



Des Moines WoodTurners Chapter Meeting Announcement & Newsletter

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December 9th Chapter Meeting A TwoFer Fun Project Demo with Tips

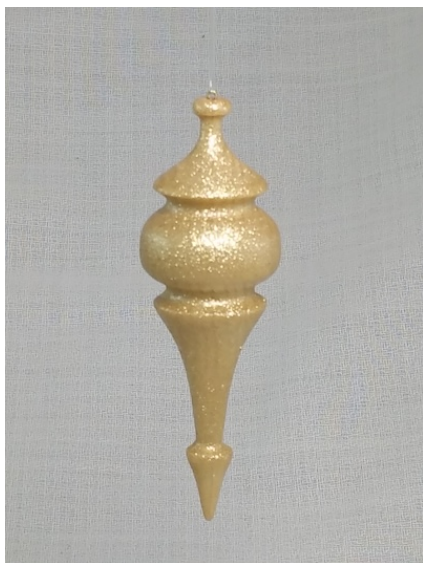


Member Dick Meuler (Moy Ler) will be demonstrating two projects that can be done by any skill level that understands the proper and safe use of basic spindle and bowl gouges plus parting tools that are all properly shaped and sharpened. He'll even turn a little air during the first demo.

Proper, safe, and sharp will be talked about along the way of both demonstrations.

The first will be a small cross-grain natural rimmed form commonly referred to as a Bird's Mouth Bowl. It is made from a 3" diameter by 4" long barked straight branch stock preferably, but trunk stock from small trees can also work. It can be done on a midi or full size lathe. He'll start between centers as illustrated, but finish in a scroll chuck. You'll learn how to quickly and easily, with no math involved, find the centers on each side of the log section. He'll also use a drill bit in a Jacobs chuck in the tail stock. You just might learn things you can apply to other unrelated projects as well. Tools needed: 3/8" (1/2" shaft) Bowl Gouge, 3/8" or 1/2" Spindle Gouge, Parting tool, Jacobs Chuck with #2 MT and drill bit.

See photo illustrating how to start by mounting turning blank between centers, along with two completed projects sitting on the lathe bed. Gives a whole new perspective to "cross-grain" turning!



Time permitting, the second demo will be a simple spindle oriented ornament mounted between centers. It can be made from inexpensive construction lumber cutoffs, even if they have nail holes, blemishes or dents in them, as long as they are safe to turn, or any hardwood as well. The same process taught can be used for many other projects, providing you plan to (come to meeting to find out the rest of the story). Tools needed: Spindle Roughing Gouge, 3/8" or 1/2" Spindle Gouge and Parting tool. See ornament photo.

Dick's bio is on the next page.



BIO: Dick is a USAF 4 year veteran and married just 10 days prior to reporting for basic training. He and his wife Pat (of 60+ yrs) have two senior citizen children, two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren aged 10 and 14. He has been building things with wood for nearly 70 years. After his first retirement in the mid-90's, he attended a half dozen classes at the Marc Adams School of Woodworking in Indiana. In 1995 he joined the Des Moines Woodworkers Association and served as newsletter editor, treasurer, database manager, and webmaster and remains a member today. He also worked part time as a free lance contractor at WOOD magazine for a dozen years until 2014 and again recently as a woodturner for woodturning articles in the magazine. In 2009, following medical surgery, he converted from flat work and took the last Basic Woodturning class taught by Chuck Dowler, who

developed the first training classes for the Chapter in 2005. At the time, classes ran for one day a week for five to six weeks. Having acquired the Chapter 501(c)(3) status from the IRS in 2014, Dick is the Registered Agent for the corporate entity and has served as the newsletter editor, VP (2013/14), and President (2015/16/17) of our Chapter. He continues to serve as a member of our Training Team at our Woodturning Training Center at the Chuck Haas provided facility in West Des Moines.

