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# Windy City Woodturners

Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners



# Happy 2023!

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# January Meeting

**Wednesday, January 18, 2023**

*St. Timothy Lutheran Church, 1313 N. Mill Street, Naperville, IL 60453.*

*Doors open by 6:15 - 6:30 pm, so swing by early to help set-up. Hope to see you all!*

The January Mtg. demo will be done by Club Secretary John Dillon who will demonstrate how he finish turns a “roughed-out” wonky bowl.

Details next page.....

Not to be missed!



**WCWT ENTRANCE - LOWER-LEVEL**

**PARKING IS IN THE BACK  
LOWER-LEVEL PARKING LOT**

**1313 N Mill St, Naperville, IL 60563**



# January Mtg. Presentation

John Dillon -

January's demo will be by first time demonstrator John Dillon. John will be demonstrating how he takes a "once-turned" or "roughed-out" bowl, that is completely out of roundness, and makes it round again.

John will be going over the steps he uses: a friction drive chuck to reshape the tenon; flattening the rim; establish thickness; shape the exterior and finish the interior. If time allows he will also finish the foot of the bowl.



# Message From Our President

January 2023

Happy New Year and welcome to 2023!

You know, typing that made me stop and pause. 2023? If you are anything like me, you have been so busy this holiday season that you may not have acclimated to the fact that 2023 starts next week. How can it possibly be 2023? This year has been a whirlwind. Thankfully it seems we will end the year on a much milder note weather-wise.

I am also having a hard time believing that I am starting my third term as your club president. I am very grateful for the faith you have put in me and the rest of the WCWT board. It seems that it was just yesterday that I held my first board meeting with a very capable team of supporting board members. My thanks to Nate, Nick, and John who have given yet another year of their time and talents making this club better (and my life this year so much easier), always stepping in to fill a need and handling all the things that just need to get done. Thanks also to Jason for always being there with the history, knowledge, a helping hand and sharing each freely when asked. Please join me in saying thanks to both Rich Nye and Mark Jundanian who have tirelessly continued in their roles each month as raffle chair and AV guru respectively. Thanks to Dave Burk and all who have filled in for Dave over the past year allowing us to memorialize the artwork that has been shared in the instant gallery over this past year.

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# Message From Marie (Cont.)

There are still some jobs that need filling and I hope that others will be stepping up to offer their talents to make this club better. (Things like, AV assistant, Webmaster, Photographer assistant/backup photographer, Demonstrators, Writers, set up, and clean up at monthly meetings.) As I mentioned last month, there have been countless numbers of you who have filled various needs throughout this year and since there is a good possibility that I will miss one or more of you, please once again consider yourself thanked from the bottom of my heart.

As we start 2023 (seriously, not a typo), consider this as encouragement to spend some time enriching your life by standing at your lathe and turning for the sheer joy of turning. You deserve that joy. We ALL deserve that joy! As a matter of fact, why not consider teaching someone else to turn and share the joy of turning with them? I can tell you from experience that teaching can be just as rewarding as turning fresh cut hard maple. If you don't feel comfortable teaching someone, just offering a bit of encouragement to a newbie can raise the serotonin levels as you see them puff up their chests and gain confidence to try again.

You may never know how a word of encouragement can change someone's day, month, year, maybe even life.

If you haven't made a New Years resolution, may I suggest you consider resolving to spend more time in your shops, practicing the basics, sharpening, tool control, finishing and training your eye to see good form!

Start your new year by making some confetti out of your favorite wood! May the shavings fly!

Turn often, turn safely! See you on the 18<sup>th</sup>!

Marie





# Holiday Party Photos

Pics from Paul Pycik and  
John Dillon



Above - WCWT members and  
spouses posing for the Holiday  
Party Photo

# Holiday Party Photos



Above - Dan and Marie Anderson; Mark and Donna Dreyer and Bill and Sandy Hochmuth

Right - Marie drawing raffle numbers with Rich Nye





# Holiday Party Photos



Left – Rich and Deb Hall-Reppen with Dawn Herndon–Charles and Dom and Barbara Costabile. Showing-off some of their gift exchange prizes



