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Windy City Woodturners

Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

Dick Sing Wooden Egg Collection Photo



HAPPY EASTER

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April Mtg. Presentation

The April Meeting will be held on

WEDNESDAY, April 20th,

2022, at our **new LOCATION!!**

*Paul Pyrcik will be giving a “Membership Presentation” and will be enlightening our group on “where our roots were planted” and welcoming us all to our new meeting facility. This meeting is not to be missed as it will bring us together once again for something we’ve been missing during the pandemic, fellowship and camaraderie. Please come and check out our new facility!! ****special note, as per above, we’re moving the meeting date to the 3rd WEDNESDAY every month!!***



WCWT ENTRANCE – LOWER-LEVEL

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

April Mtg.....MORE!

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St. Timothy Lutheran Church

THIS IS GONNA BE FUN!

Everyone is encouraged to bring their favorite birthday treats (celebrating all member birthdays we missed during the past 2 years!!) to share and "something turned" for the instant gallery table. We will be celebrating our new home and remembering our history all in one night!

We will also have the zoom meeting for those who cannot come in person. (Link for Zoom will be emailed prior to mtg.)



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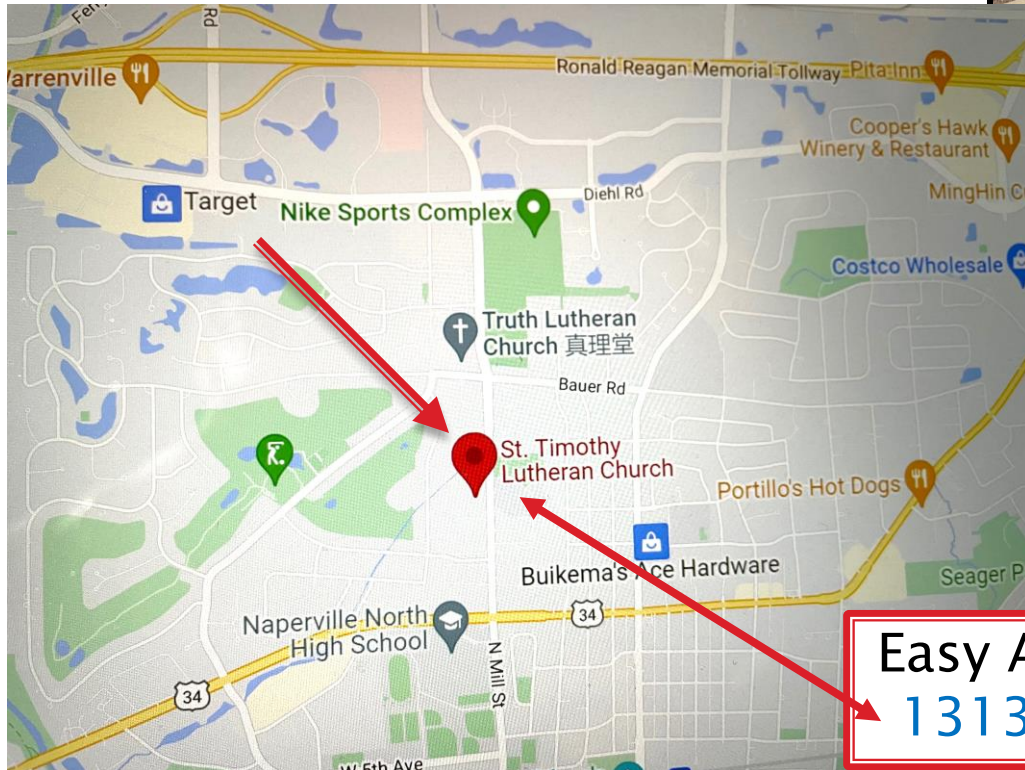
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April Mtg. Location Map

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Message From Our President

Contributor : Marie Anderson

To everything there is a season....

We have certainly had quite a few “seasons” these last couple of years. Let’s be honest, the world as we knew it no longer exists. We got an abrupt slap in the face letting us know some of the things we thought we couldn’t live without really weren’t that important. It’s been a tough season to weather no doubt. Now, priorities have shifted, lives are different, families have benefitted, and we have seen that change, while scary, can be good. Yes, in this season, our lives have changed in many ways.

