



# Windy City Woodturners

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# Message From Our President



## **Contributor : Jason Clark**

My family recently celebrated our 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of moving to Chicago. Of course, I say Chicago but I really mean Chicagoland as we don't live in Chicago proper. It's amazing to look back over those 5 years and see what has changed and also what has stayed the same.

Five years ago, we had a child in elementary school and another in middle school. Now we have a high school graduate and our youngest is in the middle of her sophomore year. We've gone from owning 2 vehicles to 4 even though somehow, we still only have 2 drivers (although our youngest just got their learners permit). Our menagerie has grown and shrunk multiple times for a variety of reasons but now stands at 2 dogs, 4 cats, and a number of fish (I'm still well behind Rich Nye in this department and I have no plans to add any additional pets). I now belong to 3 woodturning clubs (Chicago Woodturners, Windy City Woodturners, and I still maintain an honorary lifetime membership to the Arizona Woodturners for my service as past President). I've demonstrated for 1 national and 4 regional symposia since our move and I've lost track of the number of clubs that I've demonstrated for, whether live or virtual, over the past 5 years.

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I mostly have the same woodturning equipment that I brought with me 5 years ago. I've added a couple of chucks and a few new accessories and gouges but my lathe, bandsaw, chainsaw, and sharpening setup remain unchanged. I've developed a few new techniques and processes. Not just new to me, but very likely new to the woodturning world in general. My process for creating a Basket Illusion with rotating rings that allow you to change the pattern has almost certainly never been done before. I brought a truckload of rough turned bowls with me and while I've finished a few of them I've added far more roughed out bowls to my shelves over the past 5 years.

The last 3 years have been spent as President of Windy City. The biggest change for the club over that time was one that nobody saw coming, the pandemic and the need to shift to doing everything virtually. While I miss seeing everyone in person and being able to peruse the instant gallery, I'm surprisingly happy with our virtual meetings. In particular our ability to have professional demonstrations, something that our club would have had a very difficult time doing in the past. But there are definitely challenges when operating virtually; attendance at our virtual meetings is down quite a bit from our in-person meetings and we have yet to see what impact it will have on our membership and dues for 2021. I do foresee additional cooperation and combined meetings with Chicago Woodturners moving forward, particularly as it looks like we'll be virtual for the quite a bit longer.

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Nobody knows what the future holds, this time last year I can't believe that anyone would have predicted that we'd be 8 months into a global pandemic with only the faintest glimmer of hope on the horizon. I don't know what the next 5 years have in store; At this point I don't know where I'll be in 5 years, or 5 months, or lately even where I'll be in 5 days. I just try to take things day by day savoring these precious last warm days while I can.



# Elections



- ▶ Nominations for the 2021 club officers were made at the October Zoom meeting. Marie Anderson was nominated for President. Nathan Wick and John Dillon were both nominated for Vice President. Nick Page was nominated for Treasurer and Mark Dreyer was nominated for Secretary.
- ▶ Due to the pandemic we're holding the election virtually via a Google Form. If you wish to vote you can do so at this link: <https://forms.gle/R2ZMZ63cViumjeSY6>
- ▶ Voting will close at 7PM on Tuesday, November 17, and the winners will be announced shortly after voting is closed.

# President Nominee

Just when you thought the election was over...I'm running for President!

Hello fellow Windy City members, I'm running for President! I've been asked to write a campaign article (because none of you have had enough politics this year...right?) I could do the typical campaign speech, promising to cut spending, and lower dues, but I'm going out on a limb here to say you have probably heard enough BS for this year. (I'm hoping you, like me, are sick of all the polling calls, automated campaign calls and the confusing ads and negative tactics.) Thankfully, this is not that kind of article, after all, I'm running unopposed sooo nope! (BTW, what's with that?)

Thus the purpose of this particular article is not to campaign but to act as an introduction of myself to those of you who may not know me. So, here are a few biographical tidbits:

I have been turning for about 30 years (time gets a little fuzzy for me). It all started when my husband Dan purchased a bench at a garage sale for \$20 it had an old AMT pipe lathe on it which he tried not to bring home, however the owner insisted that the lathe & the bench were a package deal. Dan really liked the bench, so he bought it. That was the beginning...We now own 4 lathes (yes, still have that original junker).



