



ATLANTA WOODTURNERS GUILD NEWSLETTER

Chapter 274 of the American Association of Woodturners



This is the **November 2024** edition of the Atlanta Woodturners Guild Newsletter. To submit an article for the newsletter, send to Angela Sun at angela.w.sun@gmail.com.

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 or by one of our own accomplished members. It is a great opportunity to see a professional in action, ask questions and learn techniques. The AWG has a comprehensive library stocked with wood-turning 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 newsletter and our web site. Anyone interested in learning about woodturning is welcome to attend the monthly meetings.

Our meeting location is Woodcraft Atlanta, 8560 Holcomb Bridge Rd., Suite 115, Alpharetta, GA 30022 on the 3rd Wednesday every month from 6:30 - 8:45 PM.

PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Well I finally made it to my last regular monthly meeting in November. Looking back the two years have flown by and I have really enjoyed working with a great Board of Directors and Committee Chairs and it has been an honor to serve all of you. I ease into Past President duties feeling excited about Katie Navarro taking over.

Reminder that Harvey Meyer has completely reworked out website: <https://atlantawoodturnersguild.org> but has a new password: AWG20245

The 2025 Officers Nomination Committee now has a full slate of officers that was read at the October meeting and will be voted on in the November meeting. Thank you for those of you that stepped up and agreed to join the team. We now have 15 members serving as an officer, director or committee chair. We will also request nominations for any position from the floor.

We will also be voting on a By-Laws change as follows:

Motion; Effective 12/1/2024 I would like to make a motion to amend Our By-Laws as follows (addition noted in red) approved by the Board on 11/13/2024

ARTICLE IV - PURPOSES

The chapter's purposes, in addition to supporting the general purposes of the parent organization, are:

- To provide a meeting place for local woodturners
- To share ideas and techniques regarding the craft
- To trade wood and other material.
- To exchange ideas about tools To provide mentoring and encouragement for members new to the craft.
- **Support turning related charitable or benevolent purposes as approved by the Board of Directors**

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Following is the basis of amending By-Laws

ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be altered, amended, or repealed and new By-Laws may be adopted by a vote of a simple majority of the qualified voting members of the Chapter then casting ballots. The Secretary will file copies of all modifications with the national office of AAW.

November will be the last Katie's Challenge for 2024 so do not forget to bring your entry so you have a chance to win \$50 Woodcraft Gift Card. See details below.

I hope to see everyone at our meeting this month and remember to bring your work for Show and Tell, buy raffle tickets from Hans, and remember to bring or make your Hurricane Relief donation for the Carolina Mountain Woodturners.

Finally, it is time to start collecting your \$50 annual dues for 2025 so watch for a notice from Harvey Meyer, Treasurer.

Keep up with us on Facebook and checking our webpage.

Best regards,

Wayne Johnson
President AWG

SCHEDULE

Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 20, 2024. Hope to see y'all there!



Join us for dinner at Hooligans before our meetings.

Hooligans Restaurant (behind the CVS)

8440 Holcomb Bridge Rd, Roswell

5:00pm

MEETING AGENDA

6:00 PM	Arrival begins at Woodcraft
6:30 – 7:00 PM	Begin the business meeting and show and tell
7:00 – 8:30 PM	Demonstration
8:30 – 8:45 PM	Raffle is called by Mr. Hans
8:45 – 9:00 PM	Clean Up - All “hands on deck” for the cleanup please. We MUST leave by 9:00PM

UPCOMING DEMOS

Nov 20	Casey Wilson	TBD
Dec 6	Everyone!	CHRISTMAS PARTY!!! Brimstone Restaurant and Tavern 10595 Old Alabama Rd Connector Alpharetta, GA 30022.

HOT CLASSES

Only 2 HOT classes left in 2024! Grab your spots. Email Charlie Levan if you're interested.

