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# Piedmont Triad Woodturners Association

December 2019



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## Calendar

Christmas Party Dec 10th Bon's Wings 6:30PM



# Message from the President:



During his demonstration last month Earl said that this was his first demonstration. If this is where he starts, he needs to continue to polish and hone his demos as he has a good beginning to work

from. He reminds me of some of the turners who bring excellent pieces to the gallery and then announce that this is their first piece – I am not sure I completely believe either of them since my first demo and my first piece were nothing like as good!! Thanks Earl, we all went home knowing things we did not know at the beginning.

Several months ago, I expressed my desire to step down from the position of President. No one has stepped up to serve as president and, rather than leave the club without a president, I am willing to continue. As I write this I am curious about how my President's notes have changed over the years.

Let me copy here from the first couple of paragraphs of my first note four years ago, January 2016:

As we begin this new year, and as I begin this new position, two things come to mind immediately; first, how did I end up here? And, second, now what do I do?

The first question is actually pretty straightforward. I indicated to a member of the nominations committee that [if no one else stepped up] I was not willing to leave the club without a president, and that is about all it took. The second is more complicated. While I understand in general what a president of an organization like this does, ...

While my notes have changed over the years, the situation I find myself in is exactly the same as the first time I took this task – I am unwilling to allow PTWA to fail because no one is willing to lead.

### **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

From Bonna's note:

This is just to remind you that our Annual Christmas Party is just around the corner. We haven't had as many sign up to come as we would like, so if you didn't sign up at the last two meeting, please give me (Bonna) a call to let me know you are coming [(336) 337-7573]. I will need to know by Dec. 6.

As in years past, we will bring a turned gift, in a paper bag for the gift exchange and we will be giving gift certificates to winners from the yellow ticket box.

Hope to see you all at Bon Bon's Wings and Grill on December 10, at 6:30.

www.bonbonwingsandgrill.com/ 3605 Groometown Rd, Greensboro

#### **ON-GOING PROJECTS**

Surveys: If you have not yet gone on line and completed the PTWA Future Directions survey, please do so. You can find the link on the web site, or right here:

https://forms.gle/zCyueVYamP17cn7S7.

This survey will close out one week after our Christmas Dinner. The dinner is on the 10th so the survey will close the following Tuesday night, the 17th.

Beads of Courage boxes: Let's keep those boxes coming in!! Nim Batchelor has been kind enough to volunteer to take over the Beads of Courage Boxes Project. He is in contact with both state and national BOC personnel and we can expect him to move the project forward. Sharpen your bowl gouges, we need BOC boxes!!

### PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE

**December:** The president's challenge for December is to make a gift to bring to the swap at the Christmas Party.

### 2019 TURNERS OF THE MONTH

Jan - Geoff Purser	July - Dave Kelly
Feb - Dave MacInnes	Aug - Roy Carlson
Mar - Bob Moffett	Sep - OPEN
Apr - Phil Heinz	Oct - Jerry Jones
May - N.T.O.M - Picnic	Nov - OPEN
Jun - Jeffery Clark	Dec - Christmas Pt

### 2019 DEMONSTRATOR'S LINEUP:

No Demo for December - Christmas Party

## **November Minutes:**

Jim Barbour opened the meeting. He began by circulating a sign-up sheet for the 2020 Turners-of-the-Month. Five visitors were recognized. Luke Shepherd was introduced to the members present as the new website manager. Jim asked to be notified of members we lost in 2019, to add as a newsletter item. Dave Kelly was introduced as the new Newsletter Editor. Jim Terry will continue to maintain the membership database. Jim B. announced the details of a burl that is available. The Christmas Party sign-up sheet was circulated again to try to get the total up to fifty so as to secure a private room. Bonna Jones announced that a list of what is in the library will be posted on the website.

Jim showed the results of the slogan survey, and "Learn, turn, teach, repeat" was chosen by affirmation. He then discussed the

ongoing survey on the future of the club and solicited more responses, and provided paper copies for those who want them. He also noted that a link to the survey is on the website. Bob Schasse provided the Treasurer's report, and a list of items in the Club "store". He also noted that Penn State is offering a 10% discount to members who provide their e-mail addresses.

The Gallery was presented by Jim Terry, and the raffle followed the break.

Krystal Earley talked about the President's role and responsibilities, and solicited candidates for this office. She then introduced our own Earl Martin, the demonstrator for the evening. Earl began by relating how his interest in using laminated wood evolved. He found that the geometry of a bowl, for example, would reveal more interesting shapes in the contrasting woods if the rim was undercut. He described how he lays out the laminations for the blank to achieve the desired effect. He sometimes places the laminations perpendicular to each other to achieve greater contrast. He will also saw a laminated block at 10 degrees to get even more variation. He brought a jig he had made to facilitate gluing up the laminations, and noted that he placed waxed paper on the jig to protect it from excess glue.

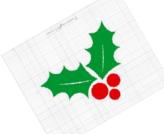
He stressed the mating surfaces to be glued must be absolutely flat, with no gaps, and noted that he prefers Titebond III. He described in great detail how he goes about sanding, and showed a number of jigs he made with various materials for contour sanding. An important detail he mentioned was ensuring absolute cleanliness before going to a finer grit.

He showed us the various turning tools he uses, and how he uses them. For a finish, he makes up small batches of tung oil, polyurethane, and mineral spirits (equal parts of all three).

- Roy Carlson, Secretary

#### **Mentors:**

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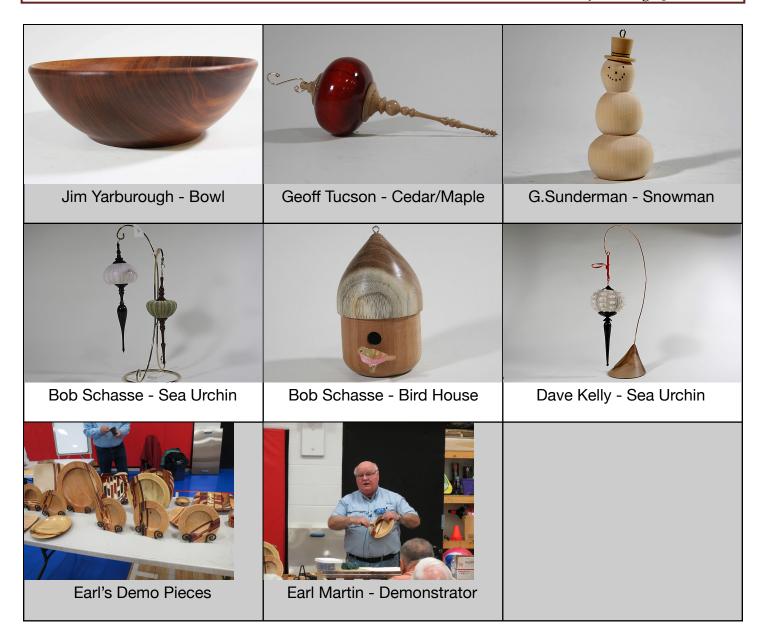
# Turner of the Month Jim Barbour



Photos of the November Instant Gallery I apologize, if names and picture don't match. I had a mix up with them. Dave Kelly







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