



## Des Moines WoodTurners Chapter Meeting Announcement & Newsletter

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### April 12<sup>th</sup> Demonstration Duane Groenenboom and Mark Hayes Iowa State Fair Products



Duane:

I started turning on my son's hand me down Shopsmith about 25 years ago and got hooked. Since then I upgraded to Jet 1440 and now am turning with a Powermatic 3520.

I've always enjoyed wood working but woodturning was special. I've explored segmented and bowl turning but didn't do much between center turning until after I took the Basic Wood turning class a few years ago.

Since then, I have turned over 150 Christmas trees. I started using red cedar and found that they sold quickly at the state fair. The red heart wood and white sap wood make a unique tree. Since then, I also turned trees from Bradford Pear, Sycamore, Maple and other species.

During the last year I have started experimenting using Cactus Juice to stabilize punky wood and using dyes with Cactus Juice on soft maple to get a different look of Christmas tree. Some of these dyed trees sold well at a craft sale so am interested to see if they will sell at the state fair.



Mark:

I am a lifetime woodworker following in the footsteps of my father and grandfather who were both carpenters and dabbled in woodworking. My first workshop consisted of a Shopsmith in the basement and a radial arm saw in the garage some 45 years ago. I have since built out a full workshop and enjoy some furniture making in addition to turning. The thing with furniture making is that it systematically provides windows between steps for turning.

My woodturning journey began in the fall of 2023 when I joined the DMWT. I started turning in February, 2024 and the obsession began. I took the basic woodturning and basic bowl turning classes offered by the club and now help teach those classes.

I enjoy all forms of turning including spindles and bowls. I have developed a strong interest in embellishing and offset turning. Seldom do I turn identical items as I suspect I would become bored as a production turner.

### DWMT Board Meeting ++All are Invited++

Board meetings are open to all members. The next board meeting is April 23rd at approximately 10:30 AM at Valley West.

## April 12<sup>th</sup> Turning Challenge

### Turn a Square Bowl

The only rule requires the project to be turned after 1/11/25. A bowl is an open vessel capable of holding .... something (soup, nuts, fruit, other).

Contestants may turn material of their choice in any size. Any enhancements are allowed, such as paint, dye, carving, etc.

One entry per person brought to our April 12th meeting.

(Chapter and AAW membership gains bonus points)

Square Bowl Video (from TurnAWoodBowl YouTube):

<https://youtu.be/4s5c5bi9bwU>



## Volunteers Needed

### Bring Cookies and Donuts

Please bring 3 dozen donuts for the Wednesday morning Networking meeting.

Please bring 4 packages of cookies for the Saturday afternoon Chapter meeting.

The signup sheet is near the desk at Valley West.

Volunteers are needed for all meetings of 2025.

Bring your receipts to **Stan Merrell** for prompt and cheerful reimbursement.

## Future Educational Programs

May 10<sup>th</sup>: **Roger Naas/Donna Byers** -Threading

June 14<sup>th</sup>: **Will Zitterich** - Making and Finishing Urns

July 12<sup>th</sup>: **Dick Meuler** - Lathe Maintenance

September 13<sup>th</sup>: **Greg Ellyson** - Small Fancy Trees (popular at the Fair)

October 11: Phil Holtan, Eagan, MN. - Burls to Bowls ([www.philholtan.com](http://www.philholtan.com))

November 8: **Tad Tadlock** - TBD

## Volunteers Needed

### 2025 Iowa State Fair, August 7 to 17

- 8 volunteers needed to work the booth each day.
- Two demonstrators are needed per day from 9 am to 6 pm.
- Sales are from 9 am to at least 6 pm (or later if busy as determined by coordinator).
- Paid fair entrance and parking tickets to those volunteers who help at the fair
- Help needed to setup and tear down before and after the fair.
- **Dan Carlson** will be contacting members starting in late April through May.
- If you have questions contact **Dan Carlson** ([dano1466@yahoo.com](mailto:dano1466@yahoo.com))

## **A Word from Chapter President, Dennis Anderson**

Did you know our Des Moines Chapter has 186 members from 53 different communities? Wow, what a resource of club members for sharing and learning from one another. Take time to meet someone you do not know and learn from what they are turning. What a great way to develop some new friendships!

