



# Des Moines WoodTurners

## Chapter Meeting Announcement & Newsletter

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### MAY CHAPTER MEETING

The Woodsmith Store continues to allow us to use their Seminar Room. Our next monthly meeting will be on Saturday, May 14th, 2022, at 1:00 PM, at the Woodsmith Store in Clive. The new monitors worked well so we will have the benefit for the program. If you are having trouble seeing all the details, please sit towards the front of the room. This is our last meeting prior to the summer break. Our next meeting will be September 10<sup>th</sup>.

Please remember to park well away from the entrance (north row or far east side of the lot) to the store to allow other customer access.

Our agenda for this meeting will be brief announcements, first educational topic, "Show and Tell", break and then the second and third educational topics (see details below).

### MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

by **Dan Carlson**, Membership Director

Please welcome two new members this month, **Larry Mindrup** from West Des Moines and **Dave Hendricks** from Des Moines. Please introduce yourself and make them welcome. We lost **Walter Smith** of New Sharon to cancer in April. As of the writing of this newsletter, we have 165 members in the chapter.

### EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

by **Bill Burchett**, Program Director

We continue with our 3 educational topics per meeting format again in May. The feedback on the new format has been generally positive, but I am always interested in how to make the Educational Program better and therefore welcome any thoughts.

#### OVEN ROASTED WOOD STABILIZATION

**Mike Hamilton** will talk about his experiments with baking wood in an oven and how it changes the wood.

#### PEN TURNING

**Dan Hotka** will demonstrate and discuss his tips and techniques of pen making.

#### TURNING A GREEN WOOD BOWL

**Jim Reynolds** will demonstrate and discuss the turning of a green wood bowl to final dimensions and then let the warping begin.

### LIBRARY OPEN AGAIN

Our chapter library will be open again at the meeting. **Please return any outstanding items.** This is also an opportunity to check out books or DVDs for your edification, education, and enjoyment.

### SCOUT CENTER MEETING

The May Networking Meeting at the Scout Center will be on Wednesday May 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM. [Link to event details](#). Additional details will be sent prior to the meeting. Hope to see you there.

## SCHOLARSHIP

Members **Tom Whalley** and **Dave Rabe** submitted applications prior to the April 15<sup>th</sup> deadline and the Scholarship Committee is evaluating their applications. The decision of the Scholarship Committee will be published prior to the June 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. It's not too early to complete an application for the next quarterly deadline. If you have interest in this opportunity, there are [materials on the chapter website](#). If you have questions, please contact one of the members of the Board of Directors (listed towards the back of this newsletter).

## AAW SYMPOSIUM

The 2022 AAW International Woodturning Symposium will be held in Chattanooga, Tennessee from June 23 to June 26. Registration is now open. Full registration for all days of the symposium held at the Chattanooga Convention Center is \$345, and includes admission to all symposium activities, Instant Gallery, and Trade Show (banquet is an additional cost). The host hotel is the Chattanooga Marriott Downtown and reservations are now being taken. Go to the [2022 AAW Symposium web page](#) for more information.

## TURN-ON! CHICAGO 2022

The Turn on Chicago regional symposium will be held again this year, at a new venue. This is produced by the Chicago Woodturners and will be held from July 28-31 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Northbrook, Illinois. This is a [link to the website](#) with all the details. **Rob Wallace** will be presenting two topics at this event.

## SEGMENTED WOODTURNERS NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

Not quite two months later, the Segmented Woodturners will hold their seventh symposium at the same hotel. The dates are September 22-25. Here is a [hyperlink to the website with all the details](#).

## WOODTURNING "SCRAP" WOOD CHALLENGE

We want to engage you in turning activities and exercise your creativity and imagination and then have you share the experience with the rest of the chapter. As the subject indicates, we would like to see what you have done or can do with those pieces of wood we call scrap wood, crap wood, firewood, or cutoffs. These are pieces of wood you might have thought about throwing away or in your burn pile. What have you made from them? What have you done with other objects/materials and combined them with turning? We want to see your creations and will feature as many of them as we can in the coming months and then at the end of our spring season, we will bring them all together so you can view them in one place. Put your creative hats on and start turning. Send a before and after picture along with a brief description to [dmwoodturners@gmail.com](mailto:dmwoodturners@gmail.com). It's important to see the before picture so we know what you started with.

## CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

We are an all-volunteer organization. Our success is due in large measure to the willingness of our volunteers. Whatever gets done, happens because someone volunteered. Some of our on-going volunteers are stepping back and we therefore need replacements. We need volunteers to take over the audio-visual duties for club meetings, and newsletter editor. There are also temporary / one off needs. Please let anyone on the board of directors (this is a list of the board members a little farther back in the newsletter) know if you have interest and we'll be glad to answer any questions and include you in the volunteer opportunities.