# President Nominee – Continued

I've been a member of Windy City Woodturners since 2013, (and also a member of Chicago Woodturners and First State Woodturners). I am an AAW member and am currently serving on the AAW's Women in Turning committee. I've served as Newsletter Editor, Club Secretary, Outreach Coordinator, Empty Bowls co-coordinator, Teacher, Mentor, Demonstrator and Chief instigator of mischief. (Wait, what was that? That was a test, are you still reading?)

A couple of things you may or may not know about me. I helped to organize Turn On! Chicago (starting in 2008) and the Chicago OT Hands on Seminar/Workshop (starting in 2009) as well as the Ladies Night event's at our local Rockler store (since March, 2019). I've taught hands on classes at both Woodcraft and Rockler, Demonstrated for various woodturning and woodworking clubs, at libraries, and at SOFA Chicago. (BTW, in case you missed it), I'm also doing the demo for November...hopefully I won't screw it up...but no guarantees...it's virtual so cut me some slack!

There's more, but I'm sick of politics. Here's the shorten version. I agreed to run for President because I want the job. I will be thrilled to serve as your next president if you choose to elect me. Thank you for this opportunity. Marie



# 2020 Joint Holiday Gift IRD and Holiday Party

Just a reminder that we are doing a little something different this year for our holiday party. As you all should know, Chicago Woodturners and Windy City Woodturners are joining forces to offer their members a free professional Interactive Remote Demonstration on December 8th (CWT's normal meeting night). The demonstrator will be Michael Alguire who is becoming famous for his Wheel of Delicacy pieces. Michael will be our guest demonstrator creating a holiday themed Wheel on December 8th during the CWT regularly scheduled meeting. We will be joining the members of the CWT for this demonstration.

Then, during the WCW regularly scheduled meeting on December 15th, the party will continue. We will enjoy each other's company through a virtual party. Those of you who have agreed to participate in the Secret Santa exchange will be the main entertainment for the evening opening the gifts that you will have in your possession by then! (Please note: the Secret Santa assignments were sent out on October 22nd. If you wanted to participate, and did not respond to the invite, please contact Marie Anderson. She will try to juggle some Santa's to make room for you - however there are no guarantees.) You are all encouraged to wear your holiday finest including, and ugly sweaters and appropriately themed hats always keep things interesting! You are responsible for your own libations and snacks this year (sorry). However, there will be some surprises so don't miss this first ever (and hopefully last ever) virtual version of our combined holiday party! Looking forward to "seeing" you all there!

You will receive invitations to these two virtual events the same way you normally get notices of the monthly meetings except in December you will be getting two invitations so mark your calendars NOW for both December 8th and December 15th!



# Christmas “Get Together”



On night two, December 15th, we will once again join together to enjoy a virtual evening of comradery and holiday festivities. I highly encourage you to dig out your "Ugly Sweaters" or even "Ugly Hats" (both of these I write with a certain degree of gleeful jest) but in the hopes that you will all get into the spirit of the evening. And, just a hint, it is entirely possible that there may be some equally ugly door prizes (...it has happened before, just sayin').

Although we cannot be together in person, this Zoom thing is making it possible to socialize and I truly hope you will all join me to spread the holiday spirit to all of our members. It won't be the same, but I guarantee this will be hysterical...um, I mean historical...yah, that's what I meant! Hope to see you all there. Cheers! Marie

# November Meeting – Marie Anderson

- ▶ Small Piece



# November Demonstration



Marie Anderson will be the demonstrator for the November meeting. Marie will be turning Christmas ornaments for our November meeting. Each year Marie turns a different ornament and often they are small enough to fit on a table top tree.

Marie has been busy setting up her shop for this remote demonstration and preparing for this demonstration. In the event that you hold dual memberships in both CWT and WCW you will see Marie at both meetings but she will be covering different ornaments each evening. These ornaments are typically turning in spindle orientation and simple enough for beginners but include some more advanced embellishing techniques for those of you looking for a little inspiration. So come one, come all and get into the holiday spirit!

