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### President's Message

By Jerry Long

The “challenge” turnings at the October meeting seemed to be enjoyed by all. If you missed it, you lost out on a great opportunity to interact with other members in a relaxed and fun turning environment.

The Extravaganza pen turning “hands on” experience was fun. Thanks to the members that helped out. Friday we had a good turnout of helpers; Saturday was 6 or 7 turners helping – could have used more “hands”. But those of us that were there got the blessing of seeing people’s faces when they accomplished something they thought they could not do or had never done. The children’s faces are awesome when they get their pen.

The November meeting will be our “Learn ‘N Turn” that we do following Extravaganza. Many expressed interest in coming by in November to check us out and do some more learning. We’ll have lathes set up and a sharpening station; Beth may even set up for pyrography demo again.

*Jerry Long*

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The AAW is dedicated to the advancement of woodturning by providing education, information, organization, technical assistance, and publications relating to woodturning. The North Carolina Woodturners Association purpose is to promote an interest in woodturning for persons of all levels, and to encourage membership in, and give support to, the American Association of Woodturners.

## Presenters/Topics for 2016

	Presenter	Topic / Demonstration
November	Learn 'N Turn	An opportunity for new(er) turners to be able to see a demo and then try their hand at it right then; would be helped by the person doing the turning. Also sharpening (bring your own tools).
December	<b>CHRISTMAS PARTY @ Market on Main, Hickory, NC</b>	

## Club “Give Back” to Community

By Beth Parham

I will accept items through the October meeting for our “give back” activity. I want to distribute these items in November timeframe. Please consider contributing something to this cause.

## 2016 Challenge Projects

	Challenge Project	Notes/Links
November	<i>Honor Our Troops</i>	Pen/pencil or other useful item we can send to troops (I've already been given some for this cause!!!)
December	Christmas party	Market on Main, Hickory, NC

## October Meeting

By Tim Simmons

The competition turning was the October meeting. Pairs were a “seasoned” turner and a “novice” turner at one lathe together, with a one-hour timeframe (give or take) in which to turn fruit – an apple. Each teammate will turn one item and at the end of the day, there was judging to pick a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winning teams. There will be prizes for each teammate.

At the end of the day, the pieces turned were collected to become part of the auction items at the Christmas Party. Each turner “signed” their piece so their family can bid for that at the auction.

## Extravaganza

We had five (5) lathes set up at stations for turning pens. We had a solid flow of people over the two days. Friday, we had several members who shared their time to help “newbies” turn a pen. I may forget some names and if I do please let me know and I'll be glad to add (especially in the online issue of this newsletter). Michael McNeilly, Jim Norris, Guy Scronce, - I know there were more on Friday. Friday and Saturday, we had Scott and Lycrecia Caskey, Tim Simmons, Jerry Long, Dorothy and Ralph Green and Gene Parham and myself. Both days is a big



dedication and investment. More help next year would be appreciated. There were several members that stopped by for “moral support” and we thank them too.

Personally, I want to thank Scott Caskey who selflessly takes on this project as “head overseer” with getting wood and kits donated or at a discounted price as well as setting up and organizing lathes. He and Tim Simmons get the booth set up and organized: 5 turning stations for public; two additional lathes for things we may need to do; sandpaper organized and sized; finish for each station, sharpening station, etc. Lycrecia and Gene were invaluable manning our check in table and keeping track of organizing the flow of turners as well as keeping it to “one pen turned per person”.



For some individuals, it was the first time they’d every touched a tool or been at a lathe. Young to old – they had the best time. We were told frequently (over both days) by various people how they thought this was an awesome thing we did for the community. There were other turning groups there but we were the only ones without a “contributions/donations welcome” bucket. People were impressed that our organization supports this event so well – monetarily for the kits, etc., as well as the people and their time.



Seeing the faces of young and old, men, women, and children light up was awesome. Scott had one older gentleman that teared up when he finished because he’d always wanted to turn a pen and never had. We turned with children as young as five (5) years old with our help. This year we had several individuals with “special needs” that also turned and pen and their reaction to their accomplishment was so rewarding. Please plan next year to become a “working” participant in this adventure that our club supports.