Special Meeting - Saturday, February 3rd - Pat Carroll from Ireland

International woodturning artist Pat Carroll from Ireland will provide two sessions of demonstrations, from 9:30 AM until 11:30 AM and from 1:00 PM until 3:30. Get this on your calendar and plan to attend this one-time event.

Check out his work: <https://www.patcarrollwoodturning.com/index.php/gallery/main-gallery>

This will be a special meeting and will NOT replace the regular Chapter meeting of Feb. 10th.

Upcoming Chapter Meeting Programs

January 13: It is our pleasure to feature club member Daniel Henderson who will present a method of turning starting with two pieces of wood to make a beautiful bowl with minimal waste and maximum creativity. As time permits, he will also discuss and demonstrate his method of constructing and turning a plate.

February 10: This is the normal club meeting date and will feature a panel of experienced turners from our club that will address any questions you may have. This is your opportunity to expand your turning knowledge and learn from other club members.

!!!!!! Important Schedule Change !!!!!!!

The monthly 4th Wednesday morning networking meeting will be one week earlier in December due to the holidays. Join us on December 20. There will NOT be a meeting on December 27.

Networking at the Chapter Meeting

If you would like to spend some time with your fellow turners, the Valley West location will be open before and after the Chapter meeting. The doors will open at 12:15 pm and close at about 4:30 pm.

Change in Chapter Meeting Format

Starting with the December 9th meeting the scheduled program will begin immediately following announcements. Show and tell will follow the program.

Show and Tell Beginners Table

Beginning with the December Chapter meeting there will a table set up for beginners to display their show and tell turnings. We hope this encourages beginners to bring their work. Everybody has to start somewhere.

Our thanks to Bill Burchett

Bill has stepped down from his role in program scheduling. Our thanks for his excellent work.

Completed Election of Officers

At the November meeting, the board members and officers were elected. Dennis Anderson will take over program scheduling from Bill Burchett. Mike Hamilton was elected as safety officer. Congratulations and thanks to Dennis and Mike.

Board Members and Officers

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

President: Tom Whalley (515) 321-6323 themodelshop@mchsi.com	Treasurer: Stan Merrell (515) 491-5411 srmerrell1@gmail.com	Programs: Dennis Anderson (515) 975-8573 dennis.anderson.dca@gmail.com
Vice President: Volunteer Still Needed	Training: Tad Tadlock (515) 201-7403 tad4tahoe@aol.com	Safety: Mike Hamilton (515) 822-6771 kmhamilton9@msn.com
Secretary: Will Zitterich (515)-232-1765 wzitterich@mchsi.com	Membership: Dan Carlson (515) 720-0637 dano1466@yahoo.com	

Wig Stands Contact: Dan MacAlpine

Hair loss following chemotherapy is a traumatic event. Woodturners can help. After the patient obtains a wig, they need a place to store it when not wearing it. Dan MacAlpine is organizing a group to make wig stands. If you would like to help, contact Dan at dmacalpine71@gmail.com



