



Alabama Woodturners Association

Meeting Location: Homewood Senior Center 816 Oak Grove Road, Homewood, AL 35209

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July 2012

Officers:

Phil Duffy, President

Jess Walls, Vice President

Jennifer Smith, Treasurer

Laura Reeder, Secretary

Directors:

Bill West

Staten Tate

Jeff Hicks

Sean McCurley

Demo Schedule:

Jan: Jess Walls, Bowls

Feb: Phil Morris - Pens

Mar: Andy Woodard, Tenn.

Apr: Staten Tate

May: John Jordan

June: Phil Duffy

July: Dwight Hostetter

Aug: TBA

Sept: Pat Johnson

Oct: Frank Bowers

Nov: Round Robin

Dec: Christmas party

Training Classes:

(Saturday afternoon after meeting)

Feb: Bill Hubbard

Mar: Mark Couto

Apr: Staten Tate

May: TBA

June: TBA

July: TBA

Aug: TBA

Sept: TBA

Oct: TBA

Have you paid your 2012 dues?

President's Message:

It's too damned hot. A few days ago it was a modest 97 degrees in my garage workshop and needless to say was somewhat out of my comfort zone. I like to turn, but not drown in the process. My poor old body just can't take the heat. So lately I've resorted to my second favorite hobby, reading about woodturning. Fortunately, I recently received copies of the American Woodturner, Woodturning, Woodturning Design, Fine Woodworking, a new Woodturners Catalog from Craft Supplies USA, and the latest catalog from John C. Campbell Folk School. A veritable treasure trove of goodies to while away the hours, provide ideas for future projects and give me excuses to spend money. Woodturning magazine from England and Woodturning Design have always been outstanding sources of information and American Woodturner (Journal of AWA) is getting better all the time. Fine Woodworking is just a great magazine and this month had an article on a friend of mine from Ireland – Liam Flynn. I guess my point is that there are a number of ways to enjoy woodturning. Hours spent at the lathe is only one of them. The club has a pretty good video library available and I encourage everyone to take advantage of it. Just remember to return the DVD's so others get a chance to enjoy them as well.



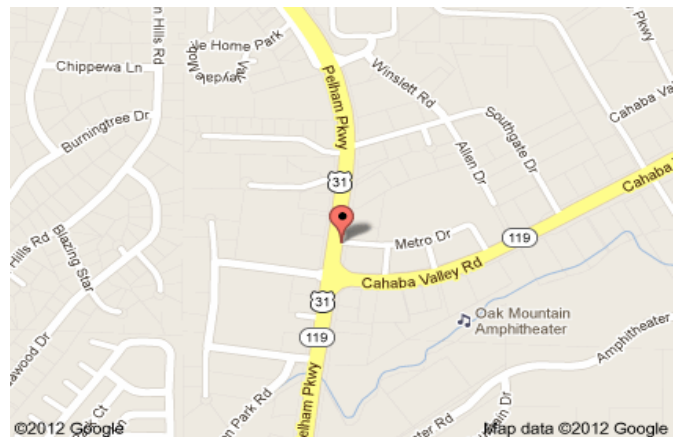
Richard Serviss and Mike Malinconico may finally have cracked the code on getting out info about the newsletter. Hopefully we will work out the final bugs this month and will advise the membership this month. As a minimum, we will be able to let everyone know the newsletter is available for download from the website. We will also be updating the membership list and photo file of members this month. If you haven't paid your dues you will be dropped from the roster.

This month one of our newest members, Dwight Hostetter, will be demonstrating how he makes those beautiful segmented pieces. This should be a great way to spend a hot Saturday morning. Bring a notebook to jot down helpful hints and critical steps to be followed to achieve those beautiful results.

Hope to see you all next week.



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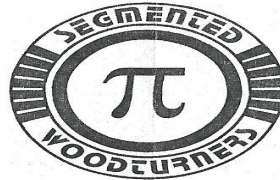


Don Blankenship: Don passed away on June 28, 2012 after fighting cancer for several years. Don was a valued member of our organization. In addition to regularly attending meetings, he was a member of the audio visual committee. In this capacity he set up and operated the audio visual equipment. He continued this task until shortly before he passed away. Don also attended the Southern States Symposium where he also assisted with the audio visual equipment.

June demonstrator: Phil Duffy, boxes, etc.



Attached is correspondence from Malcolm Tibbetts, President of the Segmented Woodturners. The video CD he included will be added to our library.



June 22, 2012

Re: *Segmented Woodturning Symposium*

To Whom It May Concern,

The Segmented Woodturners is an internet-based chapter of the AAW with over 500 members around the world.

Our third symposium, completely focused on "segmented woodturning", is scheduled for October 18-21, 2012 at Lake Tahoe, CA.

There is a very complete 8-page brochure detailing the event at:

www.segmentedwoodturners.org

The enclosed DVD is a 30-minute commemorative video that shows a few highlights of the last segmented symposium held in November 2010 at Arrowmont in Gatlinburg, TN.

Could you do us a big favor and share this information with any of your members, who might have an interest in attending our next symposium.

With much appreciation,

Malcolm

Malcolm Tibbetts
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Segmented Woodturners
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Recently one of our members was injured when a bowl came off the chuck. He has a face shield, but was not using it. Remember to utilize all of your safety equipment!

Saturday afternoon mentoring:

Phil Fortmeyer is our mentor chairman. Phil schedules classes that are of interest to a wide range of experience, Preference will be 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 Home-wood Senior Center.

Show your work : Members and guests bring their turnings to the meeting for all to see. We take a break during the demo and review each turning. We discuss type of wood, finishes, and design changes that occurred during the turning process.





Tommy Hartline — Closed vessel



Ronny Perkins — Pens



Sean McCurley — closed vessels, textured



Sean McCurley — square burl



Jack Capps — Birdhouses. Be sure to look at the mini birdhouses in the circle.



Johnny Carpenter — Pens



Royal Ritchey & Jack Capps — Orange Osage bowl & blank. Wood from Staten Tate



Maurice Clabaugh





Delbert Freeman — platter on a pedestal.



Royal Ritchey — two boxes and a salt shaker.



Peter Marken — 3 different types of turnings

Meeting schedule: Monthly meeting is the second Saturday of each month. Coffee and donuts at 8:30 am and the meeting starts at 9:00 am.

Meeting Location: 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 for much more about our club.