Alabama Woodturners Association

Jun 2009



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

Jun 13 - Larry Thomas will demo step by step finishes

The pre-meeting demo will be Bob Henry showing how to do off-set turnings

July 11 - Binh Pho will show us his techniques for airbrushing and piercing thin wall turnings

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President's Message

There was a lot going on during our May AWA meeting. We had 69 members and 6 guests at the meeting for our program on Coring Systems with Wilford Bickel. The program was very interesting and I learned a lot about coring, hope you all did too. Thanks, Wilford! Guests attending were Sean McCurley, Terry Fisk, Maria Zeto, Sherri Simpson, Terry Bailey and Lou Ellyn Bagwell. From what I understand we may need to get Lou Ellyn



to put on a demo, she has a whole new area of turning. When asked what she turns, her reply was "I don't turn wood, I turn heads." We also have a new member, Joe Wujcik. Everyone be sure to welcome him. The program in June will be Larry Thomas showing us a step by step process on Finishing. Larry does some excellent work and we should all see a good show.

The anchor seal will be available at the meeting in June. Tut Touchstone, one of our new members, will be handling the distribution of the wax. He will be at the meeting 1 hour early, so remember to bring your jugs. Remember milk jugs only work temporarily; they will leak after a short period of time, a gallon laundry container will work just fine. If you have some extra jugs, please bring them to the meeting in case someone has forgotten their jug or if there is any leftover wax. The cost of the wax will be \$8.00 per gallon. We had a couple of raffles and one auction during the last meeting.

- > Maurice Clabaugh donated a Walnut bark edge bowl that raised \$150 plus dollars, which was won by Jennifer Smith.
- > Will Pate made a Texas Toothpick which was won by Jess Walls. (If I wasn't up there to see the name pulled, I would have thought it was rigged. We may need come up with a rule that you are not allowed to win everything)
- > Bill Cleage donated some antique hand planes. We auctioned them off and we were able to raise \$500.00 for educational purposes for the club.

Congratulations to Jennifer and Jess and thanks to Maurice, Will and Bill for your donation.

The AWA business cards came in and were passed out at the meeting. I will bring them to each meeting and they will be available at the sign in desk.

Just a reminder Christmas will be here before you know it! To date we have about 30 ornaments turned in for the Children's Hospital Christmas tree. Let's get out there and start turning, we need about 350. I know, I have to get out there myself.

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The demonstrator for the July meeting will be Binh Pho. We are going to have two sessions for this meeting.

- Morning session Thin wall hollowing
- 2. Afternoon session Piercing and air brushing.

(Bring two or three dollars for the lunch kitty; but there will be no charge for the afternoon session as originally discussed.) I will pass out a signup sheet during the June meeting to get a rough number attending the afternoon session.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the June meeting.

Thanks.

Kevin

RESULTS OF THE MAY CLUB COMPETITION:

In the *Beginner Category* we had two entries. First went to Sean McCurley, who also happened to be a guest. Second went to Lincoln Gaborik.

In the *Intermediate Category*, first went to David Tucker and second went to

Roger Walters

In the *Advanced Category*, There were three entries. First and third went to Bob Henry, and second went to Mark Couto.



INTERMEDIATE

David Tucker



Sean McCurley



Bob Henry

In the *Enhanced/Segmented Category*, Will Pate took first place, Rob Scheitlin got second and Nevin Newton was awarded third.

Will Pate

TRAINING SESSIONS -

The after meeting training for Jun will be "Tool Making" instructed by Bill West. In July, there won't be a training class because Binh Pho will be doing an extended demo into the afternoon. In Aug, the focus is back on Christmas Ornaments with class instruction by Bill Hubbard.

REMINDER - Let's keep the ornaments on our minds. We don't want to have to wait until the last minute to do 300 (which is a minimum.) Doing a couple a month will make meeting our goal a lot easier.