



Windy City Woodturners

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Message From Our President



Contributor : Jason Clark

It's amazing how much life has changed over the last month. We went from carefree and "business as usual" to lockdown and the closure of all non-essential businesses. Restaurants closed, school was cancelled, social distancing was introduced, and the news became little more than the daily updates on the number of infected and dead.

My days now consist of endless Zoom video meetings for work, walks with the dogs, and the occasional trip to the store for groceries, all while observing appropriate social distance. My 90 minute round trip commute isn't happening now. That time could instead be spent in my shop doing turning but if I'm being honest I just don't feel inspired to do much turning with the constant reminders of what's going on outside of my home and my shop.

Message From Our President



The shelter in place orders here in Illinois forced the cancellation of the March and April meeting of WCWT. As a board we were already discussing cancelling the March meeting but the shelter in place order forced our hand. The biggest news in the woodturning world was almost certainly the cancellation of the AAW symposium in Louisville. Followed shortly by the cancellation of Turn-On! Chicago and the Midwest Penturners Gathering. Both of which have immediate impacts on members of our club.

The cancellation of the AAW symposium hit me hard as I was scheduled to demonstrate, I also had a demo and classes in Detroit cancelled and I can absolutely envision a scenario where my scheduled demos and classes in Atlanta in August are in danger. This has forced me to re-evaluate my willingness and feasibility of being able to give live remote video demonstrations from my shop; something I've been hesitant to do up until this point. That will require me to purchase some additional networking and audio/video equipment but that's at least partially offset by not eating out, by saving a ton of money on gas while I'm not commuting to work, and by generally not making any unnecessary purchases for the foreseeable future.

Message From Our President



I don't think it's possible to know what the world will look like once we're all past this, I'm not even sure we'll ever be completely past this. As a club we may need to reevaluate how, when, and even where we conduct our meetings. In the meantime we all need to do whatever we need to do to stay safe and to stay sane; for me that probably means I should turn off the news, turn on my lathe, and make some shavings.



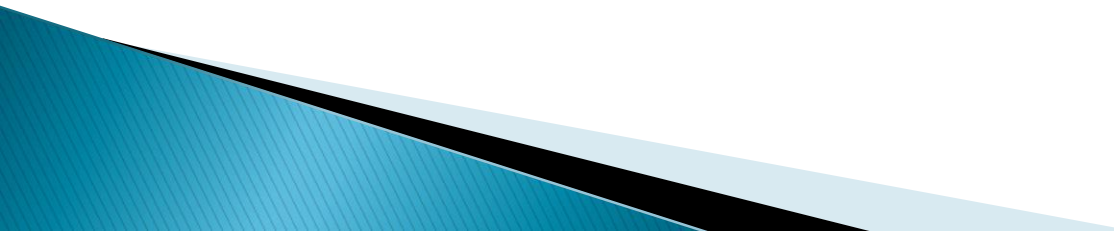
Note From Your Editor

- ▶ Just because there are no meetings, does not mean we don't want to see your work
- ▶ In talking with Dick Sing and he offered to send the newsletter some content
- ▶ Now it is your turn – please send me pictures or writeups about what you are doing. Would like to get them in here for encouragement.
(You don't want to see a lot of pen pictures – do you?)



My Most Memorable Hosting Experience By Dick Sing

Last month, Jason Clark told of one of his experiences of being hosted by a woodturning club. The article made me recall my favorite experience of being hosted. I have been hosted many times in the thirty plus years that I have demoed in the USA and abroad, but one in particular stands out in my memory. I was in west central Georgia and went to the address I was given, which was a very nice log home in the woods. After meeting the host, we moved into the living room, where we proceeded to discuss woodturning and settle the world problems over a beer. I was sitting on the sofa when this large tomcat jumped up and proceeded to curl up in my lap. He seemed very comfortable and at peace with the world. After a while, he jumped off my lap and went to a table at the end of the sofa where I was sitting.



My Most Memorable Hosting Experience By Dick Sing – Continued

The round end table was covered with a tablecloth that reached to about two inches from the floor. The cat went to the table and pokes his head under the tablecloth, waits a minute, turns around, jumps back on the sofa, and makes himself comfortable again in my lap. That seemed odd, but I really didn't think too much about it. A while later said cat jumps to the floor, goes to the table, sticks his head under the tablecloth, waits a minute, turns around and jumps back on the sofa and into my lap. Now this really struck me as being odd. A while later, the cat repeated his routine at the table, and back into my lap. I couldn't control my curiosity any longer! I asked my host what was up with the cat. His response really surprised me to say the least. "The other day he found a four ft blacksnake curled up under the tablecloth, and I guess he's looking for another." Yes, I slept good that night knowing that I was being protected by that big tomcat.



