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All the News That Will Fit On the Lathe

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

What’s your favorite tool?.... After reading an article in this month’s Fine Wood Working magazine, penned by the late curmudgeon, writer and woodworker Andy Rooney, I got to thinking. What’s my favorite tool? I think this is a difficult question to answer. From what I have observed all around me and verified in my own shop, woodworkers and woodturners seem to have a pathological need to collect tools.

For me some tools seem to quickly head to the top of the list, some wallow in the middle and then there are those that are too mistrusted to make the list at all. There are those just had to have it tools collecting dust, the garage sale too cheap to pass ups laying around, the well if one is good two is better tools crowding storage, the list is endless.

Then there are the specials, those beautiful American hand planes, antique English turnscrews and German carving chisels. Next comes the even more special tools that were gifts from family or friends that have passed. Lastly there are those most special tools that were once used by dad.

As one can see this is quite the quandary. But if forced to pick one, just one, I have to pick my Ellsworth bowl gouge. This tool has been a true friend. I quickly pick it off the rack and use it on all most all my projects. Over the past six years it has taught me a lot about sharpening and using all my gouges. I know that when I finally sharpen it down to a nub and it is no longer useful to me, I will quickly replace it with another. So what’s your favorite tool?

Happy 30th Birthday AAW!... I hope that by now the late night cobwebs have cleared for all those that attended the AAW symposium. I look forward to hearing about the fun and festivities. Who did you talk to, who did you meet, what stood out, what’s new?? Please share your experience with our fellow club members.

Beads of Courage.... Just a reminder that this year’s deadline approaches. We will make the final collection at our June meeting. If you need more information, see the link on our website.

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The May Demo

Work Holding on the Lathe

Also known as
“Getting A Grip”

Al Miotke



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The May Gallery



Jason Clark
Saturn Bowl (1 of 3)



Hector Fuster
Walnut



Mark Mc Cleary
Cherry, Maple



Bill Aitchison
Mixed Media



Bert LeLoup



Mark Hubl



Rich Nye
Black and White Ebony



Bob Bergstrom



Roy Lindley
Ebony, African blackwood



Black and White Ebony



Gavel by Rich Nye

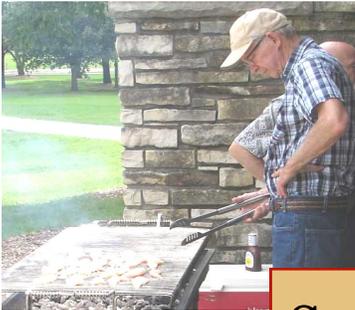
Black and White Ebony was described to me as a grass by a sales associate at Woodcraft, many years ago. Not so. It is a true Ebony, a relative of Macassar Ebony and Persimmon.

The scientific name is *Diospyros malabarica* (syn. *Diospyros embryopteris*, *D. peregrina*) and you'll find it growing in Laos and Southeast Asia. While expensive, it's worth searching out as a turning wood. Fine grained and relatively easy to work with, it takes a high polish and holds crisp details, as shown in this gavel by Rich Nye.

PICNIC!

What Better Way To
Celebrate Summer
Than A Picnic With
Your Friends

Save the Date: August 28



Some Pictures
From 2015
2016 Promises
Even More
Fun!



**Good
Food
Good
Friends
and Prizes,
Too!**

The Annual Windy City Woodturners Picnic

FOR SALE

**Rikon Lathe
Model 70-305
220 Volt, Variable Speed
Similar to the Jet 1642
\$1000
New Retail: \$1900**



**Contact Jason Clark
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**The Windy City Woodturners will display at the Lagrange
Public Library**

August 1 through September 30, 2016.

**Be a part of this gallery and help tell the public about
woodturning. Bring items for display to the June or July
meetings. Questions? See Don Johnston or Mark Hubl.**



Mike Mahoney Demo and Classes

**A rare appearance by popular and
over-scheduled demonstrator
Mike Mahoney. Join us for an
evening demo in Arlington
Heights, with one and two-day
classes in Geneva.**

Demo: Tuesday Evening September 27

Classes: Sunday, September 26 and Monday/Tuesday, September 27/28

Pricing to be announced, but it's sure to fit your budget.

Sponsored by The Chicago Woodturners

The Midwest's Only Turning Symposium

Turn-On! Chicago

July 22,23,24 Mundelein, IL



*****Featuring*****

Mark St. Leger	Robin Costelle
Clay Foster	Stephen Hatcher
Frank Koblisek	Vince Welch
Graeme Priddle	Rob Nelson
Mark Sfirri	Rob Wallace

*****All Pros*****

Are you registered yet? It's coming soon!

13 Demonstrators doing 55 Rotations

Visit the web site (www.turnonchicago.com) for up-to-the-minute details

Instant Gallery

Trade Show

Banquet and Auction

Lisle Heritage Society Ornaments

The folks at the Heritage Society are ready for the next batch of turnings for their annual fund raiser ornaments.

Mark promises to have more blanks for you at the next meeting. These turnings will be used to make hot air balloon Christmas ornaments to be sold as a fundraiser for the Heritage Society. Support them and promote the art and craft of woodturning. by making a few (hundred) turnings to help the Heritage Society. This is a fairly simple turning, suitable for turners of all levels, and you will increase your skills by turning multiples, and it's for a good cause to boot.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 21, 7:00
Lisle Park District *All Are Welcome*

**Our Next Meeting: June 21
7:00PM**

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**THE
MONTHLY REVIEW**

Each month, an experienced member reviews members' current work (in May, it was Mark Hubl, your club President) 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.

**Mark Hubl
with one of
the gavels
turned for
the Presi-
dent's Chal-
lenge**



Everyone who brings a turning in to the meeting gallery is entered in a drawing for a gift certificate. Yes, you can be a winner just by showing off your latest work.

Things To Do!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WINDY CITY WOODTURNERS EVENTS:

Rockler Demo Days June 25

Mentor Day at Woodcraft August 27, Woodridge

WCWT Picnic August 28, Lisle Park District

Ornaments at Woodcraft

Instant Gallery Focus on Ornaments, November 15

Once Upon A Christmas, Lisle Park District

WCWT Holiday Party December 20

CHICAGO WOODTURNERS EVENTS:

Turn-On! Chicago Symposium 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

Mike Mahoney Demo (Tuesday evening) September 27 Arlington Hts, IL

Mike Mahoney Classes Sunday 9/26, and Monday-Tuesday 9/27-28 NORMAC Geneva, IL

OTHER EVENTS:

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

The "360"

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Thanks.... To Al Miotke for his demonstration on how to hold work on the lathe. A really interesting topic for those new turners and a great refresher for those that have been turning for a while. I enjoyed the discussions that the demo prompted as well. If you missed it there is a link to a YouTube video in our websites junk drawer.

New Feature... The AAW website has a new video library feature. Sometimes finding something on YouTube can be frustrating and the quality may not be what you are looking for. The AAW has added a new video library that they have viewed and deem good viewing for woodturners. They have also noted safety recommendations if something in the video is compromising accepted safety practices. There are over 100 videos and the list is growing. Check it out!

Be Safe & Keep Turnin'
Mark