

Piedmont Triad Woodturners Association



Newsletter February 2023

Demonstrator Calendar

January 10 – Geoff Purser February 14 – Steve Coley March 13-

April 11- Dave MacInnes – Using Wood Turning Tools -Tips, Hints & Cautions

Message from the President:

Hi Woodturners!

What a fun demo we had in January! Geoff Purser did a great job presenting his techniques for turning natural edge bowls. They can certainly be a challenge and Geoff made it look easy! We had 38 attendees and a lot of help with setup and teardown of all the equipment. It's a little more work to move it into the classroom but the environment is much better than meeting in the large gym. We appreciate everyone's help!

Just a few reminders for the next meeting:

- Dues are due: Our deadline for dues is the end of February. Most folks are already caught up, but if you have missed getting them in, please try to do so at our 2/14 meeting.
- President's Challenge: Apply texture to a turning. It can be a bowl, vessel, spindle... Let's get creative and see what everyone can come up with!
- Bring something for the raffle: old (or new) tools, excess supplies/sandpaper..., wood, magazines all make great items. Proceeds benefit the club, and you get a "special" ticket for our end of year drawing.
- Turner of the month: Jason Lathrop

On a sad note, one of our long time fellow PTWA members, Ron Roe, passed away on January 21st. Please remember his wife Chris and their family in your prayers. For anyone that wants to send a card to Chris Roe, Kimberly and family here is the address: 6330 Cape Wedgewood Circle, Brown Summit, NC 27214.

This month (February) I will be doing my very first demo. Every one of you probably have a bunch of smaller blanks laying around your shop wondering what you can do with them. I'll do my best to share my process for making a simple squarish shaped bowl from a ~6"x6"x2" block. A similar demo for Small Squarish Dish Platters was presented to us back in 2018 by woodturner John K. Jordan. I'll also try to throw in a few tips and tricks that you might find helpful. Hope you can attend.

Steve Coley Co-President

President's Challenge

Turning with secondary operation – carving, decorating, painting, texturing, etc.

2022 Turner of the Month:

February – Jason Lathrop

Available at the Club Meeting Store:

Mercury CA Glue – thin, med, thick in Regular, thin and medium in Flexible (2 oz, 8 oz)
Mercury Accelerator (2 & 8 oz.); Mercury
Debonder; CA Glue extension tips (10 pk);
Mercury Epoxy (5, 15, 30 Min); Oak & Teak
Epoxy; Velvit Oil finish ½ pint, pint, quart;
Application pads (60 ea.); Pipettes bag of 20;
Syringe 5 ml bag of 5; lidded plastic cups (2 oz.); Sandpaper, package of 100, 120, 150, 180, 220, 320, 400.



Upcoming Events

Subject: Upcoming 2023 Woodturning Workshops - Chapel Hill Woodturners.

Best wishes for 2023 from the Chapel Hill Woodturners!

Our club will be conducting ten workshops in 2023, at our club facility on 2616 Old Greensboro Road, Chapel Hill, NC. Each one-day workshop will run from 9AM to 3PM. The \$120 tuition covers instruction, materials and lunch.

Please print or share the attached PDF, which contains the details of each workshop, with your club members.

Email Frank Penta (<u>fpenta1@rr.com</u>) to register, or if you have further questions. Hope to see you there!
Bruce Alexander

Minutes from PTWA Meeting

Minutes from the January 10, 2023, PTWA meeting:

Steve Coley opened the meeting at the

Leonard Center at 6:30. We met in one of the smaller rooms and pretty well filled it - 39 attendees. Steve noted that tonight's demo would be Geoff Purser making a natural edge bowl. The Feb. President's Challenge is a turning with secondary operations - carving, decorating, painting, texturing, etc. Steve noted that 2023 dues must be paid by the end of the month to qualify for the Klingspor discount.

Jason Lathrop is Turner-of-the-Month for February. Steve floated the possibility of a spring picnic, and the response was favorable. Geoff noted that the Chapel Hill Woodturners have a variety of workshops this year that are worth checking out. Jim Barbour noted that the

After the break, the raffle was held. We then went on to Geoff's demo.

NC Woodturners Symposium will take place this November in Greensboro. The Instant Gallery followed with a wide variety of objects.

Geoff began by discussing his experience with natural edge turning and passed around several examples of bowls he had turned. He suggested harvesting the wood in the fall or winter to improve the chances of the bark staying on. He began by turning a tenon on the pith side of his piece. He then mounted the piece on a chuck using that tenon. He turned the back of the bowl to generate the desired shape. He began turning the face of the bowl with a bowl gouge sharpened at 40° and presented the tool so that the 40° angle was perpendicular to the face. In his experience this is the best way to preserve the bark. He switched to a 55° gouge to finish the bottom of the bowl. After arriving at the desired depth, he finished with a scraper. He then finished the back of the bowl and parted it off.

After marking the center of the bottom, he used a "rubber chuck" to hold the bowl so he could finish and decorate the bottom.

- Roy Carlson, Secretary

Photos of the January Instant Gallery



Elm Bowl - Geoff Purser



Spaulded Bowl – Cliff Peschansky



Cherry Bowl w/carving – Dave MacInnis



Maple Bowl Embellished – Bob Moffett



Lazy Susan – Various Woods - Jim Yarborough



Lidded Vessel – Tupelo/Thermmodified Ash – Jason Lathrop



Black and Blue Vessel – Maple Steve Coley



Small Maple Bowl – Steve Coley



Spaulded Birch Bowl - Steve Coley



Winged Bowl - Bob Muir



Bottle Stoppers - Paul Bailey Cherry/Walnut/Maple Burl -



7 Christmas Trees - Oak - Luke Shepherd

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Fancy Donut – Maple – Don Keefer



Knitting Yarn Bowl – Pear - Robert Lunsford



Geoff Purser – Demonstrator



A good Group in attendance



Michael Thompson selling items from a former turner.



Jim Barbour at the PTWA Store

THESE ARE SOME PICTURES FROM THE MEETING.

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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 1/4 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 does not