



Piedmont Triad Woodturners Association

Newsletter
September 2026



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Calendar

February 10, 2026 - Tool Skills
March 10, 2026 – Alan Leland – chasing threads
April 14, 2026 - Taylor Jones of the NC Cooperative Extension
May 12, 2026 – Andy Gunning - Turning a platter with a multi-axis base
June 9, 2026 – Robert Love - Bowl with a textured and embellished band
July 14, 2026 – Louise Butler – EZ tools
August 11, 2026 – Annie Ogg – Shrinking antiques
September 8, 2026 – Dave MacInnes – Planning and turning off center candlesticks
October 13, 2026 - David Jones – Turning a natural edge bowl
November 10, 2026 - Tool Sale and Tool Skills
December 8, 2026 - Holiday dinner and gift exchange

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Message from the President

September 2026

Hello Woodturners, with fall coming up I know we are all looking forward to some cooler weather!

For those of you that came out last month you were treated to a wonderful demonstration by Annie Ogg. Her miniature turning was very impressive! She also has donated her turning from last month to our raffle so you have an opportunity to go home with an Annie Ogg original!

We have changed our club meeting time to 6:15 going forward.

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

September 8, 2026

Dave MacInnes – our own photographer/newsletter editor

Planning and turning off center candlesticks

October 13, 2026

David Jones – Guest Demonstrator from Charlotte, NC

Turning a natural edge bowl

November 10, 2026

Tool Sale and Tool Skills

Jim Barbour – Ring Tool

Bob Schasse – Negative Rake Scraper

Louise Butler – Sharpening

Lan Brady – Skew

Ed Siegel – Vacuum Chuck System

Bring in any tools you no longer need and make a trade or sale with a fellow turner.

December 8, 2026

Holiday dinner and gift exchange. You can also bring in custom made jigs and tools to share.

The **Presidents challenge** for September is to make a miniature turning.

We will continue the raffle and instant gallery for September. If you have any treasures to donate, bring them and a few bucks to try your luck!

For those looking for additional learning opportunities there are two Symposiums this fall:

1. Mid Atlantic Woodturning Symposium -- September 25-27, 2026, Lancaster PA
2. VA Symposium – October 24-26, Fishersville VA

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!

Try to stay cool in your shop and turn something! **Remember to come a little early for our new 6:15 start time.** See you next week!

Greg Ford

PTWA Mintes Aug 11, 2026

Greg Ford residing. Meeting started at 6:20. There were no visitors present tonight. Greg mentioned that in September, Dave MacInnes will be our demonstrator. He will show us how to turn off-center candle sticks. In October, Dave Jones will demonstrate natural edge green wood turning. In November, we will do the "tool skills" stations AND a tool swap/sale. Members suggested that we have a station for (a) negative rake scrapers, (b) a ring tool, (c) skew, and (d) a sharpening station. It was also suggested that folks bring in and share some of their jigs, gizmos, and other items that they use to facilitate their work. In December, we will have our dinner and gift exchange event.

This month, the president's challenge was to turn an urn. Next month, the challenge will be to turn something tiny. This month's turner of the month is Jason Lathrop. We need a volunteer to be turner of the month in September.

The Mid-Atlantic Symposium will be held in Lancaster, PA on Sept. 25-27. The Virginia Woodworkers symposium will beheld in Fishersville, Va on Oct. 24-25.

Everyone needs to remember that **starting in SEPTEMBER, our meeting will BEGIN AT 6:15**. Please adjust your planners to accommodate this earlier starting time.

Mark Killian (killian.apocalypsenow.mark@gmail.com) is liquidating his woodturning business after a 16 year run. Everything is going. You can drop in on Saturday or Sunday 7355 Buckland dr. Browns Summit. Or call at 336-402-5795.

The North Carolina Symposium, scheduled for the first week of Nov. 2027, is planning on emphasizing regional demonstrators this time around. If you know of anyone who is worthy or might be interested in a slot, contact Jim Barbour.

Ed Siegel reminded everyone that they need to vote for AAW board members. And he hesitatingly mentioned that he is a candidate this year. Our treasurer, reported that we have \$12,208.90 in the bank.

We then showed the president's challenge items, the instant gallery items, and did the raffle.

Then we gave the stage to this month's demonstrator, Annie Ogg. Annie specializes in turning miniatures. The accepted scale is 1/12, that is, a 12 inch tall piece is reduced to only one inch. Annie talked about wood selection, and a wide variety of handmade tools that she uses. As she sees it, woodturning is constantly fascinating because it involves one problem solving task after another. She often joked about trusting and not trusting calipers. Her main mantra seemed to be "work with very sharp tools and DON'T apply too much pressure."



Tonight she will be showing us how to make a tobacco jar. She had a photograph of the piece that she had taken at a museum. She used it to derive measurements. She shaped the lid, including a tenon and then sanded it, applied Yorkshire grit finish and Hampshire sheen. She then parted it off. Then she turned the outside shape and then used her handmade negative rake scraper to hollow out the vessel. She told us that she got the steel for her tools at Harbor Freight (metal lathe drill bits).

