

WELCOME TO THE AWG NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER!

LOOK INSIDE...

In this edition you will find communication and information from various sources. You will see the President's message and the Vice President's message. There is information regarding the upcoming Holiday Celebration. You will see a report of the latest HOT Session. There is information regarding the October Club Meeting and demonstration. And we also look ahead to the November meeting demo. There is much more inside. Go ahead, turn the page, and take a tour of the Newsletter. I Hope you find it informative and useful with just a bit of entertainment.

Tom Biehl

Your Humble Newsletter Editor - CAN DO!



ATLANTA WOODTURNERS GUILD

NEWSLETTER

November 2023

Chapter 274 of the American Association of Woodturners



This is your October 2023 edition of the <u>Atlanta Woodturners Guild Newsletter</u>. If you would like to submit an article, send to Tom Biehl for consideration at <u>newsletterallantawoodturnersguild.org</u>

Please submit your items <u>no later than the Wednesday before our meeting (second Wednesday of the month)</u> if you would like to have your article included in that month's newsletter. (11 of 12)



The Atlanta Woodturners Guild (AWG) was formed to provide support, ideas, and camaraderie to fellow woodturners in the metro Atlanta area. The Guild meets once a month and members are invited to display examples of their work at the instant gallery. New and established turners have the opportunity to ask questions and solve problems with other members.

At each monthly meeting a demonstration is conducted by professional turners from all over the world. Or sometimes one of our own accomplished members. It is a great opportunity to see a professional in action, ask questions and learn techniques. The AWG has a comprehensive library stocked with wood-turning DVD's, and books. These items are available to the membership for a small rental fee. Members are kept informed about upcoming events and activities through this newsletter and our web site.

Anyone interested in learning about woodturning is welcome to attend the monthly meetings.

Katie Navarro led the November HOT class and taught the participants how to turn an acorn box. It was a fun filled learning day for everyone. Thank you for your leadership in organizing the monthly HOT classes and leading the November Class Katie.

President's Message

November 2023 Newsletter

Please help me welcome six new members of the Atlanta Woodturners Guild and their name will be entered in a drawing from all new members and their sponsor that join the AWG in a period of 9/1/2023 and 1/31/2024. The prize in the drawing with be awarded a demo piece from Peggy Schmid, a polymer clay wooden box.

At this month's meeting we will be voting on the Board's Nomination for 2024 officers and any AWG member will be allowed to make additional nominations before we will hold the election.

November will be another joint effort with the Barnesville Woodturners Club and the GAW in presenting multiple opportunities to see Walt Wagner out of Tallahassee doing meeting demos (3) and teaching two all day classes. More details will follow. Details of the meeting and Zoom to follow by email soon.

Also, a reminder to go on the web page listed in the Vice President's message to register for our Christmas party in December that will include a gift exchange and Ornament competition.

Do not forget to follow us on Facebook and post pictures of your work there. Also check out our website and see all things going on with our club.

Come to the meeting early and meet other members on Wednesday, 5:00 pm dinner and socialize at Hooligans, Holcomb Bridge Rd., Roswell, (directly behind CVS on corner of Holcomb Bridge and Barnwell Rd.). Weather permitting park at Woodcraft and walk over, meeting starts at 6:45PM.

Finally, watch for your 2024 Dues notices and pay on-line or by check or cash.

A lot of exciting new change being planned in 2024 and hope to see you all at the meeting next week.

Meeting Agenda

6:00PM Arrival begins at Woodcraft

6:45PM Meeting begins at Woodcraft and on Zoom

6:45 – 7:00PM Will be a business meeting and show and tell.

7:00 – 8:30 PM Demonstration. See info on Demonstration below

8:30 – 8:45PM Raffle is called by Mr. Hans

8:45 - 9:00PM Clean Up

All hands on deck for the cleanup please. We MUST leave by 9:00PM



From our Vice President and Raffle Master ...

