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Windy City Woodturners

Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners



**TIS THE START OF THE
EMPTY BOWLS SEASON!**

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September Meeting

Wednesday, September 21, 2022

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 September Mtg. will be a demonstration by Kurt Wolf-Klammer turning a Christmas ornament. Details next page.....

Not to be missed!



WCWT ENTRANCE - LOWER-LEVEL

PARKING IS ALSO IN THE BACK LOWER-LEVEL PARKING LOT

1313 N Mill St, Naperville, IL 60563

September Mtg. Presentation

Kurt Wolf-Klammer will be demonstrating the making of one of his Christmas Ornaments.

From Kurt:

My first sales were at a Christmas Bazaar at my church. I had been wood turning for only a couple of years. That year my ornaments were the first things to sell. Since then I have really focused on making ornaments and hollow forms. I have made traditional and a couple that are mainly mine. I had been making bird house ornaments and would get asked why there is no bird on my ornament? This led me to searching the web and finding an ornament similar to this but now I have tried to make it my own. Now that I have a bird feeder ornament I can joke that you see the bird at the feeder and not at its house.



Message From Our President

September 2022

Happy September!

The leaves have already started to turn and the weather seems a bit cooler than last month. All signs of an early fall in my book. It just makes me want to get to my lathe and turn before the garage turns into an icebox! (Some of you can relate I know!)

I hope you all have enjoyed the summer and are ready for the rush of fall activities. There are certainly a lot of things to look forward to as we make the transition between lazy summer days into fall. The cooler temperatures make it ideal for those of us with garage shops to turn without spending money to heat (or cool) the shop. We can throw open the doors and windows and enjoy the fresh air circulation as we turn bowls for Empty Bowls or maybe get an early start on something special for the holidays (NOTE: The September club demonstration topic is holiday ornaments.)

This month, you are all invited to join me at the Chicago School of Woodworking for an Empty Bowls workday on September 18th (see info later in the newsletter). Our monthly meeting will be September 21st so if you cannot make the workday, please consider turning something and bringing it to the meeting to donate or contact myself or John Dillon to let us know you have something for the sale. (More information later in this newsletter.)



Message From Marie (Cont.)

September also is the time that we all need to think about the upcoming elections for club officers. Believe it or not, it has been two years since I was elected club president. It has been a challenging time to be president of this club but it has been a joy for me. Our elections are held in November so this month we will be looking for nominees for club officers. Feel free to reach out to any board member to volunteer or nominate people to run for the WCWT board. President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer positions are board positions. We are also looking to fill a few other volunteer positions to make the club run smoother. Webmaster, videographers, photographers, writers, demonstrators, set up, and clean up. Please consider how you can help share our love of woodturning and keep this club moving forward.

See you on the 21st!
Marie



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.



August Garage Sale Recap

The Club held the annual garage sale, in the Church parking lot, on August 17, 2022. The weather was perfect for an outdoor event.

There were several “sellers” and a decent amount of “buyers” in attendance.

A few good deals were made on tools, turning accessories and some misc. chunks of wood for spindle turning or bowl turners. 10% of all sales were donated back to the clubs treasury so overall it was a “win-win” for the club members and the Club.

Prior to the start of the sale, Marie made a few general announcements re: upcoming events (both local and national) and Mark Dreyer provided an overview of an upcoming virtual event taking place on November 5 and 6, 2022 called **MPG+ Small Turning Expo** (details later in newsletter).

Thanks to Rich Nye for providing the monthly raffle items and door prizes. All good!

Reminder – We all need to pitch-in and help with set-up and clean-up of the meeting facility each month. Thanks to those who can come early or stay a few minutes afterwards to give a hand.

Thanks to those who have volunteered and signed-up:

For September: (we have a few open slots):

Set up volunteers: Frank Pagura, _____ and _____

Clean up volunteers: Roy Lindley, _____ and _____

PLEASE sign-up for a shift at our next meeting!

Special thanks each month to Mark Jundanian, and Marie, for getting the A/V equipment set-up and ready! **Big job and always looking for volunteers to help with this.**

August Garage Sale Photos

(Thanks to Dave Burke
Photographer & John Dillon)



Above - Marie making a few
announcements prior to the sale

Right - Mark Dreyer talking about the
upcoming virtual conference



August Garage Sale Photos



Below – folks listening to announcements prior to sale

Above – members and guests getting ready for the sale



August Garage Sale Photos



Left - Dick Sing, Dawn and Bruce

Below Left - Jason getting set-up

Below- Paul and Dawn inspecting some of Jason's wares



Miscellaneous Club News and Notes

Rich Nye is advertising he has a king size “sleigh bed”, w/drawer storage, he’d like to giveaway. If interested, please reach out to Rich at nyewoodturning@earthlink.net



Women In Turning (WIT) News

From: Marie Anderson

Women In Turning News -

I challenge you to make a difference this month. Do you know someone with whom you would like to share your passion for woodturning? Bring someone that might be interested in woodturning to the next meeting. Introduce them to the joy that we call woodturning! More is always more. Share the joy!

