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<p style="text-align: center;">2013 Christmas Party submitted by Bill Bulloch</p>	
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We had our Christmas Party at Lamar Arts again this year and what a party it was. The boys gathered early to set up. By the time I got there they had the tables and chairs already out. As members began showing up with the food, I heard someone remark that they wished the ladies would hurry up and get there so the food could get laid out. Like a man couldn't do that; I'm sure that that remark must have come from one of those chauvinist pigs you hear so much about these days and know that it is not reflective of the many chivalrous members of our club. Well, the ladies finally showed up and their rendition of the food display was a work of art itself. Not only did it look delectable, it was delicious. I made two trips to the food table, and one to the desert table. That one trip was enough; I'm sure, as I overloaded my plate to the point that my sugar count tilted the scales.

Don recapped the year and gave recognition to everyone that supported and contributed to our successful year. From there we moved on to the gift exchange. As the ticket numbers were read out people would select their unmarked gift from the table. I thought it was especially apropos that Joe Patterson, our Raffle Master, drew his own number last. After everyone opened their gifts, we went around the room and had a show and tell. There were a lot of really nice gifts exchanged and you could tell the special effort everyone put into making them.

The final gift was to Don Yost. It was an engraved Platter recognizing him for his many years of service as President of the Club. Fred Morris made the Platter and the engraving was hand carved by his wife Kindle. Don expressed his sincere appreciation and pledged his continued support to the club. He told me that the handcrafted platter and engraving carried a special meaning to him and meant more than any commercially engraved one would have.

The Christmas Party – a great time was had by all!



Thanks Don for five years of leadership -- We are grateful.



Ron saved a little for the rest of us.



Don singing a carol or maybe he's showing the mallet he received from Ron.



Table full of gifts.



Mel is telling us about the gift he received.

January 14 Meeting – In Brief submitted by Bill Bulloch

Five guests were welcomed to the meeting: Doug and Sheila Keene from Forsyth, Ga., Roger DePriest from McDonough, Claudia Mason from Tallahassee, Fl. and Gary Kostick from Macon who also became a member of the club.

The new sign in roster and the Participation Rewards Program were explained. There will be a reward for the member(s) with the most participation points for each quarter and an annual reward at the end of the year. The Wood Yard in Griffin is sponsoring this Program, so the rewards should prove worthwhile.

Several activities for the upcoming year were explained; these being the Tuesday and Saturday Workshops, the Club Challenges and the Turning Exchange. The Tuesday Workshops and the Turning Exchange are new programs for the club. Two Participation Reward Points will be awarded for each of these activities.

It was announced that our first Tuesday Workshop is scheduled for 3 – 5 P.M., February 11 at Fred's shop. The theme will be Finishing Techniques. Don will demonstrate his technique for finishing a bowl; Bill will show a French Polishing Technique using a popular homemade mixture and Ronny will show us how he gets the high gloss shine on this turnings.

Members were encouraged to participate in the club's decision-making process by joining a committee. The committees open are: Activities, Membership and Library. Ronny Yates is the Chair Person for the Activities Committee and the Chair is still open for the Membership and Library Committee. We also need members for all these committees – consider joining.

We had our first Show & Tell Raffle and Chip Nasworthy won a Craft Supply Gift Certificate. People who bring an item to Show & Tell are automatically entered into the raffle for that night. You are encouraged to bring as many pieces to Show & Tell as you like, but your name will only be entered once, just like it is with our Wood Raffle.

The Fundraiser Raffle is well on its way with items on display in Barnesville at Slices and at the Library. We had nine members turn in tickets totaling \$780.00. We have two more months before the drawing and at this pace we are looking at what should be a successful raffle. Keep up the good work.

Atlanta is being considered for the 2016 AAW Symposium. Bill said that he would be sending emails to Dale Larson, President AAW and Phil MacDonald, Executive Director offering the Club's Support. He suggested each club members send emails offering their individual support and help. The email addresses are: dale@woodturner.org and phil@woodturner.org.

January Class
submitted by Larry Parks



We had a total of 28 people in attendance. Our Demonstrator for January was Ron Brown. After being introduced, Ron told us that he is a professional wood turner and he is in the business of selling his products and teaching people how to turn wood. Ron's stated objective was to "teach us some little techniques that may be helpful" to our turning and he did this by showing us how to use texturing tools that he sells and a hollowing laser that he sells. Ron also presented our club with a gift of an 11 DVD set of his videos for our club library.

