

# **BayLake Woodturners**



A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

# **Officers**

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# <u>Appointed Positions</u>

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#### 2023 Upcoming Events

Doors open at 9 am

MEETINGS START at 9:30 am

**SEPT. 16** Buffing and Linseed Oil Finish Demo by Ed Cole

Oct. 21 TBD

NOV. 18 TBD

Artisan Center Classes

www.nwtc.edu/about-nwtc/places/artisancenter

NWTC Artisan Center does not require masks to be worn at our meetings. The meetings will be held on the third Saturday of each month at 9:30 am, but dates may change due to scheduling conflicts. If you would like to be a demonstrator please notify Tim Harteau on what you would like to demonstrate. Thank You!



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#### **President Letter**

By: Tim Harteau

#### Hello Turners,

A big Thank You to Gerry Jensen for his "lidded box" demonstration. Perfect timing for me as my 8-year-old granddaughter was staying at our house the week before school started. I watched Gerry's demo on-line before the two of us worked on the project together.

School is back in session now for our kids and grandkids. I see buses running past my home each weekday morning as the children chat and laugh while standing at the curb. I enjoy seeing their energy as they pace around the bus stop swinging their backpacks like a pinata dancing for the crowd.

School? Have you considered signing up for a turning class at the Artisan Center? The club offers grants to members interested in "rounding out" their turning background (excuse the pun, I couldn't resist...). It's a great way to expand your skills and support the school!

Speaking of expanding your turning skills, if you know me, I don't turn spindles often, but I enjoy trying new things. This past summer I was asked to duplicate ten small spindles for a guy that wanted to rebuild an old chair. The spindles were only about 6 inches long and I was determined to duplicate them as best as I could. So, I grabbed my calipers, a pad of paper and ruler to document the pattern and cut some spindle stock before walking to the lathe.

After rounding out a blank I carefully transferred the cut lines from the paper to the spinning wood. Using a parting tool and calipers I gauged the various diameters before slowly cutting the beads and coves to match the original spindle. A little sanding and the first spindle was "done". The new spindle was pretty good for a 1st attempt but, when I looked at the clock I was surprised. I told myself, "At this pace, I'm only going to make about \$0.75/hour...". Well, maybe the next one will go faster... So, I mounted another blank and started turning number 2. When I finished number 2, my hourly rate jumped up to \$1.50! (The funny thing, my first paid job 48 years ago had a starting wage of \$2.10/hour...)

8 more spindles to go...

To finish the story, I did get more efficient with spindles 3 through 10. The last 3 spindles only took about 10 min each. However, I noticed a huge improvement in both process and technique as I worked my way through the project. Repetition has its reward.

How about a club challenge on "duplication"? It could be as simple as making two similar bowls or a rocking chair with 20 spindles. Let's discuss it at the meeting.

See you soon,

Tim



#### **AUGUST DEMONSTRATION**

Our new season kicked off with a demonstration on making a lidded box by Gerry Jensen. Gerry went through all the different tools, steps and finishes he uses in making his lidded box. There were many different question that came up on the tools and finishes used for these boxes. You can watch Gerry's demonstration on our YouTube channel. Go to YouTube type in **Bay Lake Woodturners** and you will see all our demonstrations. Just click on the demo you would like to watch. Thanks Gerry for starting our 2023/2024 Season!



#### **Club Dues**

This years dues will stay at \$20.00 for the year. If you would like to add the Wood Exchange for the entire year the total will be \$47.00.

You can pay your dues and wood exchange two different ways.

- 1) Dues and wood exchange can be paid at our meetings with cash or a check.
- You can also pay your dues and wood exchange online with a credit card by going to our website at: www.baylakewoodturners.com

Click on Dues and Wood Exchange tab and pay using a credit card.

That's it, You are now a paid member of the Bay Lake Woodturners Club!

#### NEW MEMBER

Jim Gallt joined our club in August. He is a beginner woodturner from Sturgeon Bay with a Delta Midi lathe. Jim enjoys turning bowls, boxes, Christmas ornaments, toys and wine stoppers.

Welcome Jim to the Bay Lake Woodturners Club!

