

November 2004 Newsletter

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November Meeting
Read the November Club Minutes here.

This month's GAW meeting will be at 7:00 pm on Thursday, November 18 at Highland Hardware. Our program will be by our own members. We will have 4 or 5 people turning simultaneously on mini-lathes, demonstrating making various styles of Christmas ornaments.

Officer Nominations and Election

Bill Dean has been serving as the Chairman of our Nominating Committee. He reports that the current club officers are willing to serve again next year in their current positions. Other members that are also willing to serve as club officers are invited to submit their names to Bill Dean as soon as possible. Bill can be contacted at 770 428-1682 billhdean@msn.com We will vote on club officers at our December meeting. Club officer positions are President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary. Officers must be members of the AAW.

Christmas Ornaments

Our meeting this Thursday will be the last opportunity to bring in your ornaments. It's time to put our tree together for the Festival of Trees. We need another 40 finished ornaments to complete our tree. Please bring in your ornaments to the meeting and give them to Harvey Henson.

GAW Receives AAW Grant

Last spring, we applied to the AAW for an Educational Opportunity Grant to help fund the sound equipment we use for our symposium and for our various woodturning demos. Our grant request has been approved and we have just received a check for \$1000.

Let's all support the AAW for all they do to support our club and woodturning in general. If you haven't joined the AAW or haven't renewed for next year, do it now. You might even win one of the lathes they are giving away.

Volunteer Needed

The GAW Scholarship Committee is composed of 5 members and is responsible for reviewing all requests for scholarships. Marc Granberry is stepping down as Chairman of the Committee and we will need to add an additional member. If you would be interested in serving on the Committee, please talk to one of the club officers.

Georgia Heritage Center for the Arts

The GAW woodturning exhibit/sale at the GHCA at Tallulah Falls is going very well. This event will continue through the end of November. Lee Dale and Hal Simmons have given woodturning demonstrations on two separate weekends. Club members are invited to demonstrate on Saturdays and Sundays. If you are willing to demonstrate on a provided mini-lathe, speak to one of the club officers.

GAW Grant To The Work Of Our Hands

Your Board voted last month to make an educational grant in the amount of \$500 to The Work Of Our Hands in the name of John Hill, who served as auctioneer at our symposium. The Work Of Our Hands is a charitable organization headed up by Frank Allen, GAW member. The organization runs a woodturning shop for young people at Emmaus House in Atlanta. You may remember that GAW donated a mini-lathe and tools to them last year in honor of Willard Baxter. We have received a nice thank you letter from Frank. If you are interested in volunteering at Emmaus House, you could talk to Harvey Henson who is presently helping them.

From The Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts

Arrowmont strives to make its classes available to everyone regardless of financial status or skill level as an artist. We offer several programs for students to offset the cost of attending a class. Listed below are opportunities that may have interest to your members or others you might know.

Scholarships are awarded based on financial need and letters of recommendation. Friends of Arrowmont provides several \$200-\$400 scholarships. The Steven E. & Carolyn J. Gottlieb Woodcraft Scholarship provides a financially deserving student pursuing woodturning an all-expense paid opportunity to attend Arrowmont. Preference will be given to students 18-23 years of age, but all are encouraged to apply. Application Deadline for Spring is: January 15, 2005.

Applications available at <http://www.arrowmont.org/scholarships.html>

Studio Assistantships & Work-Study programs are a work exchange—one week of class for one week of work assisting faculty or working in the kitchen, maintenance, housekeeping and & supply store. Students may commit for the entire season (spring, summer or fall) or for lesser time increments. Forms and more information are available at <http://www.arrowmont.org/studio-asst.html> or <http://www.arrowmont.org/work-study.html>
Application Deadline for Spring is: January 15, 2005

Artists-in-Residence Program - Five pre-professional artists are selected annually for the 11-month program that begins in June each year. One position is designated for a woodturner through the Robyn and John Horn Resident Artist Woodturning Endowment. Applications are accepted yearly. Visit <http://www.arrowmont.org/residency.html> Application deadline is February 15, 2005 for residency that begins June 2005.

For more information on any of our programs, visit <http://www.arrowmont.org>, call 865 436-5860 or e-mail: info@arrowmont.org.

David Willard, Director

From the AAW

The AAW Board of Directors has heard the membership loud and clear that we almost never have young people at AAW functions and especially our symposiums. We ask "Who will be our future turners and where will they come from?" For the 2005 Symposium July 22-24 in Overland Park (Kansas City), any young person ages 10 through 17 years old may attend and receive full registration including the banquet (\$245 value) free, if they are accompanied by a registered adult. We recommend that regional or mini symposiums consider doing the same.

As a bonus incentive to help you remember to register and bring your niece, nephew, grandchild, or the kid down the block, there will be a drawing held where the luckiest 20 youngsters will receive complete turning outfits. WMH Tool Group has generously donated 20 Jet Midi-Lathes on stands. Teknatool International has donated 20 Nova Precision Midi Chucks to fit the Jet lathes and Crown Tools has donated 20 sets of seven essential turning tools. The winners of the equipment will be responsible for shipping the lathe home. UPS will be on site to help.

Prior to the Saturday night drawing, all of the donated equipment will be used in a "hands on" rotation room where Bonnie Klein has agreed to conduct hands on workshops for the youth with any open slots going to the adults. We're searching for an AAW chapter or volunteers to furnish 10 assistants to help Bonnie teach the workshops. During the rotations when Bonnie has other duties, the chapter will conduct hands on project sessions with the equipment.

Think of the tremendous impact on the creative young minds when they see the instant gallery, watch world class demonstrators, and visit the trade show. This is your opportunity to change a life and help create a new woodturner.

John Hill- Chairman of Chapters and Membership Committee

Upcoming Woodturning Symposiums (more information at the meeting)

Florida Woodturning Symposium January 14-16 Eustis, FL
Southern States Symposium V April 29-May 1 Gainesville, GA

Lathe For Sale

Woodfast 20-inch short bed lathe, model #M408H, 1 HP DC variable-speed motor. \$1600 or open to trades. Contact Lee Dale 770 775-0895 dale612@peoplepc.com

Craft Supplies Promotion

This month's Craft Supplies promotion through December 15 is 15% off all books. To get this promotion, you must mention Promotion Code 04FAAW11 when placing your order. See the current Woodturners Catalog or visit them online at www.woodturnerscatalog.com or call (800) 551-8876 for more information.

Craft Supplies has been sending us a \$15 gift certificate for our raffle each month, so let's support them and let them know we appreciate their support of GAW.

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 Hardware – www.highlandhardware.com/
Appalachian Center for Crafts - <http://craftcenter.tntech.edu/>
The Dogwood Institute – www.dogwoodwoodworking.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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Phil Colson	pcolson@mindspring.com	404 518-4925
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Hal Simmons	simmonsh@mindspring.com	770 381-6764
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If you would like to be included on this list, send an email to Wes Jones, wesjones@att.net including your email, phone no. and website, if applicable. We will include this listing in future newsletters and on our website.

GAW Calendar

Nov	18	Christmas ornament demos on 4 mini-lathes at GAW meeting
Dec	16	Howard Cutter will do a presentation at GAW meeting on photographing your work

Club election of officers will be held