

# *Classic City Curl*

The Newsletter of the  
**Classic City Woodturners Club**

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## **November Meeting Nick Cook!**

The November meeting will be held on the last Monday of November, the 28<sup>th</sup>, at Coleman Cabinets, 6:00 – 9:00 PM.

Our demonstration this meeting will be brought to us by **Nick Cook!** He will be demonstrating turning angels that are featured on the cover of American Woodturners Journal, winter 2004. You can see a small picture of it near the bottom left hand of this web page: <http://www.woodturner.org/news/>.

For those of you that do not know of or have not seen Nick in action, let me tell you that this is one demonstration you do *not* want to miss. Nick is a founding member of the AAW and served six years on the Board of directors including one as Vice President. Nick is a nationally (and probably internationally) known woodturner. He gives demonstrations and lectures all over the country. Nick is a professional turner, and happens to be a good teacher as well. He has taught at several of the nearby craft schools including the John C. Campbell Folk School. Several club members attended his joint demonstration with Dale Nish on September 3<sup>rd</sup> at Redmond and Son Machinery, and it was excellent! We are fortunate to have Nick Cook join us for this meeting and we thank him and welcome him to our club. Come meet a veritable icon and pioneer in woodturning. You can read more about Nick and see his work on his web page: <http://www.nickcookwoodturner.com/>

If you would like to meet Nick for dinner please meet us at 5:00 PM before the meeting at Cactus Café in Watkinsville. If you need directions please email me.

Bring something that you've turned this last month and we'll showcase what you have done. You don't have to bring perfect items either. If you've had a difficult time with something and want advice on it, don't hesitate to bring it in. I know I'll be bringing a bowl that I hacked up...

We need to be serious about promoting the club. If you know of anyone who might be interested in joining the club or receiving the newsletter please let me know and I'll send them the newsletter. I've also prepared and printed out some club brochures. The brochures are also in PDF format. If you would like to give them to an

interested party please let me know and I'll send it to you in any form you like. Also if you've got a place you'd like to place a club flyer or brochure, then let me know.

## Leadership Concerns

In January we will be having elections and at this time we are in need of people to fill several offices or duties. We will elect a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. At this point Jim Talley will probably consent to remain as President, Lou Kudon will remain as either Vice President or Treasurer, Jim Underwood will remain as Newsletter Editor and electronic media guy, but not Secretary. Sheldon Washington will also consent to be club photographer and possibly Librarian. Also we are in great need of a person with good organizational skills to fill one of these slots. But there are two *open* offices that we will absolutely need to fill for 2006. Consider giving your time and talent to these positions.

We also need several people who will be officially responsible for small jobs that must be done at each meeting. We need a meeting setup person who will set up chairs, get extension cords or whatever the demonstrator needs. As well we need someone who will take responsibility for cleanup after the meeting. We will also need a raffle master. There may be other small jobs you can think of that you may bring up and volunteer for.

As acting club (operative word is "acting") Secretary and Newsletter editor I see a duty for two other volunteers for sending thank-you notes to demonstrators and mailing out newsletters to those who do not have an email address. Please see me at the meeting if you will do either of these jobs.

As Newsletter editor I have certainly contributed many hours to the club. But I will tell you this. I have received much more than I have given. I have learned a lot from members of this club, and developed friendships I would not have had otherwise. I have met, spoken to, and learned much from demonstrators and members of other clubs. Although it has been a lot of work I have personally benefited greatly from the fellowship of other woodworkers and woodturners. As a direct result of exposure to things I have learned from this club, I also finally purchased a lathe and am *really* enjoying turning. Please consider sharing what time and gifts that you have with your fellow members. I promise that you will benefit from it.

Also note that you will need to renew your membership (or join as a new member!) after the first of the year. Dues are \$25 per person or \$30 per family. This, in addition to the monthly raffle, directly benefits the club. These monies go to pay for the monthly demonstrator fees. As you can tell from the demonstrations we've been having it is well worth \$25 per year! We are also saving up for a club lathe (and possibly other equipment) that will be used for demonstrations, and possibly for some weekend hands on workshops. We cannot continue using a mini-lathe indefinitely. So please join or renew come January.

## AAW Chapter News

### Free Sharpening DVD! Free Lathe! AAW Emergency Relief Fund!



As of October 1<sup>st</sup>, we have officially been instated as a chapter club of the American Association of Woodturners. The benefits of this are already evident on the home page of the AAW.

