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The Monthly newsletter of the Chicago Woodturners

January 2013

New Front page format

Beginning in 2013, the first page of the Newsletter will be dedicated to a summary of key news items and upcoming events of interest to our membership. This will include upcoming club demos, gallery reviews, symposium news, Saturday demo's, mentoring sessions, and any others relevant news I hope this new format will simplify keeping you informed of Club activities. Thanks to our Education committee for the recommendation. Let me know if you like the new format.

Al Miotke—Newsletter Editor

New Club Officers Elected

December was our annual election of new club officers: Congratulations to our new officers who were elected to a 2 year term beginning in January.

Don McCloskey—Vice President

Rosemary Pagura— Treasurer

Our Secretary Thomas Stegall will be moving soon. Thanks to Clint Stevens for agreeing to take over the role of Secretary for the rest of Thomas's term.

Saturday Demos and Hands-on Classes

Rich Nye is finalizing some great Demonstrators for 2013, Saturday demo's will be held at our normal meeting location. 1 and 2 day hands on classes will be held at NORMAC in St. Charles.

More details in January.

Mike Hosaluk: April 13-16

Alan Lacer : June 1-4

TBD Late summer

Bonnie Klein: November 9-12.

Sign-up begins at the January Meeting

Mentoring

If interested in being mentored on the use of the Jamieson Hollowing system, contact John Eslinger at 847-830-6894 eslingerjohn@msn.

2013 Meeting Agenda

Month	Gallery Review	Demonstration
January	Max Shoenberger	Vacuum Chucks—Phil Brooks
February	Marie Anderson	Chain Saw Safety—Dan Anderson
March	Paul Pyrcik	Spiral Segmented Pen—Jason Swanson
April	Clint Stevens	Baxter Threading Jig—Andy Kuby
May	TBD	Wands—Don Johnson
June	TBD	Clay and Wood—Dan Kola

Presidents Curls



**President
Scott Barrett**

**2013
“The year of
Education”**

**4 world class
turners will
demonstrate.**

**Sign-up starting
in January**

**More excellent
Mentoring
sessions**

**Thanks to
everyone who
volunteered to
help make the
club a success
in 2012**

Traditionally January is the time to set goals for the New Year. The foundation of my goals for the Chicago Woodturners Club began in late 2012. This is the year I would like to see our guest demonstrations and hands on classes reach new heights. In 2012 our members exercised incredible efforts to successfully stage our bi-annual symposium. We also under the direction of our new Vice-President, Don McCloskey had a record breaking donation of pens for the “Pens for Troops” project. In December our members donated to the Empty Bowls for Food project and raised a substantial amount of money for local food pantries. Now is the time that we spend an equal amount of energy supporting one of our own projects.

Richard Nye has been tirelessly working on our 2013 Demonstration and class program. In an effort to make classes available to more members, we have moved our classroom to the NORMAC facility in Geneva. Sunday classes have returned to the CWT. In addition we will have our usual two day schedule on Monday and Tuesday. In order for these classes to be successful, Richard has scheduled a formidable cast of professional turners.

Our current calendar of demonstrations and classes is shaping up as follows;

- Mike Hosaluk: April 13-16
- Alan Lacer : June 1-4
- Bonnie Klein: November 9-12

Richard is awaiting confirmation of a fourth demo in late summer. In addition to this schedule, the Education Committee is committed to bringing us a limited attendance Ornamental Turning class early in 2013. We are awaiting the details of the date and demonstrator.

I would like to see our club membership commit to taking at least one of the offered classes as soon as possible. These classes should fill quickly, so signing up in January and making a deposit for a class should be a priority. If you have never participated in a class, we have plenty of members that would be available to “mentor” you on how to prepare for this exciting opportunity. Please see Richard Nye, Paul Shotola, or Jan Shotola at the January 8th meeting to sign up and get additional information.

Let’s make 2013 the year of Education. By supporting our demo program you also validate the diligent and persistent efforts of our Demonstration Chairperson, Richard Nye.

Lastly, I would like to thank the many volunteers whom contributed to making my first year as president of your club a rewarding experience. I along with the other Chicago Woodturners Club board and committees, will do everything in our power to insure 2013 is just as successful.

Happy New Year to All

December Meeting Minutes

Clint Stevens

The December CWT meeting was a short notice Holiday Party thanks to the efforts of Marie Anderson, Roger and Julie Basrak and several others who volunteered at the last moment.



Don McCloskey report on Empty Bowls. C W T

contributed 92 items which raised a total of \$2,972. Don challenged the members to donate 100 items next year.

Several members brought turned toys which were to be donated. These will be donated to Children's Memorial Hospital. Next year those donations may be food for a local food pantry.



A few moments were set aside for election of officers. Don McCloskey was elected Vice

President. Rosemary Pagura elected Treasurer. Scott Barrett extended his thanks to Jan Shotola for being the Treasurer for the last four years. Thomas Stegall needed to resigned as Secretary with one year remaining in his term. Clint Stevens volunteered to complete the final year of his term. Scott reminded the members that he will only be serving one term as president and somebody will have to step up by this time next year.

