



Piedmont Triad Woodturners Association



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May 2017

Calendar

February 14 – Don Leydens – Two Part Goblet

March 14 – Bob Verne – Finishing Turnings

April 11 – Jim Terry – Setup & Use of a Sharpening Station to Achieve Various Grinds

May 9 – Lan Brady – From a Log to a Bowl

turning like that from day one. Of course that is not true; it is practice, not magic, and we all started out with surprisingly similar work. So, here is the challenge:

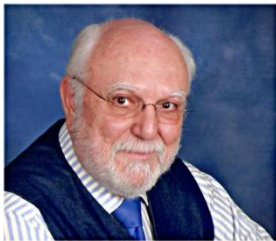
Dig around and find the oldest thing you have which you turned; ideally the first thing you ever turned. Bring it in and share the story behind it.

June: Let's try threading. There are lots of ways to attach two pieces by threading. You can hand chase threads, use a threading jig of some sort, insert threads from PVC pipe or some other reuse approach, or you can insert purpose made threads. Whatever you choose, bring in something with threads. Let's try and have at least one of each approach to threading.

General thoughts

Several folk have told me that the increased effort on being welcoming is a good thing. Keep it up so that it becomes something we are rather than something we struggle to do.

Regarding the gallery presentation, remember that only one of your pieces will be held up for review and discussion. Bring as much as you wish to the gallery. If you bring more than one, just to be sure to indicate which piece you want displayed during the presentation. Also remember that you are expected to at least stand while your piece is being presented, and ideally should be willing to take questions and make comments yourself.



Message from the President:

Jim Terry's tools must always be exceptionally sharp – now we know how he does it. It has been my

experience, both when working alone and when teaching that most problems are related to the edge on our tools. The hints and tips Jim brought with him will hold us all in good stead.

This month Bob Schasse was scheduled, covering the process of making a segmented bowl from start to finish. Bob has had an opportunity present itself that he could not, in good sense turn down. He is traveling to Costa Rica and will miss the May gathering. I suggested I go in his place so he would not have to change his demo, but he did not seem too enthusiastic. I am quite enthusiastic about this month's demonstrator. Lan Brady, who is always a treat and a over-pouring font of knowledge, will be our demonstrator. Thanks to Lan for stepping up.

President's Challenge

May: At least three people have suggested to me that we revive an old Challenge. We have several new members and lots of beginning turners have joined recently. It can be intimidating to bring in your work for the gallery when you are just getting started and have no real idea how some of our more experienced turners do what we see on display. It must be magic, and they must have been

AAW

Two continuing announcements from AAW:

- 1) AAW 50% dues incentive for chapter members who are new AAW members:
 - Local chapter members who have never been AAW members will have the exclusive

opportunity to become AAW members for one year for just \$30, a 50% reduction on the \$60 rate. Only AAW chapter members who have never been AAW members are eligible, and **the special rate is available only during the exclusive sign up period from April 1 through June 30, 2017.**

- 2) New AAW learning tools were introduced April 1:
- *Woodturning FUNdamentals Online*, an easy-to-use integrated online learning experience designed for new turners and those who would like to build woodturning skills. The site complements the digital Woodturning FUNdamentals publication.
 - *Discover Woodturning Online*, a new web-based resource loaded with introductory and descriptive information about the art and craft of woodturning, designed to educate the general public.

Additionally, if you have not yet seen the feature on the AAW web site, [AAW EXPLORE!](#) It is worth the effort. Check it out

Video Source: <http://aawvideosource.org/>.

Guest Membership for 60 days for free: I really do recommend membership if for no other reason than the *American Woodturner* journal. Follow this link to learn more:

<http://www.woodturner.org/general/custom.asp?page=GuestMemberLanding>

Registration for the 2017 AAW Symposium is open, see <http://www.woodturner.org/?page=2017KC>.

North Carolina Woodturning Symposium

This is the continuing call for help with the upcoming Regional Symposium. Progress is being made. The rotations are generally set and it promises to be an outstanding symposium. Though several people have stepped up, we still need help set up, tear down, video, etc. I think we are down to the last few demonstrators without housing, so if you can put up a woodturner for the first weekend of November 2017, you are still needed. Just let Bob Muir or me know if you can make a space for a guest.

2017 Turners of the Month

January	Bob Moffett
February	Steve Golden
March	George Sudermann
April	Geoff Purser
May	Bob Schasse
June	Bob Holtje
July	PICNIC
August	Jeff Clark (Pittsboro)
September	Earl Martin
October	Jerry Jones
November	<i>Your Name Here?</i>
December	CHRISTMAS PARTY

April Minutes:

- Jim Barbour opened meeting with some suggested changes to the gallery. Suggested bringing as much as you like, but one item should be designated to be presented to the group.
- Crystal Davis introduced as new V.P. Presentations. She will be responsible for the scheduling of presentations and demonstrators.
- New member and visitor introduction.
- Turner of the month, Bob Schasse. Turner of the month for May will be Bob Holtje.
- President's challenge for April– turn a ball.
- Jim printed up Club Business Cards for members to use.
- Crystal Davis handed out a sheet to provide information if you wish to participate in the Photo Membership Roster.
- Bring your oldest turned piece for May.

Jerry Jones

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Photos of the April Instant Gallery



Bob Schasse – 7” Bowl – Turner of the Month Ash, Walnut, Maple, Gum



Bob Moffett – 10” Offset Maple Platter



Bob Moffett – 16” Offset Maple Platter



Bob Moffett – 8” Hickory Square Bowl



Bob Moffett – 12” Hackberry Offset Natural Edge Bowl



Earl Martin – 14” Ambrosia Maple Bowl



Earl Martin – 15” Curly Maple Platter



Bob Schasse 11” Hickory/Walnut/Ash Segmented Bowl



Barry Walker – Maple Abstract



Michael Thompson – Red Oak & Ebony Lidded Stemed Bowl



Jeff Clark – Elm Bowl



Jeff Clark – Black Walnut Platter



Bob Barrett – 17” Dogwood Vase



Ryan Bailey – Poplar Captive Ring Goblet



Jim Barbour – Hickory, Cherry & Poplar Balls

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