Challenge Project

*Turnings with color*

Scott Caskey



Ralph Green -Magnolia



Dorothy Green - Birch



Ralph Green-Applewood

Gallery Pictures

Scott Caskey



Don Olsen – Jewelry box of figured maple



Pam Dergins – Maple

Bruce Whipple – nested walnut bowls

TIPS



(Courtesy of AAW website "Tips" section)

*Dish-mop sander*

For anyone who has arthritic fingers or has trouble holding small pieces of abrasive, try a dish-mop sander. It can be used on the lather or to sand small boards or edges. Buy an inexpensive dish mop, remove its sponge/scourer pad, and replace that with a piece of high-density foam. I glued self-adhesive hook and loop to the face. Any cloth-backed abrasive can be attached. It is a quick-to-make, effective sanding tool.

Gary Field, Australia

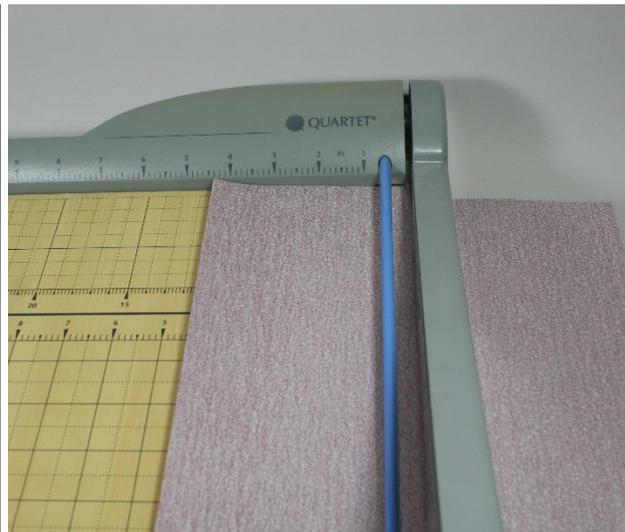
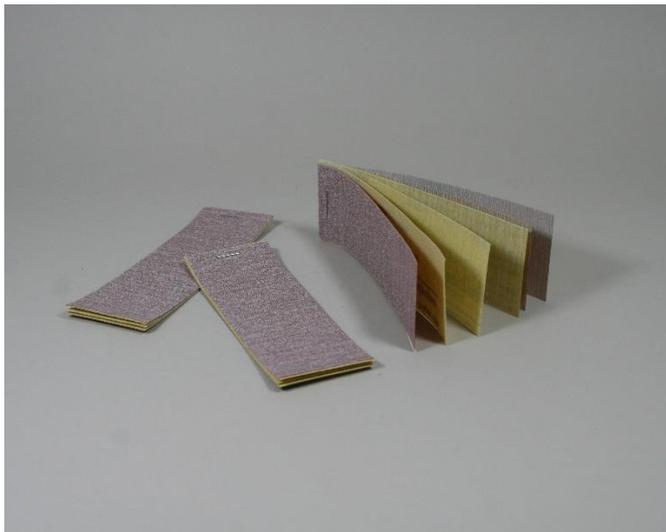


*Preparing Sandpaper Packets*

If you turn a lot of small items like pens, ornaments, small boxes, or jewelry pieces, and the item is too small to power sand, yet fumbling through stacks of little pieces of sandpaper is driving you crazy, then try this. Select the sheets of grits that you would normally use—120, 180, 220, 320, 400, 600—and cut the sheets in half length-wise. Then divide those halves into 1 1/2"-wide sections. (The last section will be a bit wider.) Now set up an assembly line with the 600-grit paper laid out face up on a table. Then add the 400-grit paper and so on until the 120-grit paper is on top. Finally, staple each packet together.

You now have about twelve sandpaper packets ready to use. The task of sanding is so much easier when all you have to do is flip through each grit. No more fumbling for individual sheets, no more confusing one grit with another. Do remember to use a paper towel to wipe away the sanding dust before going on to the next grit.

