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All the News That Will Fit On the Lathe

A Message From Don Johnston, Your President

Holiday Party

The final totals are in. Sixty-two members and guests will be gathering at the Bohemian Crystal at 639 Blackhawk Drive, Westmont on December 15. The full meal is covered; cash bar is available. We'll start assembling from 6:30 for a 7:00 meal.

When you arrive you will want to look for 4 things:

1. If you are participating in the Member's Gift Exchange (wrapped gift of \$20 value with your name inside), look for the table with that sign on it and put your gift there.
 2. If you are participating in the Made Gift Exchange (wrapped gift you and or mate made with your name(s) inside), look for the table with that sign.
 3. There will be a small tree where you can place the favorite ornament you made and brought (hanging or standing).
 4. Find the waitress and get your drink ordered – she is your connection to the cash bar (she may be the most important person in the room. Ed). It is important to do this early so that this doesn't interfere with the meal and the meal doesn't interfere with this.
- Then there's the free raffle. Every member present gets a ticket, and then we'll all see who wins what.

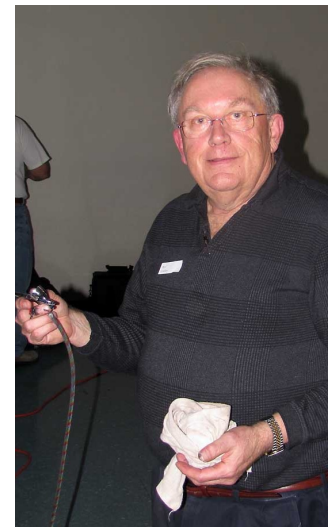
2016 Club Officers

We elected officers at the November meeting. Mark Hubl will be our President for 2016, backed up by Dawn Herndon-Charles as Vice President, Nick Page as Treasurer and Paul Shotola as Secretary/ Newsletter. The club cannot function without members stepping up to fill these roles; thanks to all of you for doing so. Take a moment right now to look at the newsletter masthead where you will find the names of other members serving the club. Rich Ogren and Charlie Scheffel have served for several years as Librarians. They are retiring so there's opportunity for some new blood here. See an officer to express your interest. Beyond that there is Rich Nye and his roll of tickets, Bob Bergstrom as Videographer, Dave Burk taking the photos, and Brian Gravelle as Webmaster.

Please thank all of these people for their efforts to make the club what it is.

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At Our November Meeting



**Roy Lindley
Demonstrated
"Specialty Paint
and Gloss Finishes"**



**A Chapter of the
American Association of
Woodturners**

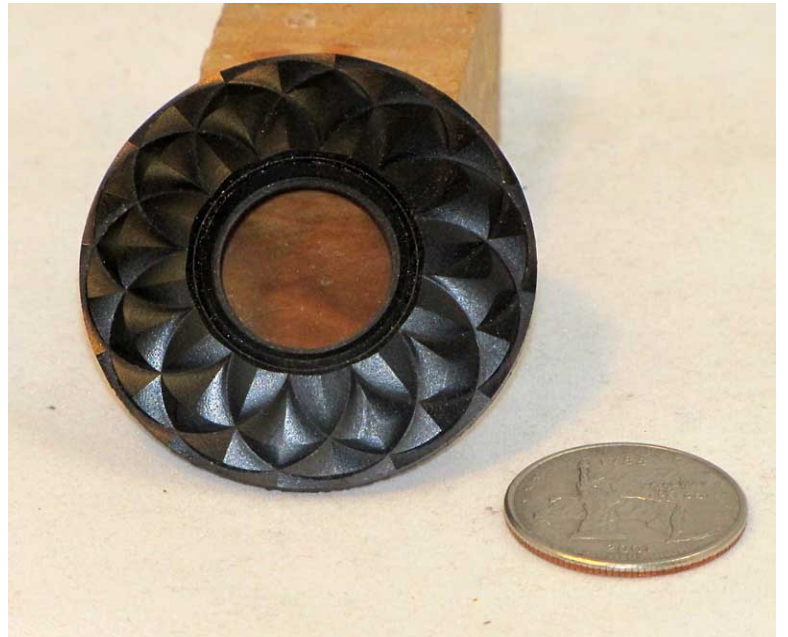


You will notice that each photo includes a US Quarter. It is included to help provide a sense of scale.









THE MONTHLY REVIEW

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**Additionally, the following
people serve in these im-
portant roles:**

Librarians

Rich Ogren

Charlie Scheffel

Promotions

Rich Nye

Videography

Bob Bergstrom

Photography

Dave Burk

Webmaster

Brian Gravelle

Each month, an experienced member (in November it was Paul Pyrcik) reviews members' current work 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.



