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NEXT MEETING

March 5, 2016 – Hayesville High School **9:30 AM** to 3:00 PM

Andy Gunning will be our program presenter. He demonstrate how to make a three point bowl and small laminated bowls.

**** BWG membership fees are now due ****

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### **President's Corner**

Hello all,

The March meeting is just around the bend and we have an excellent turner in Andy Gunning. He will show how to make a three point bowl and demonstrate making a small laminated bowl. He will explain how to enhance your turnings by laminating different woods together.

Be sure to get your bowls in for the empty bowls project. To my knowledge, there are no specific requirements on the size of the bowl for this project. I am currently researching this and will get back with the club. However, I am recommending an 6 to 10 inch diameter bowl (or larger if that is what you want). Keep turning and have fun.

Don

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Meeting

The meeting opened with 21 members and two guests in attendance. The guests were John Westley who came with Don and Alex and John Van Camp from Tate City, Ga. John Van Camp joined the club.

Don welcomed all to the meeting. He talked about volunteering at the high school to assist with turning instruction. The schedule for this month is for February 19. There needs to be several to help with the 15 students in the classroom. Don next announced that Mike would not be here to do the raffle in March and April. Asked for volunteers and Matt (I think) said he would fill in for Mike. Don next put a plug in for the National Woodturning Symposium in Atlanta this year. He stated that the club is committed to providing bowls for the empty bowls project and has requested that every club member make a bowl. These will be taken to the symposium in Atlanta. Next he asked if the club would be interested in participating in the "Beads for Courage" project and if so the box or bowl will be taken to the Atlanta Symposium as well. A copy of the requirements for the beads of courage projects was provided to Terrence and are attached. Insurance fees need to be paid. Marsha said that she has paid the insurance premiums. Don also announced that the Brasstown Woodturner's Guild had been given a \$1500 grant to provide tools for the HHS woodturners. Don also requested demonstrators for April and June. If you are interested or know of someone who would demonstrate either or both those months, let one of the officers know.

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## George Dinsmore - Everything You Need to Know About Boxes

George started by telling of how he was taught how to make boxes by a member of a Florida club when he lived there. The man's name was "Short" Charlie.

Charlie made boxes HIS way and they are listed below. This the way that George did his box demo.

### Charlie's Boxes - Charlie's Way

1. Select appropriate blank (approx. 2"X4")
2. Round blank between centers
3. Square the ends and make tenons at EACH end (observe grain and select which end will be the top - if necessary flip the blank - check to see if it runs true. If off-balance, your lathe is not properly lined up.
4. On a 4" blank, place a mark at 1-1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>"
5. Part the blank, leaving the top of the container in the chuck. Practice stopping before going all the way through to avoid tear-out.
6. Turn the lid to 1/4" to 3/16" thick. (The thinner the lid, the more likely it is to crack with a tight fit.)
7. The interior walls should be straight or slightly tapered to allow a snug fit
8. mark the interior depth and mark on the exterior.
9. Sand and apply finish to the interior.
10. Remove the top from the chuck. Do NOT PART OFF at this point. Set aside.
11. Mount the bottom to the chuck.

