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All the News That Will Fit On the Lathe

“the 360” A Message From Mark Hubl, Your President

Well what a party! Where's my hat? Has anyone seen my hat...but seriously I hope that everyone had as good a time as I did at our Christmas Party. What a wonderful gathering. Good food, good fellowship and a good time. Our holiday tree was decked out nicely in turned ornaments! The gift exchanges were again a big hit with members and spouses showcasing their talents. Thanks to all who participated. Special thanks go out to Santa Rich Nye for procuring and transporting our special door prize raffle items. And another special thanks goes out to Paul Pycik for his exuberant job at the microphone as our Party Master of Ceremonies and supplier of the cheeky holiday bonnets! They say a picture is worth a thousand words, so I am sure that Dave and Paul have filled this issue of our newsletter with great pictures worth many thousands of words. Again, thanks to all who came and helped with our party. Happy New Year to all!

Dues is due!!! Get them in folks! Our treasurer Nick is looking forward to making a final count on dues. Dues fuel the club and it is now that we pay the rent on our space and picnic. So, please get your dues in so Nick won't have to get all nasty!!

The **board will meet** within the next several weeks to review fiscal 2016 and put together the budget for fiscal 2017. The outcome of the meeting will be presented at the February or March meeting. Stay tuned.

Now that we are several weeks into the winter I hope that many of you have been huddled up in your shops cranking out some awesome woodturnings. Don't hide 'em at home, bring them to the instant gallery and show off

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WCWT **Christmas Party** **2016**

Our tree, with hand-turned ornaments



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Windy City Christmas Party



The WCWT Holiday Party was held In lieu of our regular meeting on December 20 at The Bohemian Crystal restaurant. A gift exchange for members and an exchange (hand-made) for couples was held, along with a free raffle.

The restaurant served a multi-course meal of traditional Bohemian food and had a cash bar. A great time was had by all attendees, with ample time for mingling and getting to further know each other. If you weren't there, we missed you, and you missed the opportunity to see Rich in his elf hat, rosy cheeks and all.



Windy City Christmas Party



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Bob Bergstrom

Photography

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Our Next Meeting

Lisle Park District

7:00PM

THE MONTHLY REVIEW

Each month, an experienced member reviews members' current work. We have two tables set up, one for review items (in January, Paul Shotola will do the review) and a second table to show your work without a review. All members are encouraged to bring their work to the tables. What have you been working on? A new technique? A fresh design?

Make sure you fill out a tag so we can credit the artist.

Your fellow members want to know what you have been up to.

**IN JANUARY, THE DEMO WILL BE BY
BOB BERGSTOM
ON SPINDLE GOUGES,
THEIR USE AND SHARPENING**

WINDY CITY WOODTURNERS EVENTS

Dates to be announced

CHICAGO WOODTURNERS EVENTS:

CWT Demos and Classes TBA

OTHER EVENTS:

Tennessee Association of Woodturners Symposium

Franklin (Nashville), TN January 27 & 28

Nick Agar, Cynthia Gibson, Stephen Hatcher, Frank Penta

Totally Turning 2017 Saratoga Springs, NY April 1-2

Appalachian Center For Craft 2017 Wood Workshops

Smithville, TN 5/19-8/8

AAW National Symposium Kansas City, MO June 22-25

**CALENDAR
OF
EVENTS**

Check the website often
(windycitywoodturners.com)
for calendar updates

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tables. We all enjoy seeing each other's work and if you want some pointers we are there to help as well

Last year we were given a grant by the AAW and we procured the

pieces to build phase 1 of our safety/lighting/camera structure. Unfortunately, we did not get it put together. I am thinking late March or early April would be a good time to finish it up. I will be calling for volunteers at the next meeting. It should only be a several hours' project, but several sets of eyes and hands will really help.

Speaking of volunteers, we need a librarian. Thanks to Peter D'Attomo for taking care of the library last year. Last year Peter got a chest to store and reorganize our library items. This makes maintaining and moving the library easier. So, if anyone is interested in helping the club out please contact me or one of the officers about being the librarian. Thanks again Peter.

What would a new year be without **Bob Bergstrom** kicking off the demo season. Bob is always entertaining and informative. This month he is going to discuss spindle gouges, their use and various grinds he uses. I hope we get to see some super slow motion video! These really help to see what is going on. And **as always**, if you are interested in having something demoed or doing a demo please contact Dawn or me. If you have learned a new technique or perfected an old one this is a great way of sharing with our members and supporting the club.

See you at our next meeting.

Be safe and keep Turnin'

Mark