Right – Rich Nye, John Dillon and Nick Page



# Holiday Party Photos

Left – Paul Shotola, Roy and Janet  
Lindley, Paul and Robin Pycik

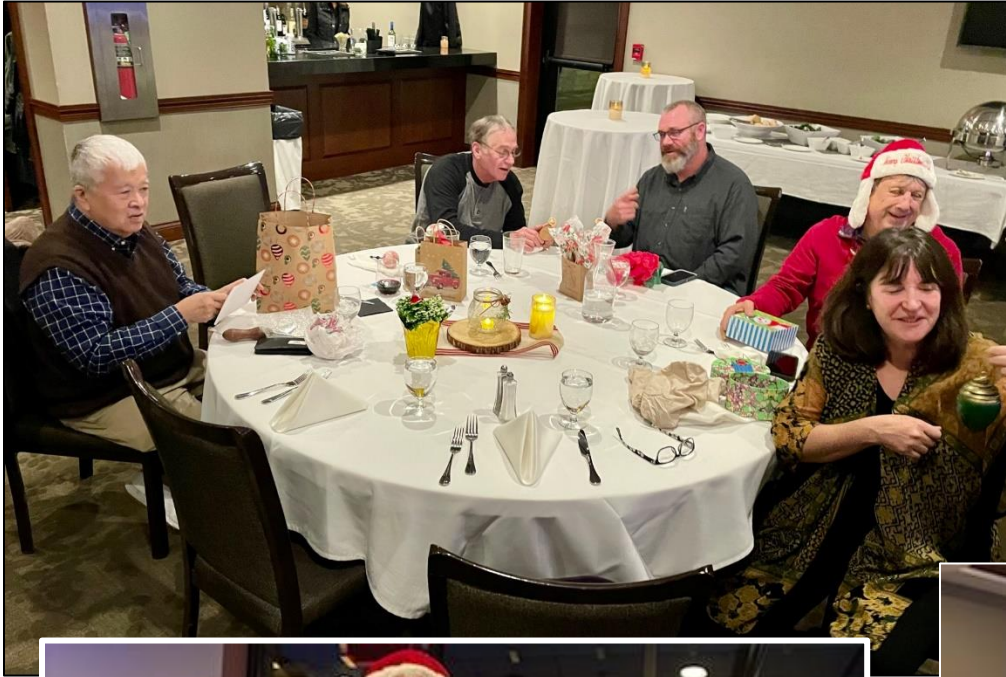


Right – Paul and Robin Pycik,  
Mark McCleary, Rich Nye, Nick  
Page, Paul Shotola, Roy and  
Janet Lindley





# Holiday Party Photos



Left - Phil Moy, Bruce Wick, Nathan Wick, Jeff and Eileen Walsma chatting after dinner

Below Left, The Walsmas with Paul Pyrcik

Below - Roy Lindley (standing) chatting with Rich Nye





# CLUB NOTES



## COVID-19

DuPage County is in “community medium level”, therefore masks are optional for attendees. We will once again offer a hybrid meeting broadcasting live to those who prefer to join via Zoom.



## IN MEMORIUM:

Paul Pyrcik brought to our attention that former WCWT member Dave Reilly died on December 19, 2022 at the age of 89.

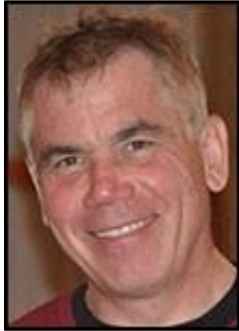
A memorial service for Dave is planned sometime in spring, when travel is easier for more family members.

More details on that memorial service will be sent when available.

**VOLUNTEER NEEDED**  
**- WEBMASTER -**



# AAW NEWS



Phil McDonald who has served as AAW's Executive Director since 2012, has informed the Board of his intent to resign his position April 1, 2023. During his tenure, Phil stabilized the organization's finances and financial reporting, helped lead the Vision 2020 initiative, worked to expand the online portfolio of digital educational content, and managed the organization through a pandemic, among other notable accomplishments. The Board is sincerely appreciative of Phil's leadership, wisdom, and council over the past eleven years. In Phil's words, "Serving alongside the Saint Paul staff team, together with so many deeply passionate volunteers, has been immeasurably rewarding. Now is the time to look ahead to the next decade and beyond."

Phil's anticipated departure date allows the organization to manage a smooth transition, and the Board plans to appoint Jennifer Newberg, our current Assistant Executive Director, to move into the ED role as Phil departs. Jen was recruited in late 2020 with the intent that she would be a candidate for the ED role when the current ED would eventually leave the organization. Her background includes twenty years of experience in non-profit organizations, with a particular focus on fundraising, organizational change, and membership development. Those of you who attended our Chattanooga Annual Symposium may have had a chance to meet Jen. Since joining the AAW, she has played a key role in both our virtual and in-person programming. We are all enthusiastic about Jen and the new management approach she will provide. Regarding the upcoming transition, Phil said, "I am both comforted and thrilled knowing the AAW Board is committed to a well-thought transition plan to usher in a talented, innovative leader so perfectly suited for the rapidly evolving challenges facing our woodturning community." The Board has decided to treat the change in leadership as an opportunity as we move forward from our three-year pandemic-induced change in reality. Stay tuned.





