

NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN WOODTURNERS

newsletter

July 8, 2023,

We had 24 members at the meeting, and 3 attending by Zoom; Chris Jones, Jay Penfil, and someone on iPhone.

Next Meeting: August 12, 8:30 for coffee and donuts. Career Tech Center Shop or Online.

August Demonstration: The August meeting will feature Pete Meyers and Gary Perkins demonstrating different types of threading jigs.

September Demonstrator: We have Matt Monaco coming to our facility. His demonstration will start at 9:00am and go into the afternoon. This demonstration is free for club members.

Matt is also staying around Sunday and Monday for any Hands-On on mentoring. The cost for this is \$125.00 per member and will require advanced sign up. If you haven't signed up and are interested. Please let Gary Perkins know ASAP as there still might be slots available if we expand the training or have cancellations. We are currently over booked. This will be held at Lyle Jameson's shop.

Upcoming events: From the AAW Events Page –

Please go to <https://woodturner.org> for more information and to register for these events. You will need to be an AAW member, or new affiliate member to access the information.

Free 3 month AAW Affiliate Membership for first time non-members. It will give you a chance to see all the things that full membership can give you.

If you are an AAW member or affiliate member, watch your email for weekly "Toolbox E-Newsletter: and the bimonthly Keep Turning E-Newsletter. Or you can go to AAW website, Resources Page www.woodturner.org If they have any events, they will be listed there also.

And don't miss the AAW Member-Moderated Forum on the same page. This page also guides you to the other resources, including all issues of American Woodturner magazine, Woodturning Fundamentals and others.

Business Meeting: All officers were reelected for 1 year term. Chuck, Jim and Gary elected to the board for a 3 year term. By-Laws: Gary will email the changed by-laws to all members for review. We will vote on the changed by-laws during our August meeting.

Club Historian – Pete Meyer has been working on the club website. Doing a great job and looking great.

Public Demonstrations: Rich Foa talked about upcoming art fairs that we have been ask to join. Crooked Tree is having a show July 29th. If you want to volunteer, please contact Rich Foa. Would be nice to have tops made to pass out to the kids. If you need to use up some scrape.

Rich talked about the Oliver Center Art Exhibition. Art Gallery show coming up August 14th through September 1st. We need at least 20 pieces. These items can be sold during the art show. The gallery will charge a fee for each item sold. We have a club member Jim Scarsella that's going to be a juror. Rich to provide information to Jim.

Kieran talked about the club demonstration that was at Left Foot Charley. Unfortunately we competed against the air show and didn't have many people. Thank You to Ken Hunter, Joe Breech and Kieran Goodman for putting on demonstrations.

Treasurer's report by Jan Bachman. Our account stands at \$5079.00, with all current expenses paid. Jan also passed out the fiscal report for 2022-2023. Our total expenses were \$6,061.21 and our total income of \$3,928.01. We have a total net loss of \$2,133.20.

New Training Coordinator, Kieran Goodman. If you need a little help on some aspect of turning, or are an experienced turner willing to reach out to folks who need a little help learning how to turn, please contact Kieran Goodman. He will put you in contact with the right folks who are close to you. You can call (812)298-5747 or drop him a line, musicfalls@yahoo.com

Student Mentoring – Ken Hunter, our student mentoring coordinator, needs a few more turners to rotate in the Thursday mentoring sessions at the school. Remember, no matter how little you think you know about turning, it is massively more than what the student who hasn't ever turned knows. Introducing a student to the lathe, lathe safety, and very basic turning skill is very rewarding. There are 2 sessions each Thursday; morning, afternoon. These will start back up in September. You can do one or both. Give Ken a call (231-499-9474) and get in the rotation.

Wig Stands – Our project coordinator, Dennis Ferguson, says that we are in need of more wig stands for the cancer centers in TC and Kalkaska. If you don't have the plans for them, reach out to Dennis Ferguson, dennis45th@gmail.com This is our continuing community action project, and we need to keep it going. Contact Dennis with your completed wig stands. (231)492-6475 or dennis45th@gmail.com.

Club Demonstrators – Please step up and do a demonstration for the club. We need demonstrators for 2023, starting in November. Club demonstrations are always about projects that the demonstrator chooses.

We never ask you to demonstrate something that you don't know how to do. You know that you have some turning project you enjoy doing, so please step up and volunteer to show how to do that project at a club meeting. Talk to Gary, Pete, and choose a month to show us what you enjoy doing.