Some Collaborative Work



Dick And Cindy
Sing

Newsletter Needs Your Help

- ▶ If you are involved in any demos, activities, or events that you would like to share with the group – please let me know
- ▶ We need
 - The activity / event
 - Location
 - Dates and time
 - Brief description
- ▶ Send this to mg_dreyer@yahoo.com and I promise I will get it in the next newsletter



Help Wanted – Need A Volunteer

- ▶ The club is in need of a backup and setup A/V helper
- ▶ No experience required
- ▶ Simply show up at the meeting early and help setup the A/V and backup Mark when he cannot make a meeting
- ▶ Please consider helping out



WCWT – The Basics

- ▶ Next Meeting: May 12, 2020 (Pending)
- ▶ Meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday of each month
- ▶ 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM
- ▶ Lisle park district building
 - 1925 Ohio Street
 - Multipurpose room #4
- ▶ URL - WindyCityWoodturners.Weebly.com



Dick Sing

Next Month Newsletter Content

- ▶ Pitfalls For Beginners
- ▶ Let's see what you got here also



March 2020 – Plates and Platters

▶ Don Johnston

In March I am going to talk about Plates and Platters. I first started looking at them as a form when I wanted to turn something out of a couple of highly figured boards. Plates are a perfect medium to display figure – relatively little of it is lost to shavings. And we turners shouldn't leave all the pretty boards for lat-work guys.

So what makes a plate/platter? It should have a rim, right – but how wide? How thick should the wood be to start? Will it be a functional or decorative form? How do you decide shape? What are the design criteria impacting stability? And finally, how do you make one?

Come even if you don't have a 20" lathe; the subject applies to Mini-Lathe projects as well."

New – Gallery Review Bonus

- ▶ When you bring in an item for critique at the gallery review you will be rewarded with a ticket
- ▶ This “Magic” ticket is your entry to a possible prize at the Christmas Party
- ▶ Details of the prize are still being worked out but you don’t want to miss it
- ▶ And yes, we know who bought in thus far and you will be getting your tickets
- ▶ For a change “a ticket you want”



Call For Demonstrators



- ▶ Want to help out?
- ▶ Tell the world (or at least the club) about your talent and adventures?
- ▶ Maybe just what you have learned recently?
- ▶ **WE NEED YOUR HELP – VOLUNTEER TO DEMO**
- ▶ Contact
 - Peter D'attomo (zorro4122@yahoo.Com)

This Is Your Club – Please Help Out

March 2020 Meeting – Recap

- ▶ Amendment - Quorums for Voting
 - Members requested to change percentage from 35%
 - Vote called and passed

- ▶ Bob Bergstrom – Demo – Texturing
 - Another great demo – thanks Bob
 - Lets see some texturing at the next meeting

CANCELLED!

Events You Should Know About

- ▶ 2020 Windy City Events – Don Johnston
- ▶ 2020 Midwest Penturners Gathering - April
- ▶ 2020 AAW – Louisville - June
- ▶ 2020 Turn On! Chicago – July

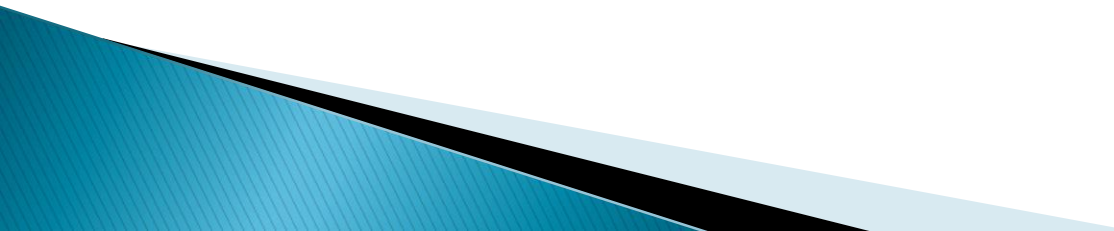


- ▶ CWT - Professional Demonstrations
 - Pen Makers Boot Camp – April
 - Andy Cole - July

WCW Events – 2020

- ▶ Depot Days
- ▶ Details Forthcoming
 - Saturday September 19
 - Sunday September 20
- ▶ Contact: Don Johnston