Jan 3	HOT Class	Arnie Moore	Preparing a Staved Bowl
Jan 17	HOT Class II	Arnie Moore	Turning a Staved BOC Bowl
Feb 7	HOT Class	Charlie/Katie	Wig Stands
Feb 21	HOT Class II	Steve Cook	Salt Shaker & Pepper Grinder
Mar 6	HOT Class	TBD	The Challenge Bowl
Mar 20	HOT Class II	Arnie Moore	Staved Beads of Courage Box
Apr 3	HOT Class	Marcus Jones	Making Rings
Apr 17	HOT Class II	Nick Cook	Lidded Boxes
May 1	HOT Class	Alan Leeland	Turning a Sphere
May 15	HOT Class II	Alan Leeland	TBD
Jun 5	HOT Class	Seth Gamba	Spinning Tops
Jun 19	HOT Class II	Sammy Long	Creative Relief Carving
Jul 17	HOT Class II	Charlie Levan	3-Leg Stool - Turning
Aug 7	HOT Class	Katie Navaro	3-Leg Stool - Embellishments
Aug 21	HOT Class II	Glen Withrow	Beads of Courage Boxes
Sep 4	HOT Class	Wayne Johnson	Platter w/ Basket Illusion
Sep 18	HOT Class II	Dan Douthart	Multi-Axis Spindle Turning
Oct 2	HOT Class	Harvey Meyer	Goblets
Oct 16	HOT Class II	Mike Peace	Lighted Lantern Ornament
Nov 6	HOT Class	Tim Robertson	Square Bowl
Nov 20	HOT Class II	Steve Pritchard	Goncks
Dec 4	HOT Class	Marcus Jones	Honey Pot with Honey Dipper

SQUARE BOWLS

WITH TIM ROBERTSON

The November HOT 1 session on November 6th was led by Tim Robertson. The topic was turning a square bowl. Tim went through the process and showed how to create a square bowl. Each member was able to work on one or two square bowls. Tim was very helpful in not only explaining the techniques for turning square bowls but also helping with personal observations and suggestions to improve our techniques and results. The class was well attended.



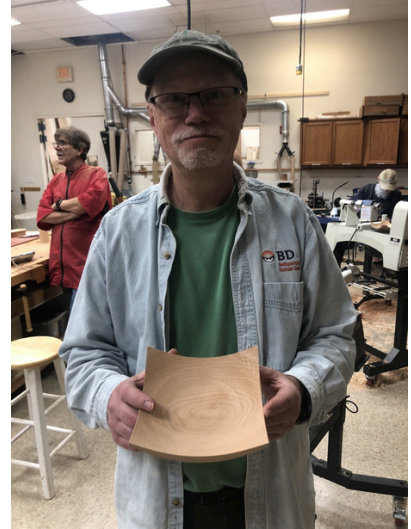
December's Hot 1 session (December 4) will be led by Marcus Jones and will cover turning a Honey Pot and Honey dipper.

January's Hot 1 session will be the second Tuesday (Jan 8, 2025) led by Arnie Moore and will cover turning a collared box with lid.

To register for a HOT 1 session, send an email to Marcus Jones at w2marcus@bellsouth.net

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Holiday Party Details



The Atlanta Woodturners Guild and the Georgia Association of Woodturners are again holding a combined holiday party. It will be held on **Friday, December 6th beginning at 7:00 pm**, at the same place as the last few years:

Brimstone Restaurant and Tavern
10595 Old Alabama Rd Connector
Alpharetta, GA

There will be a gift exchange where those that want to participate bring a (preferably turned) item in a plain brown bag (so no one can cherry-pick their favorite turner's piece). There will be some Door Prize items including a drawing for three different \$30 gift cards for Carter and Son Toolworks.

If you plan to come, [please RSVP](#) here. This link will take you to the GAW Website for registration purposes only. HOWEVER, if you decide to come at the last minute or you forget to RSVP, don't worry about the RSVP. There will be plenty of room for everyone and if you register and are unable to come that night there is no financial obligation.

Below is a link to the menu that will be available, and each member will be responsible for their and any guest's meal.

[Link to menu](#)



HURRICANE RELIEF DONATIONS

Some of you probably saw AAW email recently that included two suggestions for Hurricane Relief Donations. One was generic and helps all craft people and the other was a specific club in North Carolina. We like the specific club idea because we would be helping a woodturning club. Here is an excerpt from the AAW email:

AAW has checked in with many local woodturning chapters and AAW members in areas that experienced significant damage from Helene. According to Mike Moore, President of Carolina Mountain Woodturners (CMW), "CMW is going to face some rough times ahead. Our meeting place on the Blue Ridge Parkway is closed until further notice, and our shop, containing 24 lathes, was flooded with 42 inches of water. Unfortunately, most of the equipment with electronics or motors was submerged. We are currently assessing what can be salvaged."

CMW is currently [accepting cash donations](#) to aid in their recovery. Once they have fully assessed their equipment needs, we will provide further updates on how AAW members and chapters can help.