We have a number of newer members. Just a reminder that safety is a priority when operating a lathe. Here is a list of safety recommendations from the American Association of Woodturners (AAW) that are great reminders to all of us regardless of experience level:

- Use a full face shield whenever the lathe is turned on.
- Tie back long hair, do not wear gloves, and avoid loose clothing or objects that may catch on rotating parts or accessories.
- Always check the speed of the lathe before turning it on. Use slower speeds for larger diameter or rough pieces, and higher speeds for smaller diameter and pieces that are balanced. Always start a piece at a slower speed until the work piece is balanced. If the lathe is shaking or vibrating, lower the speed. If the work piece vibrates, always stop the machine to check the reason.
- Check that all locking devices on the tailstock and tool rest assembly (rest and base) are tight before operating the lathe.
- Position the tool rest close to work, almost touching the wood. Check tool rest position often and as wood is removed, turn off the lathe and re-position the rest.
- Rotate your work piece by hand to make sure it clears the tool rest and bed before turning the lathe "on." Be certain that the work piece turns freely and is firmly mounted. A handwheel on the outboard side of the headstock simplifies this process of spinning the lathe by hand before turning on the switch.
- Be aware of what the turners call the "red zone" or "firing zone." This is the area directly behind and in front of the work piece – this area is the most likely for a piece to travel as it comes off the lathe. A good safety habit is to step out of this zone when switching the lathe to the "on" position. When observing others turn stay out of the area.
- Hold turning tools securely on the tool rest, holding the tool in a controlled and comfortable manner. Always contact the tool rest with the tool before contacting the wood.
- It is safest to turn the lathe "off" before adjusting the tool rest or tool rest base (banjo).
- Remove the tool rest before sanding or polishing operations.
- Never leave the lathe running unattended. Turn the power off. Do not leave the lathe until it comes to a complete stop.

## **Summer Chapter Meetings**

The Chapter meetings on June 14 and July 12 will be casual get togethers. Bring your show and tell.

Refreshments will be available.

There is no chapter meeting in August because of the Iowa State Fair.

The networking meetings will be held as usual on June 25, July 23 and August 27.

## **Membership News**

We currently have 187 members.

Please welcome these new members who joined in February and March.

**Jeff Bothwell from Ames**

**Dan Oberender from Ankeny**

**Jon Bos from Des Moines**

**Rod Putney from Indianola**

**Herman Riva from Norwalk**

## **Member Spotlight - Dean Feight**

Dean fills the voids in these turnings with the brass key shavings left over from making keys at the hardware store.



## **In Memoriam**

**Arlyn ("Slim") Picken**

## Summary of Logan Whittmer Demonstration

March 8, 2025



Logan Whittmer presentation, Des Moines Wood Turners, March 8, 2025, Mall venue Logan Whittmer has been in publication work for 9 years and is currently the Managing Editor of the Popular Woodworking magazine. He spends as much time as he can turning on his lathes in his shop and has made a lot of turnings. This presentation will show the many different metals and methods of turning them that can be turned on woodworking lathes.

He explained why turners should consider turning metals. There are many things that you can do with metals that can't be done in wood. Metal ferrules can be turned for tool handles, brass can be made into a mallet head, metals can create an accent on a turning, metals can make a rim of a bowl, metals are easy to texture, and a metal accent can add balance to a work piece.

Metals softer than mild steel can be turned on a wood lathe with a turner's high speed woodworking tools. Copper is the easiest to turn, brass turns easily, bronze is the hardest to turn, and aluminum is easy to turn but shavings can stick to the turning tool.

Brass can be mounted in a wood working scroll chuck must be very tight. Begin with turning slowly as 300 rpm to make the brass perfectly round and then increase the speed. A round nose scraper works well, and the tools must be kept very sharp. And the cuts must be light cuts. A push cut or pull cut can be made with a spindle gouge or bowl gouge. Logan demonstrated by turning a piece of brass to make a mallet head. He added grooves with a skew and added texture with a texturing tool. He also demonstrated drilling a hole in the brass mallet head for the handle by using a brad point drill.

