

Lowcountry Turners

A chapter of the American Association of Woodturners



LCT Newsletter — May 2017

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President's Corner

Hello Everyone,

I would like to thank everyone who attended and helped to make the Nick Cook demo and Workshop such a big success. Nick's demo for a near-record crowd at Case Woodworking supply on Grove Point Road in Savannah had a wealth of information and entertainment. Nick turned his trademark garden dibble using only the skew chisel – a tool that many of us turners fear. He then turned a large table-lamp base very skillfully combining spindle and chuck turning techniques all the while sharing stories and answering questions from the audience.

The Thursday demo was just an introduction to a fantastic workshop on Saturday April 29th. Steve Cook hosted a very successful "Nick Cook Hands-On Workshop" at Coastal Wood Design on West Bay Street in Savannah. 6 adults and 5 Savannah Arts Academy students attended the workshop. Both Nick and Steve did a remarkable job attending to the needs of all 11 participants. We extend our sincere appreciation to Ronnie Burgstiner who yielded his personal lathe to one of the art students and to Gary Fleenor for being willing to be stationed towards the back assisting other students. Those of you who missed it really missed a golden opportunity. I learned some techniques that have already cut my sanding time

immensely. Hopefully you will be able to take advantage of the next workshop.

Also, I would like to remind some of our members that dues have not been paid yet. I hate to be a broken record, but we really need the funds to keep our chapter alive. The 50% discount offer from the AAW is still available to new members until June 30th. That is also a great opportunity to take your wood turning knowledge to the next level.

See you at the Walt Wager demo this Thursday.

[Remember to bring your chair.](#)

Safety Tip

We are all aware of the need for safety in the shop, but sometimes we don't think about it enough.



Click the image above to read a short refresher article on lathe safety. Please be safe.

Lonnie

Demonstrations, Events, Items of Interest

Upcoming LCT Demonstrators:

All meetings (unless otherwise noted) are the last Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm. See Contact page for location information.

- January 26th 2017— Mike Thomas
- March 2nd 2017— Nick Agar
- March 30th 2017— Dan Lee
- April 27th 2017— Nick Cook
- May 25th 2017— Walt Wager
- June 29th 2017— Jerry Measimer, Cowboy Hat
- July 27th 2017—
- August 31st 2017—
- September 28th 2017—
- October 26th 2017—
- November 30th 2017—
- December 14th 2017—Christmas Party

May Demonstrator—Walt Wager

The May demonstrator will be Walt Wager from north Florida. Walt has been turning for 12 years and is currently the resident instructor and coordinator of Camelot's Woodworking Studio. He has been selling his work at various art fairs, markets and galleries in north Florida for some time.



Walt will be demonstrating the use of the Merlin tool and carving for us this month at Case Woodworking Supply. Here are a couple of examples of Walt's work.



confident the students enjoyed the demos. Lonnie was assisted by several of the students as he turned his "I-know-how-to-keep-their-attention" spin tops. Steve very skillfully produced a mystery salt shaker, one very nicely crafted cherry bowl, and a perfectly proportioned walnut hair-pin. None of the sample work was allowed to leave the classroom. The students and Ms. Chapman all laid claim to Lonnie & Steve's creations.

2017 AAW National Symposium

Click the Image to Register



AAW's 31st Annual
International Symposium
Kansas City, Missouri
June 22-25, 2017
Kansas City Convention Center
301 West 13th Street,
Kansas City, MO 64105

GAW Symposium 'Turning Southern Style' Registration is open

The annual GAW Turning Southern Style symposium is coming up September 15—17 in Dalton GA. I think early registration ends in May or June and after that the fee goes up. If you have never been, do yourself a favor and go to www.gawoodturner.org and check it out. It is a great event. If you have been before, you know it is worth the drive.

Savannah Arts Academy (SAA) Demo

On Wednesday, May 3rd, Steve Cook, Lonnie Bott and Dan Lee conducted woodturning demos for two of Ms. Carrie Chapman's A/P Art Classes at the Savannah Arts Academy on Washington Avenue in Savannah. Teenagers are hard to judge but we are

Instant Gallery

We have restarted the Instant Gallery this year, so bring any finished items you want to share with the club each meeting and look for them here in the newsletter the following month.



