

# BayLake Woodturners

19 WOODTURTERS

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

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# **Upcoming Events**

Dec. 19 Pepper Mill Challenge Party
Christmas Virtual Gallery
Members will show their
pepper mill design

Jan. 16 Dennis Clayton

Design Shape Form and Theme

Feb. 20 Demonstration TBD

Due to the Corona-19 virus things will be a little different this year. There will be no in person meetings at the Artisan Center. All meetings and demonstrations will be done online via ZOOM. Our meetings will be held on the third Saturday of each month at 9 am. A link to Zoom with the password to get into our meeting will be sent out on the Friday before the meeting. If you would like to be a demonstrator you can do it in your home shop or you can do it at the Artisan Center. Please notify Tim on what you would like to demonstrate. Thank You!



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## **President Letter**

## By: Tim Harteau

Hello BayLake Woodturners!

Back to reality... the wind is blowing and snow is sticking to the ground as I write this letter. This is more like December in Wisconsin. Great day to play in the workshop! I've been able to perform outdoor activities quite well up until now. I spent multiple days using the chainsaw, stacking and hauling wood and preparing house and yard for the snow. Indoor projects here I come....

I've had a couple of members stop by the house this month. I've handed out pepper mills kits and wood, drilled out a couple pepper mill blanks and received some burls for the wood exchange. In fact, we have a nice supply of wood thanks to Mark Motquin, Lynn Huepel and Jack Lagina. If you are looking for some turning wood, contact me, there is plenty to go around (Ash, Maple and small qty of Cherry)

**Our December meeting** is on Saturday the 19th. This month is our Christmas/Holiday meeting. We will have our Pepper Mill gallery and will be taking a closer look at the BLWT website and reviewing some Zoom tips to improve the quality of our virtual meetings and lathe maintenance tips.

I'm looking forward to our <u>December gallery</u> and seeing the ornaments and gifts everyone has been working on. Gerry Jensen said that still pictures of our artwork are the best method for sharing via the Zoom meeting. He will make a slideshow of your pictures for the gallery if you can send the pictures ahead of time.

You can send pictures to Gerry by:

- a.) Posting your picture on BLWT FaceBook page (Prefered, Gerry will download it)
- b.) Email the picture directly to Gerry Jensen: grjensen@aol.com

**Classified Ads** - If you have woodturning or other "hobby related" item for sale send a description, picture, price and contact information to Terry Hermes for publishing in the monthly newsletter. Terry's email: <a href="mailto:wood5056@gmail.com">wood5056@gmail.com</a> ("wanted to buy" also accepted).

**Club Wood Exchange -** Again, I want to thank the members that donated wood for our wood exchange. We are at capacity with turning wood (my truck is parked outside!). Consider donating tools, unused gift certificates or other valuable items that can enhance the BayLake Woodturners fundraising efforts.

#### Club Store

The Club Store has been functioning. CA glue, glue accelerator and abranet are the hot items so far. Check out the inventory on the club website. Most of the store items are now in my possession. I live in Bellevue (east Green Bay). Send me an email or text with your order and I'll get back to you to coordinate the sale and delivery. <a href="mailto:timharteau@att.net">timharteau@att.net</a>

See you Saturday! Tim

#### **November Wood Burning Demonstration**

Tim Harteau gave us a tour of his clean shop.  $\,$  He joked that he spent time cleaning out the corners so the shop would look good on camera. Tim explained how he set up his shop and the different tools he uses in making his bowls and other items. He showed us how he turned a cooler into a drying kiln that is used to dry his danish oil finishes. After the shop tour he explained the several different wood burning irons ranging in price from \$20 to his more expensive Razor Tip. Each wood burning iron has it's own specific use and the soldering irons are slow to heat and get hot on the fingers. The Razor Tip has changeable tips that heat up faster and you can also make your own tips. Other wood burners such as Colwood and Burn master also work really well. Tim started out in wood burning with a soldering iron that he used to sign his name on bowls. He then took a very elementary wood burning class showing simple patterns and making different gradience boards. He showed different boards and how to use them in the demo he gave. In the class he also learned how to paint wood burning items using water downed acrylic paint. The wood burning will show thru the paint and give another dimension to your work. The more you practice the more you learn how the wood burning tool works. When you draw with a ballpoint pen the surface and feel is consistent but when you work with a heated tip it vaporizes the wood and it disappears. The heated tip will sometimes go deeper, slower, or faster on the wood than you want it to and you learn muscle memory on how to turn and move the pen across the wood. This will help with over burning or skipping across the wood. When you first touch the wood the tip is hot and starts out dark but as you pull the tip across the wood it cools off and is lighter. Next Tim showed a basket weave on a board and then demonstrate how the weave is created with vertical and horizontal lines. If you have a bowl that you want your weave at a 45 degree angle Tim sets the bowl on the table and uses a framing square to draw his lines. He uses a compass to draw his border around the bowl and this works really good when the rim is not flat so it keeps the band parallel to the rim. Always use a sharp pencil when drawing your lines because they will be easier to follow with your wood burning tip. Once Tim's outline is burned in he does a light sanding and then when he is finished he does another light sanding to get rid of the pencil lines. Wood burning will cause some smoke so always point a fan away from your work otherwise it will cool off the tip. Tim's air filter in his shop pulls the smoke away just fine. Woods that work well are: basswood, cherry, maple, soft maple, pine is ok but watch for early growth and late growth on the wood. Avoid ash and oak. If you missed Tim's demonstration go to our website and click on Shop Tours.







# **December Pepper Mill Party**

Please join us for our December Pepper Mill Party this Saturday. Many of you have been working hard getting all your Christmas woodturnings done. Now it's time to virtually show off your finished pepper mill and any Christmas gifts you have been working on (Bowls, Ornaments, Pens etc.). You can explain what type of wood you used, any problems you had making the item and what finish you used. You can setup your camera in front of your Christmas tree or fireplace to give it a Holiday feel. HO! HO!

## **Beads of Courage Boxes**

Even though the Covid virus has shutdown many things it has given us more time to work in our shops. Unfortunately childhood cancers and diseases have not gone away. Wisconsin Children's Hospital continues to collect Beads of Courage Boxes for sick children to put their beads in. If you would like to make a box Gerry Jensen has the beads and instructions for making these boxes.

Gerry Keberlein has been very busy in his shop with all his M&M pals. Great Job on the boxes!





## **Membership Dues**

## By: Terry Hermes

Our membership dues this year are \$15.00. If you would like to be in the Wood Exchange that will be an extra \$30.00. Each month we will put your name on the Wheel of Wood Exchange. If your name comes up you will win something from our wood exchange table.

You can now use a credit card for paying your annual dues or you can send in a check. You may pay you dues online by logging into our website at <a href="https://www.baylakewoodturners.com">www.baylakewoodturners.com</a> and clicking on dues and contributions. If you would like to pay by check make your check out to Bay Lake Woodturning Club and send it to: Terry Hermes, 550 Aurora Drive, Green Bay, WI 54302.



Santa's Elves are hiding the picture for the December Wood Exchange. Join us this Saturday on Zoom and see what the Elves have in store. You must be in the Wood Exchange to win one of the items that were hidden.





Could it be a box of Sawdust?

Nauty or Nice?









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