DMWT Calendar
All Meetings at Valley West Mall

Event	Date
Chapter Meeting	Dec. 9, 2023, 1 PM
* Networking Meeting	Dec. 20, 2023, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Jan. 13, 2024, 1 PM
Networking Meeting	Jan. 24, 2024, 9:30 AM
Pat Carroll Demo #1	Feb. 3, 2024, 9:30 AM
Pat Carroll Demo #2	Feb. 3, 2024, 1:00 PM
Chapter Meeting	Feb. 10, 2024, 1 PM
Networking Meeting	Feb. 28, 2024, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Mar. 9, 2024, 1 PM
Networking Meeting	Mar. 27, 2024, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Apr. 13, 2024, 1 PM
Networking Meeting	Apr. 24, 2024, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	May. 11, 2024, 1 PM
Networking Meeting	May. 22, 2024, 9:30 AM
No Chapter Meeting in Jun	No Chapter Meeting in Jun
Networking Meeting	Jun. 26, 2024, 9:30 AM
Deadline to order ISF competition entry tickets	Jul. 1, 2024
No Chapter Meeting in Jul	No Chapter Meeting in Jul
Networking Meeting	Jul. 24, 2024, 9:30 AM
Set up booth at ISF	Jul. 31, 2024
Last Day to turn in entries for ISF	Aug. 3, 2024
No Chapter Meeting in Aug	No Chapter Meeting in Aug
Iowa State Fair	Aug. 8 to 18, 2024
Networking Meeting	Aug. 28, 2024, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Sep. 14, 2024, 1 PM
Networking Meeting	Sep. 25, 2024, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Oct. 12, 2024, 1 PM
Networking Meeting	Oct. 23, 2024, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Nov. 9, 2024, 1 PM
* Networking Meeting	Nov. 20, 2024, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Dec. 14, 2024, 1 PM
* Networking Meeting	Dec. 18, 2024, 9:30 AM

* Rescheduled due to Holiday

Valley West Mall
1551 Valley West Dr
West Des Moines IA 50266

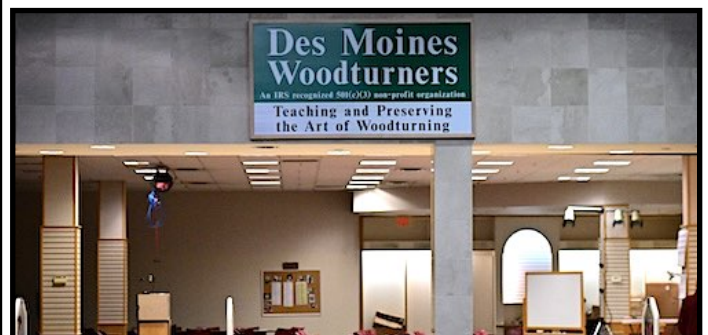


Woodturners
Entrance

Satellite View



View of Outside Entrance



View of Inside Entrance

Taxes and Giving

Effective January 7, 2014 the Internal Revenue Service determined Des Moines Woodturners Inc. is exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors may be able to deduct contributions they make under IRC Section 170. The organization is further qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devices, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. Be sure to ask your tax advisor if your deduction would qualify.

How to receive tax-deductions for your charitable donations: The charitable donation deduction allows you to lower your taxable income for donations or gifts to qualified, tax-exempt organizations. To get the deduction, you must itemize on [Form 1040, Schedule A](#). Gifts of equipment, tools, accessories, books, videos, etc. will be deductible only if the items are in "good used condition or better."

Volunteering Deductions: Although you can't deduct the value of time or services donated to an organization, you can deduct any costs that are incurred during volunteering, such as gas mileage or the cost of a volunteer uniform.

Cash, Check or other Monetary Gift Donation: For these contributions (regardless of amount), you must maintain a record of the contribution. A bank record or written communication from the qualified organization containing the name of the organization, the amount, and the date of the contribution.

Property Donation: You can deduct the fair market value of property you donate to qualified organizations. [See Publication 561](#), *Determining the Value of Donated Property*.

Please consider DMWT in your estate and tax planning. Your donations to Des Moines Woodturners Inc., a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, may be eligible for a tax deduction, but always check with your tax advisor.

For complete details: <https://www.irs.gov/taxtopics/tc506>, Topic No. 506, Charitable Contributions.

Re-Store Gift Card Available Contact: Tom Whalley

You might have noticed a new floor under the lathe at the mall. The plan initially was to install a wood laminate floor over the carpet; however, once we got into that process, we discovered there were additional unknown issues that prevented doing that. We purchased the flooring from the Re-Store but had to return it since we could not use it. As a refund, they gave us a \$367.00 credit which can be used to purchase anything there. We would appreciate it if any member who might be considering a purchase at the Re-Store use this gift card and then reimburse the club accordingly so that we can recoup our investment. All you would need to do is take the card there for payment. Then bring the receipt to our treasurer along with your check in that amount to pay the Chapter for the items you purchased there. This could be done by multiple members until the entire amount has been redeemed.