A notice is posted there for a **free** "Fundamentals of Sharpening" DVD available to all members for 2006.

The other neat thing is a **free** lathe to be awarded by random drawing to an individual

who either renews membership to, or becomes a new member of the AAW for 2006. Another lathe will be given to the AAW chapter club of choice as decided by the afore-mentioned individual. I urge you to join the AAW now so as to increase our chances of winning the lathe for one of our members and possibly for our club. You must join/renew *before* January 15<sup>th</sup>!

Also notice that the AAW scheduled and then postponed an “AAW Emergency Relief Fund” eBay auction. The re-scheduled event to be announced.

You can read all the AAW news on the home page of the AAW at; (<http://www.woodturner.org/> ). May I also commend to you all of the online resources on the AAW website?

You can find the member forum and galleries at <http://www.woodturner.org/vbforum/index.php>? Here you may post images of your latest creations or simply admire others work. You can also post questions or just browse through others questions and the answers that ensue. I have found the forum members to be friendly and knowledgeable.

You can also investigate Best Club Practices at; <http://www.woodturner.org/community/chapters/practices/> . Or you can apply for an AAW educational grant from the resources page here; <http://www.woodturner.org/resources/> .

Please check out the AAW website. You will be glad you did.

I strongly encourage our members to join the American Association of Woodturners: <http://www.woodturner.org/> In addition to the above mentioned benefits, (and insurance!) members receive the American Woodturner journal four times per year. AAW also hosts an Annual Symposium featuring many renowned turners. Educational Opportunity Grants are also awarded to assist members in their education and teaching. It is now \$40 per year for individual membership.

## Last Meeting

We had a good turnout for the October meeting. We had 22 people in attendance including our demonstrator Frank Bowers. I noticed several people that we met at the Fall Festival. Three of those people have joined the club. We welcome you to our club.

Frank Bowers treated us to an excellent demonstration on harvesting and preparing bowl blanks from the newly cut log, how to rough turn and season them, and finally, how to finish turn and finish them. Frank not only gave us a great demonstration, he was a great teacher and put on a good show. We thank Frank for helping our club out in this manner. We hope to have him back some time in the future.

I have not been able to write up the demonstration this month due to time constraints (My wife and I are remodeling the kitchen!) and lack of a photo sequence. Our club Photographer was not there due to a Halloween date with his children! (Let's not have meetings on Holidays anymore!) However - do not despair! For those of you who missed this or would like to review it, Frank graciously consented to let us video tape the demonstration. The video will be available for checkout from the library at some point in the future.

## Future Meeting/Demonstration schedule

October 31<sup>st</sup> Halloween - Frank Bowers, bowl turning (past)  
November 28<sup>th</sup> - **Nick Cook**, turning Angels

December 19<sup>th</sup> - Social, gift exchange  
January - To be announced  
February - To be announced

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## Turners Showcase



This was one of many wonderful turnings brought last meeting. Unfortunately I've forgotten who turned it and know nothing except that it was one of my favorite pieces. I think this may have been Don Fournier's hollow vessel. Please contact me so that I can properly identify it.



Here is a segmented bowl by Don Fournier. Don said that it was made from just about "everything in the shop." He mentioned Apple, Dogwood, Wenge, Ht. Pine, and Walnut. I'm sure there are a few other wood species in there too, including "kitchen sink". Nice work Don!



Don also brought this Sweet gum Hollow Vessel. We welcome Don as a new member. Don is president of the Athens Woodworking Club, which meets on Saturday once a month. Call Don at 706-549-6403 for more information. We have also extended an invitation to the members of this club to join us for our meetings.



This is a spalted Poplar vessel that was unfinished at the time Don brought it for us to see. Lovely form and colors.



Michael Hollis brought us three natural edge bowls and a few turned eggs (not shown). This is a footed winged natural edge bowl made of spalted elm.



This natural edge bowl is turned from spalted Maple. Michael is doing some tricky stuff here. How did you ever manage to keep this in one piece?



The third and final bowl is made from Red Oak. It has a couple of tricky voids as well. Nice work Michael.



