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All the News That Will Fit On the Lathe

# "the 360" A Message From Mark Hubl, Your President

The Shop Visit.... I think workshops are a lot like dogs. They come in all shapes and sizes, have differing pedigrees and personalities and their owners wouldn't trade them for the world. Yet there are those moments when one wishes they could teach the 'ole shop a few new tricks. With this in mind I recently visited one of our members' workshops.

I must admit, while anticipating the visit my expectations percolated. I had heard rumors that this particular shop was a "Woodturners Valhalla". My visit did not disappoint. This particular turner is a place for everything, everything in its place kind of being. What a wonderful approach compared to my "Hurricane Hubl" workshop!

Well, we spent several hours talking about machines, tools, methods, wood, turning and life. All in all, a really nice visit and a chance to learn and share.

I got a lot out of the visit. I knew I would not be remodeling my shop any time soon, so it was the little things that I was looking out for. The "aha" ideas that can make the shop work better. Well I found a few and have already implemented them in my shop. I look forward to another visit to this shop as well as others to glean additional "aha" ideas.

In the fledgling years of our club, as well as others, members rotated the meetings from shop to shop. I believe this was probably a pretty significant benefit for all. Our growth as a club has long since made meeting this way impractical, but that doesn't mean the shop visit needs to go the way of the dodo. I would encourage you to host a shop visit. It does not have to be a big production, just pick a couple members that you are friends with or would like to know better, and set up a time and date. If you would like to make it a bigger production let me know. I will be happy to facilitate an email, put your invite on our calendar and just help get the word out.

#### The March Demo



**Christmas Ornaments** 

#### Mark Hubl



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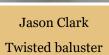
# The March Gallery



Bill Aitchison Acrylic Resin



Ed Slee Throw Tops





Paul Shotola Pear



Dave Neybert Ash





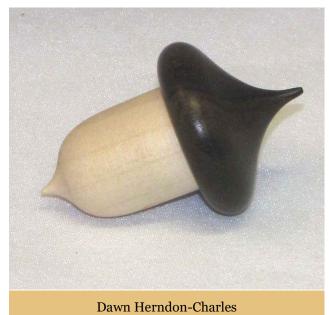
Dick Sing Eggs



Bob Bergstrom Ash



Bob Bergstrom Ash



Dawn Herndon-Charles

Maple, Mopane







Mark Hubl Ornament



Dick Sing Maple



Bob Bergstrom Ash



Jason Clark Plastic, Blackwood



Bob Bergstrom Ash

# Gavel Turning Challenge in April

Members have been challenged by the Club President, Mark Hubl, to turn a gavel. Gavels consist of spindle turning, generally incorporating classic shapes and elements. Assembly and fitting two (or more) pieces together make this a challenging and interesting project.



Dan Anderson with a really big gavel. Yours do not have to be quite so enormous



Just Scheduled

## **MAX BROSI**

Saturday June 4 Hands-On Classes: 6/5, 6/6-7

### The Midwest's Only Turning Symposium

# **Turn-On! Chicago**

July 22,23,24 Mundelein, IL



\*\*\*Featuring\*\*\* Mark St. Leger Robin Costelle

Clay Foster Molly Winton Stephen Hatcher

Frank Koblisek Nick Agar Vince Welch

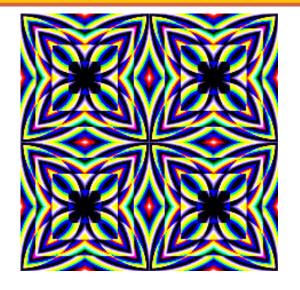
Graeme Priddle Rex Birmingham Rob Nelson

Mark Sfirri Rob Wallace \*\*\*All Pros\*\*\*

13 Demonstrators doing 55 Rotations

Instant Gallery
Trade Show
Banquet and Auction
FREE PARKING

# AT OUR NEXT MEETING:



# Demonstration by Richard Duego

**Making Kaleidoscopes** 

Tuesday April 19, 7:00 Lisle Park District All Are Welcome

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## Our Next Meeting: April 19 7:00PM

# THE MONTHLY REVIEW

Each month, an experienced member reviews members' current work (in March, it was Jason Clark) for form and new techniques in a non-competitive, positive way. All members are encouraged to bring their work to the review. What have you been working on? A new technique? A fresh design? Your fellow members want to know about it.