# October Meeting – Al Miotke

## ▶ Finishes



# New WCWT Website

- ▶ [windycitywoodturners.com](http://windycitywoodturners.com)
- ▶ Your comments are welcome
- ▶ Contact: [mg\\_dreyer@yahoo.com](mailto:mg_dreyer@yahoo.com)

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Windy City Woodturners website. The header features the club's logo on the left and right, and the name "Windy City Woodturners" in a stylized font in the center. Below the header is a navigation menu with links for Home, Club Details, Meetings, Gallery, Education, and Events. The main content area is divided into three columns. The left column contains information about a club event "Once Upon A Christmas" on Dec 5 & 6, 2020, and a cancelled non-club event "Turn On! Chicago" on July 24 - 26, 2020. The middle column features the club's mission statement, meeting information (3rd Tuesday of each month, 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM, Lisle Park District Building), and a demo by Harvey Meyer for the September meeting (9/15). The right column lists the next meeting on 9/15/2020, the topic "Square Platter", and a detailed description of the project. At the bottom, there are two images of woodturning projects and a "Gallery Review" link.

**Windy City Woodturners**

Home Club Details Meetings Gallery Education Events

**Club Event**  
Once Upon A Christmas  
Dec 5 & 6, 2020

**Windy City Woodturners**

**Non-Club Event**  
Cancelled - Turn On! Chicago  
July 24 - 26, 2020

**TURN-ON!**  
CHICAGO

**Windy City Woodturners Mission**

The Windy City Woodturners Club provides a forum for sharing, learning, fellowship and service. Our primary objective is to assist members continuously improve their knowledge and abilities in woodturning.

**Meetings**

Meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday of each month  
7:00 PM - 9:30 PM  
Lisle Park District Building  
1925 Ohio Street, Lisle Illinois  
Multipurpose room #4

**Harvey Meyer Demo**  
Windy City Woodturners September Meeting (9/15)

**Next Meeting**  
9/15/2020

**Harvey Meyer**

**Square Platter**

In this demo I'll turn a square platter. First, I'll ensure the blank is perfectly square and then I'll find the exact center. I'll mount the blank and concentrate on the back of the platter. I'll define a tenon and then shape the back of the platter making sure to have a pleasing convex profile. Then I'll turn it around, holding by the tenon, to turn the front side. I'll work from the corners toward the center, being careful to keep all 10 fingers on my hands.

Gallery Review:

# Newsletter Needs Your Help

- ▶ If you are involved in any demos, activities, or events that you would like to share with the group – please let me know
- ▶ We need
  - The activity / event
  - Location
  - Dates and time
  - Brief description
- ▶ Send this to [mg\\_dreyer@yahoo.com](mailto:mg_dreyer@yahoo.com) and I promise I will get it in the next newsletter



# WCWT – The Basics

- ▶ Next Meeting: September 15, 2020 (Virtual)
- ▶ Meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday of each month
- ▶ 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM
- ▶ ZOOM – Get the app  
(<https://zoom.us/download>)
- ▶ ~~Lisle Park District Building~~
  - ~~1925 Ohio Street~~
  - ~~Multipurpose Room #4~~



# Call For Demonstrators



- ▶ Want to help out?
- ▶ Tell the world (or at least the club) about your talent and adventures?
- ▶ Maybe just what you have learned recently?
- ▶ **WE NEED YOUR HELP – VOLUNTEER TO DEMO**
- ▶ Contact
  - Peter D’Attomo (zorro4122@yahoo.Com)

**This Is Your Club – Please Help Out**

# Member Contributions



# WIT Presents: Kristin LeVier on November 21, 2020.

The November edition of WIT Presents will introduce you to a Scientist! In her own words, Kristin LeVier is a former molecular biologist-turned-studio artist who creates contemporary sculpture at the intersection of art and science to remind us of our intimate connection to the breathtaking spectacle of the natural world.

This presentation is open to all AAW members and an announcement will be sent via AAW email when registration opens. The event is FREE, all you need to do is register on the AAW website. (Remember to log into the website before you try to register!)

If you want some pre-event insight into Kristin, you can check out the TED talk she did last year. I thought it was very entertaining. <https://youtu.be/nGn0pbImQ-s>

NOTE: Due to a second conflict in scheduling the date is being changed again. At the time of this writing, the date is changing from November 21st to December 5th at 3PM Central.



The logo for Women in Turning (WIT) features the letters 'WIT' in a stylized, black, cursive font. The 'I' is a simple vertical line, and the 'T' has a decorative swirl at the top. Below the letters is a horizontal line, and underneath that line, the words 'Women in Turning' are written in a clean, black, sans-serif font.

