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# Piedmont Triad Woodturners Association

Newsletter  
January 2026



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## Calendar

July 8, 2025, Ric Erkes – Spiral Finial

August 12, 2025 – Ed Siegel – three corner bowl

September 9, 2025 - Earl Martin – Christmas Tree  
Ornaments

October 14, 2025 - John Johnson - Guest Demonstrator -  
How to make a split bowl

**December 9, 2025** - Holiday dinner, gift exchange and  
possible special presentation.

**January 13, 2025** – Taylor Jones, invasive species and pests

February 10, 2026 - Tool Skills

PTWA

## Message from the President

**January 2026**

Hello Woodturners and Happy New Year! Hope everyone had a great holiday with family and friends!

I really enjoyed the December Holiday dinner and was impressed with the wonderful gifts everyone brought for the exchange. A big thank you to Crystal for coordinating the food and Jason for running the exchange. Thank you to all that came out!

**Here is what we have planned for our next few meetings:**

**January 13, 2026**

Special presentation by Taylor Jones of the NC Cooperative Extension  
Invasive species and pests that woodturners should recognize.

**We will have the instant gallery and raffle before the presentation.**

## February 10, 2026

Tool Skills - Want to sharpen your skills? Experts will demonstrate and encourage hands on use of tools. If you would like to share your knowledge let me know! Here is who we have so far...

Ring Tool – Jim Barbour

Bowl Gouge – Geoff Purser

Carbide Tools – Jason Lathrope

Skew – Lan Brady

Sharpening a negative rake scraper – Bob Schasse

**To allow for more time for hands on learning we will not have the instant gallery and raffle in February.**

The raffle is back on track for January. If you have any treasures to donate, please bring them in and scrounge up a few dollars to try your luck!

Thank you to all those that helped with the **NC Woodturners Symposium** in November! You all really made it a great event!

I am excited about the **AAW International Woodturning Symposium June 4-7, 2026**. Here is the link for all the details: <https://www.aawsymposium.org/>

It is just down the road in Raleigh. To help reduce the cost to attend, I have secured a discount code for our club. It is **PTWA2026**. There is also a lower price for registering by 2/28/26.

A big **THANK YOU** to our membership who continue to make our club a well operating machine! From helping with set up and tear down, volunteering to demonstrate, and everything in-between... you are a great bunch of folks!

See everyone next week!

Greg Ford

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**PTWA STORE** Price list September, 2025

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**1oz, any viscosity..... \$4.00**

**2oz, any viscosity..... \$6.00**

**8oz, any viscosity..... \$19.00**

**Flex**

**1oz, any viscosity..... \$7.00**

**2oz, any viscosity..... \$10.00**

**Foam**

**1oz, any viscosity..... \$10.00**

**2oz, any viscosity..... \$16.00**

**Accelerator**

**2oz..... \$5.00**

**8oz..... \$13.00**

**12oz aerosol..... \$15.00**

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**Tips..... \$3.00**

**Epoxy**

**Mercury**

**Any set time..... \$12.00**

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**Sandpaper bundles..... \$8.00**

**Pipette/Syringe..... \$2.00**

**Lidded Containers..... \$1.00**

Pictures from November's Symposium by Dave MacInnes







Photos from the December club dinner



Crystal – with the food she ordered. THANKS for the tasty food Crystal!



Gift exchange – you could pick a bag or steal from someone; there were quite a few steals!



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