



Piedmont Triad Woodturners Association



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Newsletter
December 2015

Calendar

December 8 – Christmas Party 6:30 PM

**January 12th 2016 – Alan Carter – Splitting
the Difference – split bowl vessels**

Message from the President:



Fellow PTWA members, I want to start off by saying that I have thoroughly enjoyed spending the last three years as President of this club. All of you have put up with more bad jokes from me than any President could ever hope for. Beyond that I have to say that the amount of talent on display each month in the pieces that you bring in to share with the club is both mind boggling and very inspiring. My time in the club has allowed me to witness those brand new to turning evolve from pure novices to true artisans creating some amazing work by watching and getting input from those more experienced in turning than themselves. I have been involved in a lot of different clubs, but this is the only one I can think of where everyone is willing to share their techniques and secrets with anyone that asks. There is not competition between members, only a genuine willingness to help one another to succeed in their woodturning endeavors and that is a very special thing and one that makes our club very unique.

I hope that everyone had a very enjoyable Thanksgiving holiday with their families and loved ones. As we do every November, we held our annual officer elections during the last meeting. Most of the officers from this year returned with the exception of both myself and Jim Duxbury stepping down as President and Vice President / Program Chair respectively. Filling these roles will be Jim

Barbour and Phil Fuentes. Thank you Jim and Phil for volunteering to take on these roles. Also, I would like to say thanks to all of the 2015 club officers and volunteer contributors who helped pave the way to another successful year for our club. Your club officers for 2016 are as follows:

President – Jim Barbour

Vice President/Program Director – Phil Fuentes

Club Treasurer – Bob Holtje

Club Secretary – Jerry Jones

Members At Large – Lan Brady & John
Moehlmann

Website/Newsletter – Jim Terry

AAW / NCWS Liaison – Bob Muir

Librarian – Bonna Jones

Sergeant At Arms – Earl Martin

We wrapped up the year with a demonstration from Bob Baucom. Bob showed us how to turn penguins of all sizes. In addition to being cute, they would make perfect gifts this time of year.

Joe Ghezzi was once again our final turner of the month for 2015. Thank you to all of the members who have been turner of the month this year and donated items to our raffle. Your contributions help to raise money to keep the club running and provide the equipment and supplies for our meetings to be successful.

The time has come once again for our club's annual Christmas Party. The party will be on December 8th (our normal meeting night) at 6:30 at Pioneer Family Restaurant in Archdale. As in the past, it will feature a buffet style dinner, dessert & beverage. We will also have prize drawings and a gift exchange. Last year was the biggest turnout ever for the party. Perhaps we will break that this year. We will operate the gift exchange the same way we have for the last couple of years. If you would like to participate, we would ask that you bring a turned gift inside a plain brown paper

(lunch style) bag. Please do not wrap the item or write your name on the bag. All of the bags will be placed on a table and one person will start us off by picking a bag. The person who made the gift inside that bag will choose next and so on. If everything goes according to the plan, each participant will leave with a turned gift from one of the other members. In order for this to work properly, we would ask that each participant bring only one gift for the exchange. As always, spouses are welcome to participate in the exchange as well. In addition to the gift exchange we will be holding drawings for yellow ticket participation. There will be four \$100 checks given away. We will also have some other door prizes to give away. If you would like to contribute an item or items as door prizes, you are more than welcome to do so, just don't put them in a plain brown paper bag and set them on the gift exchange table! If anyone has any questions about this, please get in touch with me.

I will finish by thanking each of you for allowing me the pleasure of having led this fine group of talented individuals. I hope to see all of you on December 8th at Pioneer Family Restaurant, but if I don't see you there, I hope that you and your loved ones have a very Merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Year!

Scot Conklin
President

From Our Vice President:

As the final month of my term as VP and Program Chairman comes to an end I would like to thank the club for helping me during the last eight years. I can't ever remember having asked a member for help or to do a demo that the response was not more than what was needed. I think we all had a good time and maybe even learned a few things. I know I did. This is a great club and I am sure the new VP and Program Chairman, Phil Fuentes will do a fine job.

All the best, James Duxbury

From Our Treasurer:

If you have not paid your 2016 dues, time is running out. If you are coming to the Christmas party, you can bring a check (check only) and give it to Bob. Our dues are \$30 for an individual or \$45 for a couple. You may also mail a check to our treasurer.

