

## Calendar

August 14 – John Lucas

September 11 – Dave MacInnes

October 9 – Barbara Dill

November 13 – Robert DeHart

December 11 – Christmas Party



## Message from the President:

I don't know about you, but I enjoyed the picnic and felt the others who attended did as well. Just getting together to swap stories and exchange turning tips over good eats is always a good time. I suspect the temperature keeps some folk away, so Bonna has suggested we shift the picnic to October to take advantage of better weather. The suggestion was met with approval so I think we can expect to hear more about changing the time in the near future.

Bob Muir and his crew have wrapped up another successful summer program for kids. See his note elsewhere in this newsletter. I am quite sure I speak for all of us when I offer up a hearty THANK YOU!! To the whole staff, and especially to Bob.

The Purple Heart pens are all complete and delivered to George Sudermann. I look forward to seeing several of you at the upcoming dinner. Thanks to George and to everyone who turned pens:

Mike Dressel, Bob Moffett, Lan Brady, Bob Muir, Dallas Stokes, Jerry Jones, Tim Smith, Jeff Clark, Charles Pitts, Tom Tuttle, Wayne Dumas, Michael Thompson, Louise Butler, Bob Holtje, Barry Farnham, Jim Yarborough, Mo Collette, Lonnie Nogal, Ron Roe, Chris Roe, George Sudermann, Earl Martin, Kenny Reyenthal, Varky

Afemian, Archie Campbell, and, doing the engraving, Jim Barbour.

John Lucas will be with us in August. For those of you unfamiliar with John's work I recommend you simply undertake a search for John Lucas Woodturner on Google or Bing, or your favorite search engine. You will get lots of hits, including this one:

<http://www.aawforum.org/community/index.php?media/galaxy-mirror-red-planet-s-1.15091/> John is well known as both a turner and teacher with his workshops and demonstrations universally acclaimed. I will miss the August meeting as I am off to celebrate the first birthday of our first grandchild.

## ON-GOING PROJECTS

Purple Heart Pens:

We are closing in on bringing this project to completion. Be sure to contact George Sudermann and let him know if you plan to attend the banquet. George will be compiling names at the picnic.

Beads of Courage boxes

Repeating the call for Beads of Courage Boxes. Remember, the limits on these boxes are really pretty open in terms of style so feel free to let your creative juices flow. Just remember that these are for some very ill children so do keep within the guidelines. As you plan out your boxes please take the time to read this:

<http://www.beadsofcourage.org/pages/woodturners.html>

Also, here is a link to images of BOC boxes to get the juices flowing:

[https://www.google.com/search?tbm=isch&source=hp&biw=1280&bih=634&ei=ozZZWs7MIIGMgqe1maGoBQ&q=beads+of+courage+boxes&oq=beads+of+courage+boxes&gs\\_l=img..0.2660.11890.0.12377.27.16.1.10.10.0.66.783.14.14.0....0...1ac.1.64.img..2.25.832.0..oi30k1joi24k1.0.XKyqeEN5XLo](https://www.google.com/search?tbm=isch&source=hp&biw=1280&bih=634&ei=ozZZWs7MIIGMgqe1maGoBQ&q=beads+of+courage+boxes&oq=beads+of+courage+boxes&gs_l=img..0.2660.11890.0.12377.27.16.1.10.10.0.66.783.14.14.0....0...1ac.1.64.img..2.25.832.0..oi30k1joi24k1.0.XKyqeEN5XLo)

## PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE

**August:** Turn something from Ash. A baseball bat is the obvious choice, but turn anything you wish, as long as it involves Ash.

September: Turn a Spurtle. Make it a fancy or as simple as you wish. If you don't know what a spurtle is, look here:

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spurtle>. Or, for style inspiration, look here: [http://www.dickgerard.com/uploads/3/4/3/5/34359818/indartspurtles\\_orig.jpg](http://www.dickgerard.com/uploads/3/4/3/5/34359818/indartspurtles_orig.jpg). Now that you know the use, and have some inspiration, go turn!!