Please don't forget our show and tell. Please bring your items to the meeting early for Katie and I to arrange for the show and tell presentation. Also, if you have any items to contribute for the raffle, please bring them to me at the meeting. Everyone likes to win something, but we must have items to raffle. Thank you to everyone who has brought items for the raffle. As of April 2023, raffle tickets will be given to those who bring items for the raffle. Thank you for supporting the raffle event.

It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas!

Holiday Party - December 5th we will be doing a Holiday Party Jointly with GAW. It will happen at Brimstone Restaurant and Tavern at 6:30PM. The address is 10595 Old Alabama Road Connecter, Alpharetta Georgia We need to know numbers of attendees. We will be ordering off a short menus (attached here on the last page).

Hans is currently Vice President of AWG and President of GAW and Chairman of the joint Holiday Party. Hans has arranged for those who want to attend, sign up on a form located on the site and the link below which will take you to this sign-up form. Please sign up as soon as possible so we can get our numbers in place for the event. Remember that you will be ordering and paying for your food off a short menu, so no money is needed at sign up. We only need numbers.

If you have not already, please go to the last page of this newsletter to view the menu and then sign up for the event.

Thank you,

Hans

HOLIDAY PARTY LINK - https://gawoodturner.org/holiday-party/



November Meeting Demonstration

(Please arrive as early as you can so we may start as soon as possible)

For November meeting (Coming up soon) we are blessed to have Walt Wager provide a demo for us.

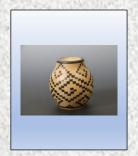
Walt's undergraduate degree is in Industrial Arts from State University of New York in Oswego. After teaching high school shop he attended Indiana University and earned a doctoral degree in Instructional Systems Design. Walt started woodturning upon his retirement from Florida State University in 2002. Since then, he has taught and demonstrated woodturning techniques regionally, nationally, and internationally.

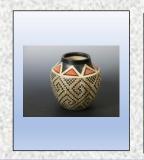
What Walt loves about woodturning is that it is a creative, problem-solving process. Every piece of wood is different and requires a variety of techniques to form and finish. He mostly uses regional woods from the southern U.S., including cherry, camphor, magnolia, maple, palm, and sycamore. Photos and videos of Walt's work may be viewed on his website http://waltwager.com. Walt has published over a dozen articles in the American Association of Woodworkers Journals, American Woodturner, and Fundamentals, and the British Magazine, Woodturning.

Walt's demo will cover Elegant Native American Hollow Forms Turning small hollow-forms - Demonstrating the use of small hand-held hollowing tools to make small hollow-forms suitable for Native American pottery shapes - they make great canvases for embellishments.











We do not have a demonstration in December. BUT, let us look forward to January.

Our January demo will be presented by our very own Arnie Moore. Arnie will be demonstrating how to create a Staved Bowl. On the evening of January 17 Arnie will present "An introduction to staved turning projects". This presentation will cover how to cut staves on a table saw, how to glue and clamp these staves and how to mount on the lathe for turning, several examples will be presented. Using staves of different types of wood and using veneers to separate staves can produce interesting projects.

In addition, Arnie will be presenting two HOT classes in January where the attendees will learn the process and complete a bowl to be given to our BOC representative, Glen Withrow. The HOT class will be a staved BOC box. The plan is to have two HOT sessions in January. On January 3 we plan to cut and glue the boxes and finish them on January 17.

Now a little bit about Arnie:

Arnie spent 15 years on active duty in the Navy followed by 15 years in the Navy Reserve. He retired from the Navy Reserve as a Captain (06) in 1994. In civilian life Arnie worked for Ingalls Shipbuilding in Pascagoula, Mississippi, designing Navy Destroyers, Cruisers and Amphibious ships for 24 years. He retired as the Vice President of Engineering in 2007.

Arnie was an active member of AWG for about 6 years between about 2008 and 2014. He served in several positions including as Vice President for 2 years and President for 1 year. For about the past 6 years Arnie has been the Chair of the local Peach State Chapter of the Society of American Period Furniture Makers (SAPFM).

