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President's Message

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Due to commitments that Gene and I have this month, I am sending this issue out without a President's message. Also, there are no Gallery/Challenge pictures this month. I will include them in next month's newsletter.



Details contained throughout the newsletter on time, place, etc.

Hope to see you there!

PLEASE RSVP to Beth NO LATER THAN December 6, 2017 by noon.

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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.

2017 Presenters/Topics

Presenter	Topic / Demonstration
December	<i>CHRISTMAS PARTY @ Market on Main, Hickory, NC</i>

2017 Challenge Projects

Project	Description & references
Dec Ornament Swap	Bring one to party if your spouse wants to participate in the annual swap. Bring bowls or other boxes for "Beads of Courage"

November Meeting – Tony Bradley

By Ron Davis

FLUTING AND BEADING:

Tony Bradley was our presenter. He was a charter member and the first president of the club. His focus was on beading and fluting on turned columns. He had a furniture sample business for 16 years in Hickory before everything went to China.

He explained the mathematics of figuring out how many beads and flutes one needs for the size turning one has. He recommended not using the indexing head on one's lathe because it does not have enough positions. He showed different bits or cutter heads to be used in a router for cutting the flutes. He showed us a gizmo he built to hold his router and mount on his lathe bed for cutting the flutes. With the help of his daughter who controlled the computer and pictures he presented a short but informative program on creating flutes and beads.

[Editor's Note: *I want to thank Tony on behalf of the entire club. I learned after our meeting that Tony had not been contacted to confirm that he was presenter; he had offered months ago "if we needed him" but no one followed up. He learned **from the November newsletter – just a few days in advance** – that he was our presenter. So, I, Personally, want to say "thanks" for pulling together your presentation and not saying a word but "stepping up" to do your presentation. What a great example of being a club member!!!!]*

There were several first timers and newcomers at the meeting. Some of them had been at the Klingspor Extravaganza in October and came to the meeting after visiting the club's booth.

When items were presented for the gallery there were many questions from the visitors which were answered by club members. Many of the questions were basic questions that more seasoned turners take for granted but for newer turners eager to learn they were helpful questions to gain information and advance their learning.

There were questions about drying green wood after rough turning. It was suggested that one leave the turning about an inch thick and place it in a brown paper bag, close the top with a clothes pen and allow it to dry for 2-3 months or longer. Another suggested drying it in the microwave oven on defrost for 1.5 minutes, allowing it to cool and then continuing to repeat the process until dry.

Another suggestion was to never use cloth rags in the shop; always use paper towels so that one retains all of their fingers. Fingers are really handy in wood turning.

There were several questions about the type of finish used on a turning. Oil finishes that were suggested were Tru-Oil, linseed oil, mineral oil, Danish oil, walnut oil, Liberon finishing oil. Other finishes discussed were lacquer, using shellac before applying CA glue to protect the surface and Crystalac an environmentally safe water based finish.

Len, a first timer from Mountain City, Tennessee, displayed a maple bowl that he had roasted in the oven at 350 degrees for 2-3 hours. Instead of being creamy white it was dark brown. He said that his wife liked the method because it made the whole house smell like maple syrup.

Because of all of the interaction between the turners and those in attendance the gallery lasted for an hour or longer. It was a very good give and take session. The afternoon session was a "turn and learn" session. I did not stay because in the words of a friend of mine I feel too inadequate to try to teach someone anything and I am too embarrassed to admit how much I still need to learn. Plus, I had to get home to watch an amazing football game as Wake Forest beat Syracuse.

Christmas Party December 9, 2017

Approximately 50 people are planning for attending the annual Christmas Party – Saturday, December 9, 2017, at Market on Main at 335 Main Avenue Southwest, Hickory, NC 28602. Check out their website for directions and other information at <http://www.hickorymarketonmain.com/> or call (828) 345-6246. You can arrive at 11 AM (allowing the setup to be completed before you come) and we will eat at approximately 12 noon.

If you still want to come, please email me at craftycreations26@yahoo.com or text to 828-244-9512 so I can adjust headcount. Bring something to contribute to “Beads of Courage” as we discussed at November’s meeting.

The cost is \$15 for a single; \$20 for a couple. For those that may be bringing children or other guests, it would be \$5 per each additional person. Please contact me with correct headcount coming with you. Please have correct change if possible – it helps move things along faster and smoother.

Membership/Newsletter/Library News

By Beth Parham

LIBRARY

No Library in December. Books are \$.50 per month and DVDs are \$1.00 per month. You may check out multiples. We are working on an electronic version as well as a paper version of the library offerings to have available. The electronic will be sent to all those that get email newsletters. Feel free to print out at home if you want to mark what you have checked out and/or want to check out. The less I must print out, the cheaper it is for the club’s funds.

