



# Chattahoochee Woodturners Newsletter



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## Ramblings from the President

Mike Peace, President 2013

I enjoyed learning a few things about scrapers last month from Walt Wager's demo. We had a larger than average attendance of 37. His workshop was fun and full. This month's demo by Keith Holt on singing spheres should prove interesting. I am pleased that his workshop is also full.

Don't struggle for years before getting some hands on instruction! In a workshop, you learn specific techniques for every part of the woodturning process. If at first you don't succeed, the instructor can diagnose and correct your mistakes. Even when you make a blunder that seems irreparable, the teacher usually knows a way to fix it. We still have a bunch of workshops ahead of us. Details are on our website. Click on the **Articles** tab and then **Workshops** to see the details and download a flyer. Get your enrollment in early. Next month we have Rudy Lopez doing a workshop on the ABC's of bowl turning. I have seen Rudy demonstrate and he is excellent.

Don Griffiths' turning sessions are a great opportunity to hang out with some turners and get some help as you work on a turning project.

Please notify me if you register for the AAW Symposium in Tampa. If 8 of our chapter members register by April 15th for the Symposium we will receive 1 free registration.

Did you turn something recently? You are encouraged to bring it in for Show & Tell and share it with us.

Score some extra wood? You are encouraged to share some for the raffle.

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Walt Wager facilitated a fun workshop on small hollow forms on Feb 13.  
Here is a picture of the participants left to right:



Ron Carrabotta, Walt Wager, Kat Tomiczek, Bill McMahan, Mike Peace, Ron Norris, Al Pannell and Gene Harper. Mike Gibson assisted Walt and is behind the camera.

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## Ken's Korner

### March Menu\*

by Ken Spruill

TBD

**\*\$5.00 Meal and Drink**

**(After dinner drinks \$1.00)**

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## Videographers Schedule

March Meeting – Wes Jones

## 2013 EVENT SCHEDULE

DATE	NAME	DEMONSTRATION
March 12 <sup>th</sup>	Keith Holt <a href="http://collectorsofwood.org/artist/bio/42">http://collectorsofwood.org/artist/bio/42</a>	Hands On Workshop (\$50) Turn cat mask and ellipticals
March 12 <sup>th</sup>	Keith Holt	Turn "Singing Spheres"
March 20 <sup>th</sup>	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop Christmas Ornaments
March 22-24 <sup>th</sup>	The Woodworking Show <a href="http://twws-test.businesscatalyst.com/shows/atlanta.htm">http://twws-test.businesscatalyst.com/shows/atlanta.htm</a>	Gwinnett Center Duluth
April 9 <sup>th</sup>	Rudy Lopez	Turning A Natural Edge Winged Bowl from a crotch
April 10 <sup>th</sup>	Rudy Lopez <a href="http://rudolphlopez.com/index.html">http://rudolphlopez.com/index.html</a>	ABC's of Bowl Turning (Morning) XYZ's of Bowl Turning (Afternoon) (\$50)
April 17 <sup>th</sup>	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop - TBD
April 26-28 <sup>th</sup>	Southern States XIII Symposium Cartersville, Georgia	<a href="http://www.southernstatesymposium.org/">http://www.southernstatesymposium.org/</a>
May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Leon Thomas	Textured Bowls Embellished With Metal, Acrylics and other materials
May 22 <sup>th</sup>	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop - TBD
June 11 <sup>th</sup>	Joe Ruminski	7-9 Projects that can be completed in an evening
June 12 <sup>th</sup>	Joe Ruminski <a href="http://thegiftturningstudio.com/home">http://thegiftturningstudio.com/home</a>	Hands On Workshop: Turning a goblet and multi-center disc sculpture. (\$50)
June 19 <sup>th</sup>	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop - TBD
June 28-30 <sup>th</sup>	AAW Annual Symposium	Tampa, Florida
July 9 <sup>th</sup>	Mike Peace	Thread Chasing
July 17 <sup>th</sup>	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop - TBD
August 13 <sup>th</sup>	Frank Penta	Multiple multi-axis projects + small tool making
August 14 <sup>th</sup>	Frank Penta <a href="http://www.frankpenta.com/sites/penta">http://www.frankpenta.com/sites/penta</a>	Hands On Workshop: Multi-axis birdhouses (\$50)
August 21 <sup>th</sup>	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop - TBD
September 10 <sup>th</sup>	Bob Black	Toolmaking For the Turner
September 11 <sup>th</sup>	Bob Black	HANDS On Workshop - Toolmaking
September 18 <sup>th</sup>	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop - TBD
September 20-22 <sup>th</sup>	Turning Southern Style Symposium	Dalton, Georgia
October 7 <sup>th</sup>	Stuart Mortimer	Hands On Workshop