PAUL PYRCIK

ONCE UPON A CHRISTMAS



In the Blacksmith/ Turning Shop at the Lisle Park Dis- trict



Thanks to:
Dawn Herndon-Charles, Paul
Shotola, Peter D'Attomo, Jack
Harkins, Mark McCleary, Rich
Nye, Fritz Wolf, Don Johnston
and Mark Hubl for helping to
spread the word about the
Windy City Woodturners,
wood turning and demonstrat-
ing for the crowds





Windy City Holiday Party Dec. 15

Bohemian Crystal Restaurant

639 Blackhawk Drive
Westmont IL 60559

Cash Bar: 6:30

Dinner: 7:00

\$10 @ person, payable to Nick Page

Free Raffle!!

(You must be present)

Put your money away-Santa Rich has something
for you!

Don't forget!!

Bring your favorite
turned ornament for the tree

Gift Exchange:

If you bring a gift, you get a gift
You must bring a gift to receive one

Members Gift Exchange:

A wrapped gift (value at least \$20)

Made Gift Exchange:

A hand-made gift

(by you and /or your spouse)

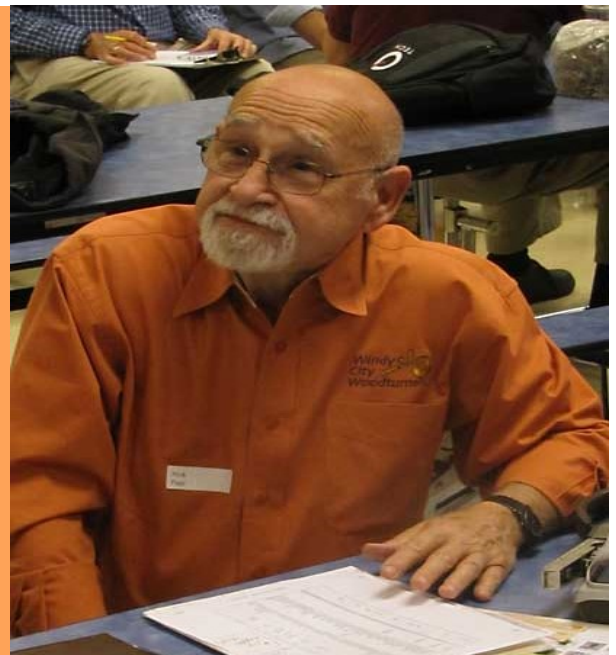
Wrap your gifts and put your name inside

Dues are Due!

Your Treasurer, Nick Page, is
accepting 2016 membership
dues. Cost is \$25 for individu-
als and \$40 for families.

Cash or checks only, please.
Checks are preferred.

Are your dues paid?



Nick Page

Things To Do!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WINDY CITY WOODTURNERS EVENTS:
Watch this space for 2016 events

CHICAGO WOODTURNERS EVENTS

In addition to a turning symposium (Turn-On! Chicago), Chicago will host at least 3 demos and their attendant classes. Watch this space for demonstrators and dates in 2016.

OTHER EVENTS: AAW National Symposium: June 6-9, 2016 Atlanta GA

www.woodturner.org

Turn-On! Chicago Symposium: July 22-24, 2016 Mundelein IL
www.chicagowoodturners.com

From Don Johnston

Once Upon a Christmas

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Once again, Windy City turned ornaments in the Blacksmith Shop at the Museums at Lisle Station Park. There is not a firm number, but organizers are certain that this year's attendance was the largest ever. Was it the weather or did the word get out that Windy City would also be operating the 1920's Sheldon Lathe this year? Windy City members turning at the event were Rich Nye, Dawn Herndon-Charles, Paul Shotola, Mark McCleary, Fritz Wolf, Don Johnston, Peter D'Attomo, and Jack Harkins. Check out lots of photos of the event at www.windycitywoodturners.com.

The Heritage Society Guild sold out of the 150 ornament production run. The gift shop took orders for several more, so the Guild painters are back to work on the extras we provided.

The committee chair is already talking about ideas for next year.

Thank You

As outgoing President I would like to express my appreciation to those who were there supporting me and our club over the past four years. Certainly my thanks extend to the officers with whom I have served and those faithfully filling the volunteer roles. But beyond that we are blessed with members at large who respond to calls repeatedly through the year without fanfare or recognition. Thank you one and all.

I enjoyed being your President and am very pleased that Mark Hubl has agreed to serve in that role. I know he will appreciate your support as Windy City continues to evolve.