



# Piedmont Triad Woodturners Association



Newsletter  
August 2014

## Calendar

**August 12 - Joel Hunnicutt - Design, Air Brush, & Finishing**  
**September 09 - Hands On & Tool Sale**  
**October 14 - Robert Lunsford Three Point - Bowl**  
**November 11 - ShopBot Tools - CNC Demonstration**  
**December 09 - Xmas Party 6:00 PM**

## Message from the President:

Well, the summer is flying by. Before you know it, the kids will be heading back to school and it will be time to fire up the heaters in our workshops and build up some stock for the fall craft shows and fairs.



Last month we had our annual PTWA summer picnic. It was once again held at Triad Park in Kernersville and the weather although hot, wasn't too bad for July. For those of you who missed it, we had a special presentation to all of our members who are veterans of our armed forces. Each veteran's

name was read along with their corresponding branch of service and years served. Those in attendance were also presented with Maple pens bearing the PTWA logo and inscription Thank You For Your Service on one side and the American Flag with the inscription PTWA Salutes Our Veterans on the other side. In addition to food and fellowship we also had demonstrations by both Michael Thompson and Earl Kennedy. We did have an instant gallery presentation and door prizes as we have had in the past. All in all, I think that it was a very successful picnic and an enjoyable way to spend a Saturday in July. Several members also stopped by the Carolina Field of Honor on their way home.

Our featured demonstrator for August is Mr. Joel Hunnicutt of Siler City, NC. Joel has been a member of the PTWA since 2000. In addition to some of the very impressive tall vessels he makes,

Joel is also known for his use of color in his work. Joel's website is: <http://www.joelhunnicutt.com> and I would encourage everyone to visit it and look around prior to his demonstration on Tuesday. I think that you will find his use of color and the way he blends colors together absolutely stunning. Joel will demonstrate the use of an airbrush to apply and mask color to a piece on the. He will also discuss and show via video how he achieves his wonderful designs. You will not want to miss it.

The summer youth program wrapped up another very successful session recently. John Morris will be telling us a little more about that at our meeting, but my understanding is that there were a lot of very satisfied kids at the end of the program, as well as some enthusiastic up and coming woodturners. I want to give a big thank-you to all of the members who volunteered their time, tools and resources to help out with the program and a special thanks to John Morris who did a great job of organizing and coordinating everything again this year.

Chuck Waldroup is our turner of the month for August. For those of you who have seen some of Chuck's recent work, you know that he spends more time carving and sanding than he does turning and in the process produces some spectacular pieces. I would like to say that I taught him everything he knows, but you all know better than that! Be sure to purchase some raffle tickets for a chance to win his donated item.

Looking back at my notes, I see that for the August President's challenge, I announced that it has to be something that can fit inside of a 250 count large kitchen match box with dimensions of  $4 \frac{3}{4}'' \times 2 \frac{3}{4}'' \times 1 \frac{1}{2}''$ . Let's see how creative you can get with that!

Finally don't forget to bring in items to show off in the instant gallery as well as anything that you think your fellow woodturners would like to buy a raffle chance on.

I hope to see all of you on August 12<sup>th</sup>.

Scot Conklin, President

## Leonard Center Summer Camp:

Since 2008 PTWA has conducted a woodturning program at Leonard Center's summer camp. The camp is open for kids from age 5 - 12, but the staff only selects older students for our 5-session program. Bob Muir initiated PTWA's successful program for LRC in 2008. This year we began on Wednesday, June 25 and concluded on July 30--skipping the week of June 30. Prior to the start, and probably at each session, we indicated the purposes were for the kids to have fun and to learn some of the fundamentals of safe woodturning. 16 students participated this year--the largest number we've had. Some of Tim Smith's pictures are within this Newsletter. You judge for yourself the enjoyment the kids are having and the seriousness of our PTWA instructors.

In the past we've had some students for 3 consecutive years. Without these willing students, cooperative Leonard Center Staff headed by Director Linda Marsh, and our dedicated instructors, the program could not and would not exist. Other Greensboro recreation centers do not have this program.

This year we added at least 3 areas of difference from past programs: (1) We allowed all older students to participate in session #1 to be a part of the hands-on experience. This filled up the classes for the remainder of the program. (2) After the "Turning of the Day" was completed, we allowed the students to turn addition items (more experience and better mischief "control"). (3) Added 2 new items--Christmas trees (Bob Muir's idea) and ice cream scoops (Jim Yarbrough's idea). We even presented staff person Gary Daniels a chest board, and custodian Calvin an ice cream scoop for their past support of PTWA. Linda Marsh wanted to turn a bottle stopper, but she/we ran out of time--one busy lady.

Instructors assisting every session were Doc Green, John Moehlmann, John Morris, Bob Muir, Tim Smith (first time), and Jim Yarbrough. Also helping were Bob Barrett and Geoff Purser (first time). David Myers again provided us with excellent wood for our projects, and Tim Smith had a variety of wood for the ice cream scoops. After the turning session ended (10:00 - 12:00), we cleaned up,

and enjoyed food at Country BBQ. We have also discussed the positive aspects of 2014 and how it can be improved for next year and beyond. We will present these to President Scot Conklin.

Definition of the word, T-A-C-T : The ability to step on someone's shoes without taking- off -the -shine. Therefore, PTWA members, we instructors suggest/request/plead/beg that a minimum of 8 instructors be at each session. The space is available, the current number of students (and even more) are eager, and equipment is not a problem. Part of the charge of PTWA (and AAW) is for self enjoyment, exchange of ideas, AND TO PRESENT TO AND TEACH WOODTURNING TO OUR YOUTH. So ends the sermon--AMEN!

