

Minutes of the Lake Erie Woodturners Chapter Meeting

American Association of Woodturners

January 24, 2026

Officers Present: Ron Tomasch, President; Sharon McDonough, Secretary; John Kolat, Treasurer & Web Master

Members attending: Attendance List attached

The regular monthly meeting of the Lake Erie Woodturners Chapter of the AAW was called to order at 9:30 am by President Ron Tomasch.

President's Report:

1. Christine Hendricks (fellow wood turner) had a fire in her workshop that gutted it. Chris Ramsay listed some of his equipment which Christine bought. Ron drove to Kentucky to pick up the equipment and delivered it to Christine in Pennsylvania.
2. Our club needs a member to learn how to operate the audio and video equipment for our demonstrations on occasions when Mark or Ron are not available.
3. Club dues may be paid until the March meeting. However, Zoom meeting invitations will not be sent to unpaid members after March 1. Dues are \$30/person; \$45/family which includes one significant other and one child under 18 years of age.
4. Update: Pat Carroll (former demonstrator) has moved from Ireland to North Carolina and is setting up his shop to run classes.
5. Ron said that if Derrick Weidman comes to Cleveland again, he would like to have him demonstrate for our club.
6. Some discussion among members was bringing unfinished projects members are working on to demonstrate and/or share problems to seek input from other members.
7. Welcome to new member Cierra Weissmiller.

Treasurer's Report:

1. LEWT has approximately \$1,756 in the bank. It was a little over \$2,000 but in November we paid half of the \$300 shared fee with the North Coast club for our Zoom license. Plus, our website fee was paid.

Today's demonstrator is John Kolat who will be making a windswept pine tree.

Next Meeting: Our next meeting will be at 9:30 am on Saturday, February 21, 2026 at the Footprints Center for Autism, 4261 Manchester Road, Perry, OH.

The business portion of the meeting was adjourned at 9:48 am by Ron Tomasch.

Minutes submitted by Sharon McDonough

LEWT MONTHLY MEETING ATTENDANCE

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1. Ron Tomasch
2. Isabel Quayle
3. Edward Hawk
4. John Kolat
5. Steve Shovreass
6. Steve Neubert
7. William Neubert
8. Sharon McDonough
9. Chris Cahill
10. Steve Klaue
11. Cierra Weissmiller
12. Jack R Eisler

IRD Attendance

1. Victor Reed
2. Richard Biller
3. Dave Qualls
4. Tom Pavlik