Richard Nye highlighted the 2013 demonstrations and classes. Michael Hosaluk will be at CWT in April. Al Lacer will visit in June. November brings Bonnie Klein. Rich is still working on at least one more demonstrator. Continued demonstrations and classes depends on the support from the club membership. We have lost funds on several demonstrators this year due to poor attendance.

Roger Basrak raffled off several of the new Binh Pho posters during the evening. Binh Pho asked if anyone had questions for him as an AAW board

member and discussed his upcoming exhibition at the Mobile Museum of Art. There will be a reception January 17, 2013 at 7PM and Binh invited all to attend. There is a strong possibility that food will be involved.



Andy Kuby asked everyone to think about Turn On Chicago during the coming month. He will ask for a vote at January meeting to determine whether or not we want to launch TOC again in 2014. Volunteers for the committee will solicited drafted or otherwise pressed into service.

Andy Kuby mentioned a couple of opportunities for club members: Darrell Rader brought in a spindle which requires 16 copies (this was taken by Jason Swanson), Wayne Rhein has a lead on a large walnut which must be taken down (further information to follow by email.) Rockler will host Sorby Tools on February 6 at 1-4 PM and 5-8 PM (20% off all Sorby.) John Eslinger will mentor on Jamieson Hollowing tool, details to follow.

Roger Basrak reported that 44 members and 11 guests attended, Tom Sashko has rejoined and George and Della Close are new members.

Al Miotke shared videos from the Segmented Woodturners SIG meeting in Lake Tahoe. These videos featured the very talented professional actor Jim Romick. He sang woodturning songs written to such of Broadway musicals as My Fair Lady and The Phantom of the Opera. There was much hilarity and merry making.



Such are the minutes as best I can remember and reminded by my good friends.

CWT News

Andy Kuby, our new club publicist, had a number of items to announce in December:

1. John Eslinger 847-830-6894 eslingerjohn@msn.com is ready to mentor members on the Jamieson Hollowing tool. He can take one or two members at a time in his shop in Antioch. You have to bring safety equipment and your own wood. Please contact him directly for further information. If you email him please include "hollow form" in the subject line.

2. David Fialkowski (312) 282-8296 davidfialkowski@aol.com has sent the following request (I believe it would be best to chemically strip these but contact him if you think you can help):

"I have 3 stair newels from a 1890s house. I've stripped the paint and partially hand sanded one - and realize I won't live long enough to hand sand all 3. I know better than to take a hand tool to them, I'm sure proper way is to spin and sand on a lathe. They were turned from 6x6 and are about 40" long. Easiest thing to do would be to paint them, but that would be a sin."

3. Paul Schulman of Paul Schulman Design palschulman@me.com needs some small vases turned in walnut for a client. The style is to be similar to the Prime Collection on the Klein Reid Website (<http://kleinreid.com/home.php?cat=289>) The size will be about 12 inches tall by 6 inches wide. Please contact Paul by email with "Request for Vases to be turned" in the subject line

4. On February 6, 2013, Rockler will be hosting the Sorby Tools Tour. There will be two sessions, 1-4 PM and 5-8 PM. During the day there will be a 20% discount on Sorby Tools. Please call the store directly to let them know you will be attending so they can have enough chairs.

5. Wayne Rhein may have a lead on a large Walnut to be taken down in Libertyville. More information will be provided if I get it.

6. Darrell Rader had a request for 16 spindles to match a sample he brought in to the December meeting. Jason Swanson took the challenge.

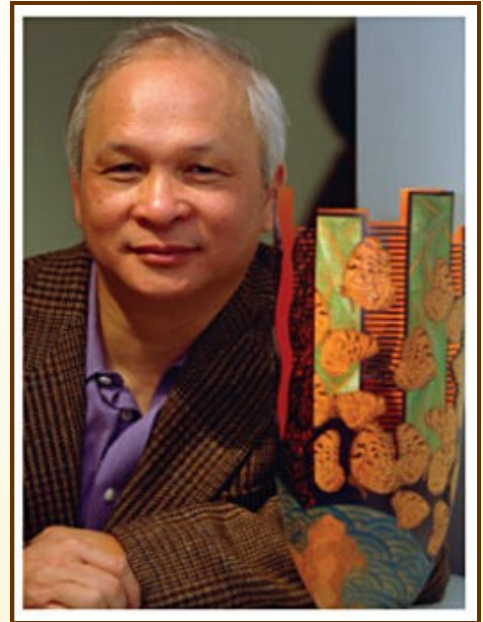
2013 Membership is now Due.



Binh Pho Exhibition at the Museum of Art in Mobile Alabama

Al Miotke

Long time CWT member and current AAW board member, Binh Pho has the honor of an exhibition dedicated to his body of work. This event is a unique opportunity to see approximately 50 pieces of Binh's elegantly turned, pierced, carved, and painted pieces brought together from his personal collection as well as private collections from around the country.