Arnie renewed his membership in AWG this year. He likes to make "laminated" lathe projects using contrasting wood species. Often these pieces come from cutoffs of furniture projects. Arnie is happy to assist any AWG members interested in this form of turning. He will teach an AWG Hands-On Training (HOT) class in September, demonstrated in October and will demonstrate again in January, 2024.









AWG Library



Look! We are back in business at Woodcraft. And so is our club librarian. We may not have a fancy library, but the knowledge that is within our selection is invaluable. Each month Jim Hardy, our librarian, will have our extensive Library available at the meeting. Each item is available for checkout - \$2/item/month. A list of books and DVDs available is on our website, https://www.atlantawoodturnersguild.org
Our brand-new Members are eligible for up to 5 free monthly rentals in their first year of membership. Bonus to membership!

If you arrive a bit early there is time for some socialization and "catching" up with friends, you may not have seen in a while. It is also a good time to review what is in the library and available for check-out. See Jim Hardy.

And you can purchase raffle tickets for whatever prizes will be raffled at the end of the meeting. See Hans Meier.

2024 AWG Officers and Directors

At the November meeting, there will be an election held for the next board. The following are being nominated.

- President: Wayne Johnson
- Vice President: Katie Navarro duties include Program Chair replaces Hans Meier who is completing unexpired term of Bob Bodine. She will also continue her Role as HOT Class I Coordinators
- Secretary: Charlie Levan currently filling unexpired term of Kim Muthersbough.
- Treasurer: Harvey Meyer and Zoon Coordinator

2024 AWG Additional Leaders

- The At Large Directors are appointed by the Board of Directors with no general membership voting required so I offer the following two Directors and asking the Board to approve them:
- At Large Director: Harvey Meyer replacing Katie Navarro and our audio-visual Chair and Zoom Coordinator
- At Large Director: Hans Meier to replace Tom Biehl currently holds that position Hans will be in charge of our Raffle.

Following are Non-voting Committee Chairs for 2024.

Glenn Withrow: BOC

Photographer: Blake Cherrington

Tool & Wood Exchange Coordinator: open

Website/Webmaster: Steve Sheppard

Librarian: Jim Hardy

HOT Sessions—A Club Favorite!
Sessions are held on the first
Wednesday of each month. Leaders of
the sessions mostly come from within
the club. The leaders teach subjects
meant to develop skills. And the goal
is for each attendee to take something
home to show off. To enroll in a
session, contact Katie Navarro
hotclassesatlantawoodturnersguild.org. The
planned schedule to date is below.



Turn it on, Turn it up, and Turn Me Loose!





Now turn the page for more about HOT!

Hands on Turning by Katie Navarro

Are you new to turning? Have you been turning for some time, and feel you could do better? Do you enjoy learning from a variety of people? When was the last time you attended a structured, yet friendly and social environment educational session? If you haven't attended one of our HOT (Hands-On Turning) sessions, you are missing out on one of the best perks (in my opinion) of our Club. The session will help answer those questions above. In the sessions, we have an opportunity to work on a specific projects with lessons provided by one of our club experts. We learn, we meet new turners, and we leave with something that we made to take home and show to our families. And we have the newly developed skill and knowledge to go to our shop and create more items. Everyone knows lunch time is my favorite (says Katie Navarro) because we get to eat together and tell tall turning tales at the table, as well as getting to know each other better. Of course, there is the learning part too and the part where you can turn all day with like-minded friends for very little money.

Our HOT class coordinator, Katie Navarro presented the HOT class for November. Her topic was Acorn Boxes. Katie demonstrated the steps and was interactive with all turners helping with each step along the way.

THANK YOU KATIE NAVARRO!

The monthly HOT classes have been so well received that your Board has added a second monthly session beginning 2024. The plan is that the second session will be held on the third Wednesday of the month. The topics for both sessions will not necessarily be the same. Variety is the spice of life. Katie Navarro will organize the first session and Charlie Levan has stepped up to organize the second session. Look for more information to come.