2013 EVENT SCHEDULE		
DATE	NAME	DEMONSTRATION
October 8 <sup>th</sup>	Stuart Mortimer	Demo
October 16 <sup>th</sup>	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop -TBD
November 12 <sup>th</sup>	TBA	
November 20 <sup>th</sup>	Don Griffiths	Hands On Workshop -TBD
December 10 <sup>th</sup>	Mike Peace	Christmas Celebration

## February Meeting Notes

**Demonstrator:** Walt Wager

**Demonstration:** Walt brought a whole new perspective to scrapers and how they can be used to accomplish many different cuts in turning. He pointed out that in his shop all the scrapers are negative rake scrapers and he demonstrated how he grinds them. He answered major questions such as: what is a scraper - what makes it cut? Woodturning scrapers, Special purpose - box, hollow form, beads and cove shapes, captive ring tools, Sharpening/honing – micro burrs, Negative rake scrapers, Shear scrapers, Carbide and burr-less scrapers, EZ wood tools, Hunter tools - ring carbide tools, Boring bars. More about scrapers than you ever thought there could be. A very interesting and informative demo.



## Hands On With Don Griffiths

### **February Session**

The February session project was a handled bell. Attendees: Susan Shortman, Willard Shewbert, David Martin, Mike Peace, Ron Norris and Don Griffiths. Please bring your completed project to the March meeting show and tell.

**March Session will be on the 20<sup>th</sup>** : The March project will be an introduction to Christmas ornaments and to finish any unfinished projects. The required small tools are available.

**Cost:** \$5.00    **Time:** 10:00am to 2:00pm.  
Bring a lunch, drinks available for \$1.00

### **DEMONSTRATOR: Keith Hold**



**BIOGRAPHY:** Keith Holt began working with wood as the culmination of a lifelong pursuit of art. After leaving college to work as a gymnastics instructor and later owning and running his own gymnasium in the Baltimore area, Keith bought his first lathe at a yard sale in 2003 and began exploring the artistic potential of wood. Over the years, he has refined his technique and sought new artistic possibilities in wood. In early 2010, he left the gymnastics world to pursue his art full-time

**ARTIST STATEMENT:** The spirit within the human figure has been the basis of my inspiration. For the past few years I have explored the uses of the lathe in combination with carving to create figurative sculpture. These forms are achieved through multi-axis turning and/or carving. As an artist, I strive to allow the form of a piece to emerge from the lathe, seeing the circle of movement as an endless stream of possibilities. Though the wood is an essential part of my process, I have painted or burned some of the pieces to add strength to the architectural lines and to disguise the materials. This use of form to reveal the spirit within us provides boundless possibilities to explore

### **DEMO: Creating a “Singing Sphere”**

This demo will go over how Keith approaches a turned and carved sculpture piece. It will include wood selection, planning and tool techniques and the use of eccentric jigs. Keith will also go over some of his personal jigs he has created to make his off center/ eccentric turnings. It is his hope that these techniques will launch new creative ideas for the viewers.

You can use the same Bio and Artist's Statement from the Feb newsletter if you think it is needed, just leave off the workshop part since it is full.

### **A few of Keith's Projects:**



## Up Coming Workshop



### Rudy Lopez Bowl Turning Workshop

April 10, 2013

Sponsored by Chattahoochee Woodturners, AAW Chapter 112



**A B C's of Bowl Turning; (morning session)** We will first turn a shallow flat rim bowl then progress onto turning a natural edge bowl. Discussions on the correct sharpening of the side ground bowl gouge. We will cover the different cuts used and the when, why and how each cut should be used to turn bowls safely and efficiently with a cleanly cut surface that will reduce sanding. We will also discuss the layout of the bowl in the log relating to grain symmetry and to predict warping. Most of the emphasis in this class is on correct tool technique using bevel supported cuts and sharp tools. Students will be encouraged to concentrate on good tool technique and not so much on finishing bowls.

**X Y Z's of Bowl turning; (afternoon session)** Building on the correct bowl gouge techniques learned in the morning session students will improve on these to do more advanced bowl shapes such as closed form bowls, thin walled bowls, Calabash round bottom and elongated wing style bowls. I will explain and demonstrate the different bevel angles on the bowl gouges and how they relate to cutting different areas of the bowls. Also we will discuss some different tools and techniques used for these types of bowls and I will explain using and sharpening Negative Rake scrapers.