The WIT committee has been busy this summer working on organizing for fall so you did not see any new WIT Presents events. Hopefully you took this time to view the archived WIT Presents events, got inspired and maybe even spent some time standing at your lathe!



Now that fall is around the corner, I'm happy to announce that WIT Presents will return October 1st featuring the ITE 2022 Fellows – Naava Milliken, Kailee Bosch, Katie Hudnall and Janice Smith. Registration is now open for this FREE event on the AAW / WIT website:

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

This is the first time WIT will host a presentation featuring women from the Wingate Wood Arts Residency (formerly known as the International Turning Exchange) and should allow for an interesting insight into this “transformative program” of work/study/research in an intensive summer artistic residency program.

Women In Turning (WIT) News (cont.)

From: Marie Anderson

On November 5th WIT Presents: Helga Winter. Helga Winter is an original. She paved the way for many women in turning and her art is known worldwide. This presentation is sure to be engaging, enlightening and entertaining as Helga discusses her artistic journey. From the Port Townsend School of Woodworking website: Helga was born in Germany, thankfully she found her way across the pond as a young woman to study education. She began learning woodworking skills in fine furniture & woodcarving as an apprentice with Paul Pitts. She studied early on with woodturners Rude Osolnik and David Ellsworth. There is so much more to Helga's story so please be sure to join us on November 5th! Register NOW at the same link shown above.

The latest WIT newsletter has been published and is available for viewing on the AAW/WIT website which you can access here:

<https://woodturner.org/common/Uploaded%20files/WIT/Newsletters/WITNews202208.pdf>

That's all for this month! Get to your lathe and turn something!

Respectfully submitted, Marie Anderson



VOLUNTEER NEEDED
WEBMASTER

WIT
Women in Turning

More – Women In Turning (WIT) News

From: Marie Anderson

Reprinted from the Summer 2022 WIT Newsletter:

Ripples—how far does your positive influence go?

by Robin McIntyre, WIT Committee Liaison Coordinator

You never know how far your positive influence goes: All you did was compliment a beginner on her good posture at the lathe, which will help her tool control, and she felt good about your comment even though she's not yet happy with the shape of her turning. She doesn't give up because at least she can do "something right."

All you did was ask a fellow turner to join you in demonstrating at a street fair making tops and she got hooked on the joy of public demonstrating. She will be a club demonstrator two years from now.

All you did at a demo was give the bud vase to a high school student, who then investigates taking woodworking at her school. Plus she showed her parents, and her mom now might also take a turning class at a local studio so she can share her daughter's interest.

But those are just little things—YES, that's the point! Being truly present, listening, participating, getting photos of women turners and their turnings out there, stepping up to volunteer for a small job, contributing to a club or WIT project, bringing in your Show-and-Tell so all levels of turners are represented, partnering with another turner for a demonstration for the public or your club—all are important and valuable.

You don't need to be the highest level turner, the most proficient mentor, or the ultimate leader.

Step up, show up, take that step forward.

We can make the ripple of positive influence grow and impact others. How far? You never know.



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

Empty Bowls Work Day

Sunday, August 28th club members met to turn bowls (and other items) to be donated for our first Empty Bowls charity event this year which will be held on October 8th in Batavia, IL. **We will be hosting the second Work day on September 18th.**

Thank you to Shaun Devine for hosting the Empty Bowls workday at the Chicago School of Woodworking. Shaun is always a gracious hostess and we certainly appreciate the opportunity to host these events which benefit so many of those in need. Thanks to those fellow CWT members who joined us on August 28 for the EB workday including Andy Kuby, Clint Stevens, Tim Rand, Mark Jundanian, Dave Bertaud, and Marie Anderson. It was also nice to see Mike Canfield as he stopped in to visit and offer his support of our efforts.