WCW Events – 2020

- ▶ Once Upon A Christmas
 - ▶ Details Forthcoming
 - Saturday December 5
 - Sunday December 6
 - ▶ Contact: Don Johnston
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WCW Events – 2020

- ▶ Windy City Demonstrates Christmas Ornaments
- ▶ Details Forthcoming
 - Rockler – July or October On A Saturday
 - Woodcraft – July or October On A Saturday

- ▶ Contact: Don Johnston



WCW Events – 2020

- ▶ Lisle Heritage Society Christmas Ornament
 - ▶ Details Forthcoming

 - ▶ Contact: Don Johnston
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CWT – Pro Demo – Andy Cole

- ▶ Hands On Classes July 28 – 29



Midwest Penturners Gathering

- ▶ The Longest And Largest Pen Makers Gathering
- ▶ April 24 – 25, 2020
- ▶ Schaumburg, Illinois
- ▶ Only \$30
- ▶ MidwestPenTurnersGathering.com
- ▶ Contact: Mark Dreyer (mig_dreyer@yahoo.com)
- ▶ National Demonstrators
- ▶ Tons Of Door Prizes
- ▶ A MUST ATTEND

CANCELLED!



Chicago Woodturners – Pen Boot Camp

- ▶ Chicago Woodturners Is Offering A 3 Day Penmaking Boot Camp
- ▶ Nationally Known Demonstrators Leading All Hands On Sessions
- ▶ April 26–28
- ▶ MidwestPenturnersGathering.com
- ▶ 3 Full Days Of Hands On Learning
- ▶ Contact: Mark Dreyer
(mg_dreyer@yahoo.com)

CANCELLED!



AAW 2020 – Louisville



► Date June 4–7, 2020

- Nick Agar
- Michael Alguire
- Stuart Batty
- Simon Begg
- Dixie Biggs
- Michael Blankenship
- Trent Bock
- Bruce Campbell
- Pat Carroll
- Jason Clark
- Nick Cook
- Rebecca DeGroot
- Mick Hanbury
- Kurt Hertzog
- Michael Hosaluk
- Janice Levi
- Art Liestman
- Tom Lonman
- Pete Marker
- Hannes Michelsen
- Mark Palma
- Doug Schneider
- Mark Sfirri
- Dan Tilden
- Craig Timmerman
- John Underhill
- Donna Zils Banfield

CANCELLED!



Turn On! Chicago



- ▶ Crowne Plaza Hotel Northbrook, Illinois
 - This is a location change
- ▶ July 23 –26, 2020

Featured Demonstrators Regional Demonstrators

- Andy Cole
- Cynthia Gibson
- Michael Hockluk
- Eric Lofstrom
- Chris Ramsey
- Avelino Samuel

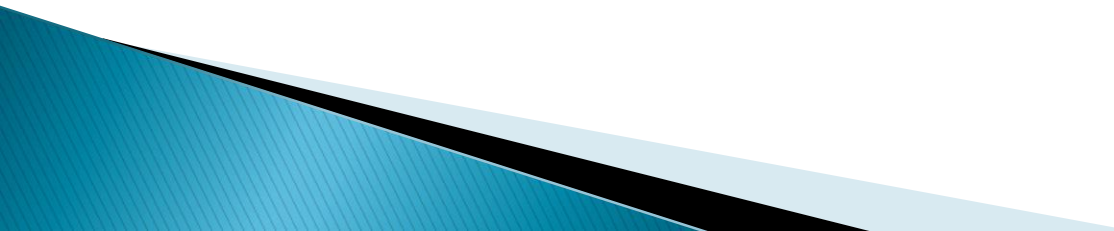
- Marie Anderson
- Roberto Ferrer
- Keith Lackner
- Clint Stevens
- Doug Thompson
- Rob Wallace

TurnFest 2020 – Australia

- ▶ World Renown Turner – Dick Sing
- ▶ Cindy Sing – Exceptional Jewelry
- ▶ SeaWorld Resort and Water park on the Gold Coast
- ▶ September 13, 14 & 15
 - *Subject to Government regulations*



Appendix

- ▶ 2020 Board Of Directors
 - ▶ 2020 Committee Descriptions
 - ▶ Windy City YouTube Channel
 - ▶ AAW Trial Membership
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2020 WCWT – Officers

President - Jason Clark

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Vice-President - Peter D'Attomo

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Treasurer - Nick Page

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Secretary/Editor - Mark Dreyer

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WCWT 2020 Committee Volunteers

- ▶ **Photography - Dave Burke**

- ▶ Photograph club activities and events and make those photos available for the monthly presentation, club newsletter, email, website, and other forms of communication. Help maintain the club photo roster.



