



# Piedmont Triad Woodturners Association



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## Message from the President:

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Hello Everyone,

I hope everyone had a good month and that you all enjoyed the multiple demos and tool sale that we had last month. I know there were some real bargains to be had. If you missed last month's meeting, you missed a good one. You might have missed out on being able to acquire the one tool that stands between you and greatness.



For November, we will be having Wayland Loftin demonstrating how to turn inside/outside ornaments. My wife and I have one of his bird house ornaments that I got at a Christmas gift exchange a couple of years ago and we are very proud to have it displayed prominently in our den. Wayland turns exceptional ornaments. He is stepping up to do his first demo so let's all give him lots of support. I remember the first demo that I did for the club. I was quite nervous and Roy Fisher, a member who has since moved to Texas, made some suggestions and comments that made it easier. I have known Wayland for quite a while, so I know he will do a great job. Let's all give him the support he deserves.

Following the theme of Wayland's demo, our turning challenge for November will be to turn some type of Christmas ornament. As always there will be no restrictions as to design or size. You can also use this for your Christmas exchange item at the Christmas party in December if you want. This will be our last turning challenge of the year so let's have lots of participation.

**Make plans to attend our  
Christmas Party now.**

We will not have a Turning Challenge for December. Rather we will have our annual Christmas party and gift exchange at the Moose Café. The Moose Café is located at the Farmers Market on I-40 and Sandy Ridge Rd. If you bring a piece that you turned, you will be eligible to exchange it for a piece that someone else has brought. The gift exchange is always a lot of fun. The gift should fit in a brown lunch bag. This is a fun way to acquire other people's turnings for your collection and everyone should participate, no matter what your level of experience. Jim & Rita will explain more about the Christmas party at the meeting. Payment is due at the November meeting or you can mail a check to Jim & Rita, but you must pay prior to the Christmas Party. It creates too much confusion to have some people paying in advance and some paying at the door. It is hard for the restaurant to know how much food to prepare. The

cost is \$12.50 per person or \$25.00 per couple. This includes meal, tip, free parking and great fun visiting other turners and their spouses, significant others and families.

We are working on scheduling breakout sessions for next year. If you have some suggestions please let us know and we will see what we can arrange. The current plan is to have about four breakout sessions per year. If you think of some ideas for a Breakout Session that you would like to attend or lead, please contact Jim Duxbury and we will see what we can schedule.

Please bring your **two** best tunings for display in the Instant Gallery and one item for each of the Monthly Turning Challenges. Limiting your entries to **two** items for the Instant Gallery and one item for each of the Turning Challenges gives us more time to admire them. We have a really fantastic Instant Gallery so let's all keep up the good work. No matter what your level of experience everyone can and should participate. If you are a new turner, don't be intimidated by the pieces that more experienced turners have put in the gallery and/or turning challenge. The Instant Gallery and Turning Challenge are meant to be a good source for new ideas for things to turn. Everyone should participate. This is your time to show your stuff. You can also ask other members to critique your work if you wish. Due to time constraints, critiques will not be part of the meeting but can be done either before the meeting, during the break or after the meeting on an individual basis.

Jim Barbour has graciously stepped up and said that he would coordinate selection of a turning from the club for our chapter to submit to the AAW 25<sup>th</sup> Symposium turning gallery. At the last meeting, he said that he would like to use the following format for the club to select a piece for the gallery: for the following months, November, January and February, each participant can bring in a piece to be juried by the club members. Each of the 3 months, 3 pieces would be selected. At the end of the 3 months, there would be 9 pieces that have been selected. One piece would be selected from the 9 pieces. That piece would be sent to AAW to put in the AAW 25<sup>th</sup> Symposium Turning Gallery. The piece submitted can be no larger than 8" X 8" X 8". The remaining pieces will be displayed in a local gallery. If you would be interested in participating in doing a collaborative turning project for the AAW 25<sup>th</sup> Symposium, please be thinking about something that you could

turn and submit for judging. Jim will discuss this further at the November meeting.

The library will be open. Please return any DVDs or Videos that you have checked out so that other people can use them. The library is a resource of which you should take advantage. If you check out anything in November, it will not be due until January. Rita and Linda are doing a great job as our librarians and we all owe them a debt of gratitude.