This year CWT and members of the WCWT club are supporting 2 EB events. We have scheduled several work days to help provide enough stock for our event in Batavia and once again support the event at Oakton Community College which will open live for the first time since the pandemic. We have supported the Oakton EB event since Don McCloskey reached out to the organizers at Oakton more than 15 years ago. While I do not have the exact number I can safely say that the bowls (and other items) we turn for fun have raised over \$25K to help feed our neighbors in need. That is quite an accomplishment and I thank each and every one of you who has contributed over the years.

Empty Bowls

From: Marie Anderson



EB Turning Crew – August 28 work day including Mark Jundanian, Tim Rand, Marie Anderson, Andy Kuby, Clint Stevens and Dave Bertaud

Empty Bowls (cont.)

If you have bowls or other turned items laying around your house why not consider bringing them to the next club meeting to donate them to this worthy cause? Better yet, if you need a good excuse to get to you lathe to make some shavings, I'm asking you to specifically turn a bowl (or two) to donate to Empty Bowls. If you need further incentive, or are looking for some social interaction, come to one of the next workdays' and enjoy turning with the group. There is guaranteed laughter, suspense and possibly even some learning that goes on during these sessions. Don't miss out!

The second EB workday will be held on September 18th from 9-3 which will help to fill the tables in Batavia. We will have some roughed out bowls (but feel free to bring any extras you may have piling up in your shop to share). On October 23rd (after the Batavia event) we will host the third work day from 9-3 (also at the Chicago School of Woodworking) which will help us restock for the EB event we are participating in at Oakton Community College on December 3rd.

Thanks to all of you who have donated items for this event throughout the year. Your generosity is overwhelming and greatly appreciated. Please join us at any and/or all of these events to support this worthy cause. **Marie**

*see attached flyer



Wood of the Month

Submitted by Marie Anderson

Wood of the Month – *Arbutus menziesii* (common name: **Madrone**)

This month we are looking at another domestic hardwood (although we could call it an import to our area). The Wood is Madrone (or officially *Arbutus menziesii*).

Madrone grows on the Western Coast of North America, and typical mature height is 50-80' with 2- 3' diameter.

The wood is known for its creamy to pinkish brown color but can sometimes have dark red patches. It is considered a hardwood and its workability is similar to fruit woods.

Most often Madrone is milled into lumber. Burls are valued for veneers and in woodturning. It often has curly figure and/or clusters of burl figure making it very desirable. It can be pricey but well worth it!

As with any green wood, it turns nicely when wet, HOWEVER, it is known to warp and twist, sometimes (often) drastically.

In fact, if you purchase green Madrone, many turners keep the blanks tightly wrapped in plastic shrink wrap or even store it submerged in water until they are ready to turn it. Expect this wood to warp as you are turning it when turned green!



Wood of the Month

Submitted by Marie Anderson

Madrone continued:

See the works of artist Christian Burchard who learned early on how to capitalize on this movement to create a signature body of work.

If using in segmenting, with water based glues, the wood should be fully dry to avoid unacceptable glue joints (failure, depressions, and even tearing along the joint from wood movement).

Other than the typical wood dust issues I could find no specific allergy concerns about Madrone wood.

(Always use dust protection when working with wood to protect yourself from wood dust.)

NOTE: Much of this information was found on the web at <https://www.wood-database.com/>



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

WIT Presents: 2022 Windgate Wood Arts Residency Fellows - Kailee Bosch, Katie Hudnall, and Janice Smith

Saturday, October 1, 2022 - 4pm Eastern Time

Join us for a visit with fellows Kailee Bosch, Katie Hudnall, and Janice Smith, with Center for Art in Wood director, Jennifer-Navva Milliken. The Windgate Wood Arts Residency, formerly known as the International Turning Exchange, has brought together artists, scholars, and students for an annual intensive summer residency since 1995. WIT Presents events are FREE and open to EVERYONE. However, you must register to attend.

Registration will be limited to 500. This presentation is not a demonstration.

Rather, it is intended to inspire your own creativity.



SAVE THE DATE

Virtual Symposium

Saturday and Sunday, October 15 and 16, 2022

Whether you are woodturning as a new hobby or plan to become a pro, the projects, techniques, and tips from this Virtual Symposium will help you build foundational woodturning skills. Learn beginner and intermediate skills through projects by some of the best woodturning instructors from around the world, right from your home. Save the date to learn from: **Helen Bailey, Ernie Conover, Keith Gotschall, Rudolph Lopez, Jim Rodgers, and Malcolm Tibbetts.**

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



ALL Times listed Eastern Time Zone

Turn a Pumpkin Box with Tod Raines

Sep 24, 01:00 PM - 03:00 PM (ET)

This project creates a small hollow form with a lid. The turning will take place in real time from one piece of timber. The form of the box is sometimes tricky to get it to look right. I will use the basic indexing on my lathe to layout some line for carving. I will complete some carving live but not all of it. I will show how I go about shaping the lid in preparation for more carving. I will start the coloring process the box and the lid to get the look I have achieved.