Below is an excerpt from the artist statement on the Museum's website:

“Binh Pho is a critically acclaimed artist, known for an expansive approach to work in wood and glass that includes painting and a unique exploration of positive and negative space. The works feature a highly personal iconography, with imagery that relates to Asian culture and the natural world. The story of his journey from an idyllic childhood in Vietnam, the rise of Communism and his escape to the United States is shared in the book *River of Destiny: The Life and Work of Binh Pho*, published in 2006, in conjunction with a retrospective of his work at the Long Beach Museum of Art. Binh Pho is in demand as a lecturer and demonstrator and his work is exhibited internationally and in the permanent collection of numerous museums.”

If you are interested in attending the opening reception of Binh Pho's exhibition in Mobile AL, Jan 17th, 2013 at 7PM, please email Binh or respond to the gallery website directly. The information is in the attached invitation. The exhibition is open to the public January 18 to April 7, 2013 . <http://www.shadowoftheturning.com>



Turning Around America— Sanctuary

The following email was received by Scott Barrett. It's an interesting concept for woodturning education by two dedicated women.

Dear Chicago Woodturners,

In 2010, I left Boston on a journey to teach as many people as I could, in one year, how to make a simple object out of wood. I called the project Turning Around America. Armed with two mini lathes, a grinder, a small bandsaw and hand-tools, in a Van that was part living and part shop, I traveled 30,000 miles, and reached 3000 people. At some stops I was lucky enough to get volunteers from local woodturning clubs to help me, allowing many more kids and adults to experience the magic that is woodturning. If there were no volunteers I taught wood shaping and cutting with simple hand tools. The impact was huge. Most of the people I taught had never touched a tool. The excitement on their faces and the emails I received later were very inspiring.

Being mobile allowed me to access communities that did not have woodturning/woodworking in their schools or art centers. I brought the workshop to them. While I traveled, my colleague Jenn Moller created and maintained an interactive web site so everyone could follow my progress. After my year on the road, Jenn and I accepted an invitation to teach the village of Vera Cruz, Guatemala how to use hand tools. This was also a very empowering project for us as well as the villagers.

Turning Around America continues this idea of mobile education by launching our new project, Sanctuary. Sanctuary is a prototype we are designing and building, of a mobile art/ craft studio that is on a trailer base. We

launched the campaign on December 21 through USAArtists.org, to acquire funds to build the studio. USA Artists is a nonprofit art



foundation that umbrellas artists under their non-profit status. All donations to our project through them will be tax deductible. We have until February 6th to raise our goal of 30,000 dollars. The prototype we build will be used by Turning Around America to continue our mobile teaching mission. Having two traveling studios will allow us to cover more ground and reach more people with our mission - to empower person-to-person, hand-to-hand. Turning Around America has been invited to turn around Boston Public Schools for the month of October 2013. We are also planning a return to the village of Vera Cruz to teach woodturning for one month in November 2013. We cannot do all these projects without your help. I am asking woodturning clubs everywhere to help me with the challenge of continuing craft/art education for future generations. To Donate, Please go to our site at **www.turningaroundamerica.com** and press the **Sanctuary** button, which will take you to **USAArtists.org** to learn more about our project. I feel strongly that we are the stewards of our craft. If we do not pass our skills on to a new generation, who will?

Empty Bowls 2012

Don McCloskey

The Chicago Woodturners set a booth at Empty Bowls for Food. Our members donated 91 items for this event, Our contribution was \$2,710 for empty Bowls. Marie Anderson and Don McCloskey manned the booth all day. Chuck Svazas and Paul Pycik stopped by and helped out. We had many styles of turning from bowls to an urn. Fun was had by All, I would like to thank Don Hamm, Wayne Jergens, Richard Nye, Lars Stole, Max Shoenburger, Bill Robb, Ron Zimmerman, Charlie Scheffel, Larry Fabian, Andy Kuby, Roger Basrak, Bill Brown, Clint Stevens, Earl Webber, Francisco Bauer, Don Johnston, Dan Anderson, Marie Anderson, Scott Barrett, Phil Brooks, Ken LaSota, M. Johnasen, Al Miotke, JEO, John Showalder, Frank Pagura, Alan Carter, Don McCloskey, Dawn Herdon-Charles, John Islin, Ken Staggs, Jason Swanson, Paul Pycik, Chuck Svazas and UNK for all the donations of real beautiful pieces.

Next years event will be on December 7, 2013. I will be collecting donations starting now! 2013 goal is 100 items, remember to sign your work and lets have fun.



AAW "Photo's of the Week" in December



Week of
December 3



Week of Dec 17



Week of
December 10



Week of
December 10

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Contact the Editor to post your items

I'm interested in purchasing a used mini lathe. I can be reached by phone at 847-695-4805 or email at moorhouse.dale@yahoo.com.

—Dale Moorhouse.



**Monthly Meetings
are held on the 2nd
Tuesday of each
month at:**

**Christian Liberty
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502 W Euclid Ave
Arlington Heights,
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7:00-10:00 PM**

**Please join us
All are welcome.**

Events

AAW 2013 National symposium June 28-30, Tampa FL
<http://www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2013/index.htm>

Ohio Valley Woodturners Guild Turning 2013 October 11-13,
<http://www.ovwg.org/2013-symposium-2/2013-symposium/>

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