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Atlanta Woodturners Guild Newsletter

This is the May, 2022 edition of the Atlanta Woodturners Guild Newsletter. To submit an article for the newsletter, send to Wayne Johnson at waynejohnson78@aol.com.

President's Message

Fellow Turners,

We had a good turnout for our 3rd HOT event. We seem to be getting the same individuals at each session. If you are not attending because of the selected topic, then let Katie know what topic would peak your interest.

The current auction item is a Hans Weissflog lidded box with his signature lattice type work on the lid. We currently have a bid of \$100.

We will have the drawing for Harvey's Basket Illusion platter at this month's meeting. It is not too late to bring a new member to get your name in the drawing.

The demo this month is on making a Beads of Courage box. If you are interested in making a Beads of Courage box, Glen has the logo beads and will make them available at the monthly meeting.

I hope to see you all at this month's meeting.

Dan Douthart, President AWG

Next Meeting – May 18, 2022

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Atlanta Woodturners Guild will be on Wednesday May 18, 2022 at 6:00 PM (doors open at 5PM) at our regular meeting location East Roswell Park Recreation Center Community Room, 9100 Fouts Rd, Roswell, GA.

If you prefer not attending in-person, then you may attend by logging into our Zoom meeting, details on that will be released on the Sunday before the scheduled meeting.

Finally, our Demonstrator, Frank Bowers, will be showing us how to turn a Beads of Courage Box and he will be doing his IRD from Rob Austin's Shop and **you have the option of attending there and seeing the demo live.** Beads of Courage is a wonderful way to share your talent with children undergoing cancer treatment.

There is a small ceramic button with the words of Beads of Courage on it that is incorporated onto the box somewhere. Frank will show us how to turn the box and how to get the buttons to make as many as you want.

Don't forget to bring your show and tell pieces!! If you can't attend in person, then prior to meeting day please email picture(s) of your turned items to Katie: katiepnavarro@gmail.com. During the meeting, Katie will present a PowerPoint presentation and when you see your piece, unmute yourself and give a brief description. You will also have an opportunity to just show your piece by holding it in front of your Zoom camera.

Important Notice for the In Person or WatchShop attendees: please bring wood or tool as a donation to the raffle and money to buy a raffle ticket.

5:00 Doors open to setup our computer and socialize until meeting starts at 6:00

5:45 Zoom meeting starts for those that cannot attend in person

6:00 to 6:30 will be business meeting, show and tell, raffle and auction.

6:30 to 7:45 Tips and Tricks. See info on Demo below.

8:00 we need to be out of the building. We do not do any putting up or taking down of chairs or tables.

May's Featured Demonstrator



Frank Bowers will demonstrate how to make a Beads of Courage Box so that everyone can make one by the June meeting to donate to this great project. You will bring your BOC box to the meeting or arrange with Wayne to get it from you so he can deliver to the AAW Symposium in June. Frank will be doing his demo at Rob Austin's Shop and we will be watching the IRD at our meeting place or the regular Zoom meeting. You may go to Rob's Shop and watch it live.

Frank Bowers



Previous Meeting – April 20, 2022

Show and Tell



Dan Douthart



Hans Meier



Hans Meier



Bob Bodine



Blake Cherrington



Blake Cherrington



Glen Withrow



Jim Rowland



Larry McIntire



Wayne Johnson

Scenes from our New Meeting Place



AWG Library

Now that we are meeting in Person again, Jim Hardy will have our extensive Library available at the meeting for checkout - \$2/item/month. Check our website for a list of books and DVDs available.

New Members only get up to 5 free rentals in their first year of membership.

New Member Raffle



The new member four-month drive ended on 4/30/2022 and the eligible new members for the drawing are: **Jim Rowland, John Votaw, Blake Cherrington, Jason Fernandes** and **Mike Egger**. If you feel your name should be on this list please email or call Wayne Johnson. At the **May** meeting we will have a drawing to receive an 8" Basket Illusion Platter donated by Harvey Meyer and pictured here. Harvey's platters command a high value when sold in galleries or from his website so this is a big-ticket item. Good luck to those eligible for the drawing!

Auction Item



The next item to auction is a Hans Weissflog lidded box with his signature lattice type work on the lid about 2' in diameter. President Dan will take final bids on this item with closing bid announced during the June meeting We currently have a bid of \$100.

Hans Weissflog will be a demonstrator at the AAW Symposium in June.

Message from AWG Member Jim Rowland:

If I can help anyone with learning about some of the work that I do, I am happy to share and also happy to host a tour of the Roswell Firelabs, located at 1601 HOLCOMB Bridge Rd, Roswell, where I do most of my work. I am there most days from about 10am - 2pm - sometimes a bit earlier and sometimes a bit later. Please call if you are interested.

Jim Rowland
770-401-9014

HOT Sessions Hands On Turning

Article submitted by *Tom Biehl*

On May 4, 2022, I had the opportunity to join the folks attending a HOT session at Woodcraft. The session was led by Glen Withrow. The topic was Potpourri Bowls. Potpourri Bowls are one of Glen's premier products sold online and at Craft Shows. There was good participation with seven attendees. Here are the samples that Glen brought to demonstrate some options for bowl design.