Janice Levi, Groesbeck, TX



## 2016 Officers and Board of Directors

Officers of NC Woodturners – 2016		
<b>President</b>	<b>Jerry Long</b>	(704) 483-9460
<b>VP/Program Chair</b>	Tim Simmons	(828) 726-1599
<b>Treasurer</b>	Bruce Whipple	(828) 754-0372
<b>Secretary/Journal &amp; Website Editor</b>	Beth Parham	(828) 294-4001
<b>Past President</b>	Renhard McLaurin	(704) 657-0039

Board of Directors / NC Woodturners		
Last year of 3-year term: Term expires 2016	<b>Tom Denne</b>	(828) 584-0890
	<b>Pam Dergins</b>	(828) 439-9576
2nd year of 3-year term: Term expires 2017	Gene Parham	(828) 294-4001
	Dan Greaser	(704) 325-0222
1 <sup>st</sup> year of 3-year term: Term expires 2018	Bob Tate	(704) 867-1527
	Dorothy Green	(704) 732-7103

## Membership / Newsletter /Library News

By Beth Parham

### Library

Work in progress. Can't work on until after Extravaganza.

### Membership Matters

*Types of Membership and annual pricing.* See me at meetings if you want to join or have questions regarding membership. Also, remember that membership entitles you to a 10% discount from Klingspor on all purchases (except wood and things with a plug).

#### ❖ Regular

##### ▪ \$50/year –

- After April 1st - \$45.00;
- After July 1st - \$40.00;
- After October 1st - \$55.00, which includes the following year.
- ***If you do not renew by March 1st of any year, you must pay the full \$50 membership to 'rejoin' in the calendar year per the by-laws.*** This has not been

#### ❖ Centurion

\$100/year (paid to NCW Education Fund. Includes special nametag.)

#### ❖ Lifetime

\$600 one time paid to NCW Education Fund. Includes membership for life and special name tag

#### ❖ Benefactor

\$1,000 one-time paid to NCW Education Fund. Includes honorary membership in NCW (designed for businesses)



### Website/On-line

Will be updating Facebook page with picture albums for Challenge and Gallery for all 2016 meetings. Website is still “a work in progress. Over the next few months, I will be updating and adding to our website – <http://www.ncwoodturners.com/>.

**Newsletter**

If you are currently getting the newsletter via mail and have an email, be sure to let me know of the email address. You will get the newsletter sooner and in full color; the mailed issues are in black and white and are always several days later getting to you than the online version.



**Officers Needed for 2017**

By Officers and Board of Directors

We almost have a full slate to present to the membership at the November meeting.

STILL ONE Board member position that will be coming open by year’s end. *Please step up and let myself or Jerry know ASAP if you will take this last position.* We need club members to step up; some of us are getting frazzled trying to persuade you to serve our organization – make our jobs easier, not more stressful. Please.

Please consider serving as a board member – this is “our club” which means we *all* need to be active participants in our meetings and the running of this organization, not simply attend one monthly meeting.

**Mentorship Information**

If you are interested in learning new skills, or improving the skills you have, contact one of these NCW members:

Scott Caskey (Iron Station, NC)	704-735-2382	Edgar Ingram (Statesville, NC)	704-876-4576
Don Olsen (Morganton, NC)	704-530-6055	John Melius ( Mooresville, NC)	704-995-7257

Additionally, if you are wanting to mentor and help new turners learn this art form we all love and are addicted to, please let me know if you want to be added to this Mentorship Information.

**Christmas Party**

**December 10, 2016**  
 11:00 AM-2:00 PM  
 Market on Main,  
 335 Main Street SW,  
 Hickory, NC.

**\$10 Individual or \$15 Couples**

(can pay at party – please have exact change there!)

Please RSVP by DECEMBER 6 so we can confirm attendants to Beth – email (craftycreations26@yahoo.com) or phone (828-244-9512)



## NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

November 12, 2016

WHEN: Second Saturday of each month  
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM  
Lunch on your own

LOCATION:  
Klingspors' Woodworking Shop  
856 21<sup>st</sup> Street Drive  
Hickory, NC 28602

North Carolina Woodturners  
c/o Beth Parham  
2154 Frye Avenue  
Hickory, NC 28602