With the Christmas holidays quickly approaching, the card could be purchased from the chapter and donated to a non-profit organization that could then purchase items they need there, as well.

If anyone is interested in using the card for their own needs or to purchase it to donate to an organization of their choice, please contact Tom Whalley at 515-321-6323 or email Tom at themodelshop@mchsi.com.

Membership News
from Dan Carlson, Membership Director

Membership count - 170

Members who have paid their dues for 2024 can pick up their membership cards at the meeting on Saturday

Something new - take notice of the orange name tags when you come to the Chapter meeting Saturday or the networking meeting on December 20th. Everyone that joined in 2023 has an orange name tag.

Take the time to meet one of these new members and see if there is an interest in turning you share or maybe you can point them to someone that can provide good advice on a project they are working on.

Membership Dues are Due
from Dan Carlson, Membership Director

You may pay your dues anytime between now and January 13th at the same low price of \$20. After January 13th the dues are \$25. There are several ways for you to easily pay your dues.

1. Pay in person at any of the meetings between now and January 13th. You can pay by cash, check or credit card.

2. Mail a check payable to Des Moines Woodturners for \$20 and mail to:

Des Moines Woodturners
PO Box 71629
Clive, IA 50325

3. Pay online by clicking on the link below. This is a secure site.

The link to pay online is: <https://square.link/u/IgeJ6Szb?src=sheet>

If you have any questions about your dues, please email Dan at dano1466@yahoo.com.



2024 Iowa State Fair
Contact: Duane Groenenboom

The DMWT is funded through sales at the Iowa State Fair. (Your dues also help, thanks.) As usual we need items to sell. Bowls, dibbles, spurtles, pens, platters are all excellent sellers. Please find Duane to get free blanks.

Woodturning FUNDamentals - Great for Beginners

If you are a member of the AAW, you can access the Woodturning Fundamentals page at the AAW website. The August issue (2023 August 12:3) features detailed instructions for an Ice Cream Scoop Kit, An Elegant Pen Holder and "What I know about tenons". The instructions can be downloaded and printed without charge.

Here is the link:

<https://www.woodturner.org/Woodturner/Resources/Woodturning-Fundamentals--Publication-/Woodturning-Fundamentals.aspx>

Chapter Volunteers

AV Producer	Tom Baker	Refreshments	Rob Beattie
Camera	Tom Baker	State Fair Products	Duane Groenenboom
Camera	Craig Wyckoff	Training	Dick Meuler
Greeter	Vikki Morain	Training	Tad Tadlock
Greeter	Donna Byers	Training	Duane Groenenboom
Librarian	Don Skarin	Training	John Amberg
Library Assistant	Bob Fischer	Training	Stan Merrill
Mentoring	Will Zitterich	Training	Tom Baker
Newsletter	John Amberg	Training	Jack Kennedy
Photographer	Gil Lea	Training	Dan England
		Webmaster	Jim Bergeson

Training News

Contact: John Amberg



Bowl Class

Tad Tadlock (instructor), Larry Beltrame, Kim Eaton, Jerry Futer,
Duane Groenenboom (instructor)



Sharpening Class

Duane Groenenboom (instructor), Dan Carlson, Howard Hackbart, Joe Burklund,
Dick Meuler (instructor), Tad Tadlock (instructor)

Spring 2024 Classes Are Available For Enrollment

Basic Woodturning: If you have not taken Basic Woodturning you will find it useful if you're new to turning, been away from the lathe for awhile or would just like a refresher. Enhance your spindle turning skills. It is a fun day and a confidence builder. In addition, it is the prerequisite for the other courses. Basic Woodturning is two consecutive Mondays, 8:30 to 5 and costs \$40.