Logan demonstrated turning a bronze bushing to make a ferrule for a tool handle. The shavings are not stringy but more like dust. Scrapers and gouges work well. Epoxy should be used to attach the ferrule on the wood handle as super glue does not work well withstanding the heat generated by turning bronze.

Aluminum is not fun to turn as the shavings stick to the tool and they must be continually removed from the tool. Turning faster makes it worse as more heat is created. It is hard to get a real good surface cut, but the surface can be covered by using a texturing tool. The turning can be turned off with a parting tool.

Pewter is ideal for melting and pouring in a mold to create a metal piece like a finial. It melts at 400 degrees. Logan melted a piece of pewter with a propane torch in a ladle. He turned a recess into a piece of wood for a mold and poured the molten pewter into it. Maple can be used but medium density fiber board works the best for a mold. As the pewter cools it shrinks and is easily removed from the mold. He removed the casting from the mold when it cooled. The finial created could be used on a box lid. He described how pewter can be used for a bowl rim by either making the rim separately from the bowl or cutting a groove in the bowl and pouring molten pewter into the groove.

Many turners have not used metal in their turnings. Logan's excellent demonstration and the information he provided was informative and turners now have a good understanding of using metals in turning. His presentation was enjoyable to watch and very much appreciated by turners.

**Will Zitterich**, Secretary



## State Fair Inventory Update

Sale Items for the 2025 State Fair	Target	Out for Turning	Current Inv	Need to Make
<b>Pens (Simple Wooden)</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>290</b>
French Rolling Pins - Short 9-12"	15	0	15	0
French Rolling Pins - Med 16-18"	46	0	46	0
French Rolling Pins - Lng 20-24"	10	0	0	10
Standard Rolling Pin - 12"	15	0	0	15
Standard Rolling Pin - 16"	25	0	4	21
Standard Rolling Pin - 19"	25	0	0	25
Standard Rolling Pin - 24"	15	4	0	15
<b>Tree - Standing</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>204</b>
Spurtles, Short ~ 10"	125	0	61	64
Spurtles, Medium ~ 14"	150	15	88	62
Spurtles, Long ~ 17"	27	0	9	18
<b>Tops</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>88</b>
<b>Bowls</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>Segmented Bowls</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Natural Edge Bowls</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Dibbles</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>Honey Dippers</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>60</b>

## Targeting selling about 1,960 items this year

Item	Count	Price
Pens – simple wooden pens for kids	300	\$3
Fancy Pens	50	\$25-50
Rolling Pins – French and Standard	150	\$15-35
Christmas Trees >6" and Specialty trees	250	\$12-50
Spurtles – three different lengths	315	\$10-18
Tops	225	\$7
Bowls 90, natural edge 20, segmented 20	130	\$10-150
Christmas ornaments	100	\$5-15
Planting Dibbles	60	\$10
Coffee Scoops	50	\$10
Lidded boxes	40	\$7-30
Misc. – yoyos, pin cushions, etc.	165	\$5-25

- We need **Quality** items!! If you wouldn't give it to your spouse, it probably won't sell well at the fair!
- Make sure there is no tear out or sanding lines and feels smooth to the touch!
- This year we are looking for some items like segmented or resin bowls that we can price at \$100 or more to see if they will sell.
- Specialty Christmas trees are a new items and will be priced individually

## Show and Tell



Rob Wallace



Steve Downey



Greg Livingston



Jerry Peek



Bill Burchett



Greg Livingston



Jerry Peek



Ed Sharr



Ed Sharr

## Show and Tell



Wayne Bower



Craig Wyckoff



Craig Wyckoff



Bryan Herold



Vikki Morain



Rich Mandt



Rich Mandt





### Member Spotlight

**Bryan and Maurice Herold** making maple syrup.



By Kat Ellyson

### 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. The DM Woodturners logo and your name costs \$16.00 paid at the time the item is given to Rob Beattie. Chat with **Rob Beattie** if you have questions. 515-282-4532 or [beattie.r@mchsi.com](mailto:beattie.r@mchsi.com).

