

Piedmont Triad Woodturners **Sociation**



Newsletter September 2012

September 11, 2012 – Hands On & Tool Sale

October 9, 2012 – John Benton

November 13 – Frank Penta

December 10 - Christmas Party (Monday)

Message from the President:

GREASING THE WHEEL

While preparing this latest epistle, I'm sitting in a fancy room in Florida waiting for Hurricane Isaac to pass. Then...Judy, our son, soon to be 5-year old granddaughter, and I will visit the Magic Kingdom. Elizabeth has never been to Disneyworld but she's already told us what we wants to see and ride-my hunch is her wishes will come true.



From last month: If you have not read Jim Rezin's Newsletter article, "Three Rules for a Beginning Woodurner," go to our website and check it out--VERY SOUND ADVICE. Also Vice President Jeff Clark's demo (his first for PTWA) on BASIC BOWLS was well prepared, presented, and received. We all realize there's a number of different ways to accomplish most woodturning projects. Through help from others, trial and error, and experience. Jeff has developed a safe and successful method to turn bowls--when he's not skateboarding and building quality chairs, stools, etc.

For September: We're in for a treat--HANDS-ON/TOOL AND EQUIPMENT SALE. You've probably already received a Jim/Rita Duxbury prepared and Jim Terry e-mailed announcement about this Sept. 11th meeting. Please allow me to give my observation (in advance) of the 5 demo areas:

1. JIM TERRY--SHARPENING TECHNIQUES. Jim's a turner who believes in details. Properly sharpened tools work "for you" and not "against vou." And they are much safer too!

- 2. DOC GREEN--CHUCKING THE SAFE WAY. If your to-be-turned wood is not safely attached to the lathe, your chance of success is lessoned. Doc has authored an excellent book which goes into great detail about various methods.
- 3. SCOT CONKLIN--SECRET OF PEN TURNING.. I don't know if his Dad will be visiting to help bring his shop to Leonard Center or not, but Scot is a Pro at this--look, observe, and implement!
- 4. DEAN HUTCHINS--CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS. In about 31/2 months Old St. Nick will be leaving the North Pole. Ornaments are fun, make a great gift for others or our own trees, and can last a lifetime.
- 5. JOHN MORRIS--STAVE CONSRUCTION. One of 3 types of segmented work (open, closed, and stave). It's an old, old process (barrels, kegs, etc.), but is gaining in popularity with segmenters for smaller decorative items.

All of us--beginners and more experienced turners can benefit from exposure to the above.

Also: Instant Gallery. Besides bringing in your "normal" turning, also bring in a non-turned wood item you produced in your shop. It will be interesting to see additional levels of talents within PTWA.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Bob Muir (Chair) and Bob Moffett, both Past Presidents, have been appointed to present a slate of candidates at our Oct. 9th meeting. Additional names may be placed in nomination at this Oct. 9th and Nov. 13th meeting. Elections will occur at the Nov. 13th meeting with service to begin in January 2013. As per our By-laws (on PTWA website) ALL 6--President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and 2 At-Large Members must be AAW members at time of service.

ANNOUNCEMENT/APPOINTMENTS: Earlier in the 2012 year, Jim Duxbury resigned as our longtime and successful Program Chairman. With valuable assistance, Dean Hutchins will assume this position. Also Pat Lloyd and Wayne Peterson have

done an outstanding job in photographing our Instant Gallery for our PTWA Newsletter. This has provided a valuable record of our individual accomplishments. While continuing as an excellent turner, Pat will be devoting more time into photography which will probably require missing some PTWA meetings. Dave MacInnes has already been setting up his tripod and snapping memorable shots.

Overheard in Florida: A large company was checking computer passwords for security reasons. One lady (who happened to be blonde) had as her password:

Mickey, Miney, Donald, Daisy, Goofy, Pluto, Huey, Dew ey, Tallahassee. When asked for an explanation, she replied, "Hello! It says 8 characters and a capital."

See you September 11th.

JOHN MORRIS President

Minutes from our August Meeting:

- President John Morris opened our meeting
- We presently have 118 paid members
- Welcome to 6 visitors was extended
- Special Picnic thank you extended to Jim and Rita Duxbury, Kim and Dean Hutchins, Bob Muir, Earl Kennedy, Doc Green, Jim Barbour, Bob Holtje
- Special Youth Turning Thank you extended to John Morris, Jim Yarbrough, Joe Ghezzi, Bob Muir, Bob Holtje, John Moehlmann, Doc Green, and David Myers
- The Nominating committee of Bob Moffett and Bob Muir was announced...
- Next month demo will be hands on demo and tool sale!
- Jim and Rita presented slides from the Symposium.
- Please Participate in a demo for Parks and Rec on Oct 6 and 13 at Bur-Mil Park(details at next meeting)
- Mike Thompson and Jeff Clark presented our gallery
- Doc Green, Dean Hutchins, Scott Conklin and John Moehlmann conducted our Raffle

John Morris introduced our guest for the evening. Actually he needed no introduction because it is our own Jeff Clark. Jeff is at home testifying before US Congress, but this was his first Wood Turning Demo for PTWA. By profession, Jeff



is a Chemist with the Liggett Group. When you see Jeff in his Skateboard Gear, you would never know he is a PHD with an MBA on the side.

Jeff opens with a thank you to his mentors; Jim and Bill Wallace from Alamance Community College. The project

for the evening is a log to bowl concept.

Jeff likes to use a variety of wood, but being a city boy, he tends to use "Found on Roadside" wood. If he is lucky, it is spalted curly maple. If unlucky, it is mulch for the garden. It must be one of those Forest Gump moments!!