## IOWA STATE FAIR

The Iowa State Fair is August 11 – 21, 2022. Our fair booth is our largest source of income and we sell items made and donated to the chapter by you our members. The chapter provides the wood and the plans / specifications and you complete and donate the item for sale at the fair. Please volunteer to make items. Contact any board member if you have questions or would like to volunteer.

Project entry tickets are available now through July 1<sup>st</sup> for the normal fee. Entry tickets are available until July 8<sup>th</sup> for an additional fee. Entries should be delivered to the fairgrounds by 4:30 on Saturday, August 6. Deliver to Cultural Center on the 6th or to the Administration Building before then.

## CHAPTER TRAINING CLASSES

by **Dick Meuler**, Training Coordinator

### April 11th Basic Skew Chisel Use Class



Left to right **Jim Pierce** Runnells, **John Amberg** Des Moines, **Jim Reynolds** Clive, **Doug Lundberg** West Des Moines. All left the class with all their fingers attached and working, despite working all day with scary sharp skewers.

### April / May Basic Woodturning Class



Left to right **Tad Tadlock**, Instructor; **Brent Chambers**, Mitchellville; **Gene Davis**, Des Moines; **Perry Grant**, Polk City; **Dan MacAlpine**, Clive; **Dick Meuler**, Instructor.

Photo by **John Amberg**, Class Assistant

I would encourage any of you that have not taken a basic woodturning hands-on workshop, to sign-up for our 2-day Basic Woodturning class. It is hands on with lots of personal attention for each student. REMEMBER, students must complete the 2-day Basic Woodturning class as a prerequisite to take any other Chapter offered training class.

While our early and late series of Spring classes are filled, all but one of the Fall training classes have openings. Eleven (over one third) of the 32 slots have already been reserved and one of the eight classes is now full. Each class will be offered twice as shown below. All classes are held in the Valley Junction area of West Des Moines. We reserve the right to cancel or postpone any class with too few registrants.

If enough are interested in a specific specialty half or full day class over the summer months, please let me know the subject matter and I'll see what we can do to put one together. Contact me with your ideas or to sign up for one or more of the fall classes below.

\$\$	Class	Dates	Available Slots
\$40	2-day Basic Woodturning	9-19 & 26	3
\$20	1-day Basic Segmenting	10-3	0
\$20	1-day Basic Bowl Turning	10-10	3
\$20	1-day Basic Skew Chisel Use	11-17	4

Dates	Available Slots
10-24 & 31	4
11-7	2
11-14	3
11-21	2

**Dick Meuler**, Training Coordinator [dmeuler@gmail.com](mailto:dmeuler@gmail.com) or call 515-991-8111 (between 10a and 9p please)

## NEWSLETTER CONTENT

Please send in photographs of your work, we would love to see what you have made. If you have articles that you would like to have published or suggestion on how to improve the newsletter, please send them to a board member.

## EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM PREVIEW

by **Bill Burchett**, Program Chair

Below is our current plan for the educational programs for the rest of the year. Each of the topics will take about half an hour so that we can cover them in a reasonable Saturday afternoon. This is still subject to change. We encourage your feedback on this plan and ask for volunteers to deliver a topic. We hope that shorter / small topics will result in additional volunteers to share their knowledge and experience. We also encourage small teams to take a topic. Please contact me with your questions and feedback.

Month Year	Who	Topic	Comments
September 2022		Green end grain bowl or goblet? Chuck Dowler did the goblet some years ago. Goblet isn't particularly practical	Practical, solid wood, end grain
September 2022		Possibly a multi axis scoop	Practical, solid wood, multiple axis
September 2022	Swede Mandt & daughter	Gnome project	Swede will do the woodturning portion and daughter will do the decoration – use the Christmas ornament – decorative, solid wood, spindle slot?
October 2022		Utility bowl, calabash, bowl with handles	Practical, solid wood, cross grain
October 2022	Daniel Henderson	Laminated plate	Decorative, segmented
October 2022			Techniques
November 2022			Practical, segmented
November 2022	Stan Merrell	Acrylic bottle stopper, acrylic pen blank	Practical, non-wood
November 2022		Possibly earrings or pendants using the Joyner jig. Dick Meuler did this some years back	Decorative, solid wood, multiple axis, this is the annual jewelry topic slot
December 2022		Box?	Practical, solid wood, end grain
December 2022		Possibly Dick Meuler's baby birds from a branch project	Decorative, solid wood, cross grain
December 2022			Techniques

## ADDITIONAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

The COVID-19 pandemic has spurred significant efforts in providing education / demonstration via the Internet. Below are links to access some of these opportunities.

