



Piedmont Triad Woodturners Association



Newsletter
August 2022

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Calendar

August 9 – Sam McDowell – Sand Inlays

September 13 –

October 11 –

November 8 –

December 13 -

Message from the President:

Well, it looks like our club is well on the way to recovering from the pandemic. Over the past several meetings our attendance has grown from single digits to over 40 at our July 12 meeting. We have progressed from the “Doldrums” of the zoom world to meeting in person back at the Leonard Recreation center.

Our July Demonstrator Lan Brady brought his “A game” crafting a needle case and shared a few of his “turning tricks” which I think we all gained a lot from.

Sam McDowell will be with us in August demonstrating his methodology for sand inlay as well as constructing feet. Sam has demoed at the AAW and NC symposiums, so bring your notepads.

It was a pleasure to see so many folks jump up and volunteer to assist in setting up chairs, lathe and audio visual for the meeting and those same folks hung around afterward to get it all broken down and put away. Many hands make the work so much easier. Moving forward it is important that we have people helping with these tasks. Don't feel like you need someone to ask you to help, just jump in and lend a hand. Those of us that have been around for a while will gladly help you find something to do. Participating in the setup/

break down is a great way to get to know one another and play an active role in our club.

We have a volunteer for operating the Audio/Visual controls and could use a backup operator as well. Bob Muir has dutifully operated this equipment and he has asked for assistance.

Other opportunities to help include:

Videographer

Instant Gallery

Raffle

Library

Don't forget the Presidents Challenge for next meeting – bring something that is not made of wood

Remember to bring some of your work to share in the instant Gallery. You can bring as many pieces as you like however we only have time for you to present two pieces. Also, if you have hit a brick wall with a project or have any challenge, bring the piece or just ask the question and I bet you can get some answers. It doesn't matter if you have been turning for ten years or ten days, everyone has something to contribute and that is what makes active participation in the club good for all of us.

Looking forward to seeing you August 9th at 6:00 pm.

President, Geoff Purser

Available at the Club Meeting Store:

CA Glue – thin, med, thick & black

President's Challenge

July: Turn something with color.

August: Turn something that is not wood.

2022 Turner of the Month:

August Bob Moffett

September

October

November

December

Upcoming Events

Jim and Rita Duxbury will be at John C. Campbell August 28-September 2 holding workshops on Magic of Eccentric Artistry. And on September 2-4 on Shark Tooth Bowl. Early October they will be at Arrowmont with a totally different week of projects.

PTWA Library

Some information about the PTWA Library. There are DVDs as far back as 2006 of demonstrators at the PTWA meetings as well as some DVDs from the many of the Symposiums around the country. There are "How to" DVDs that have been purchased. There will be a list with the library cabinet at the meetings.

As a member of the club you can rent DVDs as follows:

CDVD (Demonstrators) \$1.00 Month

PDVD (Professional) \$2.00 Month

These are very reasonable prices since you have the whole month to look at the DVD. For new members, there are some very good DVDs to help you get started.

The duties of the Library Manager are to receive the DVD from each meeting. You will be given two DVD's (one for the library and one for your master file). Next you assign it on the library list with the next number, make a cover for the DVD and place it in the Library Cabinet. You are also responsible for keeping the key for the cabinet and setting it up on meeting nights.

Minutes - July 12, 2022, PTWA Meeting

Geoff Purser opened the meeting at the Leonard Center at 6:30. He welcomed a new member and a visitor. He announced that Bob Moffett will be Turner of the Month for August, and that Lan Brady will be doing the evening demo. Upcoming classes being taught by PTWA members were discussed. Bob Schasse gave the Treasurer's report and described the items for sale in the Club store. We will resume collecting dues in 2023.

The Gallery followed, with a broad variety of items made by members. A number of items represented this month's theme – "Use of Color". Next month's theme will be "A turned item from something other than wood".

The Gallery was followed by a break, and then the raffle.

Lan Brady's demo was on "Needle Cases". This was an important item years ago when needles were very precious and expensive. Now the cases are used for toothpicks, pills, and a convenient way to give grandchildren money, etc. Lan has developed a criteria for the cases he makes. They must accept rolled currency, be easy to open with one hand, the lid must be tight enough to stay in place, and the wood must be tough enough to withstand repeated opening without the lid becoming loose. (The demo case was mahogany.) He showed a template he developed to facilitate laying out the blank. He does these in production batches, with a case in fifteen minutes.

He turns the blank to the desired diameter, then parts off the body. He then drills a 5/8" diameter hole in the lid portion. The body gets a 1/2" diameter hole. You must pay attention to depth in both cases to avoid breaking through during finishing. He turns a relief at the joint to facilitate one-hand removal, and places decorative grooves on both parts, including one at the joint. The contact at the joint has a slight crown in the middle, to ensure a slight locking fit. These are done with a beading tool, followed by a burn wire. Lan noted that he now uses the wire and handles used in windshield installation with good results. When parting the body, he holds the tool at a slight angle so the case will stand up on its base. He puts a radial crown on the lid. Finishing is done with progressively finer sanding, and he prefers a lacquer finish.

Roy Carlson, Secretary

Photos of the August Instant Gallery





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**MEETING LOCATION: Leonard Recreation Center (336) 297-4889).
6324 Ballinger Road, Greensboro, NC 27410**

FROM WEST OF GREENSBORO

Take I-40 East to Exit 212 (Bus-40 Greensboro to Bryan Blvd). Exit is from the right lane.
At the top of the Exit 212 ramp take Exit 24 (To Bryan Blvd. PTI Airport). You will now be headed north on the new highway.
Exit the new highway onto W. Friendly Ave. and go left (west) on W. Friendly.
Go about ¼ mile west on W. Friendly to Chimney Rock Rd. and turn right (north at traffic light) on Chimney Rock Rd.
As Chimney Rock Rd. parallels the new highway, you will come to the intersection of Ballinger Rd.
Turn right on Ballinger and go under the new highway. Shortly beyond the overpass Leonard Recreation Center will be on your left.

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FROM THE NORTH SIDE OF GREENSBORO *Note: Ballinger Rd. is now open.* Ballinger turns west from New Garden / Guilford College Rd. just north of Guilford College. The following link to MapQuest will detail this area. Directions from Bus-40 to Guilford College Rd have been removed since the above directions are much faster from Bus-40.

<http://www.mapquest.com/maps?address=6324+Ballinger&zipcode=27410>. Do not follow Old Stage Road from this link. It doesn't exist.