Ron demonstrated the use of texturing tools by turning tops. Ron makes "top blanks" by drilling hole into a flat block of wood oriented with the hole drilled in the end grain. He then glues a dowel in the hole for the stem of the top. Ron makes his own dowels by cutting 5/8 inch blocks and then rounding them with a "dowel maker" that he buys from "Leigh Valley Tools".

The top blanks are chucked on the lathe using a Colet chuck. The square wood on the top blank was rounded by a tool that Ron called, "the non skewed skew" using a peeling cut. This tool appeared to be a skew with the top edge ground straight across. The stem of the top was cut with a tool that Ron made by grinding a shallow spindle gouge so that it would only cut on the left side. Ron called this tool the "Ron Brown Speed Gouge". Ron commented that "the grinder is his favorite tool in the shop".

Three tools were demonstrated for texturing, a chatter tool, an "Elf" type tool and a "Wagner" type tool. Ron uses the side of a "sharpie" to color the texturing on a top. He likes to finish his tops with beeswax.

Chatter tool

- Works best on end grain
- Set lathe speed between 2k and 3k rpm
- Sweep the tool from center to the 7:30 position.
- Remove fuzz with a brass brush

"Elf" Type tool

- Set lathe speed between 500 and 800 rpm
- Experiment with angles.
- This tool is good for texturing a small cove

"Wagner" type knurling tool

- Set Lathe speed between 400 and 800 rpm.
- "You can do more with this tool than the other two tools combined".
- Tool comes in 12 teeth per inch or 16 teeth per inch with the 16 making a more fine texture. The 16 TPI works best on very hard wood. W
- On end grain the tool is used at center to get the diamond pattern. Using the tool above center makes a clockwise swirl and using the tool below center makes a counter clockwise swirl.
- On side grain the position of the tool at center, above center or below center does not matter much.
- "Push the tool harder than you think you should for longer than you think you should".

Lastly Ron demonstrated a laser device he has developed that can be attached to a hand tool for hollowing that allows the turner to tell the wall thickness of the hollow form while turning.

After the demonstration, club members were invited to look at and purchased some of the tools that Ron has developed.

Ask Don submitted by Don Yost

Question: What can I do about torn grain? submitted by Woody Woodturner

Answer: Torn grain or tear out is a problem we all face. Here are a few things I have learned that work:

1. Sharpen your tool – don't assume it is sharp.
2. Turn your speed up to a safe level and take light cuts.
3. Slow your cuts down – relax.
4. Depending on the finish you intend to use, apply sanding sealer or oil to the affected area. Wax or a light spray of water also works sometime.

If none of these suggestions works, blame it on the wood and throw it in the trash pile. Sanding it out is not an option.

If you have a question about woodturning, you can submit it to Don at the following email address: dkyost40@yahoo.com

Thank You to the Wood Yard!

The Wood Yard in Griffin is providing the gifts for the Participation Rewards Program. Please keep them in mind when shopping for wood. <http://www.thewoodyard.com/>

Club Workshops submitted by Bill Bulloch

Club workshops are one of the better ways that we can share ideas, techniques, procedures and designs with each other. Yet for some reason interest has declined in our workshops in recent years to the point that only two people showed up at our last one. I don't know the reason for this decline. It could be that Saturday is just not a good time for most of our members or, perhaps, the open format that we have been following at these workshops was not the best choice. Regardless of the reason, I hate to see this valuable learning opportunity fall to the wayside. Accordingly, we're going to change our format somewhat this year. We're going to add a Tuesday workshop and we're going to announce a theme for each workshop that we hold. Our Tuesday workshops will be from 3 to 5 p.m. on the Tuesday of our regular meeting date. We'll work on our stated theme first and then open it up to any problems or areas anyone wants to discuss. We will quit around five o'clock and that will give us time to run in to Barnesville for dinner and a little more camaraderie before the meeting.