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Glen

Withrow

Ken

Rizza

Larry

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Blake

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Moore

Rick

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It was a wonderful day. All participants learned a bit more about acorn box turning and assembly. Katie was well prepared and provided instruction and coaching. To sign up for future HOT sessions contact Katie. And for the second monthly session, contact Charlie Levan. Topics will be announced as soon as they are confirmed. Come join us. Sessions fill up fast, so don't delay.

In December Charlie Levan will lead the session and the topic is Christmas Ornaments.

DECEMBER 2023 HOT CLASS

Our Upcoming HOT class for December will feature our own Charlie Levan. Charlie's topic will be Christmas ornaments. So put on your Santa clothes and beanie (short sleeves only) and sharpen your tools and be ready for a fun-filled turning day. If you have not already, Contact Katie Navarro. She will take care of your enrollment. Here is a brief photo summary of what Charlie is planning:







OMG! Will you lookie here. This could have very possibly become a blank spot. A waste of space. But just in the nick of time, it was decided to write something here. Something perhaps worthwhile.

So, since this is <u>YOUR</u> newsletter, I decided to provide space for any member to write an article to be included. Something you feel would be of interest to your member colleagues. Whatever it is, there will be space as long as it is respectful. Even complaints. Perhaps a question. Maybe even a compliment about my good looks – see, even jokes will be allowed.

If you have something that you would like to have published, please send a message to <a href="https://https:/

This is your opportunity...better jump on it.

Your Newsletter Editor.

Note: Originally published in the October Newsletter. To date... no takers. What's up?

President's Challenge Christmas Tree Ornament

President's Challenge Christmas Tree Ornament Challenge: Wayne Johnson has issued a challenge to all members of the Atlanta Woodturners Guild to turn a Christmas Tree Ornament between now and December 4th, 2023 (Or to have turned it in 2023) and email a picture to Harvey Meyer harveymeyer2@gmail.com by December 4, 2022. All submissions will be put in a box and if your name is pulled at our December 5th Joint Christmas Party you will win one of the five \$10 Woodcraft Gift Cards. You do not have to be present at the party to win a prize, but you do have to send in a picture before the deadline. This is a joint party with the GAW, and they have the same contest, but the drawings will be separate. If you are a member of both clubs, it is ok to submit an entry to both clubs. Georgia Association Woodturners entries are being sent to Hans Meier hansmeierpuzzles@gmail.com

Did you hear about the woodworker who died when he fell into a vat of varnish? It was a terrible end, but a beautiful finish. 11/2023 NOTE: Some members like to meet at Hooligans restaurant for dinner and socializing before the meeting. This gives a chance to arrive in the area a bit early and beat the traffic. Hooligans is located just a short walk east of Woodcraft. (8440 Holcomb Bridge Rd., Alpharetta, Ga, 678-367-2841) WHY DON'T TREES USE
SOCIAL MEDIA? THEY
PREFER TO BRANCH OUT IN
PERSON

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Just Call Tim

AWG Member Tim Robertson has announced that he has finished designing AWG name badges that can be ordered and purchased by any AWG member. These badges are laser cut and engraved on 1/8" thick prefinished maple plywood made for laser engraving. They are held in place using magnetic badge attachments. Replacing traditional badge pins, badge magnets are clothes-friendly: no more pin holes or possible tears on your clothes.

Here are the details of the name badges:

- Material: 1/8" thick maple plywood which is finished with a furniture-grade semi-gloss finish.
- Size: 3-1/2" x 2".
- > Engraving: Laser cut and engraved.
- The cost for each badge is just \$10.00 in cash. To make the process as smooth as possible, you have two convenient options to order your badge:
- 1. Reply to this email before the August 16th AWG regular monthly meeting, advising me you would like a name badge and exactly how your name should appear on the badge. I will furnish Tim with a list of names, and Tim will take care of the rest including collecting your \$10 when he gives you the badge.
- 2. **Direct Ordering: Alternatively, club members can also reach out to Tim directly via text (C) 770-634-6604 or email tb.robertson@gmail.com, specifying the name you want on the badge, and he will be more than happy to personalize it accordingly.