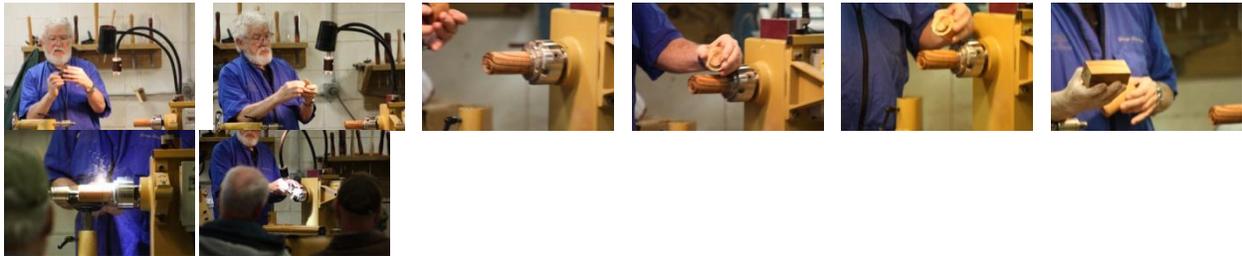
12. Turn a short tenon to fit into the top. Use a caliper to mark the end grain so you can get close. Work slowly until you get a snug fit. Be careful not to crack the top by forcing it.
13. Hollow the bottom using your favorite method and to. If you used a 4" piece of wood, leave enough at the bottom for a jam chuck.
14. Mark the depth of the interior and transfer the mark to the outside.
15. Sand and apply finish to the interior.
16. Do not remove from the chuck.
17. Mount the top onto the blank and bring up the tail stock.
18. Shape the box and the top, paying attention to the depth marks.
19. Remove the tenon on the top and sand.
20. If you desire embellishing to top use masking tape to prevent it from spinning and creating burn marks.
21. Remove the completed top and set aside.
22. Remove the bottom from the chuck.
23. Prepare a jam chuck for the bottom and remount.
24. Carefully remove the tenon and finish the bottom.
25. Join the top and bottom and you have a completed box.

George followed these steps with a few added tips. He also showed us some tools made and used.

The demonstration was very good and will be our challenge for next month's meeting. Thanks, George for the good demo.

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Photos



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## Bring Back



Cherry box with a walnut lid by  
Walter Berg.

The bring back was won by Theresa  
Lavello.

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February Challenge

We had four off-centered bowls for the monthly challenge.



Very nice job! Let's see if we can have 20 boxes for the March meeting.

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## Show and Tell



Nice job guys. Maybe we can have more items next month. It is nice to see what others are doing.

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BWG News

BWG BADGES -- Badges have been printed, and are now encased in a 'clip badge', rather than a pin-on. Please remove, and return to box after each meeting. The badges are stored in alphabetical order. If 'lost' there will be a \$2 service charge for a replacement badge. Any new members will receive badge at the next meeting. Please let me know if there are any changes or corrections are needed

Folk School -- Woodturning course (and others) are available to people in the surrounding Counties (see below) at a discounted rate of 'half'. This is for the course only- does not include room/meals. If you are enrolled as a local resident, you will be bumped by paying, scholarship, etc. students. Participating Counties are; Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Macon, and Swain Counties, NC and Fannin, Towns, and Union Counties in GA.

Folk School Local Scholarships Available -- Some great local scholarships are available to full-time, local residents. www.folkschool.org -- check under "For Locals" Tuition is FREE - but each student will be required to pay a \$25 registration fee and any additional materials costs. If there is space available and you choose to stay on campus, regular housing and meals rates apply. "Local" is a **full-time, permanent resident** of the following counties:

NC: Cherokee, Clay, Macon, Swain, Graham; GA: Union, towns, Fannin; TN: Polk

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## Items for Sale

No items at this time.

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Up-coming Events

AAW Symposium in Atlanta, Georgia, June 9-12, 2016. This is as close as it gets to us! This is the 30th anniversary of the American Association of Woodturners. Let's go help celebrate! To learn more at tiny.cc/AAW2016Atlanta.

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**2016 Scheduled Meetings**

| <b><u>Date</u></b> | <b><u>Demonstrator</u></b> | <b><u>Subject</u></b>                                  |
|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| 9-Jan              | Don Marks                  | TBA                                                    |
| 06-Feb             | George Dinsmore            | How, When, What, and Why of Turning a Box              |
| 05-Mar             | Andy Gunning               | Laminated projects and three point bowl (\$10 at door) |
| 02-April           | To be determined           |                                                        |
| 07-May             | Bob Moffat                 | To be determined (\$10 at door)                        |
| 04-June            | To be determined           |                                                        |
| 02-July            | Pat Johnson                | To be determined (\$10 at door)                        |
| 06-Aug             | Steve Cook                 | To be determined (\$10 at door)                        |
| 03-Sep             | To be determined           |                                                        |
| 01-Oct             | To be determined           |                                                        |
| 05-Nov             | Terrence Powell            | To be determined                                       |
| 03-Dec             | Christmas Party            |                                                        |

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