

Alabama Woodturners Association



Newsletter

JULY 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

JULY AWA PRESIDENT'S NOTE

I am very pleased to be able to inform you that we have demonstrators lined up for the remaining meetings this year, and even one for a meeting next year. But before I get into our schedule for the rest of the year, just a couple of announcements. If you are able, please join us on Friday at Hardware Park at 2:00 to setup for the meeting on Saturday. We will need as many as possible because we are also having to empty our library and move the cabinet out of the room. The cabinet is extremely heavy and has several large very delicate panes of glass. So, the more of us that can help with moving it, the better chance we have of moving it safely. (Red Mountain Makers is redoing the floor in that room) Scott Arnold will not be able to be present Saturday, so if anyone is good at working with a camera, John Rhymes would really appreciate the help.

I was not able to attend last month, but I did watch the meeting from Little Mountain, South Carolina, via zoom. The ladies that Sandra McMillian invited to speak about the Christmas Trees for Children's Hospital offered us very inspirational stories about the trees and what happens to them, and how important they are not only to the Children who are being treated there, but to those who purchase the trees and figure out ways of allowing them to keep on giving. We need about 300 ornaments to fill our tree, and so far, this year, counting the ones left over from last year, we have reached only 1/3 of our goal. So, we need 206 more before the end of October. It is going to take a group effort for us to reach our goal, but I have no doubt that we will figure out a way to reach our goal. If you would like to be part of a team to work on this, please sign the form on the table Saturday morning when you enter for the meeting.

This month, Dwight Hostetter will be demonstrating how to make a Cowboy Hat Christmas ornament. Next month, Glen Cowen, a referral from our last month's demonstrator Charlie Durham, will be demonstrating hollow forms, how he uses alcohol paints to color them, and how he applies his special finish. I hear he offers a unique and entertaining demo.

In September, Carl Cummins will demonstrate turning a candle holder using various spindle turning techniques, a story board, and sharp tools.

For our October meeting, Bill Calderwood will be demonstrating how to make a Celtic knot.

Pete Marken has agreed to address our club in November concerning segmented bowls.

And, of course, for our December meeting, we will celebrate the holidays with our year end party.

Thanks to everyone who continues to make our club meetings possible, fun, and interesting. And to those who overlook our community projects. And thanks for all who teach others how to be better turners.

Terry Tingle

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JULY DEMONSTRATOR DWIGHT HOSTETTER



From Dwight:

I have been doing woodworking as a hobby for 45 years, ever since I purchased my first major woodworking tool in 1979, a ShopSmith (it still works great). I'm into all kinds of woodworking. I always regarded the lathe as a fun machine. You can take a raw piece of wood, turn it to shape, and apply finish without ever taking it off the lathe. I don't know of any other machine which can claim the same.

For the July demonstration, I will be demonstrating how to make a Cowboy Hat Christmas tree ornament. I demonstrated this about nine years ago, but we've had a large turnaround in membership with many new members joining the group and so it seems like a good time to demonstrate it again plus I've incorporated a few new ideas into making these ornaments. It only takes 45 to 60 minutes to make a hat ornament once you get the hang of it. If you mess up, just toss it and get another piece of wood. It's cheap and grows on trees.

For the afternoon class, I will supervise and assist participants as needed in making their very own hat ornament with the club's lathes and tools. Wood will be provided.

- Dwight



Bill Hubbard Collection

This month we are offering this multi-axis "box" made by Carl Cummins in the Escoulen style, from cherry and dogwood 9" tall, signed, and dated 2016.

RECAP OF JUNE'S DEMO WITH CHARLIE DURHAM



JULY BIRTHDAYS

SCOTT ARNOLD	7/4
JOEL LOCKRIDGE	7/9
JIM GORRIE	7/12
BILL CALDERWOOD	7/15
GARY GARRIS	7/22

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.



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(AWA)
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Children's Hospital of Alabama



Ornaments submitted in 2023 plus left-over from 2022.



Ornaments submitted since February 2023.

July 1, 2023 Snapshot of the Collection of Christmas Tree Ornaments for AWA Christmas Tree for Children's	
Activity	Count
Number of ornaments needed every year	300
Ornaments carried over from 2022	42
Ornaments collected from Feb. through June 2023	52
Members participating	3
Number of ornaments collected by July 1, 2023	94
Ornaments needed July -- October 2023	206
Percent of ornaments left to be collected	69%
Percent of project time remaining	44%

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SATURDAY, JULY 8

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4TH
OF
JULY
INDEPENDENCE DAY**

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**25% OFF SELECT
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Stay for ALL 5 Demos & Win Bingo Prizes

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Burgers, Dogs & Ice Cream from 11am - 1pm

*Saturday, July 8 Only. Exclusions Apply. See Store For Details.
We Are Closed Tuesday, July 4 For Independence Day.

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AWA LIBRARY

The materials in the AWA Library are now available for checkout. Since this is a new system (it actually began in 2020 but right before the Covid shutdown) I'd like to go with the following procedures and see how well it works. Your feedback is welcome.

