

Alabama Woodturners Association



Happy New Year
2023



Newsletter

JANUARY 2023

A member of the American Association of Woodturners

MEETING IN PERSON THIS MONTH

Meeting time: The second Saturday of each month at 9 am
www.alabamawoodturners.com

JANUARY AWA PRESIDENT'S NOTE

WOW, 2023. Last year was a rough year. Covid, collapsed lung, tooth pulled, which turned into major oral surgery. And then there was the need to replace our A/C, furnace, gas pipes, during the really cold two weeks. 2023 has got to be better!

On the other hand, there were the AWA meetings, the classes where I learned to do the two things I wanted to learn to do. The AAW symposium was awesome. Some of the turned pieces there, you just must see to believe that anyone could make these with a lathe. I'm still working on basics.

When I look at our club group, I see very experienced turners, others who are very good at a few things. And then there are those who are still learning the basics. So, when we are working on getting demonstrators, we must keep that in mind. Of course, we can all benefit from learning how to keep our tools sharp, how to use the skew chisel, etc. All of us, no matter how experienced, have something to learn. The good news is that we have each other to learn from.

I meant to put out a questionnaire at our last meeting about what you would like to see, when it comes to demos, but I forgot. If you know me well, you aren't surprised. I will have that at our next meeting, so please give us feed back on what you would like to learn this next year. And please, if there is something you do very well, consider contributing to our club by being a demonstrator. If you enjoy turning something, there's probably a lot of folks who would benefit from your ability and skill.

Our relationship with Red Mountain Makers has improved considerably this last year. We are very fortunate to be able to have this space to teach our classes. Sometimes, I may only have one student, but other times, my class is overflowing,

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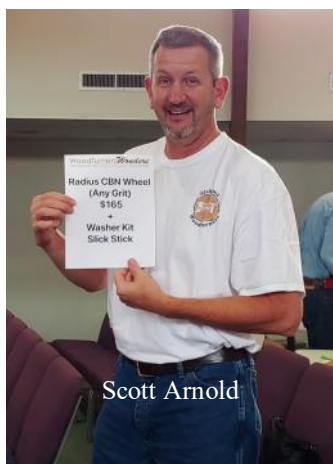
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to the point that special permission is given by RMM to expand a particular class. I would like to see us offer a set of beginning turning classes which gives folks the basics, and an intermediate set of classes, where folks focus on spindle turning and bowl turning. From there, maybe a few advanced classes on hollow forms and off axis turning. Our board will be discussing this concept soon to see if it feasible, and whether or not there might be enough interest in something like this. I know I've had several students mention that they would have loved to have taken Carl's class on Christmas ornaments, but it was full before they had a chance to sign up.

Looking forward to seeing what all you have been turning this year. Very excited about Howard King's demo this Saturday! Remember to get with Carl if you owe for the December auction. (I know I do) And it is time for our membership dues. \$30.00 a year is a bargain!

Please take the time to thank the folks that volunteer to keep our organization running smoothly.

Terry



Scott Arnold

These are a few of the pictures that were taken at the December meeting. We forgot to take pictures.
Set 1



Terry Tingle

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

RICHARD SERVISS	1-2
TERRY WHITE	1-7
BILL BRADSHAW	1-11
PAT JOHNSON	1-12
DWIGHT HOSTETTER	1-14
JAMES WEBB	1-17
JERRY CONWAY	1-22
JOHN SOWELL	1-22
DEBBIE LAZENBY	1-25
NANCY DEASON	1-29

Dues MUST be CURRENT to be included in the birthday list.

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!

MEMBERS DUES MUST BE CURRENT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE BIRTHDAY LIST.

JANUARY DEMO BY HOWARD KING



FROM HOWARD:

I've been woodworking and woodturning for over forty + years. For the past fifteen years, I've done more woodturning than woodworking. I enjoy making bowls, hollow forms, and vases; as well as Christmas ornaments and spinning tops for Dr. Killian. For the demo during Saturday's meeting, I will try to show steps in turning a beaded hollow form as well as a review of safety measures while using the lathe. I will show how I approach making a hollow form but also show the use of a beading tool to add texture to the piece.



Hubbard Collection Auction

We are offering this piece by Graeme Priddle, made from New Zealand Matai, featuring his trademark wood burned texture in the interior. It is 5-3/4" in diameter, and 1-3/4" tall. Note there is a scuff mark on one side.

This piece will be auctioned during the meeting, and those interested may bid in person or over Zoom.



Why join the AAW?

Plain and simple, you are enthusiastic about woodturning.

An AAW membership offers you access to the single largest portfolio of high-quality educational woodturning resources available in the world. Membership is the fastest way to learn and enhance your woodturning expertise.

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- 365 affiliated chapters are all easily searchable in our directories. Find a chapter near you fast. Also, search for symposia, demonstrations, exhibitions, events, organizations, and schools, and more, quickly and easily.