One thing has remained the same throughout it all. Woodturning has brought us a sense of connection that we may not have had if not for turning. It’s brought us joy (each in our own different ways of course). It has been a friend when we felt alone. A sense of purpose when some of us needed it. Anyone who did not have some sort of craft or art to cling to during this season had a much rougher time than those of us who are part of this club. I’ll not presume that all of you experienced this sense of connection, nor will I assume turning was your only “lifeline” during this season of our lives. I do believe whether you turned or not, the fact that you had that skill and had the tools or you decided to learn to turn sometime over the course of the last couple years, that connection to art, craft and life most likely gave you a sense of relief in these highly stressful seasons. Hopefully this club has offered you some reprieve from this stress as well. (continued)



Message From Our President Cont.

To everything there is a season...

If you did not attend the last monthly meeting via zoom, you may not know that the current season is coming to an end. You may not know that thanks to our relocation committee headed by chairperson Paul Pyrcik and including John Dillon, Rich Hall-Reppen, Don Johnston, and Richard Nye the Windy City Woodturners will begin a new season in a **new venue** on a **new meeting night** on **Wednesday** April 20, 2022.

To everything there is a season...

I am writing this letter as the logistics of this new season are being finalized. Equipment moves, paperwork, discussions regarding zoom broadcasts, updating our inventory list, sharing responsibilities, searching for a **new webmaster**, our AV situation and how to best communicate with all of you! Rest assured, we will make it happen! How can you help? **Everyone should bring birthday treats! This month we will celebrate everyone!**

To everything there is a season...Turn, turn, turn! (come on, you knew it was coming...) Your job is to turn something and bring it to the April meeting!

The new season of Windy City Woodturners starts on a NEW NIGHT - Wednesday, April 20, 2022 - at our new venue: St. Timothy Lutheran Church, 1313 N. Mill Street, Naperville, IL 60453 Doors open about 6:15. Meeting starts 7pm. Hope to see you all as we start this new season together!

Turn, turn, turn! Marie



March Mtg. Recap

- The Club held the March 2022 Mtg. via Zoom and there were between 27-30 members on Zoom.
- Marie mentioned there would be no banjo session for the immediate future while we get acclimated to our new meeting space and other spring events going on.
- The budget for 2022 was presented by Marie and passed unanimously 23-0
- A presentation was made by Paul Pycik regarding our proposed new mtg. space at St. Timothy's Lutheran Church in Naperville. The membership approved of the new mtg. space unanimously – 23-0
- Everyone was encouraged to bring a snack to the April in-person meeting as we'll be celebrating all the birthdays we missed during the pandemic. Members were also advised to bring something turned for the Gallery review.



March Mtg. Recap (cont.)

The members were advised about upcoming events;

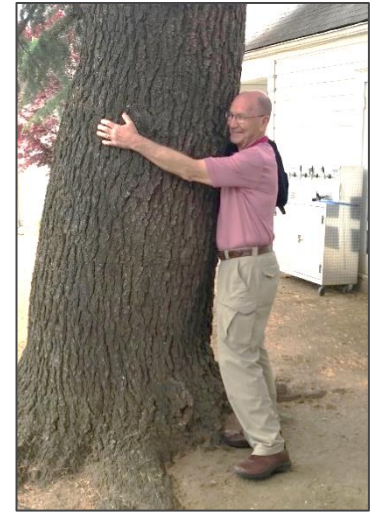
- The Midwest Pen Turners gathering – April 22 & 23 in Hoffman Estates
<http://midwestpenturnersgathering.com/>
- Turn-On Chicago was discussed – July 29 – 31st in Northbrook, IL – this event is sponsored by the Chicago Woodturners and they are looking for volunteers for a variety of assignments. **Volunteers are needed and the volunteer registration link is here:** <https://forms.gle/Q8PLapfUX5oD4RpA8>



Webmaster Needed!
Please reach out to
Marie if you are
interested

March Mtg. Demo Re-Cap

Frank Pagura was the March Meeting demonstrator. Frank demonstrated how he makes wood-turned baseballs and installs the laces on the ball.



Thank-You
for a great
presentation
Frank!



VERY
INTERESTING
AND QUITE
DETAILED!