**Download the class handout here:** [http://www.rudolphlopez.com/pdfs/RudolphLopez\\_A-Z\\_Woodturning.pdf](http://www.rudolphlopez.com/pdfs/RudolphLopez_A-Z_Woodturning.pdf)

**Skill level / Experience:** Beginner with good basic knowledge of the lathe & tool use, turns currently.

**Tools & supplies:** Face Shield recommended; Safety Glasses required. In addition to tools provided you may want to bring your own 1/2" or 5/8" side ground Bowl gouge, and 1/4" to 3/4" Round nose scraper.

**Workshop Location:** Baxter's Belmont Shop, 3738 Anglin Drive, Gainesville, GA

**Workshop Date:** Wednesday, April 10, 2013 9AM to 5PM

**Cost:** \$50 which includes materials. Lathes, chucks, tools and face shields are provided but you are welcome to bring your own. Bring a sack lunch. Cold drinks are available for a \$1.

**Workshop Facilitator: Rudy Lopez** See Rudy's website <http://www.rudolphlopez.com/> for more about the artist and his work

Make your check payable to Chattahoochee Woodturners and send it with this form to our Treasurer: Ron Norris, 4747 Creekwood Drive, Gainesville, GA 30507.

**CANCELLATION & REFUND POLICY:** We will make a full refund if we need to cancel the workshop for any reason. Full refund if the cancellation is received in writing 2 weeks prior to the class date. Later cancellations may be eligible for a refund if we are able to fill the slot. "No shows" will not be eligible for a refund.

Questions? Please contact: Al Pannell, Vice-President, 770-534-9861, bigalp@peoplepc.com



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Member's Gallery



Ron Grindle



Ron Carrabotta



Mike Peace



Ron Carrabotta



Al Pannell



Cynthia & Michael Gibson

Member's Gallery



David Martin



David Martin



David Martin



Herbert Bolt



Leigh Brooks



## Member's News

### NEW MEMBER:

My name is Drew Henderson and I'm the Chiropractor out in Murrayville, GA. I grew up in Silver City, GA which is a small community just north of Cumming. I currently reside in Murrayville.

I was introduced to turning when I was a freshman in high school I was playing in agricultural class and turned a bowl out of a laminated beam. Since then I have been hooked on turning. While I was attending North Georgia College I fell away from turning simply because of the time involved. Back this past summer I really got into turning again and haven't looked back. I use a Powermatic 3520B mostly for bowls and a smaller lather for the few pens I turn. I have plans for a treadle lathe and a pedal lathe that I plan on building in the spring.



I love to hike and be outside in general. I have an interest in knife making as my dad has a blacksmith shop, which was my great-great grandfathers'. I also enjoy antique tractors and farm equipment. I love to travel all over the U.S. speaking about the benefits of Chiropractic.

My shop is in the basement.

My favorite piece is a 19x10 bowl from a post oak burl. It was harvested from Lumpkin Campground after a tree was blown over a few years ago. Lumpkin Campground is a Methodist Campground I've been attending my entire life and that makes it mean so much more.

New Turners, don't be afraid to waste wood and try new things. Just play around with it with no expectations and you'll start surprising yourself more and more.

## News of Interest

- There are 4 places available for the Al Stirt workshop in Barnesville on Monday April 29th, (the day after Southern States Symposium). Al will be doing a Demo that evening ,following the all day workshop. The cost is \$65. Could you forward the invitation to GAW members and any of the local club members. They can contact me by phone (404 444 2671)or e mail at [nml@peoplepc.com](mailto:nml@peoplepc.com);

Many Thanks

Niall Mathieson;(404 444 2671)

- Here is a great website where you can find free on-line videos related to turning.  
<http://woodturningvideos.weebly.com/>
- Craft Supply offers a 13% club discount for a group purchase of \$1,000 or more. Let me know if anyone wants to take advantage of this program by organizing a group buy.
- Klingspor provides a 10% discount to club members on anything not already tagged as a sale price

## Dues for 2013

*By Ron Norris, Treasurer*

I am still collecting dues for 2013. Dues are still a low of \$25 per person, \$30 for the entire family. If you can't make the March meeting, You can send your check to me at 4747 Creekwood Drive, Gainesville, GA 30507.

### Woodturning Instruction

The following club members give private instruction in their shops:

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Building & design of woodturning shops, [www.appalachianwoodturnings.com](http://www.appalachianwoodturnings.com)

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### Classified

#### FOR SALE

Trend Airshield for sale, \$150, less than half price.

Comes with battery, charger, and a spare homemade battery which uses regular or rechargeable AAA batteries.

770-294-3135. Michael Gibson.

