



North East Florida Woodturners

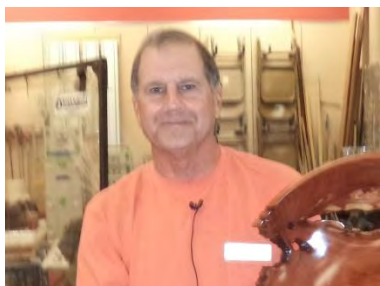
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President's Message

I want to remind you that one of the largest events in northeast Florida is nearly here, **The Greater Jacksonville Woodturning Exhibition.**

This year the Woodturning Exhibition will begin on November 1, and remain open to the public until



November 12, 2017. If you haven't already completed your entries for this year's exhibition there is still time to create your master piece. Thousands of people from throughout northeast Florida and southeast Georgia will attend this exhibition. In addition to the main exhibit, the display of turned objects, there will be rides and games for children and adults, numerous food vendors and even live music from national recording artist.

Each member of the Northeast Florida Woodturners Association is eligible to enter 3 turned objects for judging. There will be two categories for your entries. The first is "Conventional Turned Object". This is for pieces that are turned with no additional elements other than clear finish. The second category is "Embellished Objects". In this category the primary portion of the piece must be turned but it may incorporate additional

elements, such as; carving, pyrography or color that show the artistic expression of the creator. In addition to the psychic joy of having your creation viewed by thousands of attendees there will be cash prizes and the all important award ribbon for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in the first category and 1st and 2nd in second category. There will also be a ribbon and cash award for the piece voted by the public as "The Peoples Choice".

More details for dropping off your entries will be available at our October meeting. Now get out in the shop and do some magic.

I want to thank Daniel for his great demonstration last month on adding feet and collars to your bowl. This month promises to also be very informative, as Paul Rushton demonstrates "Small hollow forms".

Committee Notes

Safe Harbor – Kay Sievert

Our new group of boys will start, Friday, September 1, we have several blank spots because I am out for this session. Please see Mark about filling in one or more of these spots. Thanks ahead of time for your help.

New Members – Paul Rushton

Great job everybody. Membership is going better than ever this year. Keep spreading the word about our terrific club.

Website – Keith Larrett

The website hit a small speed bump on the information super highway!

I had suspected that the Wordpress theme we were using was not being maintained and was falling behind as Wordpress was updated. This week I was notified by a club member of an error the website was displaying and my suspicions were confirmed.

I'm taking this as an opportunity to update the theme on the website. Primarily it will give the website a fresh look, but while I am working on it I plan to do some house keeping. My goal is to make it easier to navigate, reduce some of the clutter and put up some fresh information.

I've already made a start and the website is functional, but please bear with me, as it may take a while to get it all sorted out.

Treasurer – Kathy McCall

Come on stragglers dues are due!

Library – Liz Jensen-Forbell

The 2017 Florida Symposium discs are in for you to check out

Wood Raffle – Barbara Hahn

Clean out your shop and bring in something special!

Meeting Demos – Tina Minahan

We only have a couple of more demos to book this year – but I am always looking for someone to step up and show us something different

National Demos – Ed Malesky

I don't have anything new on the demos. However, I got a call from Jerry about a large cedar tree he has checked out.

It's about 30" at the base and 20' long. It's at the home of:

Jim Wright
43 Escott Rd
Kingsland, GA
phone - 912 467 1544

Secretary – Don Penny

If you find an interesting article or have a shop tip, please let me know!

Instant Gallery







SHOP TIP: LIGHTED MAG EYES

I'm not saying that I'm getting old, but for the past few years, I've found that I need a lot more light to see clearly, and occasionally, a lot more magnification than regular glasses can provide. So, I'm passing on a tip that I learned from Gene Colley, Director of Canyon Studios, Copper Canyon, TX.

I often used a Mag Eyes magnifier to see detailed work better. That helped but there still was not enough light to see clearly. So, at a local sporting goods store, I purchased a light that is designed to fit on the bill of a cap. It is designed for night fishing. You could use one of the headlights attached to an elastic headband, but the batteries make it a bit heavy. The cap light uses 4 LED light bulbs and 2 thin wafer-like batteries.

I attached the light to the top of my magnifier with a generous glob of hot melt glue, and while the glue was still soft, I adjusted the light to illuminate the field in the direction of my work. Now I'm able to see detailed work more clearly.

Bill Berry Deer Park, TX



Upcoming Events

August Meeting – August 14th 6pm – 9pm

Woodcraft of Jacksonville
11160 Beach Blvd #121
Jacksonville, FL 32246