



Brasstown, North Carolina

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BWG MEETING --

February 4, 2006 - - Hayesville High School 1 pm to 4 pm

Doug will demonstrate -- hollowing tools, texturing tools. Hands on for those that want to try the feel of these tools.

If you want Doug to demonstrate something else (in the line of new tool out, etc.) give him a call at 828 837-6532 or e-mail him at pineshingle@brmemc.net before the meeting.

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**President's Message --** We had 44 in attendance at our Jan. 14th meeting. Several were guests from other clubs, and guests of members. Thanks to all who attended - as the weather was not delightful!

Al Stirt was our featured demonstrator. For the morning session, Al demonstrated manipulating a bowl for the best grain pattern. Also demonstrated a home-made spur drive - approximately 6-7 inches in diameter. - made from wood with a center-tapered bolt, and two on opposite sides for driving the wood into. Next, Al turned and hollowed the bowl leaving it approximately one inch thick to be dried - re-turned later. He then took a bowl that he had brought w/him (that was dry), and turned the bowl down to final thickness - demonstrating sheer scraping, etc., for less sanding. Al then finished the bowl using a vacuum chuck for the bottom. That bowl was donated to the raffle.

After a break for lunch, Al began the afternoon demo with a plate & demonstrated a texturing process - then turn that away, and shown another process (which was beads). He then turn the bowl around, trued up the face, and painted the front of the bowl w/black gesso (except for the center). And then showed how he proceeds to sgraffito (scratching through a surface layer to reveal a different color beneath.

Thanks Al - believe everyone who attended thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and learned a lot of tips. Pictures of Al's demo will be on the website - after this newsletter.

**BWG website -** Please check out our new website at : [www.brasstownwoodturnersguild.org](http://www.brasstownwoodturnersguild.org)

**New Members --** Please welcome the following to our Club:

Donald & Mary Ann Foster from Blairsville; David Garcia from Blairsville; and Mike Regner from Murphy.

**Membership -**Don't forget that you have until the March 4th meeting to pay your membership dues, or you will be dropped from the Club.

**Special thanks -** Special thanks to Glen Love for donating his TV to the Club. Gives us two tvs for watching demonstrations.

**CERF --** Doug presented to the members attending, the question of whether or not

to support CERF (Crafters Emergency Relief Fund). It was so approved and seconded that the Club donate \$100 to the Fund for 2006.

**Bring Back** - Stanley Wood had the bring back for January - a nicely turned box out of cherry. The Winner for February is George Cooper.

**Fire Extinguisher** - Reminder to "find" your fire extinguishers, slowly turn them upside down, then right side up; repeat once more. By doing this once or twice a year, it redistributes the contents in the bottle - making it last longer.

**Animal Lovers** - As you know, there is a warning on the containers of glue to keep away from children. Well, keep it away from your pets, also. In Wood 2/06, A vet wanted to tell readers that dogs like to eat Gorilla Glue. A vet journal recently cited six cases where dogs ingested the glue. It causes a gastrointestinal blockage when it hardens into a loaf-life mass that much be surgically removed.

**Band Saw tip** - Ever need a rip fence for your band saw, but don't have one, and don't want to spend the money to buy one - Wood magazine 2/06 - Use a speed square as a cutting guide. Simply clamp the square to the table with its flange along the front edge for a handy, reliable fence that you can pop on and off as needed. It costs only a few dollars; its thick base makes it easy to square it to the table; and its 1/4" thick body provides enough edge to act perfectly as a guide for most ripping tasks.

**Steel Wool Warning** - Be careful where you toss your steel wool. One fellow wrote in a magazine, that he tossed an electric drill into his bag, on top of some steel wool. The drill shorted out, causing the steel wool to ignite.

**JCCampbell Woodturning Studio** -- the construction should begin shortly. The "new" site is across Brasstown Road from the Keith House, below the huge parking lot, in the field. It'll be on the NW side of the new painting studio that was built.

**Craft Supplies Promotion** - To find this month's Craft Supplies specials for woodturning club members, go to [ww.woodturnerscatalog.com/catalog/club\\_special.html](http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com/catalog/club_special.html)

**AAW juried exhibit** - return to the Land of Oz that previewed at the Overland Park, Kansas AAW symposium last summer is now on view at the Grove Arcade ARTS & Heritage Gallery in Asheville, N. C. If you saw it there, you will want to see it again and show it to your friends. If you were not in Kansas, you will definitely want to see it this time. The exhibit is fantastic!

The exhibit is up and open to viewing through March 19, 2006. The gallery is open 10 AM till 6 PM Monday through Saturday and noon till 5 PM on Sundays. Various members of Carolina Mountain Woodturners will be demonstrating on each weekend beginning January 28th from 10 till 4 on Saturdays and 12 till 5 on Sundays.

At the Grove Arcade ARTS & Heritage Gallery in Asheville, N. C., there will be a special wine and cheese reception this coming Saturday, January 21st immediately following the Carolina Mountain Woodturners meeting at the Folk Art Center. For more information about the CMW meeting and demonstration visit ["http://www.carolinamountainwoodturners.org"](http://www.carolinamountainwoodturners.org) Everyone is invited.

Driving directions to the Grove Arcade ARTS & Heritage Gallery are available on our web site ["http://www.grovearcade.com"](http://www.grovearcade.com)

#### **Future meetings** -

**Mar. 4** - Alan Leland, Durham, NC, (confirmed) small stool demonstration; ornaments, spheres, boxes - simple mini lathe projects. *10-4 pm \$ 10 fee at door*

**Apr. 1** - Joy & John Moss - 1-4 pm - Turning a thin bowl, and embellishing it with pyrography.

**May 6** - Frank Penta, Raleigh, NC, (confirmed) demonstration illustrating the skills, tools & techniques needed to produce unique, gallery-quality platters. Includes multi-axis base, and tools for adding texture & detailing. *10-4 pm \$ 10 fee at door*

**June 3** - Summer picnic - (confirmed) Brasstown Community Center 12 - 4pm

**July 1** - meeting cancelled

**Aug. 5th** - Don Duden - 1 - 4 pm

**Sept. 9th** -- Open

**Oct. 7th** -- Open

**Nov. 4th** -- Lane Phillips, Utah - (confirmed) *10-4 pm \$ 10 fee at door*

**Dec. 2** - Annual Christmas dinner - (confirmed) Brasstown Community Center 12 until ?

**Upcoming Woodturning Symposiums**

**Woodworking Show** - Jan. 27-29, 2006 -Georgia International Convention Center - Halls C&D- 2000 Convention Center Concourse College Park, GA, 30337 Tele. 770-997-3566 -- **Friday, January 27** - 12pm - 7pm; **Saturday, January 28** - 10am - 6pm; **Sunday, January 29** - 10am - 4pm

[www.woodworkingshows.com/atlanta](http://www.woodworkingshows.com/atlanta) for details

**Southern States Symposium** - April 28-30, 2006 - Gainesville, Ga. Featured turners: Keith Gottschall, Larry Hasiak, Dave Hout & Ernie Newman [www.southernstates.org](http://www.southernstates.org) or e-mail Registrar at: [pineshingle@brmemc.net](mailto:pineshingle@brmemc.net)

**Turning Southern Style XII** - Sept. 8-10,2006 - Unicoi State Park & Lodge, Helen, GA.

Featured demonstrators will be Stuart Batty, Judy Ditmer, & Vic Wood. For further information go to GAW's website at: [www.gawoodturner.org](http://www.gawoodturner.org)

**AAW Symposium** - June 22-24, 2006 - Louisville, KY

[www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2006/](http://www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2006/)

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