Overall, this was an instructive and inspirational presentation.





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PTWA STORE Price list September, 2025

Mercury CA

Regular

1oz, black..... \$6.00

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

Debonder 2oz..... \$5.00

Tips..... \$3.00

Epoxy

Mercury

Any set time..... \$12.00

Smith's O&T..... \$24.00

Bottle Stoppers..... \$7.00

Stain/dye applicators.... \$3.00

Sandpaper bundles..... \$8.00

Pipette/Syringe..... \$2.00

Lidded Containers..... \$1.00

Photos from the July Meeting



Jason Lathrop – oak and epoxy change dish



Jason Lathrop – aspen and paper urn



Rod and Emily – lidded boxes



Paul Lambrech – Black walnut, green and rough



Paul Lambrech – Black walnut wedding platter for daughter



Bob Schasse – Segmented vase, purpleheart, hickory, beech, mulberry



Bob Schasse – mahogany plate



Roy Carlson – elm bowl w/ chameleon flake band



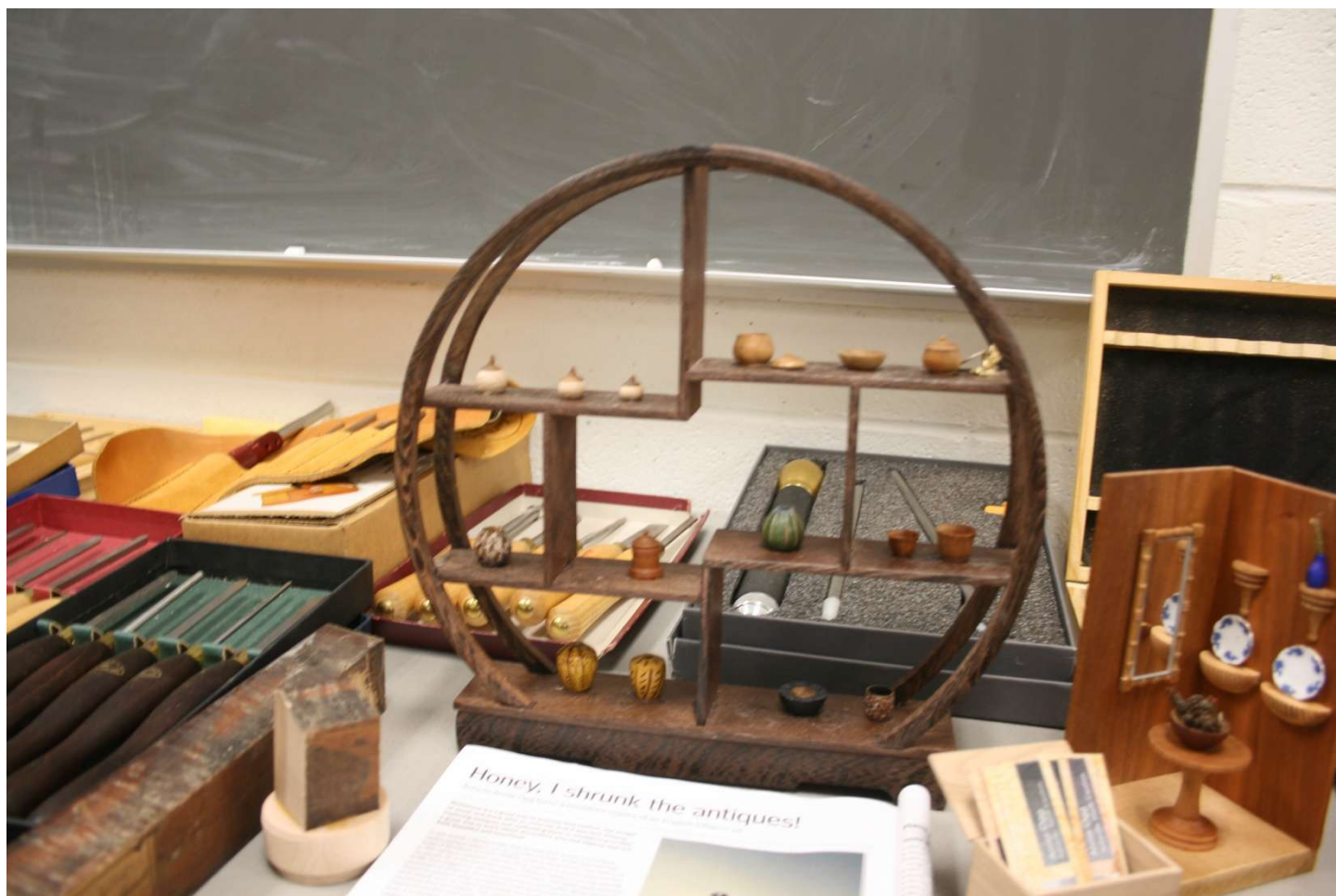
Jim White – walnut urn



Ed Siegel – wooden bowl

September demonstrator tools and miniature pots







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