Your Officers and Directors have voted unanimously to make a donation to CMW and following is how you can participate:

1. All proceeds from the October Raffle or Auction will be donated so buy lots of tickets from Hans.
2. The AWG will match those proceeds up to \$150.
3. We will "pass the hat" during the meeting and accept cash or checks payable to AWG for the fund.
4. If you are not going to be at the meeting Wednesday but still want to donate, email Harvey Meyer at harveymeyer2@gmail.com with how much and how you want to give, credit card or check or cash, and he will email you back with how to do it.

If you have any questions please email, call or text me. Wayne Johnson.

Every dollar counts in helping our fellow woodturners regain their footing and rebuild their creative lives. Please consider donating today.

KATIE'S CHALLENGE

Bottle stopper blank + your choice of mystery element



The last woodturning Challenge of the year will be turning something of your choice from a bottle stopper blank plus one other item/element. The “other” element can be another piece of wood or anything else that can be turned. The “other” element can also be any size you choose. Just remember you have to be able to get it through the door at Woodcraft. There will be bottle stoppers available for you at the September meeting so, really, you don’t have much excuse not to accept the challenge.

The Challenge pieces must be finished to perfection and brought to the October, 2024 meeting in a brown paper bag. Do not sign your piece/s. You can enter more than one piece. There will be an impartial judging panel. The winning piece earns a \$50 Woodcraft gift card.



WE WANT YOUR SUBMISSION!

CLASSIFIEDS

If you're looking for something or have items you're looking to sell, let us know and we will post a listing here for the community to see.

CONSIDER JOINING AAW



As an AAW member, you'll get access to online videos, articles, and tutorials.

- 150+ issues of American Woodturner are online with a searchable index.
- 12,000+ images of member work are in AAW's Forum gallery online.
- 38+ issues of Woodturning FUNDamentals publication and the Woodturning FUNDamentals online learning portal offer one-stop basics.

A NOTE FROM MARK S.

For the members that are interested in coming to my warehouse liquidation sale where all the wood is "Pennies on the dollar" please call me and arrange a time.

VISIT HANS AT LAKEWOOD

"I sell my work and teach. I have a number of booths at Lakewood 400 Antique Mall. Which happens the first weekend of every month; Friday, Saturday and Sunday. I am in Hall H on the back wall."

DID YOU KNOW?

The timing of color changes and the onset of falling leaves is **primarily regulated by the calendar as nights become longer**. None of the other environmental influences – such as temperature, rainfall, food supply – are as unvarying as the steadily increasing length of night during autumn.

MIKE PEACE



Mike Peace has more than 700 woodturning videos on his Youtube channel

www.youtube.com/MikePeaceWoodturning

Mike also offers one-on-one lessons in his shop in Suwanee. Copies of his published articles and project handouts are available for download on his website

www.mikepeacewoodturning.com



Woodcraft has been gracious enough to allow us to host our meetings in its facility. When looking to purchase tools and materials, please consider purchasing them from Woodcraft.

On meeting nights and HOT class days, Woodcraft offers a 10% discount on non-sale items excluding mechanical items.

NEED TIPS?

Would you like some help with some aspect in your woodturning? If so call, text or email Wayne and he will attempt to match you up with someone to help. It could be a visit to a member's shop or possibly even yours. It's free so just ask.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Would you like to contribute some of your time and talent to a worthwhile cause? Helping Needy Veterans is our mission. Gwinnett Woodworkers gather at Rob's Daycare for Adults every other Tuesday (well most of them) to build sturdy wooden canes that are donated to the Atlanta VA for distribution to needy Veterans. You will leave with a feeling of accomplishment and have pride for what you've just done. Contact Glen, Hans, Katie, Marcus Jones, or me, Tom Biehl, for more detailed information. You too can help our Veterans!

BEADS OF COURAGE

Beads of Courage Glen Withrow had hoped to get two beads of courage bowls from each member by the end of the 2023. We did not make that goal. Beads of Courage needs our help.

In 2023, AWG only provided ten bowls. We can do better. Please commit to turning a Beads of Courage Bowl by the end of 2024.

The AWG 2024 goal is 73 BOC bowls.

AWG LIBRARY

We may not have a fancy library, but the knowledge that is within our selection is invaluable. Each month Jim Hardy, our librarian, will have our extensive Library available at the meeting. Each item is available for checkout - \$2/item/month.

A list of books and DVDs is available on our website: www.atlantawoodturnersguild.org

STAY IN TOUCH

Don't forget to check out our [Facebook](#) page for any updates and member discussions!

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