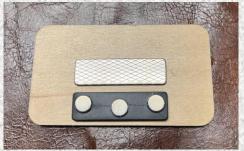
Note: Tim does not accept verbal or handwritten names, He copies directly from text or email and paste them into the program so there are no errors in spelling of names.

If you purchase the name badge, you will keep it and bring back and forth to our meetings. If you forget your badge or choose not to buy a badge, please continue to fill out a disposable name tag at each meeting.

Please contact me if you have any questions. Wayne Johnson







Welcome to our new members, Al & Taylor Hickey, Angela Sun, Judy Yoon.Philip Buzetta, Marty Cueliar, Jim Hoben, and Carl Deloney who joined in October. We appreciate you being with us and look forward to a long relationship.

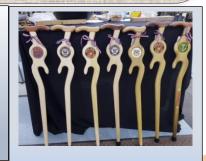
Beads of Courage

Glen Withrow hopes to get two beads of courage bowls from each member by the end of the year. Please do all you can to meet this goal. Glen may be contacted with questions at beadsofcourageatlantawoodturnersguild.org

Together, we can meet this goal. Can Do!

To date, the AWG has only provided three bowls in total. We can do better. Please commit to turning a Beads of Courage the end of the year.

Editor's Note: Would you like to contribute some of your time and talent to a worthwhile cause? Helping Needy Veterans is our mission. Gwinnett Woodworkers gather at Rob's Daycare for Adults every Tuesday (well most of them) to build sturdy wooden canes that are donated to the Atlanta VA for distribution to needy Veterans. You will leave with a feeling of accomplishment and have pride for what you've just done. Contact Glen, Hans, Katie, or me, Tom Biehl, for more detailed information. You too can help our Veterans!



Our Website

Please see our Event Calendar (https://atlantawoodturnersguild.org/events) for a current schedule of our regular monthly meetings, our popular Hands On Turning (H.O.T.) sessions, and other upcoming events.

Other useful links on our web site:

- o Review the latest newsletter (and earlier ones!) at our Newsletter archive here:
 - https://atlantawoodturnersguild.org/newsletters
- o Reach current Officers or members of our Board of Directors here: http://atlantawoodturnersguildorg/contact-us
- o Visit our "Members Only" section here: https://atlantawoodturnersguild.org/member-list)

to stay in contact with fellow members (the password will be distributed to members via email)

Event Calendar (atlantawoodturnersguild.org/event-calendar), showing a schedule for our regular monthly meetings, our popular Hands On Turning (H.O.T.) sessions, and other upcoming events. The Newsletter archive (atlantawoodturnersguild.org/newsletters) is on-line again and will be kept current. A Contact Us page (atlantawoodturnersguild.org/newsletters) gives names and contact information for our current Officers and Board of Directors. An About the AWG page (atlantawoodturnersguild.org/about-the-awg) welcomes new members. A Members Only section provides access to our latest Member List (atlantawoodturnersguild.org/member-list) so you can stay in contact with your fellow members. The password is being updated and will be distributed in the not-too-distant future via email to members. Shortly I hope to add a page of public Forums, starting with a new Trading Post and one for Tips & Techniques.

Our meeting location is **Woodcraft of Atlanta**, **8560 Holcomb Bridge Rd.**, **Suite 115**, **Alpharetta**, **GA 30022**

October Show & Tell

During our October meeting we were blessed with many member show and tell items for our viewing pleasure. Our Superb turner's have shared their works. We look forward to another great show and tell during our next meeting. So let's Create, Show, and Tell (about it)!

























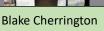
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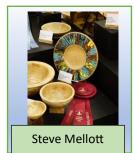


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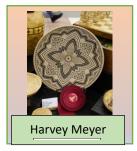








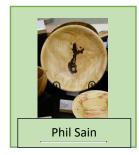














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What do you call a woodworker who is always busy?

