



**AAW**  
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION  
OF WOODTURNERS

# *As the Wood Turns*

*The newsletter of the Chicago Woodturners, 30 years of craft, technology and tradition*

<https://www.chicagowoodturners.com/>

## August 2020

### Contents

- Curls
- AAW News
- Last Month's Meeting
  - Secretary's Report
  - Membership Report
  - Raffle
  - Demonstration Reports
  - Gallery Selections
- TOC News
  - Venue
  - Demonstrators
- CWT News
  - Last Month's Events
  - Upcoming Events
  - Calendar for 2020
- For Sale, Trade, or Wanted
- Reference
  - Board of Directors and Committee Chairs 2020
  - About Us

## President's Curls



August 2020

The weather is better and the “phishermen” are out! Lately many of us have received emails to “unsubscribe” with a link. As you all know by now, we don’t send these out. **DON’T CLICK THE LINK**

The August meeting will again be virtual and the gallery review at the August meeting will be Marie Anderson. The demonstration will be by Roberto Ferrer.

The CWT Board of Directors met last week to discuss a number of issues. Please see the full report under CWT News.

As we have since April, the Chicago Woodturners continue to meet virtually. I expect this will continue through the end of the year. Christian Liberty cannot reopen to us under the current guidelines. As we get more and more familiar with the technology, I expect that we will still have an on-line component to our meetings even after we are able to meet in person. Virtual meetings have allowed members who have not been able to regularly attend, due to distance or disability, to participate and have expanded our reach. Virtual demonstrations get better, and more available, all the time and we may even see these being used at in-person meetings from time to time.

Remember, the Chicago Woodturners is an All Volunteer organization. In order to keep everything moving we need volunteers at all levels. Opportunities are open for you to get involved: the newsletter needs an editor, the Holiday Party and Picnic needs a coordinator, Odyssey, Artsapolozza and our student outreach program need a champion, Turn-On! Chicago needs committee members, and elections are coming up at the end of the year. Get involved, many hands make light work.

Be sharp, be safe and wash your hands

Andy, at a safe distance.....

# *As the Wood Turns*

---

## AAW News

---

The cancellation of the AAW Symposium scheduled for June 4-7 was disappointing for all of us. However, the AAW VIRTUAL SYMPOSIUM, July 10, 11 and 12, was attended by many of us and the reviews were generally favorable. For the amount of time they had to put it together I think they did an excellent job and created a template that many regional symposium and clubs may follow.

Please see the attached list of vendors who were planning to be in Louisville and think of them if you need anything to keep you busy in the shop.