1. A chart listing the materials will be available on the AWA website. You can find it on the "Learning" tab at "Library Listing" which is a link to <https://alabamawoodturners.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/AWA-Library.pdf> The materials are grouped according to type: DVDs, Books, Magazines. If you want to check any item(s) out please let me know by sending an email to alawoodturners@gmail.com prior to the next scheduled meeting. Please give me both the item number and its title so I can make sure I get the correct item.
2. The day of the meeting I'll pull these items from where they are stored. I'm going to plan to be in that room in the other building, i.e. the Red Mountain Makers space, from about 8:15 - 9:00 in case anyone wants to come browse and see what's in the library. Around 9:00 I'll bring any requested materials to the Hardware Park meeting room and check them out. I'll probably plan to stay at the meeting until around 9:30, but if you want an item and are going to be late let me know so I can stay until you get there.
3. Items will be checked out for one month, so they will be due back at the next monthly meeting. If you need to keep something longer please let me know; as long as no one else has requested it there shouldn't be a problem with keeping it an additional month. Questions, problems, suggestions, etc. can be sent to me at the above email address or see me at the meeting.

Thanks,
Jane Rabey
AWA Librarian

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.

An AAW membership can help you:

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- Connect with others who share your passion.
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- Make a commitment to your own personal and creative development.
- Express your dedication to preserving woodturning for future generations.

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WHAT EVERYONE HAS BEEN DOING



HOWARD KING



CARL CUMMINS
Cherry Burl



HOWARD KING
2 Views of White Oak
Natural Edge Bowl



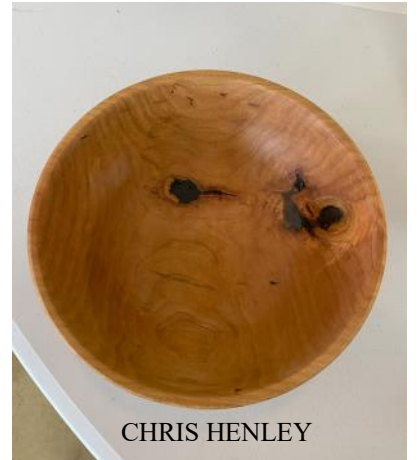
CARL CUMMINS
Burl and Blackwood



CARL CUMMINS
Maple Burl



CHRIS HENLEY
Pepper & Salt Shaker



CHRIS HENLEY

WHAT EVERYONE HAS BEEN DOING



CARL CUMMINS
Maple Burl & Cherry



JOHN SOWELL



CHRIS HENLEY



JEFF WYATT

Recent Windsor rocker I completed.
And a couple of classes I'm teaching in the near future.

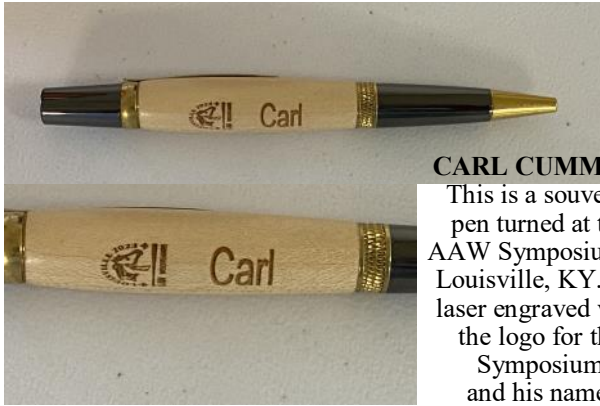
Highland Woodworking in Atlanta

<https://www.highlandwoodworking.com/build-a-windsor-stool-with-jeff-wyatt.aspx>

Woodcraft Chattanooga

<https://www.woodcraft.com/stores/chattanooga/classes>

WHAT EVERYONE HAS BEEN DOING



CARL CUMMINS
This is a souvenir pen turned at the AAW Symposium in Louisville, KY. It's laser engraved with the logo for the Symposium and his name.



RANDY TYNER
Auburn Ornament



RANDY TYNER
Cherry Burl



RANDY TYNER
Segmented Ornament



RANDY TYNER
Cherry Burl



TERRY TINGLE



TERRY TINGLE

WHAT EVERYONE HAS BEEN DOING



RANDY TYNER
Segmented Ornament with brass threads
3 Views



HOWARD KING



Carl's Turning Class

Participants Below



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



John Jordan Stubby 750 that is 23 years old in good condition and runs well. It hasn't been used in 5 years. It has a 16" swing over the bed and much more with the bed slid back.
Comes with 2 banjos and an auxiliary bed.
The lathe weighs about 600 lbs. and shipping is not available.
Contact Pete Marken
at p_marken@bellsouth.net

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 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.



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!'

Pete Marken turned a hollow form for the June challenge, won by Sandra McMillan.

Turning Pens for Troops

Turning pens for the troops sponsored by Woodcraft has been a long-time project of our club. This project provides pen to our troops all over the world. Several of our members have met soldiers that have received a pen. All the service members speak of how much this meant to them and that they still have the pen. Last year, our club turned in over 300 pens! How the program works is that for every pen that we turn in Woodcraft gives us a slimline pen kit to make another one with. This makes it very important that if you pick up a pen kit at a meeting, that you complete the pen before the next meeting. This lets us get new kits to make more pens with. Also, you are not limited to using a pen kit from the club. You can make any pen that you want and donate to the project. Every kit that you pick up will have a Pen for Troops card in it. This is for you to write a message to the service member. Please be sure to sign the card. Currently, there are only a handful of members that are making pens for the project. Lee Beadles has taken this challenge to heart and has turned in 125 pens just this year! Please consider taking on the challenge of this project and Turn a Pen for our Troops. I know that we all want to thank and recognize our troops for what they do for us. So far this year, we have turned in over 265 pens.
David Fancher



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