## 2018 TURNERS OF THE MONTH

**August Jim Terry**

September Michael Thompson

October Jerry Jones

November Robert Dehart

December CHRISTMAS PARTY

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**PTWA PICNIC: Triad Park - Shelter # 4 on Sat, July 14.**

9652 East Mountain Street Kernersville, NC 27284

Directions to Triad Park <https://bit.ly/2jf1syA>  
(Click on link for directions)

## Minutes of June Meeting:

Jim Barbour was ill this month and he asked me, Nim Batchelor, to substitute for him. Of course it was appropriate to tell a thesaurus joke, and I added another "cheesy" one as well. An announcement was made regarding the club's annual picnic. There were 3 guests at this meeting who were recognized and welcomed. George Sudermann made an announcement regarding the purple heart pens project. Bob Muir made an announcement regarding the kids summer camp endeavor. Given Jim's absence, there was no announcement regarding the president's challenge. Of course, given the picnic, the next president's challenge will be at the August meeting and will, no doubt, have something to do with the letter "A". The treasurer's report was shared with the group. I then showed a pair of glasses that were given to me prior to the meeting. They were covered in CA glue splatters. The safety story was that these were luckily being worn by someone who accidentally grabbed the wrong bottle of liquid to apply to a spinning piece. It was bad enough, but had it not

been for these glasses, the situation would have been far more tragic. Word to the wise, safety equipment really does pay off, but only if you actually use it. An announcement was made regarding a workshop at the Reedsville site. Finally, Mike Thompson indicated that he had a number of large burls that he would be distributing to members in the near future, so check with him if you are interested. (sorry about the vagueness regarding some of those announcements, but I was unable to take adequate notes this meeting.)

After the instant gallery, a break, and our monthly raffle, Michael Hosaluk was introduced. He began by showing us a series of photos of his projects over the years. He invited us to visit his web site for more:

<http://www.michaelhosaluk.com/>. The main theme that I noticed was the high degree of experimentation and artistic sensibility that was present in his work and in his approach to woodworking. He has no problem working with paint over unremarkable wood. He also used a wide variety of materials. This very impressive collection earned him a deserved round of applause from the audience.



He then told us about the challenges of being a production turner and he illustrated this by turning out a large spinning top. [Later in the evening, me made good on his boast that he could turn a top from scratch before another spun top would topple over. Nice trick.]



He then moved on to his main project of the evening. He was going to turn a small ladle. His ability to turn a sphere was really pretty impressive.



But then he cut a jam chuck to hold that sphere and it fit well enough even though he did not make any measurements. All of this was done by eye. Clearly, he has years of experience doing this sort of thing. He made sure that the handle of the ladle would clear the ways. The handle was tilted toward

the tail stock and then he hollowed out the ball. He mentioned that he uses a 4:1 :: bees wax to mineral oil mixture as a finish to most of his turnings.



### LRC Summer Kids Program:

The 10th annual woodturning classes for kids participating in the Leonard Recreation Center's summer camp were completed with the 5th session on Wednesday, August 1. Attendance varied a little from 12 to 17, all neat kids. They made magic wands, ice cream scoops, slim line pens, "egg" clocks, whistles, tops, weed pots, and ring stands. All wore the smocks that Martha Hunter made three years ago.

The instructors were Bob Blanchard, Jerry Jones, Jay Mullins, John Moehlmann, Tim Smith, Doc Green, Bob Muir, and Jim Yarbrough, Jim has served for all 10 years!

The 8 lathes were furnished by the club (4), Jim Barbour, Jim Yarbrough, John Moehlmann, and Doc Green.

Linda Marsh, Center Director, sent us this message: *"Thank you for giving so much to the children. You don't get a chance to hear what the kids tell the staff and their parents. You would beam with pride and joy if you could. It's truly a marvelous experience that you give them and they love it. Thank you so much for all that you do."*

Several of the instructors have said that they do not expect to participate again next year. So, **please consider** whether you might be able to serve next summer. Classes will probably begin on Wednesday June, 26, skip the week of July 4, and end on July 31, but that must be worked out with the Center Director. All the projects only involve spindle turning and nothing real fancy. **If you can turn, you can show these kids how to do these simple projects**

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