



BayLake Woodturners

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners



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2024 Upcoming Events

Doors open at 9 am

MEETINGS START at 9:30 am

April 20 Tool Handle Demo by Tim Harteau

[Planning meeting after our wood meeting](#)

May 18 Tool Swap & End of Year Party

Last Meeting of the Year

August 17 **Start of the 2024/2025 Season**

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: Ed Cole

Hello Everyone,

Second to last meeting of the year.....

Wow, this year has flown by. I have had a fairly steady string of requested commission pieces this year. That can be a good thing or a bad thing.

Recently I was prepping for two more requested travel mugs. I need to find the right size burl to do these mugs. I found three already that I was sure would work. The first one was an exact fit, but the second one was just a little too big and too interesting to turn down to size. Luckily, the third was a good fit as well. The issue I am having now is I need to complete the mugs. All I can think about is that interesting burl and what I am going to be able to do with it (when I get the time). These are good problems to have, LOL.

Gerry as always was fantastic with last month demo. We are lucky as a club to have someone so accomplished to share his techniques with us. There are a lot of people in this club who have some amazing talent. I am always grateful when they share!

Perhaps you have something you want to share with the club next year? Or you possibly have a request to see something specific done as a demo? Immediately after this month's club meeting we will be having a planning meeting to discuss next years meetings and demos. Your input and suggestions are always welcome.

Hopefully you will have time to join us! Otherwise please let someone know your suggestions. We will also be talking about the meeting flow and how to make meetings better and more organized.

This month's demo will be with Tim Harteau doing tool handles, along with a small give away included. You won't want to miss it!

Next month, we plan to have a luncheon meeting and tool exchange/sale. So please look through your shop and find something you thought you had to have but never used. Perhaps someone would take it off your hands and let it collect dust in their shop. Wink!

Looking forward to seeing you,

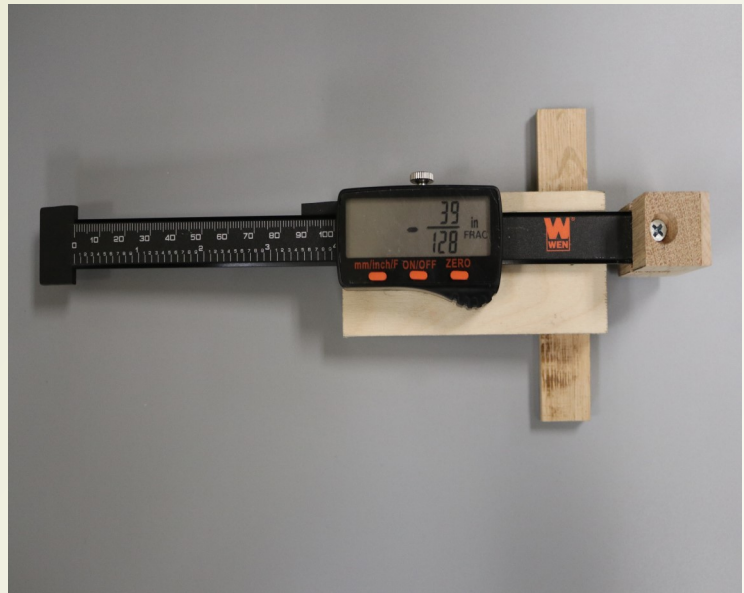
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MARCH DEMONSTRATION

Our March demonstration was on open segmenting by Gerry Jensen. Open segmenting leaves empty spaces between the blocks and gives a different look to your segmented woodturnings. As many of you know Gerry has taught segmenting classes at the Artisan Center and has made many segmented turnings.

Gerry also is a master at making jigs to help with his woodturnings. He uses a segmenting sled to cut the angles for the blocks. He also uses an indexing wheel and other tools to make sure everything lines up correctly.

You can watch Gerry's demo on our YouTube channel: [Bay Lake Woodturners](#)



PLANNING MEETING

We will have a planning meeting for next year immediately after our April wood meeting. There will be discussions on what type of demos everyone would like to see. If there are any professional demonstrators or people you know who do demonstrations please bring your ideas to the meeting. We are always looking for more ideas!

Everyone is welcome to this meeting!

SPINDLE EXERCISES—BOOST YOUR SKILLS

On page 20 of the April 2024 issue of the American Woodturner there is an article by Rick Rich to improve your woodturning skills. Rick will be a demonstrator at the AAW Portland Symposium and finds that as his spindle turning skills improved, his bowl and faceplate turning became much easier.

Cut a 2x4 into a 2x2 square and you are ready for some spindle practice. Round the 2x2 square and start practicing beads-and-coves. This is great practice for getting the hang of using the skew chisel and other tools. It's so much better to get a catch on a practice piece instead of on that last light cut on your good woodturning.

There are two old instruction books written in the 1900's that Rick likes.

[A Course in Wood Turning](#) written in 1919 by Milton and Wohlers. You can download this PDF file for free by just clicking on the link below.

<https://www.gutenberg.org/files/15460/15460-h/15460-h.htm>

The other book is [Elementary Turning](#) written in 1907 by Frank Seldon. You can download this PDF file for free by just clicking on the link below.

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This book has many photos of spindle turning exercises that are easy to follow. If you just practice a few of them you will understand how your tool works and become a better woodturner. Also this book has great photos you may like to see. The lady woodturners had their hair all rolled up, wearing a long ankle length dress with a pretty apron to protect their dress. The men are in white pressed shirts with bow ties or regular tied ties with some wearing suits. The tools shown are the bowl gouge and skew chisel and there is no ear protection, dust masks or face shields. I wonder how many face injuries and how many of the longer ties were caught in the spinning spindle? Yikes!!

FEBRUARY PHOTOS

By: Terry Hermes

Unfortunately we missed taking the February gallery photos. If you brought in a woodturning for the February gallery please take a picture of your turning and send it to Terry Hermes at: wood5056@gmail.com. I will get your picture(s) loaded to our website. Thank You!

I'm sorry for this mix-up.

2024 WOODTURNING SYMPOSIUMS

Looking to improve your woodturning?

To get more information on demonstrators and registration click on 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>

Southwest Association of Turners Symposium—August 23-25, 2024

Waco, TX

<https://www.swaturners.org>

Mid Atlantic Woodturning Symposium—September 20-22, 2024

Lancaster, PA

<https://mawts.com/event>

Rocky Mountain Woodturning Symposium— September 27-29, 2024

Loveland, CO

<https://rmwoodturningsymposium.com>

APRIL TOOL SWAP/SALE

It's time for Spring Cleaning of our wood shops. Our April meeting will be the last meeting of this year and we will have a Tool Swap/Sale. Check all the boxes, corners, drawers and shelves in your shop to see if there are any tools, jigs, wood or other items you are not using.

One man's junk is another man's treasure!

If you would like to sell some of your items please bring change because the Treasure will not have cash on hand. If you are going to buy items please bring small bills because we are not able to break any large 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 or Ed know what you would like to donate. Thank You!