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Windy City Woodturners

Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners



**–Gotta Love Spring–
The Flowers are blooming!**

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May Mtg. Presentation

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

**St. Timothy Lutheran Church, 1313 N. Mill Street,
Naperville, IL 60453 Doors open about 6:15. Meeting
starts 7pm. Hope to see you all!**

*Brad Davis will be demonstrating how he makes the
Chinese Puzzle Balls.*

Demo to include:

Chinese Puzzle ball from start to finish

- *Turning sphere with Vermec Sphere Cutter*
- *Hole layout directions*
- *Actual turning with tooling from Conestoga Works*

**more on next page.....*



WCWT ENTRANCE - LOWER-LEVEL

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

1313 N Mill St, Naperville, IL 60563

May Mtg. Presentation

Meet Brad Davis –

I am a not so famous wood turner from Lamont, IA. I have never received any woodturning accolades, but I still love turning wood and creating unique pieces

My first lathe was purchased around 2004 and as many of you will attest, you can't have just one. My focus was on traditional utilitarian pieces until 2011 when I bought my first Rose Engine. I was able to spend quite a bit of time with Gorst duPlessis prior to his death learning the ins and outs of Ornamental Turning. In 2014, I purchased my Holtzapffel Ornamental Lathe from Gorst. I consider this one of my greatest purchases.

My love of turning is not limited to OT. I like experimenting with different textures applications as well as air brushing. The last few years with the help of a few of my "Chicago Buddies" we have been able to bring in a few well-known turners and put on week long classes at my place. I have found that this keeps me focused with fresh ideas. I do not feel you can ever stop learning.



BRAD DAVIS, Lamont, IA

Message From Our President



Happy May!

It's the time of year that woodturning competes with many other life pursuits, including lawn mowing, and work (for some of us anyway, have to pay for classes & tools right?), lawn mowing, tree trimming (well, that could be woodturning right?), lawn mowing, graduations (might need a special pen for that graduate), lawn mowing, symposium planning and attending (oops, woodturning too), lawn mowing, spending time with family (teach them to turn?), lawn mowing, planting the garden (need a dibble or some plant stakes?) lawn mowing, just getting outdoors (sure, but you have to make it QUALITY time so move that mini lathe outside), more mowing, and of course volunteer time (turn a bowl for empty bowls or a box for Beads of Courage or a pen or two for Pens for Troops or contact me to help in the Turn on Chicago Instant Gallery in July, (no seriously, I need some help!))

OK, so we have competing needs and wants with the club too. We needed a new venue. Thanks again to the relocation committee for a job well done. We wanted to get back to in person meetings. Thank you to those of you who were able to join us in April (either in person or via Zoom) for our first in person/hybrid meeting in 2 years at our new venue, St. Timothy Lutheran Church in Naperville. We wanted an educational program for our first meeting, we needed something to test our new hybrid style of meetings. Thanks again to Paul Pyrcik for his excellent overview of the history of Windy City Woodturners (cont.)

Message From Our President Cont.

We had a few technical glitches, but overall the reviews for our first attempt were very positive. Special thanks to Mark Jundanian for his tireless and continuous efforts with our AV system to refine and update the AV documentation so that anyone can come in and assist with the set up and running of our meetings by following his meticulous step by step instructions. (Volunteers always needed, welcome and appreciated - talk to Mark J.)

Coming up, more competition for your time. Our May meeting will feature Brad Davis who has agreed to come all the way from Iowa to give us our first live demonstration in over 2 years in our new location on a topic that has never been seen before at a Windy City Meeting! Brad will be amazing us all with his skills as he explains turning a Chinese Ball.

Come to think of it, maybe this time of year with more hours of sunlight each day it's exactly what we all need! Time to kick it into high gear folks. The lawn's growing fast and furious and there's still so many things to turn. No time like the present to seek a balanced, woodturning life.

I'll leave you with a fun fact and a quick competition to see who will be the first to tell me the answer to the following question at the May meeting: At the April meeting we had at least 4 Mark's attending the meeting, can you name them?

Looking forward the fruits of your balanced woodturning life in the instant gallery at the May meeting!

Marie



April Mtg. Recap

The Club held the April 2022 Mtg. in-person and via Zoom and there were 32 attendees in-person(!) and about 10 dialed into Zoom.

Marie welcomed everyone to our new meeting space at St. Timothy's Lutheran Church. She mentioned how grateful we are for the opportunity to meet in-person again and went over a few basics re: the mtg. space including the need for volunteer's to help with set-up and clean-up.

We had 3 visitors in attendance (sorry didn't get all the names correctly) but it sounded like, Jason, from Warrenville, Jim Sendeck and George Rogers

Marie mentioned birthdays(!); she recognized the volunteers that donate their time to the club through a variety of ways; Recognized Paul Pycik for his service award from Metropolitan Family Services of DuPage; mentioned upcoming events, both national and local.