We will be having our Annual November Mega Raffle this coming month. You can bring old tools that you don't use anymore, or didn't sell at the October meeting, wood, old woodworking and woodturning magazines, roughed out bowl blanks or anything else that you think some other member might be interested in. Doc Green, our Grand Raffle Master, is looking forward to the biggest raffle ever this month. Be sure to bring him some extra stuff so his dream will come true.

As I have said before, one key area we need to focus on this coming year is increasing volunteer participation for all the activities required to operate our club. We are woefully short of backups for almost all activities. If you are willing to contribute some of your talents to the club, contact any Officer or Board Member. This opportunity is open to both old and new members. We need people to do specific tasks as well as being backup person for someone else. That way, if someone can't make a meeting, we will have another person to help them with their activity. If you see someone doing something that you would like to help them do, let them know that you would like to help. It would be greatly appreciated.

We are always looking for ways to improve our club. We have made several changes in the past year that I hope have been beneficial to the club and its members. Please let any Board Member know what you think we can or should do that we aren't doing, to improve the club for all of our members. If you would, please contact a Board member at the meeting and follow up with an email, letter or phone call after the meeting. This club belongs to all of us and working together we can all make it better and more fun for everyone.

We are looking forward to seeing you at the November 9<sup>th</sup> meeting,

Bob

## Minutes of the October Meeting:

- President Bob Moffet opened our meeting
- Welcome to 4 visitors and 4 new members was extended
- Jim Barbour updated on the project for the National Symposium
- Bob made us aware of the upcoming symposiums in the area
- Bob Holtje gave the Treasurers report
- Our Nominating committee (Jim Duxbury and George Sudderman) presented officers for 2011. With no further names added, the slate was nominated, second and voted in.

### Officers

President – John Morris

Vice President – Jim Yarbrough

Secretary – Lan Brady

Treasurer – Bob Holtje

Members at large – George Sudermann and John Moehlmann

### Ex Officio

Past President – Bob Moffitt

Program Chairman – James Duxbury

News Letter – Web Site – Jim Terry

AAW, NCWS – Bob Muir

Librarian – Rita Duxbury

- John Morris, Jim Yarbrough and George Sudermann presented our gallery and President Challenge- (see pictures)

We began the night with a tool sale. There was a variety of items available. I saw a box of experienced turning tools for 5 dollars apiece. To the left was an assortment of sandpaper packets and custom made tool rest. A really nice add-on was a round plug to go on the need of your tailstock. It prevents the hole from showing up on you refinished piece. A small band saw and dust collector was available for adoption. Actually, there were too many different items to list all here.

We also had a special treat this year. Richard Moore, a Sawyer from Lewisville brought in a variety of Bowl blanks. Each blank was professionally prepared and wax sealed to reduce cracking. His prices are better than I have seen anywhere!

Jim D introduced our demo this month. It was a complete buffet of skills. We set up for small groups and allowed everyone to visit whatever they were interested in.

- We began the tour of the room with sharpening. More than 90% of all turners use the Wolverine system to sharpen tools. It is a tried and true method that will be with us for a long time. Our demonstrator had a slightly different approach. He uses a Tru-grind system. Similar to Wolverine but more compact. The demo was begun with a bowl gouge that the owner wanted sharpened and duplicated to his present grind. The Tru-Grind requires 3 adjustments to duplicate another grind and sharpening began. First there was one high wing and one low wing. These were more closely aligned by sharpening the wings. Then it was noticed that a dip existed on the right side which needed to be corrected. Dips are tough because you must take down all the surrounding metal. Then we blended both sides to the tip and the gouge leaves with a fresh new outlook on turning.

Next we move to the lathes:

- Bob Moffett was giving lessons on Hollowing globes for Christmas ornaments. Several people tried Bob's homemade hollowing tools to hollow globes. I hope all got a chance to see this; it is a great skill to add to your own arsenal of turnings.
- Jim Terry was demonstrating his wonderful finials. It never ceases to amaze me how he turns those things so thin. He created works of art that will be at home on a Christmas ornament or a vase or a small box.
- Next to Bob was John Morris. John was sharing his segmented design studio. John was covering the process of manufacturing a modified 6 point star. The possibilities are endless. You can use color woods or cross grain patterns or naturally occurring enhancements to add interest to the piece. The completed Star will be used for the base of your next segmented masterpiece.
- Beside the sharpening station was Jim Duxbury demonstrating the Sorby texturing tools. He had both the small and large tools. Both have interchangeable wheels. The different wheels give a different embossed mark on your piece. He was also tilting the tools, which creates some amazing spirals. We can all benefit from the attention to details these tools can add.