Some DVDs have been found that don’t play well or even maybe missing. If you find something wrong with anything when you have them checked out, please be sure to let Guy or I know. Please check in and out materials at the beginning of the. That will make things so much simpler for everyone.

As always, let me know if there are any new DVDs or books that you may be aware of that would be an asset to the library.



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 –
 - The following prorated price for yearly membership applies to *new* members.
 - 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*
- ❖ 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

I am behind on updating our webpage but will get back to it after 1st of the year. Please let me know how you feel about the changes I'm incorporating. – <http://www.ncwoodturners.com/>. I want to generate an online gallery that will “slideshow” challenge and especially gallery items each month. Other suggestions you'd like included in our website would be welcomed.

NEWSLETTER

If there are topics you'd like included in the newsletter, please let me know. I tend to put “new turner” information in because that's where I feel I am and information that helps me. But this is *your* newsletter and I want to incorporate what you want in it. Again, if you are getting the newsletter via mail and get an email, be sure to let me know of the email address. The electronic version is faster and in full color.



MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

Membership directory will be available for those that may not have been present at that meeting.

Mentorship Information

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

MENTOR & LOCATION	CONTACT #	MENTOR & LOCATION	CONTACT #
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

Please let me know if you wish to add to our group of mentors. We have many very talented turners in our group and I, for one, know I learn best by watching and working with someone that can help me improve and correct my skills. Please consider mentorship. With new and non-turners joining and visiting our club, what a great way to help someone one-on-one and share your passion.

2018 Slate Officers and Board of Directors

Officers of NC Woodturners – 2018		
President	Tim Simmons	(828) 726-1599
VP/Program Chair	Jeff Campbell	(704) 682-6876
Treasurer	Bruce Whipple	(828) 584-0890
Secretary/Journal & Website Editor	Beth Parham	(828) 244-9512
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Board of Directors / NC Woodturners		
Last year of 3-year term (thru 2018)	Bob Tate	(704) 735-2382
	Dorothy Green	(704) 692-4278
2nd year of 3-year term (thru 2019)	Scott Caskey	(704) 735-2382
	Ralph Green	(704) 692-4278
1st year of 3-year term: (thru 2020)	Guy Williamson	(704) 435-2423
	Teresa Ransom	(423) 268-0613

No Challenge Entries in November

Gallery

Pictures will be posted in the January newsletter. I need to get them from Scott again – lost in cyberspace for now.

New Members

We had several new members to join our happy band of turners at the November meeting. The directory copies at the Christmas party will have all information included. I'll have enough printed for all to have so you can have the latest information.

- Jonathan Young
- David Cook
- Erich Hupka

If there were other new members that I missed, please let me know and I will include in the next newsletter.



You're invited to our
NC Woodturners'
Christmas Party



We will meet at *Market on Main* in Hickory where we have met the last several years.

Bring an ornament that you have turned if your guest will participate in the “Ornament Swap”. Also, we have some raffle items from this year’s non-club presenters.

We also voted to bring a turned item(s) for “Beads of Courage” – bowl, box, whatever you turn. The club wants to donate these to the children in our neighborhoods (and we represent several) that are fighting cancer or other diseases/conditions/etc.

Where:

Market on Main
335 Main Avenue Southwest
Hickory, NC 28602
(828) 345-6246

When:

Saturday, December 9, 2017
(our regular meeting Saturday)

Time:

11:00 AM – 2:00 PM
(will eat around 11:30 or 12)

Ornament Swap:

If guest wants to participate

Beads of Courage box/bowl

Donations



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	Dan Greaser	(704) 325-0222
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Beads of Courage contributions

At our November meeting, we agreed to bring any turning suitable to donate to “Beads of Courage”. Generally, we raffle off items turned by presenters (non-club members) to raise funds going toward the next year’s presenters. The last couple of years, the very talented pieces have gone for too little for the quality of the materials provided. We can still raffle the items we have – please plan to make reasonable bids for the quality of the pieces. Please bring cash or checks for this. I am working to get our cube up and working by the December meeting, so we can start accepting credit card payments for dues, memberships and these items.

Beads of Courage has had an increase in interest from turners, etc., about donating lidded bowls and boxes for the children. With Beads of Courage program, there is a growing need for wooden boxes. Check their webpage, <http://www.beadsofcourage.org/pages/woodturners.html> , to see “Bead Bowls/Boxes Guidelines”.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

December 9, 2017

WHEN: Second Saturday of each month
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

LOCATION FOR CHRISTMAS PARTY:

Market on Main
335 Main Avenue Southwest
Hickory, NC 28602

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