<a href="#">Virtual Woodturning Demos</a>	Driven by master woodturner Trent Bosch. Most demos require a \$10 fee for a two-hour demo, but you can access the archived demo later if you wish. There are several turners providing demonstrations using this website.
<a href="#">AAW Remote Demonstration Resource</a>	Documents, videos, and a list of demonstrators with contact information.

## CHAPTER DIRECT WEB LINKS – Below are a few direct links to our Chapter web site.

[Calendar of Events](#)

[Woodturning Articles and Plans](#)

[Chapter Library Catalog](#)

[Contact board members and volunteers](#)

[Membership Application form](#)

[Scout Center Networking Info](#)

## MEMBERSHIP BENEFIT – SUPPLIER DISCOUNTS

One of the benefits of DMWT club membership are discounts with participating suppliers. We strongly encourage you to use local suppliers whenever possible. Before they ring you up, show discount suppliers your Des Moines Woodturners membership card. BUY LOCAL when you can, Mail Order when you have no other choice!!

Woodsmith Store	10320 Hickman Road, Clive offers 10% discount to members except for sale items and power tools or things with a cord. If you're in doubt, ask a sales associate. M–F 9 to 7, Sat 9-5, Sun 11-4 Phone: 254-9494
True Value Hardware	63rd and Grand in WDM offers a 10% discount on most non-sale items. If you're in doubt, ask a sales associate. Known for having nearly anything you'd ever want especially in hardware and fastener area. Hours Mon thru Fri 7 to 8, Saturday 7 to 6, and Sunday 9 to 5. Phone: 279-9905
Acme Tools	629 SW 9th St. in Des Moines offers a 10% discount to members except for sale items and power tools or things with a cord. If you're in doubt, ask a sales associate. M–F 7 to 5:30, Sat 8-5:30 Ph: 244-4189
Renewal by Andersen	517 Railroad Ave. in WDM (Valley Junction) offers 5% discount on top of any other promotion(s) for home/business replacement windows and doors. Mon – Fri 8-5 Phone: 274-9700
Woodcraft	8645 Bluejacket Road, Lenexa, KS 66214, Phone: (913) 599-2800, Email: <a href="mailto:kansas-retail@woodcraft.com">kansas-retail@woodcraft.com</a> . Website <a href="#">link</a> . 10% discount supplier for woodturning tools, supplies, and accessories not sold locally. Show your DMWT membership card in store for discount on most items except tools with a cord or battery and other selected premium and sale items. Only valid for in-store purchases.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Time	Event
<b>Monday May 9</b>	8:30 – 5:00	Basic Segmented Turning; Training Center
<b>Saturday May 14</b>	1:00 – 4:00	Monthly Educational Meeting; Woodsmith Store
<b>Monday May 16</b>	8:30 – 5:00	Basic Bowl Turning; Training Center
<b>Monday May 23</b>	8:30 – 5:00	Basics of Skew chisel use; Training Center
<b>Wednesday May 25</b>	9:30 – 11:00	Monthly Networking Meeting; Maytag Scout Center
<b>Wednesday June 29</b> <b><u>(note that this is one week later than normal)</u></b>	9:30 – 11:00	Monthly Networking Meeting; Maytag Scout Center
<b>Wednesday July 27</b>	9:30 – 11:00	Monthly Networking Meeting; Maytag Scout Center

## BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

President –	Treasurer -Stan Merrell	Programs - Bill Burchett
Vice President – Tom Whalley	Education - Tad Tadlock	
Secretary - Will Zitterich	Membership - Dan Carlson	

Please contact any member of the board with your comments, suggestions, or concerns.

## DES MOINES WOODTURNERS WEARABLES

Members wanting Des Moines Woodturners logo embroidered on clothing are advised to purchase shirts, sweatshirts or turning smocks of their choice and style. These must be BRAND NEW and UNWASHED and can be delivered to any officer or board member. When enough items are collected to meet minimums, they will be taken to the embroiderer. Be sure to attach a note with your name to the collar of each garment submitted indicating if and how you want your name embroidered along with the Chapter logo. Costs to add the standard logo are \$8.00 per item. Personalized names can also be added for an additional \$6.00 per item. Chat with **Rob Beattie** if you have questions. 282-4532 or [beattie.r@mchsi.com](mailto:beattie.r@mchsi.com).

## AMERICAN ASSOCIATION of WOODTURNERS (AAW)

If you are an avid woodturner, we recommend an AAW membership because it offers you many additional woodturning resources:

- Six new issues of American Woodturner, the Journal of the AAW, each year and on-line access to all previous issues
- Six new issues of the digital Woodturning FUNdamentals and on-line access to all previous issues
- On-line access to a large collection of videos and many other learning resources and opportunities.

Check them out at <http://www.woodturner.org>.

## AAW MEMBERSHIP – JOIN or RENEW TODAY

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