



Alabama Woodturners Association

AWA Newsletter

August 2011



A member of the American Association of Woodturners

Location: Homewood Senior Center at 816 Oak Grove Road, Homewood, AL 35209
Web Site: www.alabamawoodturners.com

Coming Events

August—Jigs & Things Panel
September—M. Clabaugh
October—Michael Mocho
November—Round Robin
December—Party!
January 2012—TBA

Presidents Message:

Greetings from Birmingham.

We had over 70 people at the July meeting. There was a lot of free wood in the parking lot, and had a great demo.

Our thanks to Tommy Hartline for his inside/out ornament demo at our July meeting. Photos of his demo are in the newsletter.

Our demo this month will be Jigs, Fixtures and other good ideas. Several members of the club will be involved in the demo. Bring something that you have made that you use in your woodturning. More details are in the newsletter.



The Saturday afternoon class this month will be peppermills. There have been two cancellations. If you would like to learn how to make peppermills, contact Phil Fortmeyer at 205-612-7496. The class in September will be Christmas tree ornaments. Bill Hubbard will teach this class.

Speaking of ornaments, let's get to work. Get your ornaments finished. We need them by the October meeting. The tree is decorated prior to the November meeting. The North Alabama Woodturners will have Joe Ruminski from Asheville, NC in Boaz on Friday September 16 for a class on Goblets and Hollow Forms. The cost of the class is \$125.00. On Saturday September 17 Joe will demo at the meeting. There is a \$10 charge for the demo and \$5 for lunch. Contact Tom Ripple 256-582-1061 or jtrswood@charter.net for further details or reservations.

Our Show and Tell program has been a great success. Be sure to bring a turned item, a jig, fixture or other good idea to share with the group.

We will have another raffle for a Woodcraft gift card this month. We will also have door prizes. Marvin Little handles the raffle each month. Thanks, Marvin.

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting!

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Make Tops and Ornaments!



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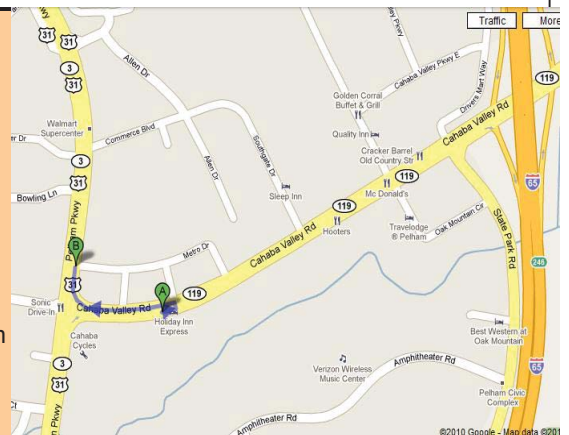
Store Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 9 am – 7 pm

Thursday: 9 am – 9 pm

Saturday: 9 am – 6 pm

Sunday: noon – 5 pm





Mel Brown



Jerry Hanchey



Eric Wagner



M Clabaugh

Show and Tell



Eric Knepper



Tommy Hartline



Jean Cline



Staten Tate



Judy Osmundson
This years Christmas Tree Apron

Tommy Hartline Demo



Where to get a deal on those clamps

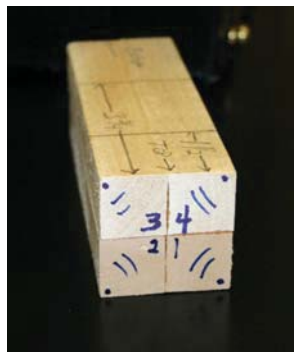


Some of Tommy's work

Tommy gave a very professional demonstration. (His is a professional educator) He covered a complicated subject, making it easy to understand. If you snoozed through the demo he had a bound instruction book available (which I got). Above are some of the many ornaments he has made. Below are the building blocks to make the inside-out ornaments and a glued up piece marked for reassembly after turning the inside. Below is a picture of the demonstration as he made an ornament. Great job Tommy!



The building blocks



Ready to Turn the inside



Makin' Sawdust

AWA training classes develop turning skills!



Will, Eric K. and Phil



Eric W. and Will

Two of those involved in the “show and tell” in July drew upon the training skills of the AWA members to make some outstanding pieces for the July display. Eric Knepper attended a class on making natural edged bowls and turned two very nice pieces from his experience in the class. Phil is our training director for AWA. Will Pate is an outstanding instructor in woodturning and is much in demand for his training skills. Example: Eric Wagner wanted to make a segmented piece so he called Will on the phone and asked for a lesson. Will was busy so he said he could tell him over the phone how to do it! You can see the results in the photo above when Eric “segmented by phone” to make a striking segmented vase. Good work guys. See Phil about future classes... and you can call Will for dial up training between 9:00AM and 5:00 PM!

Next Meeting:

“Jigs ‘n Things” Panel:

Bob Henry- Chinese Ball; Jess Walls- Eccentric turning jig; Sean McCurley- Big lathe steady rest; Bruce Gibson- Botox for wood; Will Pate- Tricking out your mini lathe. Moderated by Dave Chanslor

Please bring your own jig and show us how it works!

Anyone who is the least bit interested in knowing more about this addictive hobby, contact Richard Serviss at (205) 853-2136 or Phil Duffy at (256)355-4201 and they'll happily answer your questions and get you signed up. OR...come visit us at our next meeting. We meet the second Saturday of each month. Meeting starts at 9:00 am, but people start

Meeting Location—816 Oak Grove Rd. Homewood AL

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