



April Meeting – In Brief submitted by Bill Bulloch

Attendance: We had 20 members and six guests in attendance at the April Meeting. The guests were: Harold White, Clark Hunt and Gerald Rawlins from Barnesville; Michael Rasher from Perry; Mark Cotney from Thomason: and Shannon Tyler from Thomaston.



Show & Tell identification tags: New this month is the Show & Tell Identification Tags. These will help us place a name and description to the pictures that Bob is taking of the items in the Show & Tell. We will be using these pictures in our Show & Tell Gallery on the Website.

Scholarship Auction: A Scholarship valued at up to \$1140.00 to the John C Campbell Folk School or Arrowmont Arts and Crafts School was donated to us and the Macon Woodturning Club. We auctioned it off and split the proceeds between the two clubs. The auction was won by Bob Pedrotti. Thanks to the donor who wishes to be remain anonymous, each club will receive \$387.

Saturday Workshop: We had our Saturday Workshop on March 14. Rick Ruark did an excellent job working with us on the Turkey Pot Calls. He left some handouts for anyone interested. Our next workshop will be June 13, and will be on tool Sharpening. Louie Bickett will lead the workshop and share some of his extensive knowledge with us. The workshop will start at 9 am. in the Church Basement and should last a couple of hours. Put that down on your list of things to do.

Pro All Day Workshops: The Soren Berger workshop will be May 13 (note that is a change in date). He'll be doing his SB Scoop. I have seen his scoop and it is an interesting little scoop. Soren likes to use it in his teaching because it encompasses many of the skills we use in woodturning. He likes to demonstrate it in a Club Meeting, then take it further in the workshop that follows. For those of you who will be attending the workshop, I have secured the wood required for the Class. It is 3 pieces of kiln dried 3 x 3 x 7" Soft maple. If you have some, then bring it - if not these are available for you at a material cost of \$5. The workshop is full, but you'll not want to miss the Club Demo on May 12.

The Al Stirt workshop and demo for June has been cancelled. Al will be filling in for Ray Key at Arrowmont and had to cancel out on us. Apparently, Ray is having a medical problem and couldn't make the trip this year.

The Nick Agar workshop is in September. Nick should be finishing up his working tour in New Zealand soon and we will be getting more info on the workshop and material needs. This class is full, but I am taking a standby list.

Lamar Arts display: "Turning Towards Home" is over on April 25. Angela asks that you pick up your work on the 25th from 3 – 6pm. She is also hoping that you will buy tickets to the Derby Party while there. This is an annual fundraiser Silent Auction to benefit the art camp for kids which is held every June. The Derby Party is at Antebellum Oaks, a B&B on Greenwood St. in Barnesville, from 4 to 6 pm on May 2. Advance tickets are \$25, at the door \$30. If you are interested, she'll give you more details at the Depot on the 25th.

Jackson Arts Festival - May 9: They have invited us to represent woodturning at the festival. We will have a 10' x 10' booth and can fit three 8 foot tables in it. Last year, just about everyone who participated sold something. They have patrons of the Arts who pledge to spend so much money at the Festival. They buy "Art Dollars" to spend at the Festival. I think most of the things we sold last year were bought with Art Dollars. You don't have to be there to display and sell your stuff. I will be there and I think Chip and Joe will too and we will represent you.

At the Lamar Arts Show we have 17 members who have something on display. If each of you will put one or two of those pieces in the Jackson Festival we will have plenty. I'll be at the Depot on the 25th and will take any piece you want to put in the Festival and hold it. You can leave the price you have on it at Lamar or change it if you like.

Southern States Symposium is May 15-17, in Cartersville: Featured Demonstrators are Soren Berger, Chris Ramsey, Avelino Samuel and Kimberly Winkle. They have extended On-Line Registration until May 10 and early registration until May 15. Is anyone going?? Fred needs a driver.

Participation Rewards: First Quarter is over and the results are in. Normally we have two or three people tied for first place and they have to draw for the Prize donated by The Wood Yard and the others are given a Craft Supply Gift Certificate -- but this time we had a single First Place winner and a three way tie for 2nd place. As a rule second place just gets a mention, but this time they will be drawing for the Craft Supply Gift Certificate. Ron, Keith and Don were tied for 2nd Place and Ron won the drawing for the Gift Certificate. First place went to Chip Nasworthy. Congratulations Chip.

New Lathe: The new Jet 16/42 lathe is here. It was bought, in part, with the \$1500 EOG from AAW. Mark Sillay was the first demonstrator to use the lathe, but Rick Ruark turned a Turkey call on it at the workshop on March 14. I think Rick was a little intimidated by it.

When we think of the AAW, the first thing that comes to mind is the periodicals. The American Woodturner and Fundamentals magazines are a part of the education opportunities available to members, but there are also Educational Opportunity Grants (EOG) that help us grow as Chapter members. We have 21 AAW members in our Club. That means that as a group we have paid \$1150 to AAW in membership dues, but here we received a \$1500 EOG to buy a needed lathe. Last year, the Macon Woodturners received a \$1500 grant and they had fewer AAW members than we do. These EOG grants are not just for Chapters - they are also available to individual members. Check into it.