Bob Holtje; 943 Ridge Gate Dr.; Lewisville, NC 27023

From our Secretary:

November 2015 Meeting

- Scot Conklin opened meeting with the business notifications and agenda.
- Reported we had 132 current members.
- Please pay your 2016 membership dues. \$30 for single, \$45 for family.
- Reminder the Christmas Party is Dec 8 at The Pioneer Family Restaurant. There will be a gift exchange, something you turned that will fit in a brown lunch paper bag. NO decorations or names on outside.
- PTWA officer nominations for 2016 were conducted. Jim Barber was nominated by Geoffrey Purser and second by Chris Roe. Members approved.
- Doug Thompson (Thompson Tools) was on hand to sell his turning tools.
- Bob Baucom was the Guest Turner demonstrating how to turn Pinguin and Chicks for crafty style christmas tree ornaments.

Jerry Jones

Secretary

American Association of Woodturners:

A number of the PTWA members are also members of the AAW. If you are not an AAW member, here are some of the opportunities and benefits you are missing. The AAW helps you stay plugged in to the worldwide woodturning community. A subscription to the *American Woodturner* journal (six issues annually, each packed with feature articles, projects, photos, tips, techniques, and news. New for 2015, the AAW has introduced online videos to complement selected journal articles.). AAW is the world's leading resource for woodturning information, inspiration, and instruction. AAW members have access not only to the journal, but also to publications including Woodturning FUNdamentals (six digital issues annually loaded with projects, techniques, tips, videos, and information to build essential woodturning skills, as well as an online archive of past issues), Safety for Woodturners, and mentoring publications, as well as a variety of complimentary services, website tools, grant opportunities, and specialty programming.

There are also Special editions available to members, e.g., **Got Wood? Now What?** Joseph M. Herrmann, **Setting Up Your Woodturning Workstation**, Rob Wallace, **Safety for Woodturners**, a 66-page digital book to help woodturners build strong skills while learning best practices and safety, **Sharpening Woodturning Tools**: 72-page digital book full of useful articles on sharpening tools for woodturning.

The annual dues are \$55 General Membership, \$45 Online Membership, \$19 Student Membership, \$60 Family Membership with more details available at <http://www.woodturner.org/> and clicking on Members >> Join AAW >> New Members.

Symposium Followup:

I believe that the 2015 North Carolina Woodturning Symposium was a great success. There were about 350 registrants from “far and wide”, about 309 pieces were displayed in the Instant Gallery submitted by 77 different turners, about 20 vendors presented and sold their wares (machines, tools, wood, etc.) in the Vendor Gallery, and about 350 people attended the Saturday evening banquet.

It would not have been a success if it were not for all the volunteer efforts of very many people who are members of the ten woodturning clubs that make up the corporation.

Our club was responsible for Demonstration Room 4 in which Ashley Harwood presented 6 demonstrations and Jim Duxbury presented 3 demonstration. With the help of the following members of the PTWA everything ran smoothly: Bob Holtje, Lan Brady, David McInnes, Dean Hutchins, John Morris, Tim Smith, Phil Fuentes, Larry Daniel, and Jim Terry. Thank you all for this essential help.

We could not have met the responsibilities for our room if Jim Terry, Dean Hutchens, Geoffrey Purser (and his guest demonstrator, Don Derry) had not met at the Recreation Center to load up all our equipment to take to the Coliseum. Help loading the trailer on Sunday was provided by Tim Smith, Lan Brady, John Morris, Geoffrey Purser. Tuesday afternoon Jim Terry, John Morris, and Bob Muir unloaded the trailer back into the Recreation Center in time for the regular November meeting. Thank you all for your extra efforts on behalf of the PTWA.

Special thanks to Martha Hunter and Chris Roe! They have each worked during the last 5 Symposiums. Martha spent most of the three days

at the registration table as an invaluable assistant to the NCWS Treasurer. Chris spent the three days in the Instant Gallery facilitating the record keeping of all the pieces presented for display.

One of the features of the North Carolina Woodturning Symposium is that some of the PTWA members provide housing in private homes for the “headline demonstrators” if they want it. This year Jim Barbour, Ron & Chris Roe, Barry Walker, Geoffrey Purser, Crystal Earley, John Morris, and Jim & Rita Duxbury served as Hosts of the “headline demonstrators”. In addition to providing bed & breakfast and entertainment for them their responsibilities involved meeting them at an airport (PTI or Raleigh) and returning them to it and transporting them to and from the Coliseum each day. Those who have done this have reported that it was very enjoyable to get to know these demonstrators on a personal level. On behalf of the NCWS Inc., I express a very sincere thank you to you all for this service to the organization.