Jeff discusses different methods of mounting the blank, like between centers or faceplate. His Preference is to use a faceplate. He finds the center of the flat side and mounts the faceplate. After mounting the faceplate to the lathe, he pulls up the live center. Jeff is firm believer in using the live center as long as possible.

Unlike most tool collecting turners, Jeff plans to use only the Bowl Gouge and a parting tool. He brings a rounded scraper just in case the wood has Tear-out issues. After slowing the lathe down and back up to a comfortable speed, he begins his cuts. The objective is to bring the outside round center mass. Only a few cuts are made and adjustments to the tool rest are necessary. You want to keep the tools as close to the work as possible. After the outside begins to look like a bowl, Jeff advances to creating a tenon foot to mount the blank on the chuck. For this, he uses the parting tool parallel to the bed ways, Jeff then achieves the general shape he is after without much fanfare. The blank is then remounted in reverse to hollow the inside.

Jeff first flattens the top and makes sure of where his outside rim is. He then makes a smoothing cut on the outside just to eliminate some out of round from reversing. Using the parting tool, Jeff makes where he expects his rim thickness to be. He then begins to hollow the bowl. Jeff makes small arched cuts near the middle and advances to the outside rim. He uses the twice turned method so he is going to leave this bowl about 1.25" thick to dry by using the storage in a bag method.

Just Like my favorite cooking show, Jeff produces a bowl that has been drying for 6 months. The bowl is football shaped and a little twisted. Now you know why he left the walls 1.25" thick, He places the rim of the bowl on a large face plate and places the live center in the original pin hole on the bottom. That is a close to center as it will get for

now. With a few cuts of his parting tool, Jeff has created a new foot that will fit nicely in the chuck. He also rounds the outside of the bowl and creates a bead near the top of the bowl. Jeff reverses the bowl and places it in the chuck. He makes a truing cut for the Rim, then the outside and finally the inside. Now you know the maximum dimensions. He can be creative all day as long as he does not exceed these limits.

Jeff continues to refine the shape starting with the rim and then the bead. He true's the outside to its finished dimension and finally the inside. He pays special attention to make sure the inside diameter does not exceed the outside diameter. He finally uses the scraper on the bottom of the inside surface of the bowl.



Unlike most turners, Jeff likes to sand, so he does not add a lot of refinement cuts to his project. It can now be removed from the chuck and reversed so that the foot can be removed.

Jeff's finish of choice is Waterlox. He will apply 3-6 coats over the same number of days. He really likes the build up and luster that can be achieved. He finishes his demo with a nice round of applause and about a million questions.

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Respectfully submitted, Lan Brady

Our Treasury & Club Store:

Our treasurer reports that we have the following items for sale:

- CA Glue thin medium and med-thick \$4.50
- Chrome Bottle Stoppers pack of 5 for \$12
- Ruth Niles Stainless Bottle Stoppers
- Sandpaper

Turner of the Month:

- Sept George Sudermann
- Oct Matt Larsen
- Nov Robert Dehart
- Dec Christmas Dinner only

Photos of the August Instant Gallery

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

All photos are the property of PTWA and the individual woodturner. You can see the larger color versions by going to the Instant Gallery on our website http://www.ptwoodturners.org



Robert Lunsford - 10" Hickory Vessel



Jim Yarbrough – 5" Ambrosia Maple



Robert DeHart - Maple/Walnut



Robert DeHart - Pine (2x4)



Earl Martin - Maple Awl



Floyd Lucas - Segmented Maple Vase



Dean Hutchins – Ambrosia Maple



Clyde Mosley - Ash



Dave MacInnes – 4" Lidded Bowl



Jim Raine – Maple Urn



George Sudermann - Myrtle



Linda Michael - Poplar



Earl Kennedy – Natural Edge Cherry



Clyde Mosley – Poplar Tray



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Charles Pitts – Bottle Stoppers



Jim Rezin – 3M Elm Bowl



Jim Rezin – Red Oak Bowl



Mike Thompson – Rosewood & Red Gum Deer Calls



John Morris – Padauk & Curly Maple



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Chuck Waldroup – 13" Scolloped Sycamore



Gary Robinson - 35" Ash Bat



Nim Batchelor – 15" Maple Platter



Nim Batchelor – Maple Electronic Box



Crystal Earley - 4" Cypress Knot Bowl



Philip Weatherbee - 12" Segmented





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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 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.

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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 (Do not follow Old Stage Road from this link. It does not exist)

Next Meeting - Sept 11th



"One man's junk is another man's treasure."

CHANT TOOL & EQUIPMENT SALE

Hands-On Skill Building Techniques

SEPTEMBER GALLERY – Consisting of our normal Wood Turnings as well as "Other Types" of Wood Working Items you might want to display.

RAFFLE will be held as usual.

LATHES WILL BE SET UP FOR TURNING & MENTORING

Featuring Scot Conklin – Secret of Pen Turning
JIM TERRY – Sharpening Techniques
JOHN MORRIS – Staved Construction
DEAN HUTCHINS – Christmas Ornaments
DOC GREEN – Chucking the Safe Way

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

September 11, 2011 6:30 PM Leonard Recreation Center

Bring your unwanted, duplicate, or tired tools and equipment to the meeting for the GIANT tool sale. Get rid of your clutter or Purchase items you just know you can not live without. Why pay full price?

Put a tag with your name & price on the item.



Contact Jim Duxbury if you have questions. 336-227-7168 cyberdux@bellsouth.net