### 2020 AAW Symposium Trade Show Exhibitors

2 Tree Boyz Wood	<a href="https://changedtoart.com/">https://changedtoart.com/</a>
Accu-Slice, LLC	<a href="http://www.accu-slice.com/">http://www.accu-slice.com/</a>
Advanced Lathe Tools, LLC	<a href="http://advancedlathetools.com/">http://advancedlathetools.com/</a>
Airbrushing Wood	<a href="https://www.airbrushingwood.com/">https://www.airbrushingwood.com/</a>
Alumilite Corporation	<a href="https://www.alumilite.com/">https://www.alumilite.com/</a>
Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts	<a href="https://www.arrowmont.org/">https://www.arrowmont.org/</a>
Big Monk Lumber Co, LLC	<a href="http://www.bigmonklumber.com/">http://www.bigmonklumber.com/</a>
Carter and Son Toolworks	<a href="https://carterandsontoolworks.com/">https://carterandsontoolworks.com/</a>
Carter Products Company	<a href="https://www.carterproducts.com/">https://www.carterproducts.com/</a>
Chroma Craft	<a href="https://www.chroma-craft.com/">https://www.chroma-craft.com/</a>
Cindy Drozda Woodturning Tools	<a href="http://www.cindydrozda.com/html/Tool_Info.html">http://www.cindydrozda.com/html/Tool_Info.html</a>
Curt Theobald Studios	<a href="http://www.curttheobald.com/">http://www.curttheobald.com/</a>
Earth's Watch Wooden Watches	<a href="https://earthwoodgoods.com/">https://earthwoodgoods.com/</a>
Easy Wood Tools	<a href="https://www.easywoodtools.com/">https://www.easywoodtools.com/</a>
Green Grove Design dba Easy Inlay	<a href="https://www.easyinlay.com/about-imaginlay">https://www.easyinlay.com/about-imaginlay</a>
Hannes Tool	<a href="https://hannestool.com/">https://hannestool.com/</a>
Harvey Industries	<a href="https://www.harveywoodworking.com/">https://www.harveywoodworking.com/</a>
Hunter Tool Company	<a href="http://huntertoolsystems.com/">http://huntertoolsystems.com/</a>
John C. Campbell Folk School	<a href="https://www.folkschool.org/">https://www.folkschool.org/</a>
John Jordan Woodturning	<a href="https://www.johnjordanwoodturning.com/">https://www.johnjordanwoodturning.com/</a>
JPW Industries	<a href="http://www.jpwindustries.com/">http://www.jpwindustries.com/</a>
Kallenshaan Woods	<a href="http://www.kallenshaanwoods.com/">http://www.kallenshaanwoods.com/</a>
Klingspor's Woodworking Shop	<a href="https://www.woodworkingshop.com/">https://www.woodworkingshop.com/</a>
Lyle Jamieson Woodturning, LLC	<a href="https://lylejamieson.com/">https://lylejamieson.com/</a>
MDI Woodcarvers Supply	<a href="https://mdiwoodcarvers.com/">https://mdiwoodcarvers.com/</a>
Oneway Manufacturing	<a href="https://oneway.ca/">https://oneway.ca/</a>
Parson Adhesives, Inc.	<a href="http://www.parsonadhesives.com/">http://www.parsonadhesives.com/</a>
Real Milk Paint Co	<a href="https://www.realmilkpaint.com/">https://www.realmilkpaint.com/</a>
Record Power Ltd.	<a href="https://www.recordpower.co.uk/">https://www.recordpower.co.uk/</a>
Ring Master, Inc.	<a href="https://ringmasterlathe.com/">https://ringmasterlathe.com/</a>
Robust Tools	<a href="http://www.turnrobust.com/">http://www.turnrobust.com/</a>
Rockler Woodworking & Hardware	<a href="https://www.rockler.com/">https://www.rockler.com/</a>

# As the Wood Turns

---

Rotary Chisel	<a href="https://rotarychisel.com/">https://rotarychisel.com/</a>
Rubber Chucky Products, LLC	<a href="https://www.rubberchucky.com/">https://www.rubberchucky.com/</a>
Spiracraft/Bradley McCalister	<a href="https://spiracraft.com/">https://spiracraft.com/</a>
SS Niles Bottle Stoppers	<a href="https://nilesbottlestoppers.com/">https://nilesbottlestoppers.com/</a>
Stainless Bottle Stoppers	<a href="https://www.stainlessbottlestoppers.com/">https://www.stainlessbottlestoppers.com/</a>
Starbond Adhesives	<a href="https://www.starbond.com/">https://www.starbond.com/</a>
Stockroom Supply	<a href="http://stockroomsupply.ca/shop/">http://stockroomsupply.ca/shop/</a>
Stone-Creek Woodworks	<a href="https://premiergauges.com/?olsPage=products">https://premiergauges.com/?olsPage=products</a>
Teknatool USA (NOVA)	<a href="https://www.teknatool.com/">https://www.teknatool.com/</a>
The Walnut Log LLC	<a href="https://www.thewalnutlog.com/">https://www.thewalnutlog.com/</a>
Thompson Lathe Tools	<a href="http://thompsonlathetools.com/">http://thompsonlathetools.com/</a>
Tom's Tools	<a href="http://www.redoakhollow.com">http://www.redoakhollow.com</a>
Tradesman Grinder	<a href="https://tradesmangrinder.com/">https://tradesmangrinder.com/</a>
Trend	<a href="http://www.trend-uk.com/en/US/">http://www.trend-uk.com/en/US/</a>
Trent Bosch Studios Inc.	<a href="https://trentbosch.com/">https://trentbosch.com/</a>
Turningwood.com	<a href="https://www.turningwood.com/">https://www.turningwood.com/</a>
VincesWoodNWonders.com	<a href="http://vinceswoodnwonders.com/">http://vinceswoodnwonders.com/</a>
Woodpeckers LLC	<a href="https://www.woodpeck.com/">https://www.woodpeck.com/</a>
Woodturner PRO	<a href="https://woodturnerpro.com/">https://woodturnerpro.com/</a>
Woodturners Wonders	<a href="https://woodturnerswonders.com/">https://woodturnerswonders.com/</a>
Woodturning Magazine	<a href="https://www.gmcsubscriptions.com/product/woodturning/">https://www.gmcsubscriptions.com/product/woodturning/</a>
Woodturning with Tim Yoder	<a href="http://wtwtim.com/">http://wtwtim.com/</a>
Woodworker's Emporium	<a href="https://www.woodworkersemporium.com/">https://www.woodworkersemporium.com/</a>

---

## Secretary's Report

Frank Pagura

---

### July 14, 2020 Chicago Woodturners meeting:

The Demo was replaced by a Virtual tour of Al Miotke's Shop.  
The Gallery Review was given by Kurt Wolff-Klammer.