Basic Bowl Turning: This class touches on basics of wood harvesting, differences from spindle turning, and introduces the bowl gouge. You will practice on a poplar blank before turning your Hard Maple bowl. The class is one full day. We provide the tools and blanks, you provide the accessories and face shield. This is a one day class and costs \$20.

Basic Segmenting: This class will cover the basics of making segmented projects, from calculating segment angles and sizes, ring diameters needed, segment wood prep, gluing and clamping, to accurate cutting fixtures. You'll glue together furnished pre-cut segments and clamp them. Turning will be demonstrated but students won't be using the lathe in the class. Pre-cut segments for glue-up practice will be furnished. Bring paper and pencil to take notes. This is a one day class and costs \$20.

Basic Skew Chisel: This class will introduce students to the proper techniques and use of the tool as well as sharpening. Students will furnish their own skew chisel(s) (3/4 inch and up preferred). We will use the same accessories as in the Basic Woodturning Class. This is a one day class and costs \$20.

Basic Sharpening: The sharpening class will use lathe mounted sandpaper sharpening wheels and wooden dowels to teach the techniques of sharpening. This class is primarily for gouges but will also touch on a variety of other common traditional turning tools such as parting tools, skew, bedan and scrapers. In addition, sharpening hollowing tools, thread chasers, hook tools

and common flat carbide cutters will be discussed. After practice, students will have the opportunity to sharpen their own tools using the Oneway Wolverine Sharpening system and CBN wheels. This is a one day class and costs \$20.

Please contact John Amberg at johnaamberg@yahoo.com or 858-220-1489 for further information or to sign up.



Spring 2024 Woodturning Classes		
Basic Woodturning	March 11 & 18, 2024	1 openings
Basic Skew Chisel	March 25, 2024	1 openings
Basic Bowl	April 1, 2024	3 openings
Basic Sharpening	April 15, 2024	Full
Basic Woodturning	April 22 & 29, 2024	3 openings
Basic Segmenting	May 6, 2024	3 openings
Basic Bowl	May 13, 2024	4 openings
Basic Sharpening	May 20, 2024	1 openings

Board Meetings are Open to All Members

Any member of the Des Moines Woodturners can attend the Board meeting. The Board meets monthly following the Networking meeting held at the Valley West Mall on the 4th Wednesday. The time the meeting starts is variable, so just stay after the Wednesday meeting and grab a seat.

Links to the DMWT Website

Meetings and Events	Woodturning Articles and Plans
Chapter Library List	Contact Board Members and Volunteers
Membership Application Form	

Additional Educational Opportunities

AAW Articles and Videos	AAW Articles, Videos, Safety and More (AAW membership required)
Virtual Woodturning Demos	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.
TurnAWoodBowl Videos	Excellent series of free You Tube videos about turning Bowls. Kent Weakley also has a website: TurnAWoodBowl.com

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 \$10.00 per item. Personalized names can also be added for an additional \$6.00 per item. Chat with **Rob Beattie** if you have questions. 515-282-4532 or beattie.r@mchsi.com.

American Association of Woodturners (AAW)

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.
- ** 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.

[AAW Membership Join or Renew](#)

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Membership Benefits - 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	Temporarily closed. New location is ClockTower Square next to Fresh Thyme.
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. They are known for having nearly anything you'd ever want especially in hardware and fastener area. Mon thru Fri 7 to 8, Sat 7 to 6, and Sun 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. Mon thru Fri 7 to 5:30, Sat 8-5:30. Phone: 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 thru Fri 8-5. Phone: 274-9700
Woodcraft	8645 Bluejacket Road, Lenexa, KS 66214, Phone: (913) 599-2800, Email: kansas-retail@woodcraft.com . Website link . 10% discount supplier for woodturning tools, supplies, and accessories not <u>sold</u> 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.

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 suggestions on how to improve the newsletter, please send them to johnaamberg@yahoo.com.