

# **Atlanta Woodturners Guild**

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# **Atlanta Woodturners Guild Newsletter**

This is the June, 2022 edition of the Atlanta Woodturners Guild Newsletter. To submit an article for the newsletter, send to Wayne Johnson at <a href="waynejohnson78@aol.com">waynejohnson78@aol.com</a>.

## **President's Message**

Fellow Turners,

Summer can be a slow time for woodworking clubs as families head out on vacation, but your club is staying busy with Katie's HOT (Hands-On Turning) Classes that fill up every month, great demonstrators at the monthly meeting, and staying in touch with you through a monthly newsletter. Reach out to other members and invite them to your shop or request a visit to their shop.

The AAW Symposium is racing towards us and I strongly encourage you to at least try to go up for one day to see the vendors and experience the woodturning fellowship.

Final auction for the Hans Weissflog piece is this Monday night. Current bid: \$100.

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

Dan Douthart, President AWG

# Next Meeting – June 15, 2022

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Atlanta Woodturners Guild will be on Wednesday June 15, 2022 at 6:00 PM (doors open at 5PM) at our regular meeting location East Roswell Park Recreation Center Community Room, 9000 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.

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: <a href="mailto:katiepnavarro@gmail.com">katiepnavarro@gmail.com</a>. 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 Demonstration. 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**



Meet Chris Blauvelt, an artist that has worked with epoxy and wood for 35 years who is recognized as an expert in that field. His program has been well received in at least two other clubs I have spoken with and will explain a lot more about epoxy pouring than you have seen in other places. He is driving down from Cleveland, GA to present this live at our meeting location in Roswell Community Room at East Roswell Park. We will also be Zooming that meeting as in the past and Mike Riley will be sending out that link later.

If you have done any epoxy pouring and have pieces that you have done or even pieces that failed, we encourage you to bring them in to discuss with Chris.

For more information visit his website: www.artistryinepoxy.com

# **Previous Meeting – May 18, 2022**

# **Show and Tell**









Bruce Fairchild

Hans Meier









Hans Meier





**Hans Meier** 

## **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**



**Jim Rowland** won the new member drawing at the **May** meeting. The 8" Basket Illusion Platter donated by Harvey Meyer. Harvey's platters command a high value when sold in galleries or from his website so this is a big-ticket item. Congratulations Jim

Jim Rowland

#### **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.

# HOT Sessions Hands On Turning

# Article submitted by Tom Biehl

Hot Class - June 1, 2022 Back to Basics

Our June HOT topic was a Back to Basics. Katie Navarro facilitated the class and taught the Mark Sillay method of wood slicing. The class was attended by seven participants. All were eager to learn what Katie was teaching.



Katie began by providing an outline of the objectives of the class.



Then she started by demonstrating how to sharpen their spindle gouge to allow for deeper penetration into the spindle. Then each student was given the opportunity to sharpen their gouges with Katie there to help them if needed.

Next, we learned the proper way to turn beads, coves, flats, discs and points. Katie started by demonstrating each cut, one at a time. And then the students were given the opportunity to practice the cut on their own piece of ripped 2x4's. We worked our way through each cut. Katie was busy checking with each participant to see how they were doing and to offer help, suggestions as needed.



We finished by making a bird house which utilized all of the cuts, beads, coves, flats, discs and points.



Each of the students showed improvement in their turning skills and came away with usable skill and knowledge improvement. Everyone was encouraged to advance their skills by practicing these cuts regularly in their own shop.



We were unable to accommodate everyone who wanted to take the class and hope to schedule another one in the near future. If you are interested in a future Back to Basics class, please contact Katie.

Next month on July 6, 2022 at 10:00AM, we have Hans Meier leading a class on Lidded Boxes Harvey Meyer/Jimmy Clews inspired. Plus, some added surprises!!!

Sign up by contacting Katie Navarro by email (<a href="mailto:knavarro@gmail.com">knavarro@gmail.com</a>), text or phone call (404-557-4799).

"Turn it on, Turn it up, Turn me loose" www.Atlantawoodturnersguild.org

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 4<sup>th</sup> 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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Laser for hollow turning: After going through half a dozen laser pens while hollow turning with my Jamieson system, I purchased a universal pistol laser and attached it to an Allen wrench and then slid the wrench into the pen slot. The pistol laser can handle the shocks associated with the hollowing process. I purchased the pistol laser on eBay for under \$20. —Robert Jay, Collingswood, NJ

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

# **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. FOSC 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/bead-bowls/ for more information. ~~Linda Britt AAW Board VP

#### SAFETY FIRST

Are you keeping your day's sawdust and shaving cleaned up? Is your shop floor clear of electrical cords and other trip hazards? Are you using sharp tools? Are you stopping turning when you get tired?

## **AWG Meeting and Events Schedule**

- 1. January 19<sup>th</sup> Harvey Meyer: Hollow Vessel
- 2. February 16<sup>th</sup> Dan Douthart: Rings for Fingers
- 3. March 16<sup>th</sup> Michael Gibson: Tea Pot
- 4. April 20<sup>th</sup> Tips and Tricks of Woodturning
- 5. May 18<sup>th</sup> Frank Bowers: Beads of Courage Boxs
- 6. Jun 15<sup>th</sup> Chris Blauvelt Epoxy and Wood
- 7. July20th Harvey Meyer TBD
- 8. August 17<sup>th</sup> Mike Peace: Box design
- 9. September 21<sup>st</sup> Rick Urban 'Lost Wood"
- 10. October 19<sup>th</sup> Dan Douthart Christmas Tree Ornaments
- 11. November 16<sup>th</sup> tbd
- 12. December Christmas Party

#### **Advertisements**

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



**Harvey Meyer** <u>www.harveymeyer.com</u> available for IRDs on a broad list of demos nationally or internationally. <u>him@harveymeyer.com</u>. 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 <a href="fcbowrs@aol.com">fcbowrs@aol.com</a> 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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<u>Craft Supplies USA – club discounts Club Orders</u>- 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.

#### **AWG Contacts**

#### **Officers**

		As soon as contacts updated on website will add
President	Dan Douthart	Email addresses here.
Vice President	Katie Navarro	
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