Respectfully submitted, Lan Brady

## Membership Dues for 2011:

Our treasurer, Bob Holtje, is collecting dues for the 2011 year. Let's get our dues paid on time. We have to choose a point in time when we roll over our computer database to reflect the 2011 paid membership. That date will occur after the January meeting. If your name is not on the paid list at that time you may miss getting emails and newsletters. Some of the woodworking stores ask us to provide a list of current members so you can get the discount provided club members. The dues for 2011 are \$30 for individuals and \$45 for couples. If you choose to receive the newsletter in printed form via US Mail rather than email, please add \$15. Our actual cost of printing and mailing a newsletter this past year was just over \$30 per year per person. Bring a check to the meeting and give it to Bob. Bob has a printout of current member's names, addresses, email etc. Please check the list and initial it to make sure the information is correct. If you are not able to attend the November meeting, mail your check to:

Bob Holtje  
943 Ridge Gate Dr.  
Lewisville, NC 27023

## Christmas Party:

**Our annual Christmas party will be held at 6:30p.m. on Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at the Moose Café 2914 Sandy Ridge Rd. #H, Colfax, NC 27235. This is in the Farmer's Market complex, west of Greensboro just off Interstate 40, Exit 208.**

**The menu will be a buffet style dinner, including dessert and beverage. The cost will still be \$12.50 per person which includes meal, tax, and gratuity.**

**Checks for reservations should be made payable to James Duxbury and will be accepted at the October & November meetings or mailed to his home: 3141 Shelly Graham Drive, Graham NC 27253**

## Photos of the October Instant Gallery

*When you bring items for the gallery, please log it in so we can properly assign credit.*

Photos by Jim Terry. All photos are the property of PTWA and the individual woodturner. You can see the larger color versions by going to the On-Line Newsletter and the Instant Gallery on our website <http://www.ptwoodturners.org>



Floyd Lucas – Purpleheart Vase



Buzz Dunning – Box Elder Bowl



Buzz Dunning – Gum Large Bowl



Jim Yarbrough – Bubinga Bowl



Jim Yarbrough – Canary Wood Bowl



Gene Hintz – Spalted Maple Bowl



George Sudermann – 67 year old Maple Bowl  
Turned by George's Dad



Robert DeHart – Walnut/Maple Vase



Wayland Loftin – Spalted Maple & Cocobolo  
Inside Out Ornament



Linda Michael – Poplar “Morning Glory”  
Bowl



Linda Michael – Sycamore Celtic Bowl



Earl Kennedy – Cherry bowl



Earl Kennedy – Colored Pecan Bowl



Michael Jones – Large Curly Maple & Walnut  
Hollow Form



Dennis Ross – 15” Cherry Salad Bowl



Michael Jones – Walnut Root Vase w/ Maple  
Accents



John Morris – 10” Walnut/Poplar 4-Layer  
Bowl



John Morris – 11” Yellowheart, Walnut, Maple  
4-Layer Bowl



Dean Hutchins – 8” Mahogany Bowl



Dean Hutchins – 9” Walnut Bowl



Scot Conklin – Acrylic Lipstick Pens



Earl Kennedy – Maple Honey Dipper



Jim Barbour – Mama’s Nightmare - Maple



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***3141 Shelly Graham Drive, Graham, NC 27253***

***\*\*\*\* Checks will not be received at the door \*\*\*\****

***Food, fellowship and conversation.***

***Gift exchange of a wrapped, turned gift of modest value for all who wish to participate. Item must be contained in a plain, brown paper lunch bag. No gift wrapping!***

***Drawings for 4 - \$100.00 winners of the year long raffle.***

***If you have any questions, please email Jim Duxbury, Program Coordinator at [cyberdux@bellsouth.net](mailto:cyberdux@bellsouth.net) or call 336-227-7168***



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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.

### 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.  
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### FROM THE NORTH SIDE OF GREENSBORO

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>