Andy started the meeting with discussion about the AAW Virtual Symposium. Everyone reported that the demos were well done and very professional. There were some comments that additional time should be provided between the demos to get a drink or go the bathroom. The gallery reviews were interesting. The only area that had some technical glitches was the Auction. Al Miotke and Roberto Ferrer had pieces that did very well. Apparently the Symposium was a success, as it was attended by over three thousand participants.

Cancellation of live events and in person meetings continue, and virtual replacements are getting better and more are available. Windy City Wood Turners announced that Harvey Meyer will hold a virtual Demo on September 15, 2020 and invited CWT members to participate.

# *As the Wood Turns*

---

A Board Meeting was scheduled for July 23, 2020. On the agenda are several topics such as possible reopening dates for Chicago School of Woodworking participation in virtual demonstration, updating mentor roster and much more.

For the Safety presentation the Roughing Gouge Catches Video by Tim Yoder was included in the program. Dave Bertaud offered Winn Environmental as a good source for replacement filters and canisters for dust collectors.

The club received a request for carving some replacement parts to match a confessional if interested check with Andy.

Brenda announced we have a new member, Mario Cascone, he was recommended by Sol.

Group purchases for Walnut oil and Anchor Seal can be organized reach out to Al or Andy if in need.

## **July 23, 2020, Board of Directors Meeting:**

The following was discussed:

1. The mentoring list on the website is outdated. Al Miotke will begin work on this. See first draft of updated list later in the newsletter
2. Windy City Will sponsor an Arbor Tech Demo which the Chicago Woodturners will participate in, details to follow
3. Windy City will host a live interactive demonstration by Harvey Meyer on September 15, 2020. The cost will be \$5 per person. Details to follow
4. Virtual Interactive Demonstrations. These were discussed at the July meeting as well. Overall the reception was favorable but the hands-on portion of our demonstrations would not be possible. The Board still thought it was worthwhile to pursue.
5. Resuming our in-person meetings was discussed. Based upon the restriction of in-person meetings to less than 50, and the possibility that other restrictions will be imposed as the second wave goes through the region, the Board assumed that in-person meetings will not be possible for the foreseeable future. January 2021 was discussed.
6. The Chicago School of Woodworking is open for classes, limited to less than ten including instructor. Chicago Woodturners Beginning Turning Classes may be scheduled for September 20 or 27 and October 18 or 25 if there is sufficient interest. Details to follow. A Waiver or Statement by attendees regarding exposure to Covid may be required.
7. There was a brief discussion of “adopting” a smaller regional club(s). No decisions were made, this will require additional research
8. The CWT insurance policies are still being reviewed. Al volunteered to contact other regional symposium to discuss
9. The CWT Summer Picnic and Holiday Party was discussed. It was agreed that these should both be cancelled for 2020.

Respectfully submitted by Frank Pagura, Secretary

# As the Wood Turns

---

---

## Membership

Brenda Miotke & Stan Herman

---

Almost 50 members attended the last Zoom meeting. Not a bad turnout.

If you have paid your membership dues for 2020 and have not received a membership card yet, contact Brenda Miotke either by email ([bkmiotke@comcast.net](mailto:bkmiotke@comcast.net)). Dave Bertaud will also be sending you a reminder email.

Although you can join (or pay dues) at any time, dues for Chicago Woodturners cover the calendar year. You may pay dues with cash or a check at any meeting: \$30 for an individual membership or \$40 for a family membership made out to Chicago Woodturners. Single membership for anyone under the age of 25 is \$10 per year. If you have not renewed your membership you should have received the following reminder:

*“We have noticed that you have not renewed your CWT membership for 2020. Due to the inconvenience of COVID, we are not meeting in person so please send your check to our Membership Chair, Brenda Miotke at 920 Sumac Lane, Mt. Prospect, IL 60056. Your continued support is important to help us meet our on-going expenses. Hope to see you at our next ZOOM meeting on August 11<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.”*

Brenda Miotke reports two new members: Kevin Loewe (who is also a member of the DuPage Group) and Mario Cascone who joined CWT at the urging of Sal Alfonso.

