

GAW Newsletter — September 2011

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President's Message

Our demonstrator for this month is Ernie Newman. He will be demonstrating classical design and traditional tool techniques - including skew chisel mastery, outdoor chess pieces, Swiss Christmas trees, and more. He will also demonstrate how to duplicate turnings accurately using calipers, gauges and a good eye. He will turn with spades, axes, hammers and shop-made tools, turn a female form on three centers.

His demo will demystify that most difficult tool, the skew chisel, by showing how its cuts can be made with almost any piece of sharp metal. He will turn a multi-center female form to show how the lathe can be used to create sculpture. And finally, he will demystify hand chasing of threads.

Ernie has written over 70 articles on woodturning. He has demonstrated in Australia, New Zealand, Samoa, France, Ireland, England, Canada and America. Ernie's artistic work has been featured in international exhibitions, including Challenge VI, an exhibition that toured the USA for three years.

I met with Chris and Sharon, owners of Highland Woodworking to discuss the issues involved with our continuing to meet at Highland. The only issues were parking related and we have worked out an agreement that, with the cooperation of our members, should allow us to meet there for the foreseeable future. Please see the article later in this newsletter for details of the meeting and the agree-

ment.

If you are an AAW member, voting for the board of directors is now open. You should have received your information in the mail by now. If not, visit [here](#) for information as to the candidates and [here](#) to vote. You'll be asked to log in first.

[Here](#) are some excellent images from the St. Paul symposium.

The turnout for the Douglas County Arts Council show was great. There are over 130 pieces on display. The reception was very well attended and the CAC staff says that they have had significantly higher than normal traffic since the opening and that it is attracting a lot of attention in the local community. Well done everyone! If you haven't seen it and would like to visit the CAC, they are open from 9:00 to 5:00 M-F. We can also arrange for them to be open on a Sunday afternoon if anyone is interested. For directions and other information, please visit their web site at www.artsdouglas.org/.

The Douglas County show will conclude on September 29th. If your work is in the show, you can pick it up personally from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm on Sunday, October 2nd, or the following Monday or Tuesday the 3rd and 4th. They have a new show to hang after that date, so please pick up your work promptly. If Linda and I picked up your work at the August meeting we will bring it to the October meeting. If you need to have the work back before the meeting date,

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you can pick it up personally or contact me and we'll find a way to get it to you.

There are also about 130 items that will be on display at the Georgia National Fair this year. That is slightly down from last year. The level of work is excellent again this year and there are entries from across the state. Be sure to contact Fred Morris regarding a time to be a docent and/or take a turn at

the lathe. His email is rfmorris@bellsouth.net.

That's all for this month. I will be in Helen on the meeting night so Frank Bowers will be running the meeting. See you at the symposium or in October!

Steve Pritchard

Reminders, Items of Interest

GAW Continuing to Meet at Highland

Chris and Sharon are interested in Highland Woodworking continuing to be the meeting place for the club if parking issues can be worked out. There were no other issues other than parking mentioned. Parking issues are:

1. 12 spaces are leased to a local restaurant and, due to city regulations, must remain available to that establishment for evening parking.
2. When Highland expanded some years ago, they applied for and were granted a variance for fewer parking spaces than was required by city regulations. That variance says that they will close at 6:00 pm.
3. Some of our members show up at or before 3:00 and homestead in the parking lot taking up spaces that could be used by non-GAW customers.
4. Members parking in front of or too close to the fire hydrant in the alley behind the building. The alley and particularly the fire hydrant must remain clear at all times.
5. They have contracted with a third party to manage non-customer and after-hours parking in their lot. That's where the '\$5 to park here' signs have come from. When we take over the parking lot on 3rd Thursdays, the people leasing the lot lose money because 1) most, if not all, of our members don't pay, and 2) we homestead in the lot and prevent turnover of the spots.

So we have agreed to the following:

As a work around for the 3:00 arrivals:

1. There is plenty of parking for early arrivals on the street beyond the rear parking lot entrance (St. Augustine I think) as well as on Briarcliff.

2. They will put the reserved restaurant signs up at the front entrance to the parking lot at or before 3:00 and our members are NOT to park there. This serves two purposes. 1) Prior to 6:00 PM it provides parking for walk-in customers that are not coming to the meeting and 2) it keeps the spaces vacant for the restaurant after 6:00 PM.
3. No more parking in the alley - period.
4. No parking in the delivery spot until after 6:00 pm although this wasn't specifically mentioned. They don't routinely tow cars parked in their lot "illegally". However, they have and will tow if someone is parked there when they need the spot.
5. Members arriving prior to 6:00 pm should park on the street. Members arriving after 6:00 pm are encouraged to find street parking, but if they do park in the lot, they pay the \$5 fee. Those that do park on the street need to obey all parking signs, to avoid blocking driveways and basically be good neighbors. Doing otherwise is asking for the homeowners associations to put pressure on Highland and/or the city to reduce congestion near their homes and we will be back in the same position of looking for a new home.

We agreed on a three month period to see how the above works. If the outcome is positive, then we can continue to meet there. If it is negative, they will give us three months to find another meeting place.

On a separate, but related issue, we have members that go to George's restaurant and sit for extended periods as a place to kill time before the meeting. George's is not a place to kill time. The owners depend on the income from the tables and wait staff depend on customer turnover for tips. George's appreciates our business, and we in turn need to respect their need to generate income for the owners

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as well as the staff.

