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!

Inside this issue:

President’s Message

I have to keep this message short this month due to a lot of activity in building/moving. So here it is:

Please renew your membership as soon as possible. It is the best deal in town. Then after you have done that, consider signing up for the Wood show or the American Craft Council show. Both of these are in March at the Galleria.

Now, I’m off to talk to the painters at my new house. Have fun turning.

Charlie Levan

February 15th: Frank Bowers

Frank Bowers will be with us for our February meeting demonstrating his tri-corner box.

Our own Frank Bowers needs no introduction to the GAW. He has been a member for many years and had demonstrated many times as well. He teaches woodturning privately and can be found teaching bowl turning at Highland Woodworking. You can find Frank at woodturning clubs across the southeast as well!

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
Take advantage of this opportunity to support Wes, and woodturning in general. Admission is free—so the first requirement for the average woodturner is met! More information about this exhibit can be found here: http://thehudgens.org/event/gallery-exhibition-the-nature-of-wood-with-wes-jones/

I’ll see you at show!
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. Acacia
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. Bubinga
24. Butternut
25. Camellia
26. Camphor
27. Canarywood
28. Cape Beech
29. Cedar
30. Chakte Viga
31. Cherry
32. Cherry, Yashino
33. Chinese Chestnut
34. Chinese Privet
35. Cedar, Spanish
36. Chinaberry
37. Cocobolo
38. Costello
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. Kou
56. Lignum Vitae
57. Locust
58. Longan, Dimocarpus
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 Photina
103. Rosewood
104. Rosewood, Yucatan
105. Sapele
106. Satinwood, 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

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### 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:


AAW also has information on wood 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!
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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
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 you are signed up if you paid your dues on time.

Hartville Tool
15% discount for GAW members

Highland Woodworking
Woodworking tools, supplies

Hunter Tool Systems
Carbide woodturning tools

Hut Products
Woodturning tools, supplies

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

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.