# Women In Turning (WIT) News

From: Marie Anderson

Women in Turning News for January, 2023

The Women in Turning Committee is happy to announce the dates have been set for the 2023 Virtual WIT EXCHANGE. Registration will open February 1. There will be a small registration fee for the participants. The actual collaboration will run from March 1-April 15 and the final presentation of projects event is scheduled for April 29th. More information will be coming in an email to all AAW women in turning.

There will also be at least 4 WIT Presents events in 2023. WIT Presents is a series of interviews showcasing women turners. I will share the interviewees and dates as soon as they have been confirmed.

If you know a women who may be interested in woodturning please encourage her to visit one of our monthly meetings!

Marie



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 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, sans-serif font.

Women in Turning

# AAW Upcoming Events

AAW Upcoming events: more information and registration can be found here:

<https://www.woodturner.org/Woodturner/Events>





# AAW Upcoming Events



ALL Times listed Eastern Time Zone

**Emma Cook, The Tiny Turner | Turning a Resin Inlay Platter**

**Saturday, January 21, 2023**

**2 pm Eastern Time**



[https://woodturner.org/Woodturner/Virtual-Events/Emma\\_Cook\\_Resin\\_Inlay\\_Platter.aspx](https://woodturner.org/Woodturner/Virtual-Events/Emma_Cook_Resin_Inlay_Platter.aspx)

## You'll learn:

During this demonstration, UK woodturner Emma Cook will take you through the steps of turning a platter and customizing it with wooden shapes, mica powders and resin. Using wood cutouts available at any hobby store, this project can be easily adapted to create stunning custom-made platters for holidays and special events (Valentine's Day is coming!)

## You'll learn:

- how to successfully cast a resin inlay WITHOUT a pressure pot
- how to turn resin with traditional turning tools
- how to get the best finish on resin

## Cost

- \$10 AAW members, \$15 all others.
- Preregistration required. Replay will be available to registered attendees only

Always changing, various IRD's are available as shown on the AAW's IRD calendar found here: <https://community.woodturner.org/events/ird-demonstrations>

# *Local & Other Events You Should Know About*



# Midwest Pen Turners Gathering

- ▶ April 21 and 22, 2023, Marriott Northwest in Hoffman Estates
- ▶ In-Person
- ▶ Top Of The Line Demonstrators **including WCWT members:**
  - Dick Sing
  - Marie Anderson
  - Al Miotke
  - Mark Dreyer
- ▶ Top Of The Line Vendors
- ▶ Top Of The Line Sponsors
- ▶ Registration Is Open
- ▶ <http://midwestpenturnersgathering.com/>





# Windy City Officers

Please reach out to your officers with any questions; concerns; compliments, etc.

We are always looking for meeting topics and demonstrators! Please feel free to also ask about volunteer opportunities.



- ▶ Marie Anderson – President [danmar12@yahoo.com](mailto:danmar12@yahoo.com)
- ▶ Nathan Wick – Vice President [nwick@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nwick@sbcglobal.net)
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- ▶ John Dillon – Secretary/Newsletter Editor [dillon60119@att.net](mailto:dillon60119@att.net)
- ▶ Jason Clark – Immediate Past President [jclark58@gmail.com](mailto:jclark58@gmail.com)

# THANK-YOU!

## WCWT 2023 Committee Volunteers

- ▶ **Photography** - Dave Burk
- ▶ **Events** – **Open**
- ▶ **Raffle**– Richard Nye
- ▶ **A/V** – Mark Jundanian
- ▶ **Library**- Rich Hall-Reppen



# *And Finally.....*

- This is your newsletter and personal stories, events and other tidbits are welcome.
- Tools for sale? Garage Sales? Fresh cut logs? Let us know.
- Photos of shop improvements or new ideas? Maybe you got a new lathe? Took a class from a pro? Let's share.....
- Birthdays, baby births and wedding information all make for good news in newsletters, so please share what's going on in your family life!
- Send any "news items" you might have to John Dillon at [dillon60119@att.net](mailto:dillon60119@att.net)