Women in Turning

# Virtual WIT eXchange - for Women in Turning

Due to CoVID-19 the 2020 WIT eXchange was cancelled early. The WIT Committee has been asked over and over when the next "in-person" eXchange will be scheduled. The answer is, we don't know at this time when that will happen. HOWEVER, the WIT committee decided that we have a responsibility to encourage all WIT to get to their shops and create. So, we came up with a plan to launch the first Virtual WIT eXchange. If you read the last WIT Newsletter, you should already have most of the information. If not, you can read it here: <https://www.woodturner.org/common/Uploaded%20files/WIT/Newsletters/WITNews202009.pdf> You will also see an email from the WIT committee shortly with more details. You will work in groups of 3 women and create a project following safe social distancing guidelines. Interested in meeting other women turners? Want more information? Need help setting up a group?

If you have any interest, contact Marie Anderson (call or text me 630-222-0277 or email me at [mecachin@gmail.com](mailto:mecachin@gmail.com)) to join a virtual information group meeting and support group where we will help you get started. These meetings will happen virtually most every week between now and the end of the year.

The logo for Women in Turning (WIT) features the letters 'WIT' in a stylized, cursive font. The 'W' and 'I' are connected, and the 'T' has a decorative flourish at the top. A horizontal line is positioned below the letters.

Women in Turning

# AAW News And Events



Hopefully you had a chance to attend the 1st ever Master Class with David Ellsworth on October 25th. David is Member #1 of the AAW and his skill and talent are unquestioned. He is an excellent teacher and if you missed this one, you missed a giant of woodturning! The AAW is working hard to connect with the membership. This event was very well received with over 1,000 registered attendees.

Next up on the Master Class series is John Jordan, tentatively scheduled (as of this writing) for November 21st. Watch your email for registration information and don't miss this one!

# Call For Entries

The Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum is a Sculpture museum - 3-D. Betty Scarpino forwarded the following information regarding an open call for entries into a fund raiser to help them stay afloat during the downturn caused by CoVid-19. This is an opportunity to get your work out there in front of the world! Please take the time this!

The call for entry from Marshall M Fredericks Sculpture Museum Fund Raiser entitled "Make Art, Mail Art, Support Art" can be found here: <https://mailchi.mp/175e009207bc/you-are-invited-to-join-us-under-the-stars-october-2825700?e=053962ff5c>

The are asking for pieces that are 5"x7" and "often this will fit into a A10 envelope" to mail them to the museum (6"x9" size). Entries must be postmarked by November 14, 2020. Betty writes: I've seen turned postcards being made by a couple of artists who are selling them by mailing the wooden postcards directly to the buyer — stamps on the wood, address directly on the wood. I intend to turn one, decorate it, sign, and mail it. —Betty

If you do not want to enter/donate a piece, you can support the Museum by SPREADING THE WORD!

Please spread the word by sharing their social media posts and/or telling your family and friends about this wonderful opportunity! Don't forget to come check out the art for sale yourself, December 1 – 15, 2020! You may find a new art piece to frame and brighten up your home or a special holiday gift for a friend or loved one.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MarshallFredericksMuseum>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/mfsmuseum/>

# Events You Should Know About



# Appendix

- ▶ 2020 Board Of Directors
  - ▶ 2020 Committee Descriptions
  - ▶ Windy City YouTube Channel
  - ▶ AAW Trial Membership
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# 2020 WCWT – Officers

**President** - Jason Clark

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**Treasurer** - Nick Page

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**Secretary/Editor** - Mark Dreyer

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# WCWT 2020 Committee Volunteers

- ▶ **Photography - Dave Burke**

- ▶ Photograph club activities and events and make those photos available for the monthly presentation, club newsletter, email, website, and other forms of communication. Help maintain the club photo roster.



- ▶ **Webmaster - Rich Rohrbach**

- ▶ Develop/maintain/update WCWT website and domain. Demonstrator schedule, photos, newsletter and other updates as required. If you have interest in this position please let us know.



- ▶ **Events- Don Johnston**

- ▶ Help coordinate and organize club events and activities including but not limited to Depot days, Once upon a Christmas, Rockler/Woodcraft events, ornament turning. Seek out opportunities for the club to further our mission to promote and educate the public about WCWT and woodturning in general.



