

Alabama Woodturners Association



Newsletter

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A member of the American Association of Woodturners
Meeting location: Homewood Senior Center, 816 Oak Grove Rd., Homewood, AL 35209
Meeting time: The second Saturday of each month at 9 am
www.alabamawoodturners.com



Glenn Lucas - Lidded Bowl

Our August presenter is Glenn Lucas from County Carlow, Ireland, making a beaded bowl with lid. Glenn began as a production woodturner in 1990 and set up his shop in 1995. Since 2005, he has run an extensive teaching program from his County Carlow 'Woodturning Study Center', while still maintaining a production woodturning business. Next month he will move into a new, larger

training center. Glenn is known as an excellent teacher and frequent demonstrator in the US. In fact, he was the first presenter for this year's AAW Virtual Symposium. As a side note, Glenn also produces some wonderful short videos that are extremely relaxing to watch.

You can find some of them here:

<https://glennlucaswoodturning.com/?p=2747>

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President's Note

I hope this newsletter finds you healthy and finding a way to stay engaged and creative! We held an AWA Board call this week and while we are in great shape financially, it was generally agreed that Covid-19 has caused our normally social club to come to a standstill related to interacting with fellow turners. No one could have imagined earlier in the year that we would be doing most, if not almost all, of the year by videoconference.

I floated the idea of getting together later in the year for an outside meeting or class, possibly at a location that had a large pavilion where we could setup a small lathe and socially distance. Reactions were mixed, with all agreeing we'd like to get feedback from club members. So please send in your thoughts or suggestions, it would be nice to hear from you. Obviously, all of this is currently wishful thinking as this situation has proved to be anything but predictable.

In other news, our September meeting is slated to be a Panel Discussion centering around turning and drying green wood. It seems everyone has their own tricks for trying to stop the cracks (DNA, paper bag, freezer, microwave, boiling, etc.), and we'll be sharing those with the group. I hope that we have a significant amount of discussion from everyone in attendance since the method you use could be just the ticket for another club member having difficulty. So, if you turn green wood, start thinking about what you could share with the group about your techniques. It promises to be an enlightening conversation!

Safe Turning!
Scott

August President's Challenge

The President's Challenge for September is a **Muddler**. The official definition of a Muddler is "an instrument designed to smash and mix (muddle) drink ingredients." What better time than now to turn a tool in the morning that you can use later in the evening to mix cocktails?

WHAT EVERYONE HAS BEEN DOING



RON HERBSTER



HOWARD KING



BRENT CLAYTON



CARL CUMMINS



CARL CUMMINS



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PECAN 1



BRENT CLAYTON
PECAN 2



BRENT CLAYTON
PECAN 3



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JIM RABEY.
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WHAT EVERYONE HAS BEEN DOING



HOWARD KING



JERRY HANCHEY
CHERRY



JERRY HANCHEY
CHERRY- VIEW 2



HOWARD KING



JOHN KILIAN



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JOHN SOWELL
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MAPLE PEGS



BASKET
LIVE OAK KNOT



PRESIDENTS CHALLENGE



JERRY HANCHEY



CARL CUMMINS



SUSAN MCCALLA



HOWARD KING



JOHN SOWELL



SCOTT ARNOLD

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!

August Birthday's

Lee Beadles 8-26

Jerry Osmundson 8-28

Leadership

President: Scott Arnold
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 Secretary: John Rhymes
 Treasurer: Carl Cummins
 Board: Bruce Gibson
 Board: Tom Corbett
 Training: Phil Fortmeyer
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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

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