Marie with her welcoming remarks



April Mtg. Recap (cont.)

A presentation was made by Paul Pycik regarding the history of the WCWT Club and our new mtg. space.

Upcoming demo's were discussed. Please reach out to Nate if you have any suggestions.

John Dillon did the Gallery review (lot's of items were brought)

We had the monthly raffle which was a huge success

We are thankful for the snacks that many members brought



GALLERY TABLE WAS PRETTY FULL.
THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO
CONTRIBUTED!

April Mtg. Pics



April Gallery Photos



Dick Sing (below) Maple Bowl
and Marblewood Box



Above
Frank Pagura & Brad
Davis Collaboration

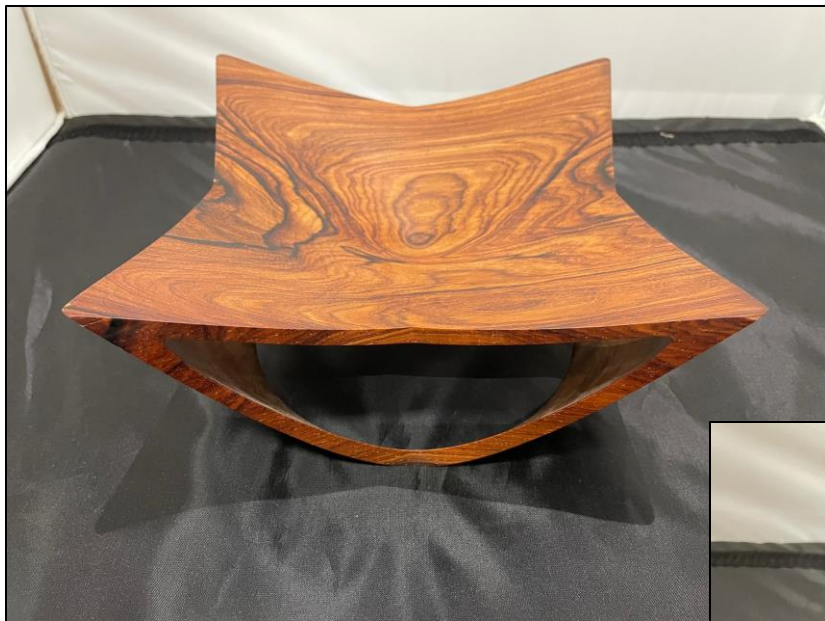


April Gallery Photos



All this page – Rich Nye
Those with “legs” from Rebecca
DeGroot Classes. Top Right,
Nick Agar Class

April Gallery Photos



Above - Mark Jundanian
Top Right - Don Johnston
Right - Roy Lindley

April Gallery Photos



Left, Dawn Herndon-Charles
Bottom Left, Marie Anderson
Below, Brad Davis "Footed Box"



April Gallery Photos



Left, Bruce Wick
Below Left, Mark McCreary
Below, John Dillon



April Gallery Photos

All this page, Mark Hubl



April Gallery Photos

Left and Below Left, Bert
LeLoup
Below, Phil Moy



April Gallery Photos

Left (seed pod) and Below Left (Walking Bowl),
Frank Pagura
Below, Nick Agar inspired bowl and pizza
cutter, Rich Hall-Reppen



April Gallery Photos

Left and Below Left, Rich Piper
Below, Bruce Witt, Pen
ornament



April Gallery Photos

All this page, Paul Pycik from
Rebecca DeGroot Classes



Club News & Notes

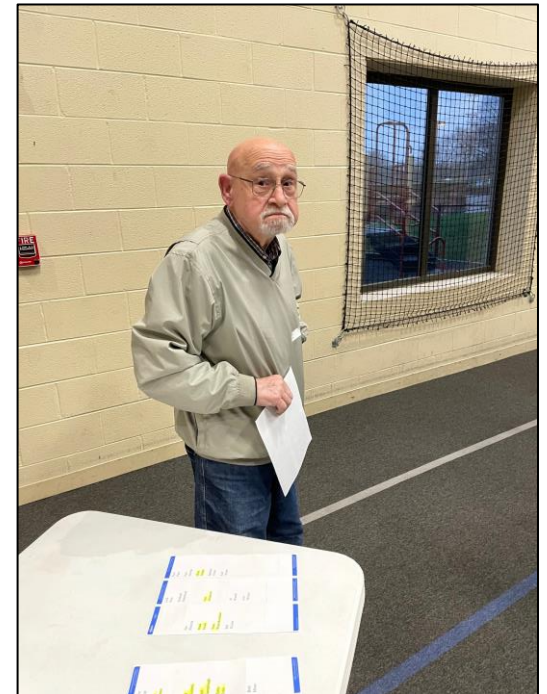
Dues for 2022 are due! Thanks to those that have already paid.