#### **Jason Clark**



# Volunteers Needed!

Throughout the year we need volunteers to support our clubs activities. Now is the time to start putting together committees and solicit volunteers for our events.

The following events are now on target for volunteers:

*Our Annual Picnic* – August 28 We will need a committee of several volunteers for the picnic. The locale and permit are already done.

**Rockler Demo** – June 25 As in the past we will being demonstrating at Rockler. We have focused on ornaments in the past, this year the demos are more open. We can do ornaments, pens, small bowls or kits. You call it! We will use the same format as the past with a morning and an afternoon schedule. See the signup sheet.

Heritage Society Ornaments – Last year we turned over 150 ornaments that quickly sold out at Heritage Society events in Lisle. We are finalizing the details of the ornaments shortly. We are again looking for volunteers to turn ornaments. If you are interested please use the signup sheet. We may be contacting you before our next meeting to get the Ornament rolling. Safety/Video Rig – Our EOG grant project. We will be procuring the needed supplies to complete this safety/video rig. We will be working with the plans from the AAW best practices article. I am looking for a couple of volunteers to meet and discuss the project prior to procuring the supplies. Then we will probably meet one or two more times to assemble the project. See the signup sheet.

#### Village of LaGrange Public Library Display

Don Johnston has worked on securing the public display cases at the Village of LaGrange Public Library to display our work. This display will be from August 1 thru September 30, 2016. This is a wonderful opportunity to display our members work, promote our club and woodturning in general. We will be providing more details as they develop. Thanks Don!

#### Mentor Days at Woodcraft

On August 27 we will host our Mentor Day at Woodcraft in Woodridge. I know that this seems a long way off, but it is time to give it some thought. In the past we have had up to four stations demonstrating/mentoring various topics. This is your opportunity to get some one on one teaching time. We will be soliciting topic recommendations at the May meeting followed by volunteers at the June meeting. In the meantime if you have a topic request or suggestion please send me or another board member an email.

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It's Your Club-Show Your Support By Volunteering!

# Things To Do!

#### **WINDY CITY WOODTURNERS EVENTS:**

Rockler Demo Day July 25
WCWT Picnic August 28
Village of Lagrange Library Display August 1
through September 30
Woodcraft Demo Day August 27
Depot Days, Lisle Park District
Instant Gallery Focus on Ornaments November 15
Once Upon A Christmas, Lisle Park District
WCWT Holiday Party

CALENDAR
OF
EVENTS

#### **CHICAGO WOODTURNERS EVENTS:**

<u>Max Brosi Demo and Classes</u> June 4-7 Demo: Arlington Hts., Classes: Geneva, IL <u>Turn-On! Chicago 2016 Symposium</u> July 22-24 Mundelein, IL

www.turnonchicago.com

**Featuring:** Mark St. Leger, Molly Winton, Graeme Priddle, Rob Nelson, Rex Burningham, Vince Welch, Clay Foster, Mark Sfirri, Stephen Hatcher, Robin Costelle, Frank Kobilsek, Rob Wallace, Nick Agar

Mark Sfirri Classes, July 25-27 NORMAC, Geneva IL

#### **OTHER EVENTS:**

AAW National Symposium: June 9-12, 2016 Atlanta GA www.woodturner.org

Desert Woodturning Round Up February 26-28 Mesa AZ

John Jordan at Badger Woodturners April 23-25 Monticello WI

Saskatchewan Woodturning Symposium July 22-24 Regina SK

Mid-Atlantic Woodturning Symposium September 24-25 Lancaster PA

Segmented Woodturners Symposium October 27-30 Quincy MA

Virginia Woodturners Symposium November 5-6 Fishersville VA

SOFA Chicago (Sculptural Objects and Functional Art): November 3-6 Navy Pier, Chicago IL

Spring has Sprung.... And with the rising temperatures (work with me) so rises the activity levels of our events calendar. Although several items are a couple of months out, it is time to form committees, gather information and get the wheels in motion.

I am hoping that volunteers will appear like the daffodils and tulips of spring. I will be soliciting your help at our meeting and through email. If you have volunteered in the past thanks, if you haven't please consider doing so and helping your fellow members out. See my volunteers needed piece in the newsletter for more details.

Thanks.... To all those who soldiered through my first club demo last month. Hopefully I will continue to get better at talking and turning at the same time!

Be Safe & Keep Turnin' Mark