---

## Raffle Winners

Sol Aufuso and Peter Morjal

---

Due to the Virtual Meeting format, a raffle was not held. Please contact Andy Kuby if you have any ideas on how we can do this virtually.

---

## Demonstration Report

Paul Rosen

### Al Miotke Shop Tour

---

For July, we were treated to a virtual shop tour by ex-CWT president, Al Miotke. We all know of Al's flawless segmented pieces from the galleries of past meetings, as well as his surface decoration techniques with a woodburner. This evening, we got invited to view his two workshops. The first had a SawStop table saw as its centerpiece, with a dozen hemispherical floodlights hanging from the ceiling. The walls of the workshop were populated with five or six individual workbenches, with natural light feeding in from windows at the second story level. Hidden from view was the pair of roller skates that Al would need to travel from one side of the shop to the other. Yeah, that's the shop we all dream of having one day.

But the *real* workshop on this virtual tour was Al's basement. It is actually a large, L-shaped space, part of which served as his home office prior to his retirement. Al learned woodworking from his father, who taught him to do a lot of flat work. To do that, you need things like a Delta table saw, band saw, jointer, router table, thickness planer, and of course, a work bench. A chop saw and disk sander were also present. Every segmented turner will need these. And of course, there was a sawdust scavenging system, which must work extremely well, as there was no sign of wood shavings or sawdust anywhere. Part of that is due to his ceiling-mounted air purifier. The HVAC has no exhaust, so no dust can gain access to other parts of his home.

For turning, Al has owned a Robust lathe for eight years. The lathe is mounted near the center of the room, so Al can move to the opposite side of the lathe when it's a more convenient position. Lathe tools are mounted on the wall behind the lathe, within easy reach. In fact, all of his tools were neatly mounted on peg-boards which spread over a broad area of his shop. That's a tribute to Al's organizational skills. I wish mine were as well positioned. Al also has a grinder, which he likes to use at a raised height, so he doesn't need to bend over when sharpening his gouges on his Oneway Wolverine grinding system.

Good lighting is important when you do your work in a basement. To that end, Al decided to upgrade from the dozen or so fluorescent lights he originally used to LED lighting. The upgrade occurred about a year and a half ago. "The LED lamps cost about \$8 to \$9.00 each," he said. But it was worth it. The 5000K (Daylight) color temperature of the lights made colors seem more natural, which is a plus when you're working with different stains and different wood species. And LEDs are "instant on," whereas the old fluorescent tubes would take time to "warm up, changing in color temperature over time."

Speaking of wood species, Al has built racks to accommodate a wide variety of turning stock. To keep track, Al labels each piece with the species name, so he can easily identify a piece when a project calls for it. Segmented turners always use a lot of glue, so Al has multiple containers stationed at strategic places, ready for use when the time for glue-ups occurs.

In the shorter "L-shaped" cove, where his home office once lived, Al has converted his desk space to a "sanding and carving" station. The generous shelving has space for all of his woodworking and turning books and magazines. For carving, Al has a Foredom (18,000rpm) for heavy duty stock removal. It has lots of power, but control? Not so much. He also has a 50,000 rpm micro-motor unit, which he uses for

# As the Wood Turns

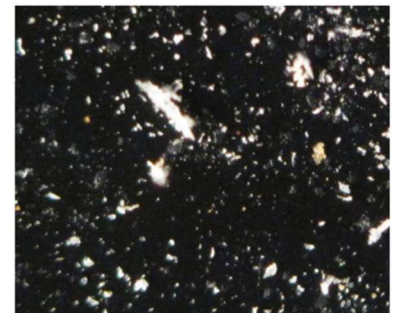
---

most (80%) of his carvings. He also has an NSI, which gets used for perhaps 5% of the time. To capture all that small dust and smoke from the woodburner, Al has a small dust collector that sits on his desk. With a surface area of about 12 to 15 inches square, the dust collector includes a charcoal filter. Al estimates the dust collector is 20- to 30% efficient. He periodically blows dust off the filter using compressed air.