Glen provided all the attendees with blanks and primed them with instruction on how the bowls are done. Once Glen provided the instruction, the attendees went to their lathes and began the process. The objective for the class was to teach the process of turning the bowl and to leave each attendee with at least one bowl to take home. When there was time, the attendees could attempt to make a lid for the bowl making the bowl a lidded box. Or the attendees could make a second bowl.



Glen provides individual coaching to one of the attendees

Glen provided plenty of blanks in many different species of wood. Glen also provided the pewter lids that provide a great addition to the Potpourri turning.

As the day progressed all of the attendees were able to complete at least one Potpourri Bowl. Some completed two. Some were able to add a top to make the bowl a lidded box. Throughout the day Glen moved to and between all of the attendees to provide coaching and suggestions on how to complete the bowl. It was a good day for everyone as you can see in the photos.



The HOT classes sponsored by AWG have been very popular with club members, and on occasion, guests. It was a blessing when we were able to resume them after the pandemic calmed down.

The value of the HOT classes to the attendees includes the opportunity to learn new items to turn, a chance to practice their turning skills with coaching, and maybe most of all the opportunity for fellowship with club members. The value for the club is to bring in some revenue to help sustain the club activities. The HOT sessions are generally inexpensive to the attendees.

HOT classes are currently planned for once a month for the remainder of this year. Some HOT class topics are scheduled and we are working on arranging sessions for the months not currently scheduled.

*In **June Katie Navarro will be leading a Back to Basics session.** Katie will demonstrate turning beads, coves, flats, discs and points. The day will be spent with each attendee learning and practicing these skills with Katie coaching each individual as needed. If these skills are mastered a turner at any level will improve his/her turning proficiency and satisfaction. This session focuses on improving tool control skills. The "I made that" will be small items like snowmen, Christmas trees and a spinning top.*

*In **September, Mike Riley will lead a HOT session on how to make a Kaleidoscope.** This is a return topic for Mike. In his last presentation everyone was very happy with the skills learned and the Kaleidoscope they took home.*

Each HOT class has room for eight students/attendees. Watch your email for notifications regarding the planning and registration for the classes described above and for information regarding the classes for remaining months.

In summary the May 4th session was well received by all attendees. It provided the opportunity to learn new skills and fellowship with other club members and guests. And everyone walked away with a useable, impressive item that they can be proud to say, "I made that".

We have some months scheduled and would like to ask the membership:

- 1. What skills would you want to improve through one of the HOT sessions?*
- 2. What project/s would you suggest that would help you improve your turning skills and let you leave with a useful "I made that" item.*
- 3. If you have a particular skill that you would like to conduct a HOT session, please let us know.*

We look forward to seeing you at future HOT classes. Improved skills, fellowship and an "I did that" project.



Tips and Tricks for the Woodturner

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members

Over-the-tailstock caddy: Copy your dentist's efficiency and have your small tools, drill chuck, centers, and other items within arm's reach. The photo shows how I used a converted swing-arm wall mount for a conventional television. Wall mounts are relatively inexpensive. You can also convert a full-motion wall-mount flat-panel swing arm to get even more flexibility. There is a magnetic strip on the front for small items, a flex light, and holes drilled in the top to fit my Morse tapers and small items. I especially like that the tray swivels and will swing back to the wall, out of the way, to allow the use of my secondary toolrest for deep hollowing. Two safety cautions: (1) do not install in such a way that tools or any items can fall onto or come in contact with anything rotating on the lathe; and (2) do not install in a way which necessitates leaning over anything rotating on the lathe when reaching for a tool or an item on the tray. —Larry Sefton, Bartlett, TN

Visit <https://www.woodturner.org> if you are interested in purchasing the 6"X9" soft cover book titled Tips and Tricks for the Woodturner with 91 full color pictures and articles. \$15 members/\$20 Non-

American Association of Woodturners (AAW)

AWG is a Member of AAW and you can join individually

2022 AAW Symposium, Chattanooga, TN June 23-June 26, 2022

I hope all of you are looking forward to attending the upcoming AAW Symposium in Chattanooga June 23-26. With over 100 demonstrations, 100+ vendors and an Instant Gallery display of 1,000's of items, there is something for everyone. Volunteers are very important to the success of the symposium, so please consider signing up for one or more volunteer positions. Just go to woodturner.org and click on the symposium information, volunteer opportunities and register with Sign-Up Genius.

The AAW has two charitable events at each Symposium: Empty Bowls and Beads of Courage.

Empty Bowls: AAW members make and donate wood turned bowls (or other turned items), that are sold during the Symposium for only \$25. For 2022, 100% of the proceeds will support Friends of Special Children (FOSC), an organization that works to improve the lives of special needs children of all ages in and around Chattanooga. FOSSC helps to support Signal Centers School, which offers day programs and referral services for children and adults with special needs. Make and donate one or more bowls (or other turned items) to Empty Bowls: Take your donations with you to the AAW Symposium and drop them off at the Empty Bowls booth in the Instant Gallery/Exhibitions Hall.