### DMWT Chapter Discount

### AAW International Woodturning Symposium

### Register by April 11<sup>th</sup>

The DMWT has secured an additional \$40 discount on the registration fee if you register by April 11 and use the discount code AAW25GROUP. With the discount, AAW member registration fee is \$335 for all 3 days. Non-member registration is higher but it includes a one year membership to AAW. Banquet costs are in addition to your registration fee and can be individually added if you wish to attend them. If you have never attended one of these symposiums, you will be impressed with the demonstrations, trade show and the gallery.

Registration Link: [AAW International Turning Symposium](#)

If you have any questions, please email: [Member Services](#)

### 2025 Woodturning Classes

**General Information:** You will receive an information packet by email approximately 1 month before the class. It contains a list of required accessories, location and safety information. A reminder will arrive about 1 week before the class. The fee is collected on the day of the class. There is no penalty for cancellation, but please let us know ASAP if you have to cancel.

**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. DWMT provides the tools and wood. Homework is assigned between classes so you will need access to a lathe. Basic Woodturning is two consecutive Mondays, 8:30 to 5. Cost: \$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. DMWT provides the tools and blanks, you provide the accessories and face shield. This is a one day class. Cost: \$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. Cost: \$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. Cost: \$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. Cost: \$20.

Please contact John Amberg at [johnaamberg@yahoo.com](mailto:johnaamberg@yahoo.com) for further information or to sign up.

## Training Classes

Training classes are still available. If you are enrolled, please confirm you are in the correct class at the correct time. If you are unable to attend a class you are enrolled in please contact [John Amberg](#) ASAP. If you would like to be on a waiting list, let me know.

Early Spring	Late Spring	Early Fall	Late Fall
Basic Woodturning	Basic Woodturning	Basic Woodturning	Basic Woodturning
Completed	Apr 21 & 28, 2025	Sep 15 & 22, 2025	Oct 20 & 27, 2025
Jerry Peek Todd Gaff Hanna Hagen Dave Filanowicz	Bryan Stearns Kevin Wheeler Brent Heuer Mike Kruse	Marc Swanson Rod Putney Jon Bos 1	Patty Hemphill 3 2 1
Basic Skew	Basic Segmenting	Basic Segmenting	Basic Skew
Completed	May 5, 2025	Sep 29, 2025	Nov 3, 2025
Duane Strempe Jeff Newhook Paul Fitzpatrick Myles Hegstrom	Duane Strempe Paul Fitzpatrick Kevin Wheeler 1	Jerry Peek 3 2 1	Jon Bos 3 2 1
Basic Bowl	Basic Bowl	Basic Bowl	Basic Bowl
Completed	May 12, 2025	Oct 6, 2025	Nov 10, 2025
Jerry Peek Paul Fitzpatrick Hanna Hagen Vern Kinderknecht	Tom Smith Bryan Stearns Kevin Wheeler Brent Heuer	Rod Putney Mike Kruse 2 1	4 3 2 1
Basic Sharpening	Basic Sharpening	Basic Sharpening	Basic Sharpening
Apr 7, 2025	May 19, 2025	Oct 13, 2025	Nov 17, 2025
Jerry Peek Su George Mike Eckerty Bill Chrisman	Duane Strempe Bryan Stearns Jeff Newhook Daniel Henderson	Vern Kinderknecht Dan MacAlpine Patty Hemphill Hugh Morris	Brent Heuer Tom Golding Brad Huyser MIke Kruse



## Training Class Graduates



### Basic Woodturning

**Todd Gaff**

**Dave Filanowicz**

**Hanna Hagen**

**Jerry Peek**



### Basic Skew

**Paul Fitzpatrick**

**Jeff Newhook**

**Myles Hegstrom**

**Duane Strempeke**



### Basic Bowl

**Paul Fitzpatrick**

**Hanna Hagen**

**Jerry Peek**

**Vern Kindernecht**



## Mentoring Program

The Des Moines Woodturners Inc. (DMWT) invites members to use the Mentor Program. Below is a list of volunteers, members in good standing, who are willing to share their experience and answer specific questions to help you with a particular problem. Each mentor's strengths are noted along with their name and city location. Select who might be best to contact, based on your questions and how far they are from you. As volunteers, it will be up to the mentor to decide if they can help, whose shop will be used and what mentoring will look like based on the need.