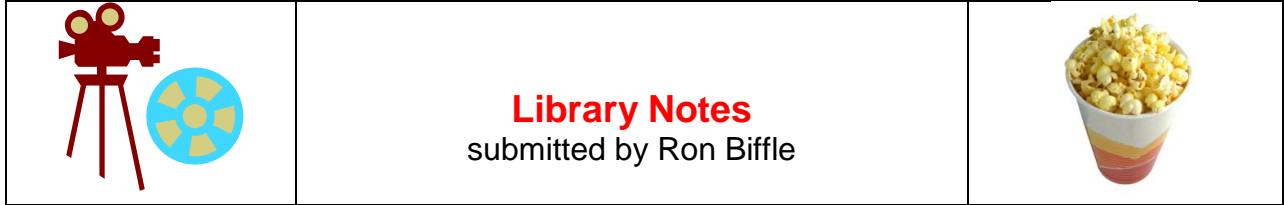
We will alternate Tuesday workshops with Saturday workshops. Hopefully this schedule will be convenient and afford everyone an opportunity to attend at least one of them.

Our first Tuesday workshop will be from 3 to 5 p.m., February 11th at Fred's shop. Our theme for this workshop will be "**Finishing Techniques**". Don will show and tell the technique he uses to finish his bowls; I'll show the way I apply a popular home-mixed French polish; and Ronnie will show and tell how he gets that high gloss finish on his work. This will be a hands-on workshop -- so don't miss it.

Hearing Protection submitted by Steve Mellott

What did you say? Long term exposure to loud tools can lead to permanent hearing loss. Fortunately most of this risk can be mitigated with proper hearing protection. If you're working around loud machinery, be sure to wear ear plugs, muffs or both. There are also sound attenuation muffs that work quite well. A good pair of ear muffs may cost you \$100. A good set of hearing aids may cost you several thousand dollars. Be Safe!





We all owe a big “THANK YOU” to Bill Bulloch for a great deal of work put into improvements in our club’s DVD library. We have a great resource of instruction and inspiration in these recordings and we want to encourage everyone to make use of them. Bill has created a Library Check-Out Card for each DVD and placed the card in the case with the DVD. To check out a DVD you simply take the card and put the date and your name in the blanks provided. Place the card in the wooden box inside the library cabinet and you are done. Check out is for one month. Late fees will be \$2.00 per month and will go to the club treasury. When possible I will send reminders to those with DVDs out on loan so that they can be returned at the next meeting and made available for other members to use. A listing of all the available DVDs will be located on the inside door of the library cabinet. When returning a DVD, please retrieve the card for that DVD from the wooden box, mark out your name, and return the card to the DVD case and the case to the proper slot in the cabinet. Library check-out continues to be an “honor system” process, but we ask each member’s cooperation with helping us keep track of these valuable materials through the use of the check-out system.

Several members have made generous donations to the library and that is greatly appreciated. Our goal is to have the most comprehensive library possible on all facets of woodturning. There were ten new additions to the library in January. Be sure to stop by and take a look at the next meeting. At the January meeting we received a donation from Ron Brown of his sixteen DVD set which covers eleven topics. I will have those ready to be checked out at the February meeting.

Let’s all make use of a great resource and asset to our club! If you have any donations or suggestions for the library, please see Ron Biffle at the next meeting.

Website

Did you know the Barnesville Woodturners have a web site? Charles Jackson has been working to update the website and it now includes information about upcoming events, the DVD library listing, links to Member sites and a whole lot more. You can access the website at <http://barnesvillewoodturners.com/>

Newsletter Ideas and Articles

If you have ideas or articles for the next Newsletter, contact Steve Mellott at srmellott@hotmail.com

Got Wood? submitted by Bill Bulloch

As wood turners, we are always looking for the opportunity to increase our wood inventory. If you run across available trees let me know and we can make it a Club project to cut it up, haul it off and make it available to Club Members.

What do we want? Well, any good turning wood will work, but we are especially interested in Box Elder, Fruit Wood, Walnut, Ambrosia Maple, Holly and burls.

Consider these guidelines for gathering the wood:

- If we are gathering wood as a Club Event, then for insurance purposes, we need to announce it by official Club email or in the Newsletter in advance.
- Ease of Access is an important consideration.
- We'll stack the trimmings, but chipping and/or hauling away are left to the owner of the property.
- Preferably trees will be fallen.
- Property lines, personal property and power lines must be respected.
- Safety" is a prime consideration [After all most of you are elderly gentlemen].