- ▶ **Webmaster - Rich Rohrbach**

- ▶ Develop/maintain/update WCWT website and domain. Demonstrator schedule, photos, newsletter and other updates as required. If you have interest in this position please let us know.



- ▶ **Events- Don Johnston**

- ▶ Help coordinate and organize club events and activities including but not limited to Depot days, Once upon a Christmas, Rockler/Woodcraft events, ornament turning. Seek out opportunities for the club to further our mission to promote and educate the public about WCWT and woodturning in general.



WCWT 2020 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. Raffle tickets are sold at the beginning of each meeting and items are raffled off at the middle of the meeting. Proceeds from the raffle go back to the club to offset club expenses and to fund the raffle itself. Certain item(s) may require multiple months of selling tickets in order to cover the costs of the item(s) and provide adequate profit to the club. Receipts for items that have been purchased are expected to be provided to the treasurer whenever possible so that the purchases can be balanced against the raffle line item in the budget.



▶ **A/V – Bob Bergstrom/Mark Jundanian**

- ▶ Research and make recommendations on audio/video decisions and purchases based on the club needs, bearing in mind possible future uses including remote video purchases and the ability to record demonstrations. Setup and run audio and video equipment at club meetings and presentations. Projector, screen, cameras, audio, and software. Recommendations should account for capabilities now and in the future, budget, and storage limitations.



▶ **Library- Rich Hall-Reppen**

- ▶ Organize and maintain the club's stock of books, magazines, DVDs, and other materials. Maintain records of items that have been borrowed by club members. Source additional/replacement materials for the library within the budget assigned. Provide relevant article about available library material for monthly newsletter.



WCWT YouTube Channel



1:43:46

20 Years of Turning Pens

43K views • 3 years ago



1:13:53

TURNING NATURAL EDGE BOWLS CLEANLY

21K views • 2 years ago



35:58

Ideas with Inside Out Turnings with Andy Kuby

16K views • 7 months ago



1:00:46

Turning a hollowed Christmas ornament with...

3.5K views • 1 year ago



1:08:24

Duel Bowl Gouge Cuts

3.5K views • 2 years ago



44:08

Inside Out Ornaments with Andy Kuby

2.4K views • 1 month ago

WCWT YouTube Channel



57:18

Turning a inlay in a inlay in a inlay

2.2K views • 1 year ago



42:18

TURNING A BOX WORTH ITS "SALT"

1.9K views • 1 year ago



21:46

Easy Finish for Pens, Bottle Stoppers and Boxes

1.9K views • 1 year ago



42:00

Easy threading of boxes and lids

1.5K views • 1 year ago



1:34:34

Designing and Turning Plates and Platters

1.4K views • 2 years ago



47:16

Turning End Grain Lidded Boxes

1K views • 2 years ago

WCWT YouTube Channel



Dick Sing talks about his Sing Finishes

979 views • 3 years ago



Bowl turning 101 with Jason Clark

919 views • 11 months ago



WAYS OF MOUNTING WOOD BLANKS

784 views • 3 years ago



SPIRAL BOXES BY JASON Clark

733 views • 2 years ago



Different Cuts for Different Forks

693 views • 2 years ago



Turning a Turner's Star in Colored Resin

568 views • 4 weeks ago

WCWT YouTube Channel



Using a Vacuum Chuck

581 views • 1 year ago



3 Major Bowl Grinds for the Interior of bowls.

545 views • 5 months ago



Using Spindle Gouges on Bowls

538 views • 2 years ago



Texturing and Chattering Wood Surfaces

540 views • 1 year ago



Threading Resin on Boxes

512 views • 7 months ago



Secrets of Successful Texturing on Platters and...

471 views • 3 months ago

WCWT YouTube Channel



Beautiful Braclets from the lathe

459 views • 1 year ago



Pushing Iridescent Paint on Bowl Rims

395 views • 1 year ago



Lubricate the coring groove!

328 views • 1 year ago



CUTTING THE INTERIOR LOWER THIRD OF A BOWL...

319 views • 1 year ago



Eccentric Turning With Clint Stevens

313 views • 4 months ago



Analyzing the Skew

293 views • 3 years ago

WCWT YouTube Channel



Roses for a Pretty Lady

199 views • 1 month ago



Replicating Spindle Turnings

192 views • 2 years ago



**ANDY KUBY DEMOS
THREADING ON VESSELS**

192 views • 1 year ago



**Casting Resins with Greg
Bonier**

162 views • 5 months ago