Segmented urn—
Frank Anson. Ask Frank
what kind of wood went
into these.



Segmented urn—
Frank Anson



Roy Yarger gave away a
couple of these lami-
nated blanks for the
Beads of Courage pro-
ject,



and brought a finished box
to show how great they
look. Ask Roy how to get
involved.



Small spalted
Dogwood? Ves-
sel—Roy Yarger



Tall bud vase, Sycamore tex-
tured and dyed—Dan Lee



Nick at the lathe during
the demo, and his fin-
ished lamp base above.

The following folks joined (or rejoined) the club at
the April meeting—welcome!

Jon Knotts - previous member

Karen Grogan (karengrogan@yahoo.com) - Brun-
swick Club

Barb Hahn (Woodweevil1@tds.net) - Brunswick and
Jacksonville club

Mike Amidon (ramblinstudios@gmail.com) - New
member

DVD/Video Tape Library

Does anyone in the club have any woodturning DVD's they would like to donate or loan to the club to share with other members?

Take advantage of this valuable and money saving resource.

Do you have a suggestion for a DVD you would like to see the club make available to members? If so, talk to a board member.

Woodturning Schools

The following schools in the Southeast offer classes in woodturning, as well as other arts and crafts. Check out their websites to see the scheduled course offerings.

John C. Campbell Folk School www.folkschool.org

Arrowmont School of Arts & Crafts www.arrowmont.org

Highland Woodworking www.highlandwoodworking.com

Appalachian Center for Crafts www.tntech.edu/craftcenter

Woodcraft of Atlanta www.woodcraft.com

LCT Woodturning Mentors

Take your skills to the next level. Have more fun.

The following club members are offering their time and shops to help others in the club on an informal basis with their turning skills or projects. If you have something you would like help with, or just want to spend some time turning with a fellow turner, give them a call or talk to them at a meeting to set something up.

If you would like to be added to this list, contact Doug McCulloch (see Contacts page).

Roy Yarger—Savannah

Lonnie Bott—Savannah

Doug McCulloch—South Savannah / Skidaway

Frank Anson—Beaufort SC, specializing in segmented turning

Contacts

www.lowcountryturners.com

Meeting Location:
Case Woodworking Supply
1725 Grove Point Rd
Savannah GA 31419



The Lowcountry Turners (LCT) is a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW), dedicated to providing education, information and organization to those interested in woodturning.

The LCT services those in the metro Savannah area. We meet on the last Thursday of each month at 6:00 P.M. at Case Woodworking Supply. Meetings are open to all. Parking is available outside the building.

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Jeff Amacher, Equipment		
Tanya Malik, Webmaster		

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American Association of
Woodturners
www.woodturner.org
Woodturning Association

Craft Supply
www.woodturnerscatalog.com
800-551-8876
Woodturning Supplies

Packard
www.packardwoodworks.com
800-683-8876
Woodturning Supplies

Klingspor
www.woodworkingshop.com
800-228-0000
Abrasives and woodturning supplies

Highland Woodworking
www.highlandhardware.com
800-241-6748
Woodworking tools, supplies

Peachtree Woodworking
Supply Inc.
www.ptreeusa.com
888-512-9069
Turning and carving tools, supplies

Penn State
www.pennstateind.com
800-377-7297
Woodturning tools, supplies

Hut Products
www.hutproducts.com
800-547-5461
Woodturning tools, supplies

Atlanta Wood Products
www.hardwoodweb.com
800-964-7804
Specialty Hardwoods

Woodcraft of Atlanta
www.woodcraft.com
770-587-3372
Woodworking and Hardware

Rockler
www.rockler29.com
800-279-4441
Woodworking and Hardware

Wood magazine Forum
www.woodmagazine.com
Q & A on Woodturning

Closing

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Your LCT questions, comments and suggestions are always welcome. You may contact any officer through the contact information in this newsletter, or our website's contact webpage:
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