JOHN JORDAN STUBBY 750 FOR SALE
\$2500 Contact Pete Marken at p_marken@bellsouth.net

NEW still in the box

Nova Comet II DR midi lathe for sale \$500
Contact Pete Marken at p_marken@bellsouth.net



Carl Cummins

These are a few of the pictures that were taken at the December meeting. We forgot to take pictures.

Set 2

John Sowell

I apologize that I don't remember the young ladies name and I don't remember who she was with.



If you want to watch the video of Karl Harper turning here is the link!
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n_XGRjlvMDk

COPY & PASTE
Also on the AWA website.

Challenge listed on the last page.

WHAT EVERYONE HAS BEEN DOING



CARL CUMMINS
Platter 14" x 2"



CARL CUMMINS
Double surprise egg box



CARL CUMMINS
Two lidded bowls, Guanacaste



HOWARD KING



DWIGHT HOSTETTER



LYNN BASWELL

WHAT EVERYONE HAS BEEN DOING



LYNN BASWELL



LYNN BASWELL



HOWARD KING



LEE BEADLES
50 pens I turned for the
Woodcraft pen for the
Troops program

WHAT EVERYONE HAS BEEN DOING



LEE BEADLES

After watching the November program, I spent time turning birdhouses that I made for the Woodworkers Guild toy program for Children of Alabama Hospital.



LEE BEADLES

A few of the birdhouses that I made after watching Cindy turn on a Venders Showcase the first part of December on Zoom.



RANDY TYNER

WHAT EVERYONE HAS BEEN DOING



RANDY TYNER



RANDY TINER
3 VIEWS OF THE SAME BOWL



RON HERBSTER
Done for the Karl Harper Challenge

WOODCRAFT HAS MOVED!

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This is 3 miles south of the old store. Just before Old Time Pottery on the same side of Pelham Parkway as the old store. The sign is up now so you should be able to find it. LOTS more room.



The Karl Harper Perpetual Challenge

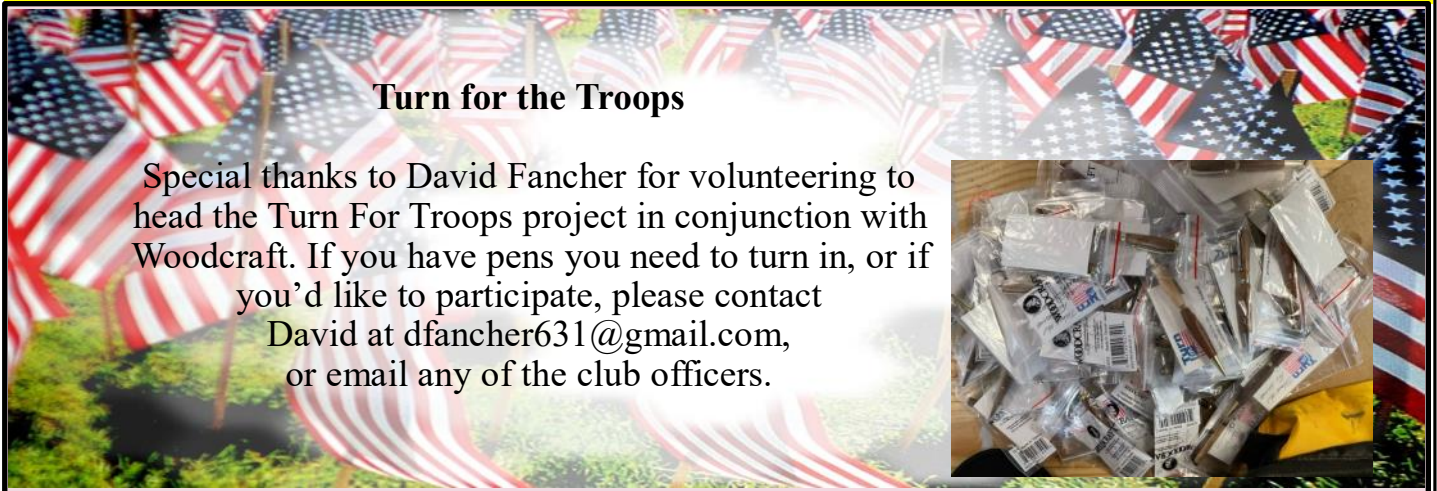
AWA has established a perpetual turning challenge in memory of Karl Harper. This challenge is an excellent remembrance of Karl as he continuously expressed a 'try anything' spirit and was an inspiration to us all.



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!'

Ron Herbstler carved a "vase" for the December challenge, won by Michelle Marken.



Turn for the Troops

Special thanks to David Fancher for volunteering to head the Turn For Troops project in conjunction with Woodcraft. If you have pens you need to turn in, or if you'd like to participate, please contact David at dfancher631@gmail.com, or email any of the club officers.

Leadership

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