



# Piedmont Triad Woodturners Association



Newsletter  
May 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  
May 9 – Dine and Design Event: Boxed Meal  
and Mini Workstations

For those of you that feel inclined to do a little teaching remember that Josie Vogel from Sawtooth is looking for few good men/women to assist in the wood turning arena. This is a great opportunity to share your skills and help someone get off to a solid start in woodturning. I often wonder how many folks bought a lathe and it ended up in a corner of their shop collecting dust because they never had the opportunity to learn the “How To’s”. We have a wealth of talent in our club, and I bet there are a few of you that might find this to be a fun opportunity to share your passion for woodturning.

## Message from the President

We had a good turnout last month and enjoyed a presentation from our very own Dave MacInnes on “Animals from the Ocean.” Thanks, Dave, for sharing your skills with us.

On May 9<sup>th</sup> we will be putting a new twist on our typical meeting with our first Dine and Design Event. Presently we have 27 people signed up to be there and if you did not sign up please contact Crystal at 336-709-9569 or [crystal.davis@bradyservices.com](mailto:crystal.davis@bradyservices.com), to confirm your attendance and to have a meal available. There will be multiple “Break Out” areas to include: Woodburning, Woodcarving, Airbrush and a couple of mini lathes will be available so you can get hands on experience with tools that you may not be familiar with or perhaps you just want a tune up session.

It’s good to see our club back on a solid footing. We have established a solid core group and we continue to pick up new folks as we move along. Looking forward to seeing you on May 9<sup>th</sup>.

Geoff Purser

## President’s Challenge

May – Scoops and Measuring Devices

## 2023 Turner of the Month:

**ATTENTION: CALL - TEXT OR EMAIL CRYSTAL EARLEY IF YOUR HAVEN'T SIGNED UP FOR DINNER FOR THE MAY MEETING - 336-709-9569 OR [crystal.davis@bradyservices.com](mailto:crystal.davis@bradyservices.com)**

**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.

PTWA Store Item Prices		
Glues, CA and Epoxy		
CA Standard, any viscosity 1oz -- \$3.00    2oz -- \$5.00 8oz -- \$16.00	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    8oz -- \$12.00 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
MISC.		
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

**Minutes from April 11 Meeting**

Minutes from the April 11, 2023, PTWA meeting:

Goef Purser opened the meeting at the Leonard Center at 6:30. We now have 76 paid members. We had one visitor. The president's Challenge for April was jewelry, and next month it is scoops and measuring devices. Don Keefer was Turner of the Month. Geoff reminded everyone about the upcoming Symposium (Nov. 3 - 5) here at the Coliseum and solicited volunteers and people to provide hospitality for the demonstrators. The May meeting theme will be "Dine and Design", with the club providing a free meal, and will include

mini workstations. Jason Lathrop has our website nearly updated. Josie Vogel from the Sawtooth School in Winston-Salem spoke about teaching opportunities there. Jim Barbour reminded everyone about the AAW.

National Symposium in Kentucky in June. Charles Hepler noted that the "Empty Bowls" project raised over \$20,000 and thanked all those who donated. Steve Coley brought some template printouts for the square plates he had demonstrated.

The raffle and Instant Gallery followed.

April's demonstrator was Dave MacInnes, and his program was "Turning tools, tips, hints, and cautions". Dave began with a discussion of basic tools and provided a handout with his recommendations. He then turned a fish from flat stock held between centers. After rounding the edges with a roughing gouge and a scraper, he turned the head and the tail. He left just enough stock to part off the fish. The next project was another fish, this time with the flat stock slightly off-center. This gives the fish's body a different appearance. A turned Narwhal followed. (The Narwhal is his grand-daughter's favorite animal.) The single tusk is turned separately and glued into a hole in the body. Dave then rotated his approach 90 degrees, and turned a stingray, holding the flat stock on a faceplate. Examples of these sea creatures with painting, carving, and secondary operations were circulated. Dave included some tips as follows:

"Take a break after an hour of turning."

"Use your legs instead of your arms to move the gouge."

cloth over the nose hole and glues the nose.

- Roy Carlson, Secretary

**EVENTS**

June 1-4, 2023, AAW's 37<sup>th</sup> Annual International Symposium in Louisville, Kentucky. Details at woodturner.org

November 3-5, 2023 – Biennial NC Woodturning Symposium, Greensboro Coliseum. For more, visit ncwts.com.

## Photos of the April Instant Gallery



Turner of the Month - Don Keefer  
Porthole Vase – Coolibah Burl, Maple,  
Ebony & Cherry



Sycamore Bowl – M. Loebenberg



Cup – M. Loebenberg



Segmented Vase – Jason Lathrop  
Aspen, Peruvian Walnut, Maple Burl



Handle for Wood Rasp – Jason  
Lathrop - Blistered & Spalted Maple



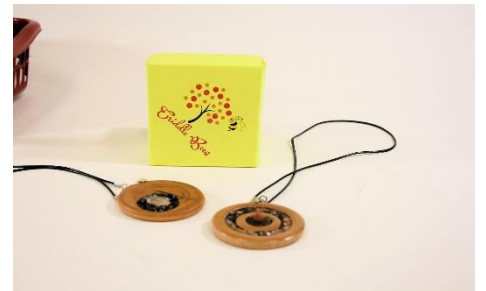
Walnut Plate – Jim Yarbrough



Two Goblets – Charles Hepler - Apple



Basket of Gnomes (4) – Bob Holtje  
Mixed wood



Presidents Challenge – Jewellery  
Crystal Earley



Geoff Purser



Crystal Earley



Steve Coley

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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.

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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.