Demonstrator: [Tod Raines](#)

[Video Channel](#)

Skill Level: Any

Cost: \$15

Free Live Online Class - Woodturning Spinning Tops & Magic Wands with Scott Hampton

Sep 24, 04:00 PM - 06:00 PM (ET)

This is sure to be a fun and exciting live interactive event, where we will explore making spin tops and magic wands that both young and old will enjoy. I will cover the different tools and techniques I use to make these fun and imaginative projects, where design and creativity are endless. This presentation is free to take part in. Just click the link to reserve your spot in the class. There are only 99 spaces available, so sign-up early.

Demonstrator: Scott Hampton

[Video Channel](#)

Skill Level: Any

Cost: Free

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



ALL Times listed Eastern Time Zone

Square Bowl with Lyle Jamieson

Sep 28, 07:00 PM - 09:30 PM (ET)

Lyle will turn a square edge bowl. He will discuss design considerations for the shape of the four wings, color, and grain orientation issues. Topics will include chucking methods, vibration issues, bowl gouge techniques, turning with voids, preventing catches, eliminating torn-out grain, and reverse chucking.

Demonstrator: [Lyle Jamieson](#)

Skill Level: Any

Cost: \$14.95

Learn to Turn Lidded Containers #4 - Lidded Hollow Vessel Part 1 with Cindy Drozda

Oct 8, 01:00 PM - 04:00 PM (ET)

This hollow vessel has a one-piece lid and finial, and a collar at the opening. Give it a different personality with a longer or shorter pedestal or finial. Take your hollowing to the next level with this form! Finial and pedestal turning are covered in Session #2. You will learn:

- Vessel forms and proportions
- Display the burl figure to advantage on your form
- Hollow a more difficult enclosed shape
- Create a one piece lid and Finial
- Fit a contrasting wood collar
- Finish your lidded vessel

Demonstrator: [Cindy Drozda](#)

[Promo video](#)

[Video channel](#)

Skill level: Intermediate

Cost: \$20

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



7th Segmenting Symposium

September 22-25, 2022

Crown Plaza Northbrook Hotel and Convention Center

2875 North Milwaukee Ave, Northbrook, Illinois 60062



Benefits of Attendance

5 classrooms with almost 50 rotations

Tradeshow

Instant Gallery

Special Friday evening sessions

Saturday banquet with awards and entertainment

Raffle

Go AL!

MPG+ Small Turning Expo

(Pens / Casting, Ornaments, Bottle Stoppers, Rings, Peppermills, And Much, Much More)

Love turning small items? Love Pen Turning? Want to see some other items you can turn on your small lathe? Just love turning in general? This event is for you.

[Register - Click Here](#)

We have some of the biggest names in the world of turning – right here – to not only teach you projects but also techniques. Eighteen sessions are scheduled to bring you everything from pens to peppermills to rings to embellishments and much, much more.

And if that is not enough, you get 30 days to watch and review the sessions. This is the best deal in the turning world. All this from the comfort of your home. "See" you here in November.

Event Details:

November 5 and 6 (Live event – ability to type chat with the demonstrator)
30 Days after to view the demos

World Class Demonstrators:

Mike Mahoney – World Renowned – Featured at this year's AAW – Live!!!

Carl Jacobson – Internet Sensation

Mike Nish – Craft Supplies USA Feature Demonstrator

Mark Dreyer – Five Time AAW Demonstrator ←

John Underhill – A Pioneer In Pen Blank Casting

Kirk DeHeer – Craft Supplies USA Feature Demonstrator

Fred Wissen – PtownSubbie Owner and A Fantastic Demonstrator

Dick Sing – The "Father" of Penturning – 9 Books On Small Turning ←

Scott Barrett – Ornamental Turning Guru (CWT) ←

Linda Ferber – Multi-time AAW Demonstrator

Ed Brown – Owner Exotic Blanks and Pioneer on Acrylic Turning

Emily Ford – She turns wood – and boy does she.



**MPG+ Small Turning
Expo**

Two Full Days Of Demos For Only \$59. Best deal in the virtual demo industry. More details (vendors and sponsors) to come.

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