Hats, Shirts: Marv brought in samples of the shirts and hats for sale. A order form was emailed if you are interested in purchasing a hat or shirts. Hats are \$15.00 T Shirts \$15.00 – Sweat shirts \$40.00 and long sleeve T

Shirts are \$20.00 each. If you want your own shirts or smock embroidered with the club art work please contact Marv at 231-499-1719 or marv1253@sbcglobal.net. These must be new items and given to Marv. The cost is \$5.00 per item. Please contact Marv ASAP so he can place the order.

Bring Back Raffle:

\$1 per ticket. If you win, you “bring back” a prize for the next month. Chuck McLaughlin was the winner last month. He brought in a small bowl he made.



The winner this month was Gary Newman

For Sale:

CA Glue – Glue will now be stored at the Career Tech Center, Club storage box. If you need glue between meetings, please call President Gary 231-640-0377 or Treasurer Jan 734-730-7038.

Pete Meyer has wood that was from a woodworker that has passed. If you are interested please contact Pete.

Show and Share:

Vern Steinfort brought bowls that he made of black walnut, pear and ash. He finished with 6 coats of wipe on poly.



Jan Bachman made a bowl made of black walnut with some live edge. He finished with carnauba wax. Also made a garlic smacker.



Ray Jusiek made a small bowl out of spalted birch.



Ken Hunter brought in a box of small items showing what can be made of scrap wood. He also had some tools that he made and turned the handles for them.



Steve Alguire made a stool made of spalted black walnut. He explained his process of making the legs and the jig he made.



Dennis Ferguson made a bowl out of maple and elm. He also showed the vessel he made using his hollowing system for the first time.



Pete Meyer brought a platter made from walnut.



Chuck McLaughlin brought in a carved vessel made with cherry wood with dry paint. Also a bowl that was turned and he did some carving of flowers



Mike OB brought in a large balusters/spindles.



Marv Slee brought in the bottle stoppers and openers he turned for the Left Foot Charley demo.



Dave Rife has turned a small vessel using colored pencils and epoxy. The inside is finished with epoxy so it can hold water. Also brought in a vessel made of spalted elder that he turned and has gold leaf on the top. Dave made a lidded bowl with an antler finial. He has been working on making a square edge bowl also.

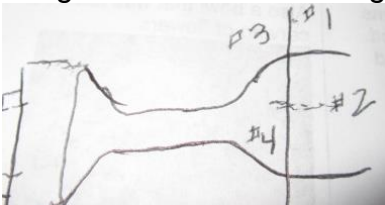


July Demo:

Mike OB showed how to turn a goblet. He talked about safety around the lathe at all times. He showed how to start the layout and plan of starting with the log.



He then mounted wood on the lathe between centers. Then he set the lathe at a low speed and adjusted the speed up slightly until the vibration stops. He started to rough turn and make it round using a push cut. You can change grain orientation before making it completely round. Another good reason to start between centers. Mike then squared off the end that his chuck was going to screw to. Be sure to use #12 sheet metal screws when fastening your chuck. After installing his chuck he mounted back on the lathe and adjusted his speed. He started turning off material at the top end of the goblet working toward the shape he wanted. He talked about the layout of the goblet shape in 4 sections. Started out drilling a hole down the center of the goblet. Be sure not to go too far.



Step#1 start from the top down and turn the area to the shape of the exterior of your goblet. Step #2 is to hollow the inside of the area of step #1 on the inside. Step#3 he turned the exterior the shape he wanted from step #1 down to the stem area. Step #4 was to hollow the inside of Step#3 area. Be sure not to go back to step #2 area because it has started to dry and move. Mike used the hollowing system to do the interior of the goblet. After turning the goblet top he then turned the stem down to the base. Be sure to do your sanding as you go. After turning the stem area to shape he turned the base to shape. The goblet can be removed from the chuck using different methods.

Thanks Mike and Good Job.



BJ Harmon brought in tools that he didn't sell and donated the proceeds to the club. A great big thanks to BJ for his generous donation to the club.

Board of Directors – Your Board of Directors for 2023 are:

President – Gary Perkins - 231-640-0377
 Vice-President – Pete Meyer - 231-499-7935
 Treasurer – Jan Bachman - 734-730-7038
 Secretary – Kris Roberts - 701-400-9160

Other Board members:

Dennis Ferguson - 231-492-6475
 Kieran Goodman - 812-298-5747
 Marv Slee - 231-499-1719
 New board members
 Chuck McLaughlin – 231-668-1901
 Jim Scarsella – 313-220-5077

Our Board members are here to serve the club. If you have a need, concern, or suggestion, please get in touch with one of us. The Board normally meets the first Thursday of the month at 7:00pm virtually by Zoom.