



Des Moines WoodTurners Meeting Announcement



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AAW Chapter 158

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DES MOINES WOODTURNERS MEETING will be held Saturday, January 18th, 1:00 p.m., at the Woodsmith Store. Chapter and AAW members Roger Nass and Rob Wallace will both be presenting.

Roger will be demonstrating the process of harvesting wood from cut trees and large limbs. If you've been buying all your woodturning wood, you'll want to attend this demonstration. While free wood is not really free, you'll learn the safe methods to use in cutting logs and turning them into woodturning stock. It's not easy work but you will take a great deal of pride showing work that you can honestly say you took from tree to finished product either by yourself or with a team of fellow woodturners.

Rob Wallace, also a member of AAW's national Board of Directors, will provide a presentation on what the American Association of Woodturners is all about. Rob is always an informative presenter. I'm confident you'll enjoy seeing and hearing what AAW has going on nationally and for their 300 + chapters.

DECEMBER MEETING REVIEW - Attendance at the November meeting grew to 85 attendees who watched Jamie Retzinger turn unique salt and pepper dispensers. I hope some of you turned a few to give as holiday gifts.

There was a large showing of Show and Tell items. Members Chuck Dowler and Jack Rolison critiqued a number of them at the request of those who brought them. We'll do it again in January.

Jim Hogue out did himself with a table full of wood up for grabs. Thanks for the great job Jim!!

NEW MEMBERS - Four new members joined since the December meeting bringing our membership to 125. They were Tom Baker, Altoona; Gary Sandahl, WDM; Jim Bergeson, Urbandale; and Bob Maxwell, Woodward.

WOODTURNERS GO CORPORATE - The Des Moines Woodturners are now officially known by the State of Iowa as Des Moines Woodturners, Inc. The board officers formed the non-profit corporation and received their certificate of acknowledgement from the Iowa Secretary of State. As required, the Board of Directors will meet to adopt bylaws, elect officers and conduct other business before the board. Iowa law requires the initial bylaws of a nonprofit corporation be adopted by its board of directors. Our sincere THANKS to member Tom Ross for his legal guidance and assistance.

NEW BEGINNERS WOODTURNING CLASS STARTS – On January 11th the first Beginner Woodturning class started and will run for five Saturdays through at least February 22nd. Two breaks from class will be taken to allow students and instructors to attend the Jan and Feb monthly woodturning meetings.

Education and Safety Director Chuck Dowler will be overseeing the instruction while three other members will rotate between instructing and assisting students. To learn of woodturning training opportunities, contact Chuck Dowler or any officer.

MEMBER BUY-SELL SERVICE – Have woodturning items to sell or you want to buy? Send an e-mail with particulars to dmwoodturner@gmail.com and we'll broadcast it out to all members via e-mail.

DES MOINES WOODTURNERS LIBRARY – Librarian Don Skarin reports we have nearly 30 books and several DVD's in our library now. He will be available at the January meeting to check these items out to DMWT members. For the time being, please limit your check-outs to one item per meeting so more members will have a chance to get some woodturning ideas. Please return all checked out material at the next monthly meeting. **DO NOT** drop returned library material in the box at the front of Woodsmith. That drop box is for the Des Moines Woodworkers only.

INTRODUCTION TO PEN TURNING – Chuck Dowler reports two groups of four wannabe pen turners attended classes in December and each turned a slim line pen from start to finish. The class was led by LeRoy Monson with other member instructors assisting. Students are to bring their completed pens to the January meeting Show and Tell and receive their certificates.



John Hetherington Jan Wilson LeRoy Monson
Jerry Wilson Lone Wilson



Steve Nichols Jim Pierce LeRoy Monson
Jim Bergeson Don Skarin

NEW WEB PAGE OF PLAN SOURCES ADDED - Check out the page labeled as "**Woodturning Articles/Plans**" at our website. There are links to both Woodsmith and WOOD Magazine sites. There is a specific listing of WOOD Store woodturning articles and 'plans that are available as downloadable PDF files for a small fee. Take a look and see if there is anything of interest. The Woodturners treasury is mildly compensated by any purchase members make from WOOD Magazine's WOOD Store links.

DOWN THE ROAD - Feb 15 – Saturday, 1:00 pm. Monthly Des Moines Woodturners meeting & demo. Brian Simmons will be doing an instructional demo as he turns a cross grain bowl. Brian is a great instructor and will provide many pointers on how he approaches bowl turnings and why certain tools are best suited to cross grain work.



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