Meeting Location and Time

We meet the Second Tuesday of each month at 7pm. The meetings are usually held at Fred Morris' shop located at 168 Howards Rd. in Barnesville.

Board Members and Other Volunteers

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Rocky Davis	Bonaire	478-987-1190
Lee Dale	Jackson	770-775-0895
Niall Mathieson	Barnesville	404-444-2671

Classifieds

For Sale: Jet 1236 Wood Lathe. \$325.00. I bought this lathe new five years ago. I used it for turning for the first year then upgraded. Since then, I have only used it as a disc sander. It's in good shape with normal ware & tare; dings, chips and some splattered glue and finish. Read the spec here:

<http://www.woodcraft.com/product/2002046/23311/jet-12-variable-speed-wood-lathe-model-jwl1236.aspx> Bill Bulloch 678-468-7014

Wanted: Help with Electric Motor Problems. The motor on my table saw keeps throwing the circuit breaker. I need someone knowledgeable in these things to fix it. I will pay for your services. It's a Hitachi C10FL. Bill Bulloch 678-468-7014

If you have something you want to sell (or buy) contact Steve Mellott at srmellott@hotmail.com

Calendar of Upcoming Events (Grayed areas are tentative at this time)

Feb 11	<p>Tuesday Workshop 3 – 5 at Freds</p> <p>Theme will be “Finishing Techniques”</p>	<p><i>Don will show and tell the technique he uses to finish his bowls</i></p> <p><i>Bill will show and tell his French Polishing Technique</i></p> <p><i>Ronnie will show and tell how he</i></p>
<p>Monthly Meeting 7 p.m. at Fred's - Harvey Meyer Demonstrating</p>		

Mar 11	Monthly Meeting will be held at the Lamar Art Center {Depot} at 7 PM. We will have the Fundraiser Raffle Drawing at this meeting. Frank Bowers will be the Featured Demonstrator
Mar 15	Saturday Workshop 9 a.m., at Fred's Theme will be Mounting work on the lathe <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"><i>Reverse Chucking, Jam Chucks, Mandrels, and special techniques. Ways for Mounting a YoYo</i></div>
Apr 4,5, 6	Southern States XIV Woodturning Symposium http://www.southernstatessymposium.org/
Apr 8	Club Challenge: Make a Yoyo See Bill for a free Yo-Yo string Monthly Meeting 7 p.m. at Fred's - Jimmy Clewes Demonstrating
Apr 25	David Ellsworth all day workshop (already sold out)
May 13	Monthly Meeting 7 p.m. at Fred's - Demonstrator to be announced Turning Exchange – Bring your turning to be exchanged in an unmarked bag.
Jun 10	Tuesday Workshop at Fred's Shop 3 – 5 p.m. – Theme to be announced Club Challenge: To be announced Monthly Meeting at Fred's 7 p.m. -- Demonstrator to be announced
Jul 8	Monthly Meeting at Fred's 7 p.m. -- Demonstrator to be announced Turning Exchange – Bring your turning to be exchanged in an unmarked bag.
Jul 12	Saturday Workshop at Fred's 9 a.m.-- Theme to be announced
Aug 12	Club Challenge: To be announced Monthly meeting at Fred's 7 p.m. – Demonstrator to be announced

Sep 9	Monthly meeting at Fred 7 p.m. -- Demonstrator to be announced <i>Turning exchange -- bring your turning exchange in an unmarked bag</i>
Sep 13	Saturday workshop at Fred's 9 a.m. -- Theme to be announced
Sep 19- 21	Turning Southern Style XX Woodturning Symposium http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=9atcwcjab&oeidk=a07e765b6w5078a4c7c
Oct 2-12	Georgia National Fair
Oct 14	Tuesday workshop at Fred's 3 to 5 p.m. -- theme to be announced Monthly meeting at Fred's 7 p.m. -- Demonstrator to be announced
Nov 11	Monthly meeting at Fred's seven p.m. -- Demonstrator to be announced <i>Turning exchange -- bring your turning exchange in an unmarked bag</i>
Nov 15	Saturday workshop at Fred's 9 a.m. -- Theme to be announced
Dec 9	CHRISTMAS PARTY