Beads of Courage: AAW members create and donate wood turned boxes for Beads of Courage. The boxes are displayed in the Instant Gallery/Exhibitions Hall. Through Beads of Courage, children receive a unique bead to represent each medical procedure or treatment. For example, a red bead for each blood transfusion, a yellow bead for each night in the hospital, a star bead for surgery, a white bead for chemotherapy. Their collection of

beads becomes a tangible record of their journey. Each wood turned box will hold a sick child's precious beads. Make and donate one or more turned boxes to Beads of Courage. Important: If you are interested in making and donating wooden boxes for Beads of Courage, go to <https://beadsofcourage.org/beat-bowls/> for more information. ~~Linda Britt AAW Board VP

Special note: Our May Demonstration will be how to make a Beads of Courage Box by Frank Bowers



SAFETY FIRST



Are you wearing eye protection, dust mask and hearing protection every time you turn?

AWG Meeting and Events Schedule

1. January 19th Harvey Meyer: Hollow Vessel
2. February 16th Dan Douthart: Rings for Fingers
3. March 16th Michael Gibson: Tea Pot
4. April 20th Tips and Tricks of Woodturning
5. May 18th Frank Bowers: Beads of Courage Boxs
6. Jun 15th Working with Joe Schlawn of Woodturners Wonders on possible demo and/or class with Stuart Batty sometime in 3 weeks before or after the AAW Symposium in Chattanooga.
7. June 23-26 AAW Symposium in Chattanooga
8. July 20th Harvey Meyer TBD
9. August 17th Mike Peace: Box design
10. September 21st tbd
11. October 19th Dan Douthart Christmas Tree Ornaments
12. November 16th tbd
13. December Christmas Party

Advertisements

Please support our members that are providing free demonstrations for our club in 2022.



Harvey Meyer www.harveymeyer.com available for IRDs on a broad list of demos nationally or internationally. him@harveymeyer.com. Started woodturning in 2000 and turns bowls, platters, hollow vessels, goblets, boxes and of course mostly known for his Basket Illusions and for teaching many of us about "Harvey Oil" finish.



Dan Douthart Has various YouTube videos posted by the Gwinnett Woodworkers Club but is now setup at home to be able to create his own YouTube Channel as well as do IRD's for woodturning clubs. In fact, when he does our February Demo it will be his first from home IRD. Can also teach turning classes to individuals



Michael Gibson . www.michaelgibsonwoodturner.com
Known worldwide for his exquisite pieces he is available to provide IRDs from his shop. After the pandemic is over, he will resume accepting individual students.



Mike Peace www.mikepeacewoodturning.com I do demonstrations and workshops for clubs and now do IRDs over the internet. I enjoy teaching new woodturners one-on-one in my shop. I have demonstrated at the AAW symposium in Atlanta in 2015 and Portland 2018 as well as Southern States Woodturning and Turning Southern Style. Published in multiple magazines with copies of my articles on my website. In April, 2021 he hit a couple of YouTube milestones: 40,000 subscribers and 6,000,000 million views.



Frank Bowers Frank is a fulltime woodturning instructor and demonstrator and may be contacted at fcbowrs@aol.com He has taught more people to turn bowls than anyone else in Georgia.



Ken Rizza, owner of Woodturners Wonders located at 5230 Clarks Bridge Rd, Gainesville, GA 30506 Open M-F 9am-5pm

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Craft Supplies USA – club discounts Club Orders- Club members are welcome to pool their orders together and place a club order to receive a 10% discount off our published prices. With our new Reward Cash program, club orders earn Reward Cash that can be used at any time. The Reward Cash program is roughly the equivalent of a 3% rebate on purchases. In addition, we cover the shipping charges for club orders shipped within the contiguous 48 states. Actual shipping cost is added to orders shipped to Hawaii and Alaska. To receive these discounts, all club orders must meet the following requirements: ● Order must reach \$1,000.00 minimum total after quantity discounts are applied. ● Order must be shipped to a single address. ● Order must only use one form of payment. ● Reward Cash under the club account can be used as payment ● Only 2 gift certificates may be applied per club order. ● Freight added items (lathes, grinders, etc.) do not qualify for this special offer. ● Please submit all club orders by email at service@woodturnerscatalog.com or by calling our customer service department at 1-800-551-8876 Individual Orders- If a club member is ordering as an individual *we offer 10% off abrasive discs and finishes*. To receive these discounts, the club member needs to call in his or her order to 1-800-551-8876 and just mention they are a member of the woodturning club

About the Guild

The Atlanta Woodturners Guild (AWG) was formed to provide support, ideas, and camaraderie to fellow woodturners in the metro Atlanta area. The Guild meets once a month and members are invited to display examples of their work at the instant gallery. New and established turners have the opportunity to ask questions and solve problems with other members.

At each monthly meeting a demonstration is conducted by professional turners from all over the world. It is a great opportunity to see a professional in action, ask questions and learn techniques. The AWG has a comprehensive library stocked with woodturning DVD's, and books. These items are available to the membership for a small rental fee. Members are kept informed about upcoming events and activities through this, their web site.

All interested in learning about woodturning are welcome to attend the month meetings.

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