If I have omitted naming anyone who contributed to our success I sincerely apologize and I am very grateful for your help.

Please send any comments and/or suggestions for demonstrators for the 2017 symposium and/or for improving the Symposium to Bob Muir (rmuir2@triad.rr.com) or Jim Barbour (jim@shopdogturnery.com).

January 2016 Meeting:

January 12th. The demonstrator will be Alan Carter from Asheville, NC

He will be doing his “Splitting the Difference - split bowl vessels” in which he shows how to turn a shallow bowl that is then cut in half (or even quarters) and reassembled to make a new form. He will then show the process used to accurately and safely cut the bowl in half to make the new vessel. He culminates with how the tops are made for the vessels and how the vessels can be further enhanced with various texturing techniques.



Mentors:

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Jim Terry, Winston-Salem (336) 768-0033
Bob Moffett, Burlington (336) 229-6141

John Morris, Siler City (919) 742-5148
George Sudermann, Winston-Salem (336) 923-2007

Photos of the November Instant Gallery



Joe Ghezzi – Turner-of-the-Month
Rainbow Poplar Box



Tom Clark – 9” Wild Cherry Bowl



Jeff Clark - 14” Walnut Crotch Platter



Jeff Clark – 9” Walnut Crotch Platter



James Duxbury – 10 Pecan Bowl



Harry Sample – 8.5” Walnut Bowl



Earl Martin – 8” Curly Maple &
Redheart



Jim Yarbrough – 6” Pink ivory
Kaleidoscope & Walnut Tray



Julien McCarthy – Footed Walnut
Bowl w/ Walnuts & Turquoise



Julien McCarthy – Ambrosia Maple Vase w/ Turquoise Inlay



Julien McCarthy – Tiger Maple & Walnut Lidded Vase



Robert Lunsford – 9” Red Cedar Bowl



George Sudermann – 6” Holly & Walnut Bud Vases



George Sudermann – Cherry Burl Ice Cream Scoop



Dave MacInnes – 3” Crabapple Vase



Phil Fuentes – Goncalo Alves Escentric Box



David Harry – 9” Silver Maple Lidded Box



David Harry – 10” Black Walnut Bowl



Linda Michael – Elm Pedistal Bowl w/ Pyrography



Linda Michael – Holly Bowl w/ Pyrography



Earl Kennedy – Black & Red Maple Bowl



Earl Kennedy – Dyed Spalted Maple Bowl



Ron Roe – Ambrosia Maple Oil Lamp



Mike Jackofsky – Buckeye Burl – Presented by Chris Roe



Jim Terry – 10” Dyed Blue/Green Bradford Pear Vase



Michael Thompson – Red Oak Bowl w/ Bronze Paint



Michael Thompson – Ash Bowl w/ Copper Paint



Michael Thompson – Ash Bowl w/ Iron Paint



Michael Thompson – Sassafras Burned Bowl



Bob Moffett – Walnut Platter



Bob Moffett – Walnut Weed Pot



Bob Moffett – Cherry/Walnut Celtic Knot Weed Pot



Bob Moffett – Aladans Jars Maple/Ebony, Spalted Maple/Ebony



Nick Agar – Viking Sunset Bowl –
Presented by John Morris



Harry Sample & Tim Smith – Tree
Ornaments



Jack Johnson – Tree Ornament

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MEETING LOCATION: Leonard Recreation Center (336) 297-4889). 6324 Ballinger Road, Greensboro, NC 27410

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.

FROM EAST OF GREENSBORO

Take Bus-40 through Greensboro
Take Exit 212 (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 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.

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.



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Dear Piedmont Woodturners, Family, and Friends,

Join us for Food, Fellowship & Conversation

Annual PTWA Christmas Party

6:30p.m. - Tuesday, December 8th

Pioneer Family Restaurant

10914 North Main Street, Archdale, NC 27263

Buffet Style Dinner, Dessert & Beverage

Each person will pay individually.

Approximately \$12.50 per person including tax. Gratuity is additional as you see fit.

Gift exchange of a wrapped, turned gift of modest value for all who wish to participate. Item must be contained in a plain, brown paper lunch bag. No gift wrapping!

Drawings for 4 - \$100.00 prizes of the year long raffle.

If you have any questions, please email Jim Duxbury, Program Coordinator at cyberdux@bellsouth.net or call 336-227-7168.