Webpage: [DMWT Mentoring Program](#)

**Dan Carlson**, Clive  
Phone 515-720-0637  
[dano1466@yahoo.com](mailto:dano1466@yahoo.com)

Dan will mentor in these areas:

1. Getting started with pen turning
2. Turning small ornaments
3. Turning small lidded boxes
4. Turning seam rippers, letter openers
5. Turning bottle stoppers

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**Glen Farmer**, Ogden  
Phone 517-395-0317  
[gfarmeriii@yahoo.com](mailto:gfarmeriii@yahoo.com)

Glen will mentor in these areas:

1. Bowl turning
2. Ornaments
3. Hollow forms
4. Coloring
5. Platters
6. Spindle work
7. Boxes
8. Harvesting wood/Blank cutting

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**LeRoy Monson**, Waukeg  
Home Phone: 515-987-1655  
Cell Phone: 515-745-9098  
[monsonlg@aol.com](mailto:monsonlg@aol.com)

LeRoy will mentor in these areas:

1. Spindle (including duplicating)
2. Bowls
3. Platters
4. Lidded box
5. One-way sharpening and set-up
6. Tool control
7. Bandsaw and lathe maintenance

**Tad Tadlock**, Winterset  
Phone: 515-201-7403  
[tad4tahoe@aol.com](mailto:tad4tahoe@aol.com)

Tad will mentor in these areas:

1. Natural & naked edge bowls
2. Large & small bowls
3. Platters
4. Boxes
5. Open void vessels
6. Sharpening

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**Jack Kennedy**, Winterset  
Phone: 515-462-3141j  
[jkennedywinterset@att.net](mailto:jkennedywinterset@att.net)

Jack will mentor in these areas:

1. Closed Segment Bowls
2. Open Segment Bowls

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**Jack Rolison**, Ottumwa  
Phone: 641-683-5647  
[jd.rolison@outlook.com](mailto:jd.rolison@outlook.com)

Jack will mentor in these areas:

1. Bowl turning
2. Finishing
3. Coloring
4. Sharpening

## **Educational Opportunities**

### **American Association of Woodturners 39<sup>th</sup> International Symposium June 12-15, 2025, St. Paul, MN.**

Link: [AAW Symposium](#)

### **DMWT Woodturning Scholarship**

The Des Moines Woodturners offer a scholarship program for the benefit of chapter members. Woodturning can be an expensive endeavor. The cost of equipment such as a lathe, bandsaw, chainsaw, sharpening system, buffing system and the myriad of items like drive centers, scroll chucks, live centers, adapters, jaws, and faceplates can mount rapidly. In addition is the cost of turning tools, embellishing tools, specialty tools and a host of accessories, supplies and finishing products, not to mention the cost of wood if you don't have the capacity to harvest your own.

By the same token, three and five day woodturning educational events are also expensive when located out-of-state. Travel costs, lodging and tuition can easily run \$1,000 to \$1,700 per event.

This scholarship is not intended as a source of financial aid for those who might otherwise not be able to afford the educational experience. Instead, it is offered as an incentive to those serious about woodturning who are willing to expand their skills and knowledge and bring those skill-sets back to share with our members in a variety of ways. The scholarship can provide recipients a 25% to 50% discount toward the overall cost of their attendance expenses.

The purpose of the scholarship is to expand personal woodturning skills and knowledge and share their experience with fellow members by:

- Attending Chapter events and sharing their learning experience.
- Showing examples of their work as a result of their learning experience.
- Demonstrating what they learned at a chapter meeting, event, or class.
- Sharing their overall learning experience and confidence building experience.
- Encouraging members to expand their woodturning skills via similar educational experiences.
- Volunteering for Chapter leadership positions (wide variety of opportunities).

