



# Alabama Woodturners Association

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# AWA Newsletter



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](http://www.alabamawoodturners.com)

## Coming Events

August—Warren Carpenter  
September—Joe Ruminski  
October—TBA  
November—Round Robin  
December—Party  
January—??

## August Program: Warren Carpenter

Woodworking has always been a part of my life, but what else would you expect from a Carpenter? I have been a homebuilder since the mid 70's and built furniture and sculpted in wood in my spare time. Since 1999, my passion has been turning wood. With a creative eye and an ever-expanding knowledge of wood, I am always watching for those special trees or parts of trees that may someday become a unique turning. There are few things better than finding a burl and figuring out the best way to turn it into one or more pieces of artwork. Beyond creating "normal or natural" bowls, I enjoy experimenting with new shapes and forms to help me release the natural or not so natural beauty of a piece of wood. The final step in the creation process is the finish that will protect and enhance the wood without making a statement of its own. A finished turning will highlight the beauty of the wood, in a shape that is pleasant to both sight and feel. (Copied from: [woodbywarren.com](http://woodbywarren.com))

## Officers of AWA

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## Welcome to New Members:

Perry Andrews  
Gary Garris

Karl & Myra Harper (and Turk)  
James Kemp

Hale Wilson

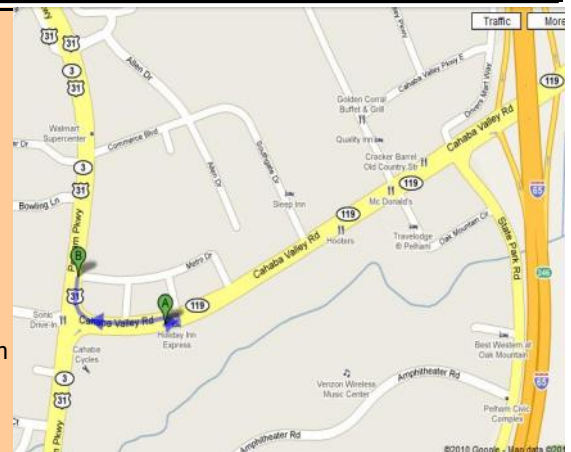
## \*\*Notice\*\*

**How many Christmas ornaments have you made and turned in?** As of our August meeting, there are only 138 days until Christmas but, more importantly, 85 days until we decorate the Christmas tree at Children's Hospital.

Do you have a **September** birthday? If so, please see Jean or Amy at the sign in table.



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Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 9 am – 7 pm  
Thursday: 9 am – 9 pm  
Saturday: 9 am – 6 pm  
Sunday: noon – 5 pm



# Leo Frilot-July Meeting Demonstrator



Tommy Hartline  
Sean McCurley  
Jess Walls



Maurice Clabaugh  
Bill Hubbard  
John Sowell

## Team Challenge



Jack Capps  
Carl Cummins  
Dwight Hostetter



Phil Fortmeyer  
Bruce Gibson  
Will Pate

## **Saturday afternoon mentoring:**

Phil Fortmeyer is our mentor chairman. Classes are scheduled that are of interest to a wide range of experience with preference being given to turners with limited experience. There is a nominal fee for these classes to cover the cost of the material used in the class. Bring your own tools or use the tools provided by the club. The club owns six Rikon Lathes, chucks and tools necessary to use in the classes. The training is held in the Craft Room at the Homewood Senior Center.

**Phil's project for the August class will be a vase and/or bowl. If you are interested in participating, please contact Phil at (205) 612-7496.**

## **The Georgia Association of Woodturners**

**invites you to join us at our Symposium-**

### **Turning Southern Style XX**

**September 19-21, 2014**

Come join everyone at the Georgia Association of Woodturners' annual symposium, "Turning Southern Style XX". This year's event will again be held at the Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center, in the delightful town of Dalton, Georgia, on September 19-21.

Please don't wait to register... the Early Registration discount ends August 15th!

We have a truly impressive slate of Demonstrators from England, Canada, Arizona, Florida and Georgia and a host of quality Vendors, selected to provide you a wide variety of tools, products and wood. Our great facility provides 4 large, sound-controlled demonstration rooms, and an enormous Vendor Area, with 40-50 booth spaces. This location and venue was a real hit with our attendees and Vendors last year. Our symposium is designed for all levels of interest in woodturning and wood art. Whether you are an experienced turner wanting to be inspired by internationally famous demonstrators, or you're looking for demonstrations which showcase fundamental turning skills, or you are a wood art collector interested in identifying new artists, you will find plenty to enjoy and learn at "Turning Southern Style". This is sure to be our most enjoyable and informative symposium in our 20 year history.

GAW is dedicated to providing education, information and organization to anyone interested in woodturning and we're excited about bringing new people into our craft. We are particularly proud of our work with Wounded Warriors, and we will once again be awarding full symposium scholarships to a number of these great beginning woodturners.

Visit the 'Turning Southern Style XX' website for Symposium information and registration, demonstrator information and their websites, confirmed vendors and their websites, demonstrations descriptions and special lodging rates or email Jim Hardy, Symposium Chairman at [symposium@gawoodturner.org](mailto:symposium@gawoodturner.org).

## **Alabama Woodturners Meeting Location—816 Oak Grove Rd. Homewood AL**

From I-65 N, exit 256B (From I-65 S, exit 256A). Turn West on Oxmoor Rd. go about .5 mi – halfway there take the left fork at the traffic light (means you'll go straight ahead) – Turn left onto Oak Grove Road and go about .2 mi. Homewood Senior Center is on the right. Check out our Web Site at [www.alabamawoodturners.com](http://www.alabamawoodturners.com) for much more about our club.

# July Turn and Tell



Peter Marken



Maurice Clabaugh



Sally Street



Roger Smith



Karl Harper



Will Pate

## How'd They Do That?



# More Turn and Tell