March Gallery Photos



Above
Frank Pagura
(His March Demo)

Dick Sing (below)
Cindy's "Honey Do" List



March Gallery Photos



Rich Nye
Cherry Sculpture Bowl
Finish:
Paint & ChromaGilt

March Gallery Photos



Mark Jundanian
“Dreamery” – The place where
dreams go when you are not
sleeping – Walnut & Butternut

March Gallery Photos



Left and Below
Bruce Metzdorf



Club News & Notes

Dues for 2022 are due! Thanks to those that have already paid.

If you haven't paid yet, do it now, don't wait !!

Make check payable to Windy City Woodturners and send \$25/individual or \$40/family to:

Nick Page
670 Welch St.
Gilberts, IL. 60136



Club News & Notes

CLUB MEETING SPACE COMPLETED!

The active search to find our next meeting space/home is completed. Thanks to the search committee, headed by Paul Pyrcik!

Yes, we have a new mtg. night.....

3rd WEDNESDAY's now!

It's been a long time since we've had in - person meetings due to the pandemic and it will be great to socialize with our peers again.

THANKS to the WCWT New Home Search Committee:

Paul Pyrcik, Chair
John Dillon
Don Johnston
Rich Hall-Reppen
Richard Nye



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Club News & Notes

Please plan to attend the April meeting at St. Timothy's Church in Naperville and don't forget to bring along a birthday treat so we can celebrate all the birthdays we've missed over the past couple of years.

Come and check out our new meeting space!

Bring along something you've turned for Gallery review too!



Women In Turning (WIT) News

From: Marie Anderson

News about Women In Turning

This just in, the WIT committee has just confirmed that the next WIT Presents will be a presentation by several women who are considered emerging artists. Ena Dubnoff, Melissa Engler, and Janine Wang will each give a brief presentation of their journeys. Each have very different backgrounds and are at very different stages of their lives which should make for an extremely interesting presentation. They will each present separately and then come together as a panel to answer questions posed by the attendees. The event is scheduled for May 7th and registration should open mid April so watch for it!

Speaking of WIT Presents, if you missed the Tania Radda event on March 5th, you missed an artistic journey of discovery from Sao Paulo, Brazil to New York to Arizona. Tania wanted to be an artist. She knew this from a very young age. It took her time to discover her passion lay in sculpting. It took even longer to learn that her preferred medium was wood but thank goodness she did. The passion she feels for creating her colorful wood art is very visible in this presentation and I encourage all of you to take the time to view the archive copy that is available on the WIT Presents Archive on the AAW website. <https://www.woodturner.org/Woodturner/WIT/WIT-Presents-Tania-Radda-March-5-2022.aspx>



Women In Turning (WIT) News (Cont.)

From: Marie Anderson

The 2022 Virtual WIT EXCHANGE registration has closed and as I write this the teams have just been assigned. The participants will meet for the first time via zoom this week to receive their inspiration words. By the time you read this, the projects will have just started. Each team of 3 women will work on their projects for about 7 weeks. They will focus on process, learning, and pushing themselves creatively. At the end of the project you will be invited to join us as we host the Presentation of Projects on June 4th. Save the date!



Annual Call for Board Nominees

Do you have business and interpersonal skills, along with a desire to help lead the AAW into the future?

The AAW nominating committee is seeking candidates with a diversity of skills in areas such as finance, strategic planning, nonprofit governance or legal matters. After interviewing all candidates, six will be selected to run for a three-year Board position, beginning January 2, 2023. **The deadline to apply is May 1, 2022.** For more information, contact any Board member or send email to nominations@woodturner.org. Further information on how to apply can be found on the AAW website at: tiny.cc/BODNominee

Kim Rymer
American Association of Woodturners
/ kim@woodturner.org

AAW Upcoming Events

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

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



AAW Upcoming Events



Last chance to register for this event! Coming up this Saturday!

Live Online Event

AAW Presents:

Phil Irons

Turning Spectacular Hollow Forms

Saturday, April 16, 2022

2:00 p.m. Central Time

\$10 AAW members, \$15 all others*

Join us for an enlightening session with the remarkable Phil Irons who will demonstrate his techniques for creating stunning hollow forms! His turning methods have been developed over more than twenty years of making and teaching. Phil will also discuss lathe stance, eye line, drive and tail centers, accurate chucking, the hollowing tools he uses, reverse turning, tool grip, form, and more!