### **American Association of Woodturners (AAW)**

We recommend an AAW membership because it offers many woodturning resources:

- \*\* Six issues of American Woodturner magazine each year.
- \*\* On-line access to all previous issues of American Woodturner and FUNDamentals.
- \*\* On-line access to videos and many other learning resources.

[AAW Membership Join or Renew](#)  
American Association of Woodturners  
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75 5th Street  
W St. Paul, MN 55102

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Email: [memberservices@woodturner.org](mailto:memberservices@woodturner.org).

Website: <https://www.woodturner.org/>

## Board Members and Officers

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

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## Chapter Volunteers

AV Producer	Tom Baker	Scholarship Program	Mike Hamilton
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	Theo Filanowicz	Training	John Amberg
Librarian	Jeff Newhook	Training	Tom Baker
Mentoring Program	Will Zitterich	Training	Jack Kennedy
Newsletter	John Amberg	Training	Dan England
Photographer	Gil Lea	Training	Mark Hayes
Refreshments	Volunteers Needed	Webmaster	Jim Bergeson

## Recommended Woodturning YouTube and Websites

Craft Supplies USA	<a href="https://www.woodturnerscatalog.com/Videos">https://www.woodturnerscatalog.com/Videos</a>
M Saban Smith	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/@msabansmith/featured">https://www.youtube.com/@msabansmith/featured</a> <a href="https://www.hampshiresheen.com/">https://www.hampshiresheen.com/</a>
Kade Bolger	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/@kadebolgerwoodturning149/featured">https://www.youtube.com/@kadebolgerwoodturning149/featured</a> <a href="https://www.kadebolger.com/">https://www.kadebolger.com/</a>
Glenn Lucas Woodturning Scribe	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/GlennLucasWoodTurner">https://www.youtube.com/user/GlennLucasWoodTurner</a> <a href="https://www.glennlucaswoodturning.com/">https://www.glennlucaswoodturning.com/</a>
Allan Batty (Skew Chisel)	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KfeLAHQSBqk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KfeLAHQSBqk</a>
Stuart Batty	<a href="https://stuartbattytools.com/home">https://stuartbattytools.com/home</a>
TurnaWoodBowl (Kent Weakley)	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDwV2Djn756vpxL51zd4Uw">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDwV2Djn756vpxL51zd4Uw</a> <a href="http://TurnaWoodBowl.com">TurnaWoodBowl.com</a>
Capt. Eddie Castelin	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/capneddie">https://www.youtube.com/user/capneddie</a>
Matt Harber	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z1TMuDvrl4A">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z1TMuDvrl4A</a>
Ashley Harwood	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjGsWIFwBXNk5N2NBoGXGg">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjGsWIFwBXNk5N2NBoGXGg</a> <a href="https://www.ashleyharwood.com/">https://www.ashleyharwood.com/</a>
Cindy Drozda	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/cindydrozda">https://www.youtube.com/user/cindydrozda</a> <a href="https://www.cindydrozda.com/">https://www.cindydrozda.com/</a>
Wyoming Woodturner	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/WYOMINGWOODTURNER">https://www.youtube.com/user/WYOMINGWOODTURNER</a> <a href="http://wyomingwoodturner.com/">http://wyomingwoodturner.com/</a>
Nick Cook	<a href="http://www.nickcookwoodturner.com/">http://www.nickcookwoodturner.com/</a>
Mike Peace	<a href="http://www.youtube.com/mikepeacewoodturning/">http://www.youtube.com/mikepeacewoodturning/</a>



