Lowcountry Turners

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LCT Newsletter — December 2018

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Message From The Board

LCT Members & Friends,

Our next demo will be 6:00 p.m. THURSDAY, December 6th at the Coastal Heritage Society's (CHS) Georgia State Railroad Museum. WE WILL BE IN OUR NEW BUILD-ING, 655 Louisville Road, please park in the gravel parking lot. We will be in the very Historic 'Segregated Colored Washroom' building which is the one story building attached to the righthand side of the Roundhouse. We are the closest building to the parking lot and closest to the restrooms. Noel Wright will be our demonstrator. We will have Pizza and cold drinks. We only have 22 chairs right now so we need some of you to bring a chair. Additional details below.

Many thanks to Mark Sillay, this past October's demonstrator. His demonstration and hands-onworkshop were incredibly constructive and educational. Mark Sillay's technical skills accompanied with his superb ability to explain and demonstrate how and why he does what he does resulted in one of our group's most memorable events. Every turned object is made up of flats, points, beads, coves or discs. If you understand these basic shapes and can create each one correctly, then Mark says you will be a much happier turner. ABC - anchor, bevel, cut - we all understand ABC but what Mark was very clear in his explanation and presentation is that most of the

time when we think we are making a bevel supported cut we are actually interfering with that bevel support by overusing our left hand (for us right-handed turners). Mark's recommendation for many of our cuts is to move our left hand away from the tool rest (but still on the tool) and resist using that left hand to push the tool. Take a lighter cut with a correctly sharpened tool and let the bevel support guide the tool. Barb Hahn and Doug McCulloch made the contacts with Mark Sillay and are responsible for bringing him to Savannah. Mark stayed with Doug and Anne McCulloch during his stay in Savannah. Thank you Barb, Anne and Doug. Many thanks to Mark Sillay for a terrific demo and workshop. We hope we can get you back down to Savannah in 2019.

Community Outreach:

Roy Yarger organized another very successful "Freedom Pen Project" event held Saturday, November 3rd at Case Woodworking Supply. Roy was assisted by Lonnie Bott, Gary Fleenor and Mike McDevitt. Several of Case Woodworking's patrons stopped by, asked questions, and many of them turned a pen. Thank you.

Many thanks to Al Medlock for organizing the bowl donations for the Emmaus House Empty Bowls Project. Dan Lee, Doug McCulloch and Al Medlock contributed

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turned pieces to the project.

Doug McCulloch and Dan Lee donated several turned objects to November's Old Fort Jackson Silent Auction.

Lonnie Bott and Dan Lee turned Harry Potter Wands at the CHS' annual Frogwart's event which is held each November. Lonnie and Dan were assisted by Dan's wife, Dianne. Together they made approximately 70 wands and raised \$705 for the CHS's Children's Museum. Noel Wright also contributed wands to this event.

If you are involved in a community event, donate your work to any of our local non-profits, please send a note to Dan Lee so we can get a note included in the LCT newsletter.

Our new building:

You cannot imagine how lucky we are to have been given the opportunity to occupy space at the Historic Georgia State Railroad Museum property. In return for this opportunity, we have an obligation to respect the historic nature of the facility and to comply with a few rules and requests which will be discussed at our December 6th demo. Here are a few: Our monthly demos must remain free and open to the public. LCT participation is requested for selected CHS events. LCT member donations of turned items may be requested periodically to support CHS fundraising events. CHS membership is requested of some LCT members and a day pass will be required of all non-member workshop attendees. We cannot alter the interior or exterior of the building. No parking on the interior of the property. We must clean up our workspace either before we leave or before the museum opens the next morning. This is not a lot to ask of our organization for the permanent use of a space for all of our meetings, workshops and for storing our equipment securely.

On Tuesday, November 13th several LCT members met at the CHS for a move-in / clean-up day. Thank you Doug McCulloch, Roy Yarger, Gary Fleenor, Dan Lee, Noel Wright, Fred Langley, and Dick Glover. We will make additional improvements to the facility over time.

Membership:

December is renewal month for LCT membership. We will give a \$10 Craft Supply Gift Cer-

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tificate to each new or renewing LCT member who ALSO joins the CHS at the December 6th demo.

December Wood Sale:

LCT member Bart Haigh brought in several spindle blanks and acrylic pen turning blanks that a friend of his asked him to see if he could sell. The LCT can have 50% of the proceeds. These will be for sale at the December demo.

Club Officers:

We have a lot of positive momentum going our way. Now is a great time to be involved with the administration of the LCT. Anyone who is interested in being an officer, please speak up. Specifically, we need a member to replace outgoing treasurer, Roy Yarger.

Safety:

LCT member Dan Lee recently had a 9" diameter bowl blank come off of the lathe while roughing out the blank. He had the blank secured in his chuck with a tenon and had no tail stock support. When he turned off his lathe, the tenon was still in his chuck. Any ideas what he was doing wrong?

Your LCT Board

Upcoming Events, Items of Interest

Upcoming LCT Events:

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

- Saturday, December 1st, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Lonnie Bott will be turning tops at Case Woodworking Supply, 1725 Grove Point Road. If you have time, please stop by and turn a couple of tops or just say hi.
- December 6th 2018—Georgia Railroad Museum, Holiday Social—come see our new digs.
- Saturday, December 8th, Gary Fleenor, Dan Lee, Lonnie Bott, Doug McCulloch, Roy Yarger and others will be turning tops at the CHS' annual Savannah Santa Train event. The event lasts all day, 9:00 a.m. till about 4:30 p.m. If you come to turn, please try to wear holiday colors. If you come but do not plan to turn, then come later to help clean up. The CHS expects more than 1,200 visitors. We will discuss this event at our Thursday, December 6th demo.

Upcoming Symposiums:

31st Annual Tennessee Assoc. of Woodturners Symposium

Jan 25th-26th 2019. Franklin TN. Featured turners: Al Stirt, Todd Hoyer, Jacques Vesery, Ashley Harwood. Tnwoodturners.org

19th Annual Florida Woodturning Symposium

Feb 8th-10th 2019. Lake Yale Baptist Conference Center. Featured turners: Jason Clark, Derek Weidman, Graeme Priddle, Rudy Lopez, Al Hockenberry, Franck Johannesen, Don Geiger, Peggy Schmid

The American Association of Woodturners 33rd Annual International Symposium

Raleigh, North Carolina July 11-14, 2019

https://www.woodturner.org/page/2019Raleigh Main

Too many demonstrators to list, wood vendors, tool vendors, much more. Close to Savannah.

LCT Instant Gallery / Demo

The October meeting was another great Instant Gallery for the club. See the pictures below of our members' work, and of the Mark Sillay workshop the next day. Thanks to Fred Langley and Dan Lee for the pictures.









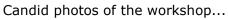
































DVD/Video Tape Library

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.

to see the club make available to members? If so, talk to a board member.

Do you have a suggestion for a DVD you would like

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

Noel Wright—Isle of Hope / Savannah

Al Medlock-Vidalia area

Contacts

www.lowcountryturners.com

Meeting Location:

Locations will be announced at the meetings, in the newsletter, and during the demonstrations.



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 generally meet on the last Thursday of each month at 6:00 P.M. Meeting location varies and will be announced ahead of time in the newsletter and at meetings and demo's. Meetings are open to all.

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Woodturning Links

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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

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Wood magazine Forum

www.woodmagazine.com Q & A on Woodturning

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Your LCT questions, comments and suggestions are

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