<https://www.woodturner.org/Woodturner/Virtual-Events/Phil-Irons-Hollow-Forms-Registration.aspx>



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

In-Person Events



April 22-23, 2022 - Midwest Penturners Gathering, Schaumburg, IL (see page 28 for details)

June 23-26, 2022 - AAW National Symposium - Chattanooga, TN

July 29-31, 2022 - Turn On! Chicago, Northbrook IL (see page 29 for details)

Do you have something to add to this calendar of events? Send it to John Dillon!



**AAW Annual International
Woodturning Symposium**
Chattanooga, Tennessee
June 23 - 26, 2022

Local Events You Should Know About



Midwest Pen Turners Gathering

- ▶ April 22 and 23, 2022, Marriott Northwest in Hoffman Estates
- ▶ In-Person
- ▶ Top Of The Line Demonstrators
 - Dick Sing - WCWT!
 - John Underhill
 - Ed Brown
 - Mark Dreyer - WCWT!
- ▶ Top Of The Line Vendors
- ▶ Top Of The Line Sponsors
- ▶ Registration Is Open
- ▶ <http://midwestpenturnersgathering.com/>



Midwest Pen Turners Gathering Part 2

From Marie:

Hopefully, you have all heard about the Midwest Pen Gathering that is happening this month in Hoffman Estates.

Club member Mark Dreyer is one of the organizers of this fantastic event. Mark reached out this year to offer an opportunity for Women In Turning. Long story short, WIT committee members Marie Anderson and Linda Ferber will be hosting 2 WIT sessions at this symposium including a community building session and a limited (pre-registration required) hands on session for women.

After discussion with Mark, it was decided that the session that the proposed hands-on session might be of interest to others. Of course, it is not feasible to offer hands on for a large group so a demonstration style presentation open to the rest of the attendees on turning and marbling a folk art style pen was added. If you are a pen turner, or maybe you just like to learn new techniques, this symposium has plenty to offer! The techniques learned can be used in ways that are only limited by your imagination. Attending a symposium is one of the best investments you can make to enhance your woodturning journey.



TURN-ON! CHICAGO 2022

- ▶ **July 29 – 31, 2022**
- ▶ **Crowne Plaza Chicago-Northbrook**
- ▶ **Northbrook, Illinois**
- ▶ **<http://www.turnonchicago.com/>**

- 3 days of demonstrations from professional woodturning artists
- There will be 20 demonstrations on both Friday and Saturday to choose from during 4 – 90 minute rotations each day.
- There will be 9 demonstrations plus an Instant Gallery Critique to choose from on Sunday during 2 – 90 minute rotations.
- Trade Show with multiple Vendors
- Instant Gallery to display your artwork
- Hands-On Pen turning activity.
- Saturday evening banquet and auction.



Question of the month Part I – What's that tool?

This month while searching through some of the various cabinets of tools in our garage I came across this tool. I'm not sure who's estate sale or garage sale I acquired it from but it looked cool so it managed to make it's way home with me. I asked Dan and we are both stumped so I figured I would go to the best think tank I know and ask all of you. Does anyone know what this tool is? All guesses are appreciated, but if someone actually knows, I would appreciate your knowledge being shared! Thanks in advance!

Marie (and Dan)

DID ANYONE FIGURE THIS OUT?



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
- ▶ Nathan Wick – Vice President nwick@sbcglobal.net
- ▶ Nick Page – Treasurer nicklpage@sbcglobal.net
- ▶ John Dillon – Secretary/Newsletter Editor dillon60119@att.net
- ▶ Jason Clark – Immediate Past President jclark58@gmail.com

THANK-YOU!

WCWT 2022 Committee Volunteers

▶ **Photography - Dave Burke**

Photograph club activities and events.



▶ **Events - Don Johnston**

Help coordinate and organize club events and activities. Seek out opportunities for the club to further our mission to promote and educate the public about woodturning.



THANK-YOU!

WCWT 2022 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.



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

Setup and run audio and video equipment at club meetings and presentations.



▶ **Library**- Rich Hall-Reppen

Organize and maintain the club's stock of books, magazines, DVDs, and other materials.



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