## DMWT Calendar

Event	Date	Refreshments
Chapter Meeting	Apr. 12, 2025, 1 PM	Dave Hendricks
Networking Meeting	Apr. 23, 2025, 9:30 AM	Kal Edwards
Chapter Meeting	May 10, 2025, 1 PM	Gene Davis
Networking Meeting	May 28, 2025, 9:30 AM	Mark Hayes
Chapter Meeting	June 14, 2025, 1 PM	Dan Carlson
AAW 39th Annual International Symposium	Jun. 12 thru 15, 2025 St. Paul, Mn.	
Networking Meeting	Jun. 25, 2025, 9:30 AM	
Chapter Meeting	July 12, 2025, 1 PM	
Networking Meeting	July 23, 2025, 9:30 AM	Gary Lawrance
Iowa State Fair 2025	August 7 thru 17, 2025	
No Chapter Meeting August	No Chapter Meeting August	
Networking Meeting	August 27, 2025, 9:30 AM	
Chapter Meeting	Sep. 13, 2025, 1 PM	
Networking Meeting	Sep. 24, 2025, 9:30 AM	
Chapter Meeting	Oct. 11, 2025, 1 PM	Dan Mac Alpine
Networking Meeting	Oct. 22, 2025, 9:30 AM	
Chapter Meeting	Nov. 8, 2025, 1 PM	
*Networking Meeting	*Nov. 19, 2025, 9:30 AM	
Decorate Festival of Trees	Nov. 23, 2025	
Festival of Trees	Nov. 28 - Dec 1, 2025	
Chapter Meeting	Dec. 13, 2025, 1 PM	
*Networking Meeting	*Dec. 17, 2025, 9:30 AM	
Chapter Meeting	January 10, 2026	
Networking Meeting	January 28, 2026	
Chapter Meeting	February 14, 2026	
Networking Meeting	February 25, 2026	
Chapter Meeting	March 14, 2026	
Networking Meeting	March 25, 2026	
* Rescheduled due to Holiday		

## Woodturning FUNdamentals Website - Great for Beginners

If you are a member of the AAW, you can access the Woodturning Fundamentals page at the AAW website.

Latest Articles: Enhancing Highly Figured Wood with Acrylics, Turn a Vase from Firewood and Turning a Lighthouse.

Here is the link: [Woodturning Fundamentals](#)

## 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](mailto:johnaamberg@yahoo.com).

## 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](http://TurnAWoodBowl.com)

## Video Review of "RightAngle" Sharpening Jig

DMWT member **Gil Lea** has designed two jigs for setting repeatable angles for sharpening. His products have been reviewed by English turner Mike Walddt. Here is the link to the review: <https://youtu.be/wNvKd3OMTLg?si=lwPHWlFAHE2BdMKB>.

Gil's website is: [www.rightanglenow.com](http://www.rightanglenow.com). Gil offers a 20% discount to club members.



