here!

GAW Membership

Remember—a new year means membership renewal!

Dues are cheap - just $25 for an individual or $30 for a family membership. They are a real bargain compared to the numerous benefits of membership. Benefits of membership include the excellent demonstrations at the monthly meetings, reduced registration for special Hands-On Workshops, and scholarships for woodturning training.

Our treasurer, Carl Davis, will gladly accept your cash, check or credit card at the next meeting. You can also pay via our website. If you pay by cash or check, instead of with a credit card, GAW gets to keep more of the money. Credit card fees cost the club over $100 for the past 12 months. So, consider paying Carl at the next meeting by cash or check.

American Association of Woodturners Membership

Remember that AAW dues need to be renewed too!

If you are new to woodturning, the AAW is offering a 3-month trial membership for $20. Find the details here.

$20 INTRODUCTORY MEMBERSHIP
Woods

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

Other Materials

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

Instant Gallery Woods and “Other Materials”

Wood Safety

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 on the list doesn’t mean its dust should be breathed!
Calendar of Events

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Woodturning Instruction

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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

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.

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).

Scott Questad
Woodturning Resources

- **American Association of Woodturners**
  Woodturning Association

**Tools and Supplies**
- **Bear Tooth Woods**
  Speciality 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**
  Woodturning Supplies
- **Peachtree Woodworking Supply**
  Turning and carving tools, supplies
- **Penn State**
  Woodturning tools, supplies
- **Rockler**
  Woodworking and Hardware
- **Ron Brown’s Best**
  Woodturning tools and videos
- **Sanding Glove**
  Abrasives and sanding equipment
- **SS Niles Bottle Stoppers**
  Stainless steel bottle stoppers
- **Thompson Lathe Tools**
  High quality steel woodturning tools
- **Vinces WoodNWonders**
  Sanding products
- **Woodcraft of Atlanta**
  Woodworking and Hardware
- **Woodturners Wonders**
  Lathe lamps & CBN wheels
- **Woodturningz**
  Pen kits and woodturning supplies

**Magazines**
- **More Woodturning**
  Woodturning magazine

**Woodturning**
- **The British woodturning magazine**

**Wood magazine Forum**
- [www.woodmagazine.com](http://www.woodmagazine.com)
- Q & A on Woodturning

**Websites**
- **AAW Video Library**
  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**

**Wood Sources**
- **AustralianBurls**
  Burls from Australia
- **Bell Forest**
  Figured and Exotic woods
- **Big Monk Lumber**
  Exotic woods
- **Century Tree Turnings**
  Woodturning blanks
- **Got Wood?**
  Source of Wood turning blanks from Piedmont area of South Carolina
- **Hardwoods Incorporated**
  Specialty Hardwoods
- **North Woods**
  Figured Wood from Northwest Oregon
- **Two Tree Boyz Wood**
  Selling locally harvested green wood

Contact Elizabeth Ross at twotreelloyz@yahoo.com

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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 good standing. Steve Pritchard sent in the entire membership roster, so are signed up if you paid your dues on time.

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

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Closing

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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.