JOHN G. MORRIS, JR.





## The July Picnic:



Michael Thompson provided an excellent comprehensive demonstration on the safe use of a chain saw. Micheal's career with the forestry service made his advice more effective since his advice comes from his experience. He began by showing and discussing the safety gear required when using a chain saw. He went on to discuss the proper procedure when felling a tree and blocking up the logs. Whether we are involved in felling a tree or just blocking a log and cutting turning blanks, we need to keep safety foremost in our mind.

For those who hung around after lunch, Earl Kennedy demonstrated a unique method of turning a bowl from two pieces of wood joined at an angle while on the lathe.

Thanks to Dave MacInnes and Tim Smith for furnishing photos from the picnic. Tim also provided photos from the LRC summer camp.





## Turner of the Month:

August: Chuck Waldroup  
 September: Jim Raine  
 October: Earl Martin  
 November: Joe Ghezzi  
 December: (Christmas Party)

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## Photos of the July Instant Gallery

These are some of the items members brought to the instant gallery.





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**FROM WEST OF GREENSBORO**

Take I-40 East to Exit 212 (Bus-40 Greensboro To Bryan Blvd). Exit is from the right lane.

At the top of the Exit 212 ramp take Exit 24 (To Bryan Blvd. PTI Airport). You will now be headed north on the new highway.

Exit the new highway onto W. Friendly Ave. and go left (west) on W. Friendly.

Go about ¼ mile west on W. Friendly to Chimney Rock Rd. and turn right (north at traffic light) on Chimney Rock Rd.

As Chimney Rock Rd. parallels the new highway, you will come to the intersection of Ballinger Rd.

Turn right on Ballinger and go under the new highway. Shortly beyond the overpass Leonard Recreation Center will be on your left.

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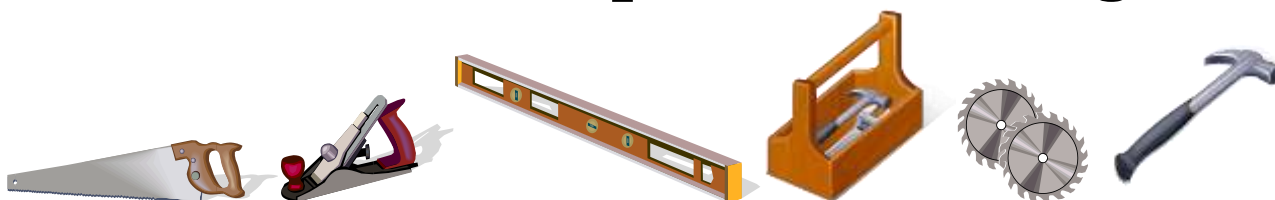
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**FROM THE NORTH SIDE OF GREENSBORO** *Note: Ballinger Rd. is now open.* Ballinger turns west from New Garden / Guilford College Rd. just north of Guilford College. The following link to Mapquest will detail this area. Directions from Bus-40 to Guilford College Rd have been removed since the above directions are much faster from Bus-40.

<http://www.mapquest.com/maps?address=6324+Ballinger&zipcode=27410>. Do not follow Old Stage Road from this link. It doesn't exist.

## At Our September Meeting



**“One man’s junk is another man’s treasure.”**

# GIANT TOOL & EQUIPMENT SALE

## Hands-On Skill Building Techniques

**SEPTEMBER GALLERY** – Consisting of our normal Wood Turnings as well as “Other Types” of Wood Working Items you might want to display.

**RAFFLE** will be held as usual.

**LATHES WILL BE SET UP FOR TURNING & MENTORING**

**Featuring: JIM DUXBURY – Sharpening - Bring your tools to sharpen!!**

**PHIL FUENTES – Off-set Turning**

**EARL KENNEDY - Fluting**

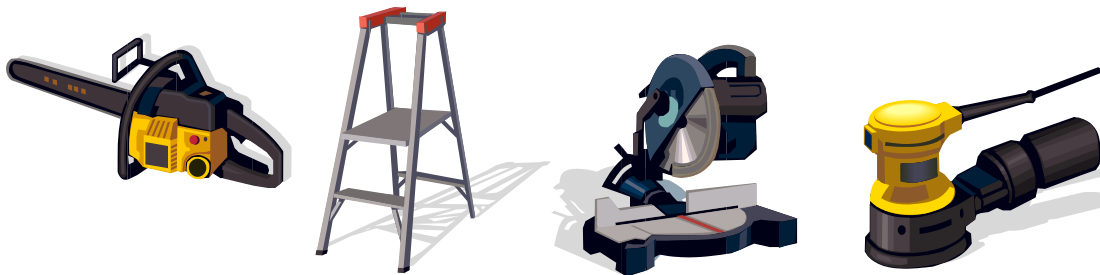
**EARL MARTIN – 3” Bowl**

**JOHN MORRIS - Preparing & Turning a Square Plate**

**September 9, 2014 6:30 PM**  
**Leonard Recreation Center**

**Bring your unwanted, duplicate, or tired tools and equipment to the meeting for the GIANT tool sale. Get rid of your clutter **or** Purchase items you just know you can not live without. Why pay full price?**

**Put a tag with your name & price on the item.**



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