# WCWT 2020 Committee Volunteers

## ▶ **Raffle– Richard Nye**

- ▶ Source wood, tools, and woodturning related accessories from various sources including donations, discounts, and purchases to be used for the monthly raffle. Raffle tickets are sold at the beginning of each meeting and items are raffled off at the middle of the meeting. Proceeds from the raffle go back to the club to offset club expenses and to fund the raffle itself. Certain item(s) may require multiple months of selling tickets in order to cover the costs of the item(s) and provide adequate profit to the club. Receipts for items that have been purchased are expected to be provided to the treasurer whenever possible so that the purchases can be balanced against the raffle line item in the budget.



## ▶ **A/V – Bob Bergstrom/Mark Jundanian**

- ▶ Research and make recommendations on audio/video decisions and purchases based on the club needs, bearing in mind possible future uses including remote video purchases and the ability to record demonstrations. Setup and run audio and video equipment at club meetings and presentations. Projector, screen, cameras, audio, and software. Recommendations should account for capabilities now and in the future, budget, and storage limitations.



## ▶ **Library- Rich Hall-Reppen**

- ▶ Organize and maintain the club's stock of books, magazines, DVDs, and other materials. Maintain records of items that have been borrowed by club members. Source additional/replacement materials for the library within the budget assigned. Provide relevant article about available library material for monthly newsletter.



# WCWT YouTube Channel



1:43:46

**20 Years of Turning Pens**

43K views • 3 years ago



1:13:53

**TURNING NATURAL EDGE  
BOWLS CLEANLY**

21K views • 2 years ago



35:58

**Ideas with Inside Out  
Turnings with Andy Kuby**

16K views • 7 months ago



1:00:46

**Turning a hollowed  
Christmas ornament with...**

3.5K views • 1 year ago



1:08:24

**Duel Bowl Gouge Cuts**

3.5K views • 2 years ago



44:08

**Inside Out Ornaments with  
Andy Kuby**

2.4K views • 1 month ago

# WCWT YouTube Channel



Turning a inlay in a inlay in a inlay

2.2K views • 1 year ago



TURNING A BOX WORTH ITS "SALT"

1.9K views • 1 year ago



Easy Finish for Pens, Bottle Stoppers and Boxes

1.9K views • 1 year ago



Easy threading of boxes and lids

1.5K views • 1 year ago



Designing and Turning Plates and Platters

1.4K views • 2 years ago



Turning End Grain Lidded Boxes

1K views • 2 years ago

# WCWT YouTube Channel



Dick Sing talks about his Sing Finishes

979 views • 3 years ago



Bowl turning 101 with Jason Clark

919 views • 11 months ago



WAYS OF MOUNTING WOOD BLANKS

784 views • 3 years ago



SPIRAL BOXES BY JASON Clark

733 views • 2 years ago



Different Cuts for Different Forks

693 views • 2 years ago



Turning a Turner's Star in Colored Resin

568 views • 4 weeks ago

# WCWT YouTube Channel



Using a Vacuum Chuck

581 views • 1 year ago



3 Major Bowl Grinds for the Interior of bowls.

545 views • 5 months ago



Using Spindle Gouges on Bowls

538 views • 2 years ago



Texturing and Chattering Wood Surfaces

540 views • 1 year ago



Threading Resin on Boxes

512 views • 7 months ago



Secrets of Successful Texturing on Platters and...

471 views • 3 months ago

# WCWT YouTube Channel



39:43

Beautiful Braclets from the lathe

459 views • 1 year ago



18:20

Pushing Iridescent Paint on Bowl Rims

395 views • 1 year ago



Tool stalling in wet wood

0:56

Lubricate the coring groove!

328 views • 1 year ago



35:45

CUTTING THE INTERIOR LOWER THIRD OF A BOWL...

319 views • 1 year ago



43:27

Eccentric Turning With Clint Stevens

313 views • 4 months ago



44:26

Analyzing the Skew

293 views • 3 years ago

# WCWT YouTube Channel



34:09

## Roses for a Pretty Lady

199 views • 1 month ago



1:12:16

## Replicating Spindle Turnings

192 views • 2 years ago



44:03

## ANDY KUBY DEMOS THREADING ON VESSELS

192 views • 1 year ago



28:48

## Casting Resins with Greg Bonier

162 views • 5 months ago