



BayLake Woodturners

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners



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Upcoming Events

MEETINGS START at 9:30 am

JAN 21 Stabilize — Lisa Miotke

FEB 18 TBD

MARCH 18 Yarn Caddie—Lynn Heupel

Artisan Center Classes

www.nwtc.edu/about-nwtc/places/artisan-center

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

Happy New Year,

What happened to my yard full of snow? I'll take the warmer temperatures over zero degrees any day. But I had to laugh when I found myself outside in the garden trimming some dead plants yesterday. One thing is for sure, it takes all kinds of weather to determine "an average Wisconsin winter"! And... since there is no snow cover, it was easy for me to spot a cut tree. I found some logs to cut and quickly knocked out some rough bowls to add to my batch of blanks.

A special thanks to Becky for her wonderful demonstration on carving! I was impressed with how she has jumped into carving with both feet. I like her electric carving tool and the way she supplements the removal of material with the Dremel, a saw and hand tools. The bowls look wonderful with the 3D embellishments and now we have another talented presenter in our club!

A new shop jig - When it comes to your shop and hobbies did you ever tell yourself "I should make one of those things...". For years I've been roughing out bowl blanks on the bandsaw. I always thought it was easy enough to cut a bowl blank manually by following a circle placed on the wood. I have seen other turners using circle jigs and assumed that my effort to make the jig would take longer than just cutting out my current project.

Then last week, I invited Lisa M. over to "rough out" some large bowl blanks. This was just the motivation I needed to build a circle cutting jig. I started by viewing several videos on YouTube and then adapted their plans to use the materials I had laying around my shop. I had a 2' x 2' square of melamine shelving, some hardwood scraps and I made the "moving index pin" from a length of T-track. The jig turned out great! This version supports cutting wood directly if it has a flat side or you can attach a flat wooden disc to irregular shaped blocks of wood. The results are perfectly round bowl blanks ready to mount on the lathe or wax and store for later.

Major side benefit – besides getting perfectly round blanks, I quickly noticed the circle cutting jig greatly reduces the stress on the bandsaw blade. By having a "fixed center point" the wood block always enters the blade on a consistent path that greatly reduces the flex and burning that can occur when cutting large blanks manually (When cutting blanks freehand, it can be difficult to stay on track without flexing the blade). For me, this will increase the life of my blades by allowing them to stay sharp and stay on track as it cuts the blank.

That's it for now, see you Saturday,

Tim





HAPPY 2023
FROM THE
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DECEMBER DEMONSTRATION

By: Terry Hermes

Our December demonstrator was Becky Wallschleager on carving. Becky showed us the power tool she uses when carving her bowls. She likes to sit in a chair, then she puts the bowl on her knee to steady it when she is carving the bowl. Becky answered many questions on the different carving tips, and when she uses them. Great Job Becky!



BEADS OF COURAGE BOXES

BY: Terry Hermes

Bay Lake Woodturner's Members started making Beads of Courage Boxes in September of 2017. Our club has sent over 80 boxes to Children's Hospital of Wisconsin located in Milwaukee.

These boxes go to the Children's Hospital where children are undergoing treatments for many different medical conditions. Every time the child receives a treatment or has reached a milestone in their care they are given special beads to put on their string. Unfortunately some of these strings can be over 4 feet long. When the Beads of Courage Boxes are sent to the hospital the staff places all the boxes on tables. The children are able to look over all the boxes and then choose what box they would like to keep their beads in. The families are so grateful for the uniqueness of these boxes for their children.

With the holidays over and your to do list now completed, here is a fun project to try. Gerry Jensen has ordered 20 of the porcelain beads you place on your box and you can pick one up at our meetings. We will be collecting the boxes over the next few months, let them outgas and then we will send them to the Children's Hospital of Wisconsin. Please place a card with your name, type of wood you used and any message to the child. Thank you for participating in this special project!

Box Dimensions

The children in the beads program may receive thousands of beads and your boxes need to hold all of their beads. The recommended dimensions for turned boxes are:

6 inches in diameter (5" min.) and 5 inches in height (4" min.)

Box bases should be wide enough so the box is stable and does not tip over easily. Lids for Beads of Courage boxes should be easy for small or ill children to lift. Any finials should be easy for a small child to grasp and not too elaborate so they don't break. Avoid excessively elaborate designs that may easily break or be damaged. Keep in mind that the hospital rooms have very limited counter space for your box.

Finishing of boxes is extremely important! Beads of Courage members who receive these boxes are susceptible to germs, infections and molds. Bowls that have not been properly sealed can harbor molds. Please take the time to ensure you are using a safe finishing process that does not contain toxic materials. All kinds of wood are beautiful to use and you can highlight the beauty of the wood with clear varnish, a stain, and/or burning.

Also do not use finishes like linseed oil that take a long time to outgas.



BayLake 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.

SMILE AMAZON

Support BayLake Woodturner's Club by shopping at Smile Amazon

Go to www.smileamazon.com and click on the Supporting Tab then type in Baylake Woodturner. For every purchase that qualifies at Smile Amazon a portion of that purchase will be sent to our club.

Last Amazon Deposit (11/22/2022) = \$10.16

Total Amazon Deposits = \$75.38

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!



AAW International Woodturning Symposium
June 1-4, 2023
Louisville, Kentucky

Join woodturners from around the world for the valued Symposium experience you look forward to:

- More than 100 compelling presentations and demonstrations over three-and-a-half days.
- Learn from world-class demonstrators.
- Evaluate and buy the latest equipment, tools, and supplies at the Trade Show.
- Share your work in the Instant Gallery.
- Get inspired by the professional and member exhibitions.
- Collect gorgeous, unique works from the auctions and Instant Gallery.
- Make new woodturning friends!

Location

Kentucky Exposition Center, 937 Phillips Ln, Louisville, KY 40209

As the site of our abruptly cancelled symposium in 2020, Louisville is ready to host woodturners from around the world once again! The Expo Center is close to the airport and has nearby options for RV camping.

Save the date and make this trip a highlight for 2023!

More details and registration coming soon.