

problem pieces you'd like help with. While showing the item on video works, if you could send in a picture or two, we'll share those higher resolution images while you talk us through it. The same goes for the Shop Tour. If you'd like to show us where the magic happens, please send Scott 5-10 photos of your shop with closeups of any tips or tricks you use. We'll show those as well while you guide us through the pics.

I'll send out the invitation closer to the actual time.

Thanks to Jennifer and Carl, the club has had our 501(c)(3) status restored. This should open the door for quite a few possibilities with regards to donations and gifts to the club. We are in the process of signing up for the Amazon Smile program that allows you to designate the non-profit of your choice where Amazon will make donations. The Alabama Woodworker's Guild is one organization that currently utilizes this feature with great results. We'll keep you updated as we work through the sign-up process.



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### **President's Note**

Welcome to a Special Edition of the AWA Newsletter. Since everyone will be on their own for the July meeting due to the AAW Symposium, we wanted to put out a reminder edition of the newsletter prior to the July 3rd deadline for registering for this great event. For those that have attended prior events, you know the enthusiasm generated from being immersed in three days of solid woodturning with hundreds of other turners.

For those who are not yet members of AAW, it is the American Association of Woodturners, the national organization of more than 16,000 woodturners. Our Alabama Woodturners Association, AWA, is an affiliate chapter of AAW. The AAW Symposium will feature 3 days of woodturning, discussions, galleries, and more! Presenters will include **Glenn Lucas** (from Ireland), **Rudy Lopez**, **Mike Mahoney**, **Cindy Drozda**, **Craig Timmerman**, **and Trent Bosch**. Total cost for everything is **\$20.20**. The Virtual Symposium is open to everyone, members and non-members. The deadline for registration is July 3rd.

If you have not had the opportunity, let me encourage you to pay the \$20.20 registration fee immediately and prepare to learn a tremendous amount. The AAW Symposium fee alone is usually around \$350 plus hotel, transportation, food, and all the vendor goodies your credit card can handle. This is a unique opportunity to enjoy a scaled-down version for a fraction of the price. In addition, you can watch live via Zoom, July 10th-12th, or view the recorded sessions at your leisure for the following 10 days. I believe there will also be vendor discounts for participants.

The AAW is also offering an Affiliate Member program that allows you to enjoy all the benefits of a regular AAW membership for three months at no cost. This allows you to 'kick the tires' and see what you're missing, with no obligation.

While you're registering for the Symposium, please consider registering for the Affiliate Membership as well. Links are below:

AAW Symposium: https://www.woodturner.org/Woodturner/2020-Virtual-Symposium/2020-Virtual-Symposium---Homepage.aspx

AAW Affiliate Membership: https://www.woodturner.org/Woodturner/Join-Pages/Affiliate-Membership.aspx

Safe Turning! Scott

### July President's Challenge

In celebration of July 4th (my birthday) this is going to be a fun challenge! I'm picturing a red, white, and blue spinning top, but I'll make it easier and say any segmented top would be great. Literally ladies and gentlemen, glue together two pieces of wood and turn it into a top and you will have your name put in our end of year drawing for participation in the President's Challenge. I can't make it much easier than that.....well I guess I could say turn something out of wood, but that defeats the purpose. :-)

# WHAT EVERYONE HAS BEEN DOING





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## WHAT EVERYONE HAS BEEN DOING



SUSAN MCCALLA SEE THE NOTE ABOUT THE WOOD

Family friends have done 4 international adoptions - 2 from China. When they returned from their first trip to China about 8 years ago, they came home to a newly planted Chinese Pistache. Fast forward, they're putting in a pool to assist both "China girls" with physical therapy as they're both in wheel chairs. The tree was in the way. They grieved the loss of their tree and then thought of me. Now they have special keepsakes from their special tree.



SCOTT ARNOLD PRESIDENTS CHALLENGE



MAURICE CLABAUGH PRESIDENTS CHALLENGE



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## PRESIDENTS CHALLENGE



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### Birthday Door Prize News

AWA gives a birthday gift door prize to a turner who has a birthday during the month of that meeting. Here are the 'rules' for this year:

1) This is a door prize so, yes, you need to be at the meeting and stay for the drawing to win.

2) You need to make sure the Secretary and/or Newsletter Editor have your correct birth date. No fair changing your birth date in the middle of the year! You're stuck with the one they originally gave you!



#### The Karl Harper Perpetual Challenge

AWA has established a perpetual turning challenge in memory of Karl Harper. This challenge is an excellent remembrance of Karl as he continuously expressed a 'try anything' spirit and was an inspiration to us all.

This is how it works: A piece will be turned by a member to be presented at the next meeting. A name will be drawn from the sign-in sheet at that meeting. If the person whose name is drawn accepts, they will take that piece to keep and will bring a piece the following month. If they decline, then another name will be drawn until someone accepts the challenge.

If you question your skill level, don't! Karl never did! You are good enough at whatever level you are! Karl would want us to put a bag over our heads before we turned because he thought 'Lights are for people with disabilities!'

### **Opportunities To Help Others**

In our Turn For Troops effort we have over 140 pens turned in. More pens will be welcome, especially if you have not turned one in as yet. Any questions see Ron Herbster.

#### **New Procedure for Library**

The AWA Library is open for business with a new procedure. The list of all books and DVDs is on the website. Go to the "LEARNING" page and click on the link to display the list. When you see an item that you would like, send an email to our Librarian Wayne Bagwell at wbagwell@gmail.com Wayne will give it to you at the next meeting. An item checked out will be due back at the following meeting (one month). Limit three items per member at one time. Note that if an item is currently checked out it is fine to request it, because it is due back at the next meeting.



If you want to watch the video of Karl turning here is the link!

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=n\_XGRjlvMDk

COPY & PASTE Also on the AWA website.