#### **SUMMER CHALLENGE WINNERS**

This year we had two summer challenges. The challenges were to make a Christmas ornament or make a wig stand. Everyone who participated in the challenge had their name put in a hat for a \$20.00 gift certificate. Our two winners were Kevin Carpenter and Al Ostermann. Congratulations!

#### Thank you for participating in the Summer challenge!



We will be participating in making pens for troops. John Victor has slim line pen kits for the troops (5 in a pack with instructions) for free. You will have to supply the wood or resin and the finish. Please sign John's book before you take a pen pack so he knows how many packs have been signed out. Once you make the five pens bring them to our meeting and put them in the gallery. John will collect all the pens and he will send them in. If you have never made a pen it's a fun woodturning project. We have a slim line pen making kit in our store for a rental fee of \$3.00. Also there are several books on making pens, including the slim line pen in our library. These are great weekend projects and will help our service men and women.

Thank You for participating in this project!

#### WOODCRAFT OF APPLETON/FOX CITIES

#### **10% COUPON CARD**

Pick up your Woodcraft coupon card, at the sign-in table. We have one card for each member and this is for Bay Lake Woodturner's Members only. To activate the card you need to put your name on the front of the card. When you make a purchase at Woodcraft of Appleton/Fox Cities, present the card before you check out and 10% will be taken off the purchase price. You can use this card over and over. When you see John Victor at the meetings thank him for negotiating this discount with Woodcraft of Appleton/Fox Cities!



## WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW BOARD MEMBERS

<u>President</u> can be shared by more than one person. The President runs the meetings, helps schedule demonstrators and works with the Artisan staff.

Vice President would back up the President and run some meetings.

<u>Treasurer</u> takes care of the Club's checkbook. Collecting dues, paying invoices and hands out the money envelopes for the store and wood exchange. Terry Hermes would be the back up person.

We need people to step forward because bringing in new board members creates new ideas and it gives a spark to our club!

If you are interested in any of these positions please talk to Tim. Thank You!

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

#### **BY: Terry Hermes**

We need more members in helping with setup and clean up after our meetings. This will help our meetings go very smooth and does not put the burden on one or two people.

We are looking for members to help with clean up, placing name badges in alphabetical order, making the coffee, bringing in bakery items for 30 people (save your receipt and the treasurer will reimburse you for the cost), setting out the library boxes, explaining the gallery items, selling wood exchange tickets and calling out the numbers.

We will have a sign-up sheet on the registration table. There will be an instruction sheet on the inside of the closet door in the back of the room on the left hand side. The instructions will be on how to make the coffee, how to set up the bakery and how to set up the library. If everyone in the club would take a turn it would help us out a lot!

## Thank You!



Making Coffee



Wood Exchange



**Setting Up Badges** 



Library Duties



**Clean Up** 



**Bakery Items** 

#### DON'T BREAK THE BANK



**BY: Terry Hermes** 

It is very hard to keep breaking \$20.00 bills for a \$3.00 wood exchange ticket. If you would like to buy wood exchange tickets or something from our store please bring smaller bills like Fives and Tens. I do not have a lot of money in our petty cash and will no longer be able to take larger bills. Thank you!

## Bay Lake Woodturner's Club Website

www.baylakewoodturners.com

On our website you can pay dues and make contributions, see gallery items, read the newsletter, download instruction sheets and see recorded Zoom meetings plus much more.

#### YouTube Channel

Also check out our YouTube Channel at: **Bay Lake Woodturners** If you missed a demonstration or would like to review it again, they are listed on our YouTube channel.

# WOOD EXCHANGE

We are looking for items to place in our wood exchange. If you have any extra wood or tools you would like to donate to the wood exchange bring it to the meeting or just let Tim know what you would like to donate. Thank You!

#### 2024 WOODTURNING SYMPOSIUMS

Looking to improve your woodturning?

To get more information on demonstrators and registration dates go to their website.



AAW International Symposium—May 23 to 26, 2024 Portland, OR https://www.aawsymposium.org



Turn On Chicago—August 1 to 4, 2024 Crowne Plaza Chicago-Northbrook, Northbrook, IL https://www.turnonchicago.com



Virginia Woodturning Symposium—November 2 to 3, 2024 Expo Center, Fishersville, VA https://www.virginiawoodturners.com