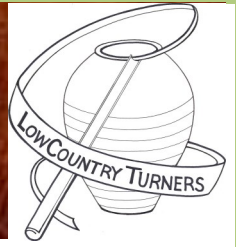


Lowcountry Turners

*The "Catch and Cuss" Turners of
Coastal Georgia and South Carolina*



LCT Newsletter — October 2020

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Message From The Board

LCT Members & Friends,

We sincerely hope that each of you have managed to cope with the disruption the Covid-19 virus has inflicted on your daily life. Because many of us are in the age demographic where this virus is a real physical threat we really had no choice other than to suspend all activities.

2020 started out to be a spectacular year inasmuch as we had Ashley Harwood scheduled for May, Frank Bowers scheduled for June and Nick Agar scheduled for December. Ashley and Nick's demos were scheduled to be conducted at the new Savannah Cultural Arts Center (SCAC) which was helping to subsidize the cost of those demos. Chace Holloway with Case Woodworking Supply worked out a deal with Laguna to provide the lathes for Ashley's and Nick's demos. Finally, the SCAC was providing the LCT with their exhibition space during the months of November & December. Fred Langley started the communication with Ashley more than two years ago. Barb Hahn approached Nick about two years ago and Roy Yarger started working on securing the SCAC's exhibit space three years ago. Now, everything is set back to zero.

We are going to begin live demos soon, perhaps beginning in November 2020 but our demonstrators will need to come from within our membership. Once there is

an effective vaccine for the Covid-19 virus then we will begin working on scheduling demonstrators who have broad national followings. Dan Lee is working with the RR Museum staff to see if we can use the Blacksmith's Shop on Saturday morning, November 14th. The goal would be to conduct some form of a demo running from about 10:30 a.m. until about 12:30. At the time of this writing we do not have an answer if the Blacksmith's Shop is available. That building is about 150 feet by 60 feet with 30 foot ceilings and several giant open doors.. If it is available, we could conduct a demo and easily exceed all required safety protocols.

The board hopes you have used some of your "down" time to keep turning and improving your skills. We look forward to featuring your work in upcoming newsletters and / or seeing it in person at our Instant Galleries. **If you have finished work you want to appear in the next newsletter, send the pictures (with details) to Doug McCulloch—mcdoug05@gmail.com**

2021 LCT membership dues:
LCT dues are only \$35 per year. During 2020 the LCT only had two out-of-pocket expenses - our annual liability insurance premium and a \$250 donation to the Coastal Heritage Society/Georgia State Railroad Museum. If you paid LCT dues in 2020, we will waive the 2021 fee, but we ask

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that in lieu of paying the 2021 LCT dues that you become a member of the Coastal Heritage Society, become a member of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW), or both. Both are non-profit and are in need of our support. If you were not an LCT dues paying member in 2020 then please plan to sign up in 2021, or if you want to be proactive, send your 2021 dues check to the Lowcountry Turners, c/o Gary Fleenor, 529 East 51st Street, Savannah, GA 31405.

Roy Yarger has donated woodturning books, many dozens of AAW Journals and Guild of Master Craftsman's magazines titled "Woodturning" to start a woodturning library. David Anliker said he should be able to provide an appropriate cabinet for the library.

Former LCT member **Vernon Gordy and his son Doug** have donated several dozen exotic woodturning blanks. Their desire is to have us raffle the blanks keeping half of the proceeds for the LCT and half of the proceeds to be donated to the Willard Baxter Foundation at the John C. Campbell Folk School. Thank you Vernon and Doug.

Some of our members have been getting active in the community again. Here are a couple of examples:

Saturday, October 10th **Roy Yarger** conducted his "Disc Vase" demo for the Brunswick chapter of the AAW.

Saturday, October 17th **Lonnie Bott, Steve Cook and Roy Yarger** conducted demos at Case Woodworking Supply. See photos on the next page.

Zoe Rinker with the Savannah Tree Foundation has asked the LCT to make 50 Christmas Tree themed ornaments that they plan to give to their annual fund donors. They have asked to have these in hand before Thanksgiving. If you would like to participate and make some tree ornaments, then please do so then contact Dan Lee (912-704-6736) so he can make arrangements to pick them up. Below are photos of some samples. There are no rules other than the height should be in the range of 3 to 4 inches with the width being appropriate for the piece. The ornament can hang or it can sit on a base.

The photos include ornaments made by Barb Hahn, David Anliker, Roy Yarger,



Noel Wright and Dan Lee. Be as creative as you want.

We often have non-profits looking for donations of arts and crafts. If possible, please "reserve" one of your pieces you would be willing to donate when the need arises. Roy Yarger continues his outreach with the Dwaine & Cynthia Willett Children's Hospital at Memorial Health providing them with Beads-of-Courage boxes every time there is a need. If any of you would like to share your talents and make a box then please contact Roy at w.r.yarger@gmail.com

LCT officers for 2021: If you would like to be on the board during 2021 please let us know. Current board members include Jon Knotts, Ronnie Burgstiner, Michael McDevitt, Dan Lee, Lonnie Bott, Gary Fleenor, Doug McCulloch, Fred Langley and Gary Fleenor. Bob Dichiera will be joining the board in 2021.

We will broadcast an email as soon as we get an answer to whether we can use the RR Museum on Saturday, November 14th for a demo.

Please take care and stay safe...

Your LCT Board

Upcoming Events, Items of Interest

Upcoming LCT Events:

- **Saturday October 24th**—Dan Lee and Lonnie Bott will be conducting demos at Merchants-on-Bee (formerly Georgia Furniture).
- **Saturday, October 31st** Gary Fleenor, David Anliker and Dan Lee will be demonstrating at the RR Museum for a children's Halloween event.
- **Al Medlock** continues to conduct woodturning demos for students at the Paul Anderson Youth Home in Vidalia.
- **Saturday Nov 14th (Tentative)**—**Outdoor LCT meeting** at the RR Museum. Confirmation and more details to come.

Upcoming Symposiums:

**2021 AAW Symposium
Omaha, Nebraska
July 15-18, 2021**

Details to be announced

Recent Community Outreach

October 17th Case Woodworking Demos

Some of our members and former members—Lonnie Bott, Roy Yarger, and Steve Cook—gave demonstrations at Case Woodworking recently:



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.

Do you have a suggestion for a DVD you would like to see the club make available to members? If so, talk to a board member.

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:
GA State Railroad Museum
655 Louisville Rd, Savannah, GA 31401



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 Association



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Abrasives and woodturning supplies

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Woodworking and Hardware

Wood magazine Forum

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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:
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