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

Nick Page
Treasurer



Club News & Notes

Marie received notice that long time member and good friend Bruce Kamp has passed away. Our condolences go to his wife Linda and their entire family. Bruce was a past newsletter editor and volunteer for our club. Prior to COVID, Bruce was often seen at our monthly meetings. When we were shut down and went virtual, Bruce attended almost every zoom meeting and was often seen at the Banjo sessions. He always had suggestions for improving the club and a kind and supportive word for other members.

He will be greatly missed. A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, May 21st, at 11:30am with visitation beginning at 10:30am at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 815 S. Washington St. Naperville, IL 60540.

There will be a luncheon after the service at the church.

In lieu of flowers, his family requests a donation in his memory be made to The Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation
230 E Ohio Street, Suite 500,
Chicago, IL 60611.

See obituary for further information including a link to donate.



Bruce's obituary can be found here: [Bruce I. Kamp Obituary - Visitation & Funeral Information](#)

Club News & Notes



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



Mark Jundanian
Testing out the A/V
Thanks for doing a great job Mark!

Women In Turning (WIT) News

From: Marie Anderson

News about Women In Turning

The 2022 Virtual WIT EXCHANGE has been underway since the end of March and the teams are rapidly coming to the end of their collaborative journey and we are all very excited to share with the world the completed projects. The Presentation of Projects even will be held via Zoom on June 4th at 2pm central time. The presentation is free to attend (if you feel these programs are worth supporting there is also a suggested \$5.00 donation button available which you can use if you would like to support future WIT projects). Registration is now open on the AAW website. You will receive the zoom link after registering.

WIT will also have a Special Interest Group (SIG) session at the national symposium in Chattanooga this June. Andi Wolfe and Marie Anderson will be the moderators for this panel discussion featuring WIT liaisons Debra Higley-Feldman, Daryl Gray and Janice Levi.

For those who cannot attend this SIG session will be broadcast live via Zoom to all interested women in turning, The Zoom link will be posted on the WIT Liaison community board on the AAW website.

Registration for the Presentation of Projects can be found here:

<https://woodturner.org/Woodturner/WIT/WIT-Home-Page.aspx?WebsiteKey=c9100f02-c77e-4177-a9bc-7d3eb0216238&hkey=7f6a65b2-ec98-472f-a7b6-2ac573f7258d&100134f70e4f=8#100134f70e4f>

Hope to see you all at the Presentation of Projects event on June 4th!

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 simple, 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



If you are interested, these events are this week! Times listed are Eastern time zone:

Tool Talk Livestream with Cindy Drozda

May 12, 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM (ET)

Join me and bring your tool questions! Livestream is free and open to everyone. Access the session from Facebook, YouTube, or Twitch. No need to register, just tune in!

Turn a Wide Rim Platter Using the Golden Ratio with Kade Bolger

May 14, 10:00 AM - 01:00 PM (ET)

In this demonstration, Kade will cover preparation of materials, safety, grain orientation, chucking, golden ratios, and all the tools and techniques he uses to turn this project.

The Art of the Finial with Scott Hampton

May 14, 01:00 PM - 04:30 PM (ET)

Please join me as I teach my methods on how to create beautiful finials on a woodturning lathe. I have been making 100+ finials annually for over ten years to use on my holiday ornaments, boxes, and lidded vessels. I will be teaching about design features to add the right proportions to a finial, the types of woods that make great finials, the cutting techniques, the tools I use, my finishing processes, and to finish things off, I will have a "Question & Answer" segment afterward.

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

AAW Upcoming Events



Enriching Projects with Texture & Color with Scott Hampton

Jun 2, 07:00 PM - 10:00 PM (ET)

For 20+ years, I have used texturing and coloring to enrich my turned pieces, and here's your chance to learn about this intriguing topic. I will begin with explaining how to use a vast choice of texturing tools to accentuate and heighten your projects including chatter tools, spiral tools, knurling tools, and others. The second half of the class will cover the use dyes, stains, milk paint, effects paint, and gilt and colored waxes to show off the texturing and bring out the beauty of the wood.

Turn a Lotus Bowl with Kade Bolger

Jun 18, 10:00 AM - 01:00 PM (ET)

In this demonstration, Kade will cover preparing and mounting your blank, balancing, safety, grain orientation, chucking, and all the techniques used in turning this project.

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



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

Mark Dreyer sent our Club a nice thank-you letter on behalf of the Midwest Pen Turning Gathering. Mark thanked our Club for partnering; presenting; advertising and in-general helping him and his team host the event.

We in-turn thank Mark and our members who presented (Mark, Dick Sing and Marie, others?), volunteered and attended the event.

Well done Mark and team!!



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.



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