Sawdustrious!

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Calendar of AWG Meeting and Events and Schedule

DATE 2024	EVENT	PRESENTER	TOPIC
January 3	HOT Class	Arnie Moore	Preparing a staved Bowl
January 17	HOT Class II	Arnie Moore	Turning a staved BOC Bowl
January 17	Club Demo/Demo	Arnie Moore	Creating Staves
February 7	HOT Class		
February 21	HOT Class II	Steve Cook	
February 21	Club Meeting/Demo	Steve Cook	
March 6	HOT	Harvey Meyer	
March 20	HOT II	Harvey Meyer	
March 20	Club Meeting/Demo		
April 3	HOT		
April 17	HOT II		
April 17	Club Meeting/Demo		
May 1	HOT Class		
May 15	HOT Class II		
May 15	Club Meeting/Demo		
June 5	HOT Class		
June 19	HOT Class		
June 19	Club Meeting/Demo		
July 3	HOT Class		
July 17	HOT Class II		
July 17	Club Meeting/Demo		
August 7	HOT Class		
August 21	HOT Class II		
August 21	Club Meeting/Demo		
September 4	HOT Class		
September 18	HOT Class II		
September 18	Club Meeting/Demo		
October 2	HOT Class		
October16	HOT Class II		
October 16	Club Meeting/Demo		
November 6	HOT Class		
November 15, 23	Club Meeting/Demo	Arnie Moore	Multi Species Projects Using Staved Construction
December 6, 23	HOT Class	Charlie Levan	Ornaments
December 4, 23	Christmas/Holiday		
	Celebration		

Where you find quality workmanship, you will find craftsmanship, not a quality-control expert.

~ Robert Brault

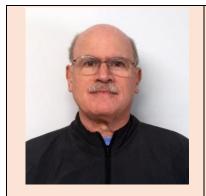
10/2023 – Carry over from September, because I like it.

Advertisements

Support those who support us.

Woodcraft has been gracious enough to allow us to resume our meetings in its facility. When looking to purchase tools and materials, please consider purchasing them from Woodcraft. On meeting nights, Woodcraft offers a 10% discount on non-sale items excluding mechanical items.

Please support our members that have provided free demonstrations for our club in 2022.



Harvey Meyer www.harveymeyer.com available for IRDs on a broad list of demos nationally or internationally. him@harveymeyer.com.

Started woodturning in 2000 and turns bowls, platters, hollow vessels, goblets, boxes and of course mostly known for his Basket Illusions and for teaching many of us about "Harvey Oil" (Minwax Antique Oil Finish) finish



Dan Douthart Has various YouTube videos posted by the Gwinnett Woodworkers Club but is now setup at home to be able to create his own YouTube Channel as well as do IRD's for woodturning clubs. In fact, when he does our February Demo it will be his first from home IRD.



Ken Rizza, owner of Woodturners Wonders located at 5230 Clarks Bridge Rd, Gainesville, GA 30506 Open M-F 9am-5pm.

678-400-8181

We provide Innovative and competitively priced products for woodturners. Check out our website: www.woodturnerswonders.com



Mike Peace www.mikepeacewoodturning.com I do demonstrations and workshops for clubs locally and Interactive Remote Demonstration over the internet to far away clubs. I enjoy teaching new woodturners one-on-one in my shop. I have demonstrated at the AAW symposium in Atlanta in 2016 and Portland 2018 as well as Southern States Woodturning and Turning Southern Style. Published in multiple magazines with copies of my articles on my website. I recently hit a couple of YouTube milestones: 50,000 subscribers and 8,000,000 million views.



Frank Bowers Frank is a fulltime woodturning instructor and demonstrator and may be contacted at fcbowrs@aol.com He has taught more people to turn bowls than anyone else in Georgia.



Michael Gibson www.michaelgibsonwoodturner.com Known worldwide for his exquisite pieces, he is available to provide IRDs from his shop. When the pandemic is over he will begin accepting individual students.

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