# Lowcountry Turners

A chapter of the American Association of Woodturners



# LCT Newsletter — February 2018

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# Message From The Board

Our next meeting is at 6:00 p.m. this Thursday, February 22nd at the Georgia State Railroad Museum (Railroad Roundhouse property), 303 ML King Blvd, Savannah. Fran DiTommaso is the featured demonstrator. The Museum property is quite large. The demo will be on the first floor of the Museum's office building which is located at the southeastern most corner of the property. If you park in the visitor's parking lot, then you will have about a 100 yard walk to the building. If you prefer, you can park on West Jones Street near the intersection of Purse Street. The Museum's office building is right at that corner. You will pass through the iron gates about 20 feet from the intersection then about 25 feet to your left is the entrance to the ground floor meeting space. The Coastal Rail Buffs (model railroaders) have a permanent model railroad on display on the Museum property. You may want to come a little early to walk around.

January's demo at Savannah Technical College was a huge success. Steve Cook's spindle turning presentation was outstanding. One could tell by the questions directed to Steve by the members that everyone was very engaged with this event. An important part of Steve's business at Coastal Wood Design is architectural woodturning. He shared with us spindle turning tips and techniques that are required when turning virtually anything

between centers. His presentation compared and contrasted the cut, the speed, the finish and when you should consider using the skew versus the spindle gouge. We asked him to make a mock-table leg which was square at the top then transitioned to a round leg. That transition is called a pommel which he very skillfully cut with the skew chisel. Thank you, Steve.

Nationally known and very accomplished woodturning artist, Robert Lyon, is our demonstrator for April. He will be conducting a 'Better Bowl' hands-onworkshop on Saturday, April 29th at Savannah Technical College. The cost for the workshop is \$100 plus a small amount for materials which we will be purchasing from Case Woodworking Supply. Please bring a check for \$100 to the next meeting to guarantee your spot at the Robert Lyon workshop.

Shop Safety – Just a reminder that woodturning and woodworking is inherently dangerous. Many of us have made an unplanned trip to the emergency room that was usually the result of being in a hurry or taking a short-cut. Please use the guards that came with your power tools. Please construct a jig or sled to hold a piece securely when making a cut on the table saw or band saw. Always wear safety glasses.

Your LCT Board

### Demonstrations, 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.

- Friday January 26th 2018— Savannah Tech— Steve Cook
- Thursday February 22nd 2018—Georgia Railroad Museum—Fran DiTommaso—Kiss box, see below.
- Thursday March 29th 2018— Case Woodworking Supply—Al Medlock
- Friday April 27th 2018— Savannah Tech—
- Saturday April 28th 2018—Savannah Tech— Robert Lyon Workshop [Tentative]
- Sunday April 29th—Savannah Tech—Pen Making/Woodturning Intro Class—Lonnie Bott and others
- May 31st 2018—Location TBD, Demonstrator TBD
- June 28th 2018—Location TBD, Demonstrator TBD
- July 26th 2018—Location TBD, Demonstrator TBD
- August 30th 2018—Location TBD, Demonstrator TBD
- September 27th 2018—Location TBD, Demonstrator TBD
- October 25th 2018—Location TBD, Demonstrator TBD
- November 29th 2018—Location TBD, Demonstrator TBD
- December 14th 2018—Location TBD, Demonstrator TBD

### February Demo

Fran will be turning a "Kiss Box" which is a replica of a Hersey's Kiss (chocolate candy). Fran is a highly skilled wood turner and always conducts a very entertaining demonstration. This will be a fun demo.





### New PA System for the LCT

Good news, we have purchased a wireless microphone and PA system. Doug McCulloch researched what the GAW uses for their demos and we have purchased a slightly scaled down version of what they use. After researching prices, we purchased it locally from Portman's Music Store. The cost was \$709.20. If you would like, we would gladly accept any donations towards covering the cost of this investment. We have already received pledges totaling \$200. If you would like to donate, a check is preferable to cash.

### Woodturning News

At our December demo meeting Don Rawlins from Chroma-Craft demonstrated the use of his company's tints, dyes and colorants. We asked our members to try some of his products and

share with us their experience. Noel Wright did just that. He made a beaded bowl using the D-Way beading tools then used the Chroma-Craft products for the finish. That beaded bowl is really a fantastic piece both in its



technical execution and its finish. Take a look at the photo of Noel's bowl then check out the Chroma-Craft products at Case Woodworking Supply.

Reminder—2018 Dues are past due now. You can pay the \$35 fee at the February meeting.

# LCT January Instant Gallery

Here are pictures of the fine pieces brought in by LCT members for the January meeting, as well as pictures of the demo..



Howard Whitford







Jeffrey Kumjian - honey dipper







Birch Burl

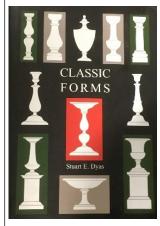




Savannah Tech

Steve Cook demonstrating how to turn some classic architectural forms (below).





### 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

### Contacts

### www.lowcountryturners.com

Meeting Location: Case Woodworking Supply 1725 Grove Point Rd Savannah GA 31419



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 meet on the last Thursday of each month at 6:00 P.M.at Case Woodworking Supply. Meetings are open to all. Parking is available outside the building.

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### Woodturning Links

# American Association of Woodturners

www.woodturner.org Woodturning Association

### **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**

www.hutproducts.com 800-547-5461 Woodturning tools, supplies

### **Atlanta Wood Products**

www.hardwoodweb.com 800-964-7804 Specialty Hardwoods

### **Woodcraft of Atlanta**

Www.woodcraft.com 770-587-3372 Woodworking and Hardware

#### Rockler

www.rockler29.com 800-279-4441 Woodworking and Hardware

### Wood magazine Forum

www.woodmagazine.com Q & A on Woodturning

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Your LCT questions, comments and suggestions are

always welcome. You may contact any officer through the contact information in this newsletter, or our website's contact webpage: info@lowcountryturners.com