The meeting was cordial and, as I said at the beginning, they are interested in maintaining a relationship with us. They also stated that they hope that the parking issues don't alienate our members. There are, of course, going to be those that believe that if they wander through the store they are entitled to park there for the duration of the evening. I must admit that I have treated it that way in the past. I plan to change that and I hope that the rest of our members will pledge to do the same.

We need to remember that it is, after all is said and done, their business and their parking lot. However

there are a number of groups that have a dog in this fight so to speak. Among them are Highland of course, GAW, homeowners associations, and other local businesses. If each respects the viewpoint and wishes of the others, I think we can make this work.

Steve Pritchard

Newsletter input request

We are always soliciting members input (articles, news items, tips, suggestions, links to relevant web sites, or any other content that you have to share) to make this newsletter better serve GAW members. Send ideas / content to:

editor@gawoodturner.org

Tips & Hints

Tips & Hints Requested

If you have a tip that will make turning easier, more fun, safer, or make our pieces turn out better why not share it. Just send it to me—the newsletter editor at editor@gawoodturner.org

Demonstrations, Events

Upcoming GAW Demonstrators:

All meetings are the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm. See Contact page for location information.

- September 15th 2011—Ernie Newman topics Skew, duplicate turning, multi-center and chasing threads
- October 20th 2011—Wes Jones Beal Buffing System
- November 17th 2011—Mark Sillay topic TBD
- December 15th 2011—GAW Christmas Party!!

North Carolina Woodturning Symposium

November 4-6, Greensboro Coliseum Special Events Center. Featured demonstrators: Marilyn Campbell, Emmet Kane, Mike Mahoney, Pascal Oudet, Richard Raffan and Les Thorne.

Tennessee Woodturning Symposium

Tennessee Association of Turners, 24th annual Symposium—January 27-28, 2012, Radisson Hotel at Opryland in Nashville. Featured demonstrators: Al Stirt, Dale Larson, Mark Gardner and Jennifer Shirley.

2011 Georgia National Fair—Oct 6th-16th

The fair is always a big event for the club. We again have good participation and hope to have award winners in the woodturning category. There are also opportunities to volunteer your time at the display area helping educate fairgoers about what we do. More information is at the fair web site.

www.georgianationalfair.com.

Instant Gallery Photos, August Meeting

August Instant Gallery

The quality of work our club members produce is always high, and consistently improving. Last month was no exception. Browse the pieces below and you will agree. If you have a question about any of the pieces, contact the owner at the next meeting.



Maple Burl Bowl, pierced, carved and painted—Peggy Schmid

Large Walnut crotch platter. Beautiful example of chatoyance.— Turk Aliston



Buckeye Burl Natural Edge bowl—Peggy Schmid

Tulip Poplar bowl, finished with lacquer, then buffed and polished — Doug McCulloch



Maple, Wenge, Yellowheart and Redheart segmented 'Southwest' vessel—Suzie Tindall

Spalted Beech bowl with black rim—Bob Lough



Tall Walnut Goblet with 2 captive rings—Bob Lough

Small Poplar bowl—Grace Goitia



Birds Eye Maple Pen—dyed yellow—Grace Goitia



Small vessel with pyrography—Michael & Cynthia Gibson

Black Ash Burl teapot with coat hanger handle—Michael & Cynthia Gibson



Instant Gallery Photos, August Meeting—Cont.



Small Walnut vase—
Steve Mallot



Pine cone fan
pull—Mark Sillay

Small triangular
Cherry Burl bowl
with partial natural
edge—Fred Morris



Ambrosia Maple dyed vessel—
Jack Morse



Three small
Peach bowls,
with partial
bark edges—
George
Daughtry



Sweet Gum carved
footed bowl—Joel
Mosteller

Cherry bowl
with Malachite
inlay—Jim Hut-
chinson



Small wormy / spalted vase—
Roman Stankus



Box Elder with
good red color—
Jim Hutchinson



Small Salt & Pepper
shakers—Roman
Stankus

Small “wobble”
bowl with face
applied with pyro-
graphy—Jim Hut-
chinson

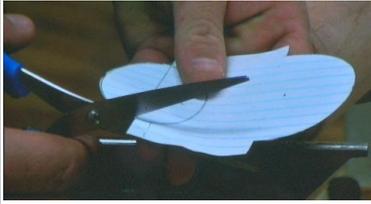


Demonstration—James McClure

James was very informative as he demonstrated a spherical box.



Demonstration and Douglas County AC Photos



Cutting out a paper template to aid in making the sphere

Sphere is pretty well defined at this point



Finishing touches on the sphere

Douglas County Arts Council —GAW Opening Reception

Selected photos of the Reception at the CAC Opening



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

Dogwood Institute School of Fine Woodworking www.dogwoodwoodworking.com

Woodcraft www.woodcraft.com

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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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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 Highland Woodworking (www.highlandwoodworking.com) in Virginia Highlands. Meetings are open to all. Enter through the loading dock at the rear of the building and go up-stairs. Highland Woodworking closes at 6:00 P.M. on Thursdays, so come early and shop.

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American Association of Woodturners

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Q & A on Woodturning

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www.gawoodturner.org/contact.shtml