## 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!!

RightAngleNow	DMWT Member <b>Gil Lea</b> offers a 20% discount on sharpening jigs	<a href="https://www.rightanglenow.com/">https://www.rightanglenow.com/</a>	515-205-7522
Ace Hardware - Ankeny	10% except for Sale Items, Repair Services, Rental and Gasoline Powered Equipment	3020 SW Oralabor Road Ankeny	515-809-1104
Ace Hardware - Johnston	10% except for Sale Items, Repair Services, Rental and Gasoline Powered Equipment	5800 Merle Hay Rd Johnston	515-276-2854
O'Donnell Ace Hardware	10% Member Discount except for Sale Items, Repair Services, Rentals, Power Tools and Gasoline Powered Equipment	4808 University Des Moines	515-277-0062
O'Donnell Ace Hardware	10% Member Discount except for Sale Items, Repair Services, Rentals, Power Tools and Gasoline Powered Equipment	5715 Hickman Rd Des Moines	515-255-2240
Park Fair Ace Hardware	10% Member Discount except for Sale Items	100 E Euclid Ave Des Moines	515-243-6000
Acme Tools & Equipment - Power Tools	10% Member Discount on Woodworking Accessories. Does not include Sale Items, Power tools or Service and Parts.	629 SW 9th St Des Moines	515-244-4189
Bradley Tool & Fasteners - Sharpening & Equipment Rebuilding	10% Member Discount except sale items, power tools/equipment, tool/equipment parts, tool renovation/repair services.	6250 NW Beaver Dr Ste A4 Johnston	515-331-0878
Sharpening Solutions - Des Moines	Approximate prices are \$1/inch for planer/jointer knives, and \$15 for standard circular saw blades. Additional charges for triple chip grind or high tooth count blades	2614 E Douglas Ave Des Moines	515-577-4535
Sherwin Williams - Paint & Finish	20% discount off all in stock regular price items. 5% discount off in stock sale items. Up to 30% off of the Sher-Wood wood finishes.	Altoona 3770 8th Street SW Ste F	515-967-6974
Sherwin Williams - Paint & Finish	20% discount off all in stock regular price items. 5% discount off in stock sale items. Up to 30% off of the Sher-Wood wood finishes.	Ames 1624 South Duff Ave	515-232-2124
Sherwin Williams - Paint & Finish	20% discount off all in stock regular price items. 5% discount off in stock sale items. Up to 30% off of the Sher-Wood wood finishes.	Ankeny 817 E 1st St	515-964-7890
Sherwin Williams - Paint & Finish	20% discount off all in stock regular price items. 5% discount off in stock sale items. Up to 30% off of the Sher-Wood wood finishes.	Clive 1985 NW 94th St	515-251-2973
Sherwin Williams - Paint & Finish	20% discount off all in stock regular price items. 5% discount off in stock sale items. Up to 30% off of the Sher-Wood wood finishes.	Des Moines 515 16th St *Commercial*	515-280-3365
Sherwin Williams - Paint & Finish	20% discount off all in stock regular price items. 5% discount off in stock sale items. Up to 30% off of the Sher-Wood wood finishes.	Des Moines 5408 Douglas Ave	515-278-0481
Sherwin Williams - Paint & Finish	20% discount off all in stock regular price items. 5% discount off in stock sale items. Up to 30% off of the Sher-Wood wood finishes.	Des Moines 1040 E Army Post Rd Ste A	515-285-0072
Sherwin Williams - Paint & Finish	20% discount off all in stock regular price items. 5% discount off in stock sale items. Up to 30% off of the Sher-Wood wood finishes.	Grimes 2570 E 1st St	515-300-9407
Sherwin Williams - Paint & Finish	20% discount off all in stock regular price items. 5% discount off in stock sale items. Up to 30% off of the Sher-Wood wood finishes.	Marshalltown 105 Nicholas Dr	641-752-0229
Sherwin Williams - Paint & Finish	20% discount off all in stock regular price items. 5% discount off in stock sale items. Up to 30% off of the Sher-Wood wood finishes.	Oskaloosa 117 High Ave W	641-673-8441
Sherwin Williams - Paint & Finish	20% discount off all in stock regular price items. 5% discount off in stock sale items. Up to 30% off of the Sher-Wood wood finishes.	Ottumwa 1231 Theatre Dr	641-684-6564
Sherwin Williams - Paint & Finish	20% discount off all in stock regular price items. 5% discount off in stock sale items. Up to 30% off of the Sher-Wood wood finishes.	Waukee 140 Hickman Rd	515-987-4048
Sherwin Williams - Paint & Finish	20% discount off all in stock regular price items. 5% discount off in stock sale items. Up to 30% off of the Sher-Wood wood finishes.	West Des Moines 830 Grand Ave	515-226-0603
True Value Hardware - West Des Moines	10% Member Discount except for Sale Items, Repair Services, Rental, Electrical and Gasoline Powered Equipment	63rd & Grand West Des Moines	515-279-9905
White Cap Supply - Power Tools & Fasteners	10% Member Discount except for Power Tools and Sale Items.	1631 2nd Ave. Des Moines	515-243-6969
Woodcraft Store - Tools & Supplies - Iowa City	10% Member Discount, except tools that have a cord or battery. There are a few specific brands including Festool and SawStop which exclude even non-powered accessories from our discount, to so be sure to ask before purchase.	3 Escort Lane Iowa City, IA	319-259-7175
Woodcraft Store - Tools & Supplies - Kansas City	10% Member Discount except tools that have a cord or battery plus sale items. There are a few other low margin items that the Discount may not apply to so be sure to ask.	8645 Bluejacket Rd Lenexa, Kansas	913-599-2800
Woodsmith Store - Tools & Supplies	10% Member Discount except for Power Tools and Sale Items	2900 University Ave West Des Moines	515-254-9494