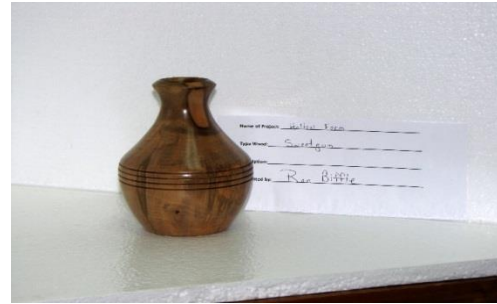
You'll be hearing more about AAW Membership in the upcoming months. With the AAW Symposium coming to Atlanta in 2016, we'll all want to take advantage of membership and attend this event.

Mark Sillay was our featured demonstrator at the April meeting. Mark demonstrated his method for turning off center. His project was an off-center weed pot. Mark demonstrated the method he uses to mount the piece on the lathe for turning and talked about the technique that he uses to "slice" the wood. The demo is on DVD and will be available in the Club Library soon.

Show & Tell: Fourteen People brought 21 pieces to Show and Tell this month. Each person who brings an item for Show & Tell has their name automatically entered into a drawing for a Craft Supply Gift Certificate. This month's winner was Mark Cotney, a guest from Thomaston. Congratulations Mark.

Here are a few examples - the rest can be viewed on our website.

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

May Demo submitted by Bill Bulloch

Our featured demonstrator in May will be Soren Berger. Soren, based in New Zealand, has been a woodturning artist for over 35 years. He is regarded as one of the leaders in his craft. His interest over the last eight years has been focused on teaching wood turners to understand, in detail, the actual turning process. Thus, developing the ability to make sensitive and beautiful objects.



Soren's demo will feature his SB Scoop. This demo is highly entertaining and of great interest to a wide range of people who love to watch the creation of something intricate and unique, yet useful. It demonstrates and highlights a multitude of skills which can be applied to all sorts of other projects. A scoop involves spindle turning, off center turning, sphere turning, bowl turning, intermittent contact turning, and design and proportion. His demo also includes the basic fundamentals where he uses the pencil analogies to develop the understanding of the principals involved in turning.

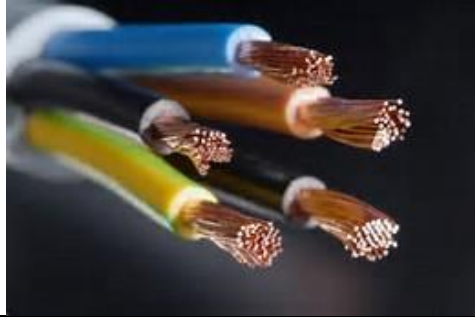
Soren's demo will be followed by a workshop on May 13. His normal order of teaching is to see the demonstration, be inspired, then do, practice and learn with the teacher. He feels that scoop making is a wonderful teaching project. It is not a once seen all known project. He is a teacher and loves to encourage and help people develop and improve their skills so that they can become more creative in their own right.

Mentor List - (Call Bill to add your name to the list)

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Niall Mathieson	Barnesville	404-444-2671
Fred Morris	Barnesville	770-358-6500
Keith Peterson	Americus	229-869-4273

Electrical Safety

submitted by Steve Mellott



I will start by saying I am not an electrician, but there are some basics that everyone needs to know:

1. Limit the number of extension cords you need. It is much better if you can install an outlet near a tool rather than run an extension cord from the tool to the outlet. Limiting the number of extension cords limits the number of tripping hazards.
2. If you need to run an extension cord, make sure you use the right size. In my shop, all extension cords are at least 12 gauge (20 amps).
3. If you need to have an outlet installed, either know what you are doing or hire a qualified electrician. Outlets and wires have different ratings – if you use the wrong size, you can create some major problems. Also, I know it's “only 110 volts”, but under the right conditions, 110 volts can kill you.
4. If possible, install an emergency light in your shop that automatically comes on if the power goes off.
5. If you need to change a blade/cutter on a woodworking machine, always unplug the machine first.

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Club Websites submitted by Bill Bulloch

We have two websites up and running. Check in often.

www.barnesvillewoodturners.com

www.woodturner.org/members/group.aspx?id=129766

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Apr 25	Lamar Arts Woodturning Show ends. Pick up your items at the Dep[oyt between 3:00 and 6:00 pm.
May 9	Jackson Arts Festival – submit your pieces to Bill, Chip or Joe by May 8.
May 12	Club Meeting – Soren Berger is the Featured Demonstrator
May 13	Hands-On Workshop with Soren Berger at Fred's Shop (9:00 – 4:00)
May 15-17	Southern States Woodturning Symposium – Cartersville, GA
June 9	Demonstrator to be announced
June 13	Saturday Workshop – 9:00 am at the Church – Tool Sharpening
July 14	Demonstrator to be announced
Aug 11	Demonstrator to be announced Turning Exchange TBA
Sept 16	Meeting Date Changed from Tuesday, Sept 8 to Wednesday, Sept 16 to accommodate our Special Demonstrator Nick Agar. Meeting will be held at the Church from 7 to 9 p.m. Hands-On Workshop with Nick Agar at Fred's Shop from (9:00 – 4:00).
Sept 18-20	Turning Southern Style Symposium – Dalton, GA Turning Southern Style
Oct 13	Demonstrator to be announced
Nov 10	Demonstrator to be announced Saturday Workshop – Christmas Ornaments for Christmas party drawing
Dec 8	Christmas Party