Roy Grant brought us this Spalted River Birch bowl of classic proportions. This beautiful piece is 3/32 thick so it's very light. This bowl got rave reviews at the show in Unicoi. Several experienced judges said it was the best thing at the show. Congratulations Roy! You've done a wonderful job on this and it's something to be proud of. I only wish our photos could do it justice.



This striking Joe Gilvey creation is turned from some really thick (4033) plywood. Joe tells us to be careful turning this stuff as you can't be sure of the glue joints. Thanks for sharing this with us Joe.



And last but not least are these interesting pieces turned by Jim Talley. On the left is a Christmas ornament turned from stained Sogho, and Purple Heart. I apologize for the bad angle on that piece. In the center is an Apple "Treasure Box" with a chattered top, and a Mahogany finial and foot. To the right is a ring holder made of Cherry and Purple heart.

Nice work guys! Thank you for sharing your turnings with us.

*Photographs courtesy of Jim Underwood and Lou Kudon*

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## Upcoming Shows and Other events

This list of shows taken from The Georgia Woodturner, the newsletter of GAW:

Florida Woodturning Symposium January 13-15 Central Florida

[www.floridawoodturningsymposium.com](http://www.floridawoodturningsymposium.com)

Featured turners: Bob Rosand, Cindy Drozda, Phil Brennon, Frank Sudol

Arizona Woodturners Assn Desert Woodturning Roundup February 18-19, 2006 Mesa, Arizona

[www.desertwoodturningroundup.com](http://www.desertwoodturningroundup.com)

Featured turners: (too numerous to list)

Southern States Symposium April 28-30, 2006 Gainesville, Georgia

[www.southernstates.org](http://www.southernstates.org)

Featured turners: Keith Gottschall, Larry Hasiak, Dave Hout, Ernie Newman.

Symposium brochures going out January 3, 2006.

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## Classified Ads

### For Sale:

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- Kellogg 2 Hp 2 Stage Compressor (rebuilt) - \$400
- Milwaukee/Delta 14" Radial Arm Saw - \$400
- Delta Lathe Duplicator - \$75
- Kreg Manual Pocket Hole Jigs - \$75
- Leigh 24" Mortise and Tenon Attachment for Leigh 24" Dovetail Jig - \$75
- Leigh 15" Dovetail Jigs - \$50
- 2 Chain Saws - \$30 ea
- 2 Gas Water Heaters - \$20 ea
- Makita 12V Battery Charger - \$15
- Sawblades 10 in carbide tip - \$10
- Assorted Clamps

Call Bob Bitsko

Ph 706-769-7520

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Alan has indicated that he knows of several Walnut trees to be taken down. Contact him at the number below if you are interested.

- 30 x 40 desk made 5/24/74 \$50
- 46-700 Delta Lathe \$300
- 1939 Atlas lathe for conversion to wood lathe \$100
- Craftsman table saw \$100
- 1940 Leblond lathe I took apart to move it! Big and heavy \$500

- Faceplates made by myself \$40. each (\$30 -\$35 for members)
  - Vise for milling machine \$50
  - Many tools and accessories
  - Computer and printer used three months for school course \$600
  - Much more
- Need the space. Sell or trade. Call Alan Treadwell at 678-234-0367
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### **Wanted:**

- Inexpensive Band Saw for light use; must have rip fence.
- Jay is also contemplating getting a container of wood from Africa if anyone is interested.

Please Call Jay at 769-5036

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### **Miscellaneous:**

- For those of you who are looking to buy or sell things, the AAW has these classified ads:  
<http://www.woodturner.org/vbforum/forumdisplay.php?f=3>

You can also purchase exotic woods from:

- Atlanta Wood Products: <http://www.hardwoodweb.com/lumber/ahc.cfm>
  - Carlton McLendon Inc: <http://www.rarewoodsandveneers.com/pages/home.htm>
  - Peachstate Lumber: <http://www.peachstatelumber.com/home.htm>
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### **Club Officers:**

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| President:              | Jim Talley, Phone: 706-353-7675  |
| Vice-President:         | Lou Kudon  |
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| Photographer/Librarian: | Sheldon Washington   |

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### **Newsletter copy**

If you have ideas of articles you'd like to see in the newsletter, or would like to submit an article please email Jim Underwood at [jimunder@colemancabinets.com](mailto:jimunder@colemancabinets.com) I would like reports of schools or shows you attend, reviews of tools you own or make, demonstrations you'd like to see or any other ideas you might have.

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