



Drawing for Hardwoods \$500 Gift Certificate at Christmas Party

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J. R. (Ralph) Hardwick (left) accepts the peoples' choice award for "Best of Show" from Show Chairman, **Paul Mancill**, at the November meeting.

It's not too soon to start planning your project for next year's show. Our Annual Show is generally held in October each year. There are many categories and several expertise levels in which to enter.

The Officers and Board of Directors of the Alabama Woodworkers Guild, Inc. invite you to come share a special evening with us on December 10th at the Homewood Senior Center (details on back page) as we celebrate the holiday season of this, our 26th year! See directions to Homewood Senior Center below.

Christmas Party Directions:

Homewood Senior Center 816 Oak Grove Road Homewood, AL

From I65 South, take the West Oxmoor exit, merge into center lane. Go through 2 lights. When in doubt, merge left. At the 3rd light take a left. Go to the black mail box and turn right into Senior Center property. The center has a green roof. (205) 943-0018

From I65 North, take the Oxmoor Road exit. Turn left. Go under interstate (3 lights). When in doubt, merge left. At the 3rd light take a left. Go to the black mail box and turn right into Senior Center property. The center has a green roof. (205) 943-0018.

Membership Dues

Annual membership dues are due in January each year. Our Treasurer, **Walter Barnett**, will take your annual dues at the Christmas Party, January meeting, or you can avoid the rush by sending your \$50 to the Alabama Woodworkers Guild, Inc., P.O. Box 26665, Birmingham, AL 35260

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EDUCATION

At our November meeting we got to see half a dozen of the dulcimers produced in the dulcimer class taught by **Paul Owen**. The results are impressive! One dulcimer per student is being donated to the Guild to sell as a fund raiser. Several students made more than one dulcimer in the class.

More classes are planned for 2010. We begin with a woodturning seminar by Phil Colson from Georgia. See additional information on page 2.

TOYS!!!

We had a good number of toys turned in at our November meeting. Folks have until the Christmas Party on December 10th to turn in toys for the final count. **Buzz Kelly** reports that, so far, we collected 3,334 toys. Even though that's a terrific number, we are about 700 shy of last years total. Let's do what we can to bring the number up just a little more in December. Still less than 30% of our membership has contributed to the program this year



ALABAMA WOODWORKERS GUILD, INC.

Presenting:

Phil Colson - Woodturner

Featuring:

Turnings for Furniture Makers and Fantasy Turning

*Saturday,
February 27, 2010*

9 AM until 4 PM

\$75 including lunch

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INC.

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Phil Colson has been working with wood for most of his life. His father, who was a master craftsman, exposed him to woodworking at an early age. It was here that Phil developed his love of wood. As a young man he was a dancer, stained glass designer and horticulturist. He brings all three of these disciplines to his turnings; a sense of balance, design and knowledge of wood. Phil says he selects pieces of wood for their inner beauty and unique grain patterns. He has studied with Nick Cook, Franck Johanneson, Chris Stott, Ray Key and Christophe Nancy from France.

Teaching

He has taught classes at J. C. Campbell Folk School, Highland Woodworking, for various clubs and one-on-one in his studio.

Demonstrating

Demonstrates for various clubs and symposiums around the Southeast. While he can demonstrate basic turning with projects such as spindles, bowl turning, natural edge bowls, and lidded boxes and vessels, he loves to demo Fantasy turning. Fantasy turning is about learning how to create by playing at the lathe and being able to say, "What If".

For additional information see www.philcolsonwoodturner.com

AWG and Woodworking Center Calendar

December 2009/January 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6 Dec	7	8	9	10	11	12
1:00pm - 5:00pm Ralph Hardwickk				11:00am - 3:00pm Thursday @WEC 6:30pm - 9:00pm Christmas Party Homewood Senior Center	9:00am - 1:00pm Ron Powell 11:00am - 3:00pm OTH Gang - Toys 1:00 - 5:00pm Troy Stroud 5:00 - 9:00pm Mike Key	9:00am - 1:00pm Mike Key 1:00- 5:00pm Brian Stauss
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26
1:00pm - 5:00pm Bob Moore				11:00am - 3:00pm Thursday @WEC	Closed for Christmas	Closed for Christmas
27	28	29	30	31	1 Jan	2
1:00pm - 5:00pm WEC closed for Christmas				11:00am - 3:00pm Thursday @WEC	Closed for New Years	Closed for New Years
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1:00pm - 5:00pm Ron Powell			6:30pm - 7:30pm AWG Board Meeting (J R Prewitt & Associates, 2146 Highland Avenue South)	11:00am - 3:00pm Thursday @WEC	9:00am - 1:00pm Randall Robertson 1:00pm - 5:00pmDan Langford 5:00pm - 9:00pm Bob Moore	9:00am - 1:00pm Brian Stauss 1:00pm - 5:00pm Walter Barnett



ALABAMA WOODWORKERS GUILD, INC. ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY DECEMBER 10TH

MEMBERS OF THE ALABAMA WOODWORKERS GUILD, INC.
AND THEIR GUESTS ARE INVITED TO
THE 2009 ANNUAL AWG CHRISTMAS PARTY.

NOTE THE DATE – THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10TH, 6:30 PM
AT THE HOMEWOOD SENIOR CENTER.

THE GUILD WILL BE FURNISHING THE MEAT, DRINKS, BREAD AND PAPER ITEMS. BRING ALONG YOUR FAVORITE SIDE DISH AND/OR DESSERT. HOSTING OUR PARTY THIS YEAR IS **MIKE KEY** ASSISTED BY **JEFF** AND **TINA HOOD**. COME PREPARED TO JOIN IN ON ALL THE FUN.

BRING ALONG THOSE TOYS YOU DIDN'T HAVE FINISHED IN TIME FOR THE NOVEMBER MEETING. **BUZZ KELLY**, IS MAKING HIS LIST AND COUNTING ALL THE TOYS TWICE. HE'LL LET US KNOW THE FINAL COUNT AT THE CHRISTMAS PARTY.

DON'T FORGET DOOR PRIZES. BE SURE TO GET THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON WHO SHOULD RECEIVE THE "THANK YOU" LETTER FOR DOOR PRIZE DONATIONS THAT YOU HAVE SECURED. AND REMEMBER THAT THOSE HAND-MADE-BY-YOU ITEMS MAKE TERRIFIC DOOR PRIZES!

DRAWING FOR \$500 GIFT CERTIFICATE TO HARDWOODS AT THE CHRISTMAS PARTY. ONE MORE CHANCE TO MAKE DONATIONS PRIOR TO THE DRAWING.

Alabama Woodworkers Guild Newsletter is published monthly for its members and other interested parties. Guild meetings are held monthly on the third Saturday at 9:00 a.m. at the Woodworking Education Center, 10544 Hwy 17, Maylene, AL 35114
Information concerning the Guild may be secured by calling **Walter Barnett, Treasurer** at (205) 933-9207.
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About Us

Seasons Greetings!

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