



# Piedmont Triad Woodturners Association



Newsletter  
March 2023

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## Calendar

January 10 – Geoff Purser  
February 14 – Steve Coley  
March 14 - Crystal Earley  
April 11 - Dave MacInnes – Using Wood Turning  
Tools -Tips, Hints & Cautions

see, please share that information with her. No person, no matter their notoriety is off limits as we can sometimes find that they are demoing in our region and that often makes their fee fall within our budget.

## Message from the President

At the last meeting, we had 34 folks in attendance and our paid membership is almost back to pre-covid numbers at 70. I'd say we are back to our new normal. And that is a good thing.

My wife had an ankle replacement the Thursday before our last meeting and since I am the designated nurse my priority was to get back home ASAP. Therefore, I missed Steve Coleys Square Bowl demo. I have heard good reports and want to say this one was one I really wanted to see. Hope the video was a success. Thanks, Steve for sharing.

This month Crystal will demo her techniques for making her signature Gnomes. This will be a fun demo and one I'm sure we will learn a lot from and go home with a nice warm fuzzy feeling.

Crystal has asked for names of guest turners we might have for future demos. If there is someone you would like to

You may recall that we hosted a guest last month, Charles Hepler, asking for our assistance in a fund raiser, "Empty Bowls." We were asked to bring a bowl or several if you are so moved to support this worthy mission project. This is a one-shot deal so bring bowls on March 14 or be square.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all at the Leonard Center Tuesday,

March 14 – set up starts around 6:00 – meeting starts at 6:30. Everyone is welcome to help with set up and take down. **Many hands make light work.** Remember to bring something for the auction as well as your pieces for the gallery.

## 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 1/2 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.



The image shows a printed price list titled "PTWA Store Item Prices". The list is organized into several color-coded sections: Glues, CA and Epoxy (yellow), MISC. (orange), and Velvit Oil Finish (green). Items include various types of CA glue, accelerators, extension tips, sandpaper, application pads, and bottle stoppers.

PTWA Store Item Prices		
<b>Glues, CA and Epoxy</b>		
CA Standard, any viscosity 1oz -- \$3.00 2oz -- \$5.00 8oz -- \$10.00	CA Flex type, any viscosity 2oz -- \$6.00 8oz -- \$20.00	CA Foam/Low Odor, any viscosity 1oz -- \$9.00
CA Accelerator 2oz -- \$4.00 12oz -- \$14.00	CA Debonder 2oz -- \$4.00	CA Extension Tips, All types 10-pack -- \$3.00
Mercury Epoxy, All types 8oz -- \$10.00	Smith's Oak & Teak Epoxy 12oz -- \$21 32oz -- \$52	Smith's Penetrating Epoxy 32oz -- \$35.00 Solvent -- \$23
<b>MISC.</b>		
Application Pads/Lidded Containers Containers 2oz 20pc -- \$1.00 Application pads 60ct -- \$3.00	Sandpaper - Roll 100, 120, 150, 180, 220, 320 & 400 grit -- \$7.00	Pipette/Syringe packs Pipette 40pc -- \$2.00 Syringe 5pc -- \$2.00
Velvit Oil Finish 1/2pt -- \$9.00 1pt -- \$15.00 32oz -- \$25.00	Niles Bottle Stoppers Any Style -- \$6.00	Chrome Bottle Stoppers -- \$4.00

Treasurer's report. We took a break, then held the raffle and the Instant Gallery.

Steve Coley was this evening's demonstrator, and his topic was "Square Bowls". He passed around several examples for us to refer to during the demo. He started with a square blank 6" X 6" X 2". He cuts arcs on the sides using a template. He also demonstrated a jig he built to saw uniform arcs on the bandsaw. He showed a few videos showing this procedure. After drilling a centered hole, he mounts the blank on a screw chuck. After truing up the surface, he glues a sacrificial block on the bowl bottom using a paper joint. He uses white glue for this which dissolves in water for easy clean-up after removal. He also uses a light strip on the tool rest for better illumination. He turns a tenon on the waste block, and also cuts a center in case he needs it later for reference. Next he turns the bottom or "wings" of the bowl, leaving ~ 1/4" at the points to ensure he has sufficient material for turning after reversing. He also sands the bottom before reversing and mounting the piece in a chuck using the tenon. He then turns the inside of the bowl.

- Roy Carlson, Secretary

### Minutes from February 14 Meeting

Minutes from the February 14, 2023 PTWA meeting:

Geoff Purser opened the meeting at the Leonard Center at 6:30. We met in one of the smaller rooms and pretty well filled it - 35 attendees. We have 70 paid members now. We had three examples of texturing for this month's President's Challenge. March's Challenge is something to do with flowers. Jason Lathrop was the Turner of the Month, and he brought a different take on a bowl with a natural edge. Turner of the Month for March is Geoff Purser. Geoff noted that the NC Woodturners Symposium is here in Greensboro 11/3 - 5. We will need volunteers and people to offer hospitality to the demonstrators. Guest Charles Hepler spoke about the "Empty Bowls" project at the Thomasville Memorial United Methodist Church, and solicited donations for their silent auction on March 17. See their website for more info. We still need more people to help out with our A/V system, and we need a Librarian. Bob Schasse gave the

### President's Challenge

Something to do with Flowers or and Easter Egg

### 2023 Turner of the Month:

March – Geoff Purser

### Photos of the February Instant Gallery



Turner of the Month – February  
Jason Lathrop



Presidents Challenge

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Club Attendance - February



Club Attendance – Instant Gallery



Steve Coley – Demonstrator



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I am very sorry, but I forgot to pick up the papers to identify the Instant Gallery Pieces in February. I will do better in March. Bonna

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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.

#### FROM EAST OF GREENSBORO

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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 does not exist.