To protect his lungs, Al always wears an N95 mask in his shop. (N95 means the filter will capture 95% of the dust particles in the air. Someone mentioned that it is effective for blocking particles down to 3 microns.) Both Al and club Safety Officer, Frank Pagura, appreciate the value of wearing a mask, as it is the fine dust (the dust you can't see) that has the potential for causing pulmonary problems if you start to inhale it. (Personal aside: I was making a pair of dovetailed drawers out of poplar in my garage/shop, using a Keller jig to cut the pins and tails. I was preoccupied, setting up the proper height of the router bits to get a perfect fit, as I routed the pins and tails. I used a sawdust scavenging vacuum when routing the tails on the router table, but I decided to use a handscrew to clamp the tail boards vertically, and clamp the Keller jig against said boards to route the pins. I routed all four ends, WITHOUT A MASK. I had pulmonary congestion within eight hours, and a classic chest cold/runny nose that's lasted for over a week. I think there is a lesson to be learned here. WEAR A MASK. I think I heard someone say it's patriotic.)



Al also showed us an orange particle-counter he bought on Amazon. The orange Temtop brand measures particles in two size ranges: PM2.5 and PM10. PM2.5 are the finer particles ranging in size from 2.5 microns and smaller. These are microscopic. You'll need an electron microscope to see them. You probably can't see them in the air, even with good LED lighting. The PM10 measures coarser particles between 2.5 and 10 microns. You get these larger particles from crushing or grinding operations, or from dust stirred up by vehicles on the road. The Temtop uses a laser particle detector to make accurate determinations of particle size. They start at \$46.00 on Amazon. Or you can spend \$100.00 on the M2000 model with a TFT display that shows a graph of particle sizes measured over time. Amazon provides excellent tutorials on how these devices work.



Speaking of time, Frank stated that he has installed an exhaust fan in his basement window. Even when the visible dust has cleared, his particle counter says the dust is still there. In Frank's experience, it took 1.5 hours for the particle counter to confirm that the dust had cleared completely.

Finally, Al showed us his Delta overhead dust collector, mounted on his ceiling joists. It has replaceable filters, front and rear. The rear filter is washable, or you can take it outside and clear it with compressed air.

One more thing: Al has replaced the cloth bag on his main dust collector with an aftermarket substitute that is rated to prevent passage of dust particles larger than 1 micron. Granted, it is an expense. But when



# As the Wood Turns

---

you run your table saw in the basement, you really want to catch the sawdust coming off of that 10-inch blade at the source. If you don't, you'll be breathing it in, and possibly spreading it throughout the house when the gas house heater turns on.

---

## Gallery

---

The Gallery Photos have all been moved to the website, <https://www.chicagowoodturners.com> where galleries from past meetings are also available. Please send your photos and descriptions to Jerry Kuffel at [tokuff@gmail.com](mailto:tokuff@gmail.com). He will make them into a PowerPoint presentation for the Gallery Review.

From the July meeting Gallery your editor noted two outstanding pieces. First Rich Nye created an unnerving Whooping Crane hatchling for a retiring colleague. I wish I had seen it in person.



Second, Mark Jundanian submitted another in his series of incredibly well thought out and flawlessly executed pieces. I still can't quite figure out exactly how he does this, and all with carbide tools!



## Turn-On! Chicago

Al Miotke

---

### **Turn-On! Chicago 2022 New Date Confirmed**



Turn-On! Chicago 2020 would have been last month, and the weather was perfect. Unfortunately, the coronavirus shut everything down and we had to cancel. The Chicago Woodturners was not able to pivot as nicely as the AAW to present our symposium virtually but we fully intend to continue with Turn-On! Chicago.

TOC2022 now has a confirmed date of July 29-31, 2022 at the Crowne Plaza Northbrook hotel and convention center. Mark your calendar. With a 25-month advance notice, everyone should be able to make it and it is destined to be our best event ever. We have a new and improved location, a great team of organizers, a talented and entertaining group of demonstrators, and a yearning for a post COVID party. We have verbal confirmation from 5 of our planned demonstrators in 2020 to attend in 2022. We welcome back Andy Cole, Michael Hosaluk, Cynthia Gibson, Chris Ramsey, and Avelino Samuel.

We also have confirmation from all the TOC2020 committee heads that they will return to lead the planning in 2022. Thanks to all these experienced volunteers for jumping into these leadership roles once again.

**Let's get ready to Party!!**

---

## CWT News

---

**From the Safety Officer, Frank Pagura**

# *As the Wood Turns*

---

During the July meeting our Safety Officer, Frank Pagura, presented a short video featuring Tim Yoder and the anatomy of a catch. With paintball armor and full tactical face-shield Tim was able to slow-motion closeups of the tool positioning leading to a catch. Everybody learned from this, even those of us who have never actually experienced a catch.

Frank's August presentation will deal with personal injuries.

## **Class for New Turners, now rescheduled**

One of the special benefits of being a member of CWT is the annual class that is held for new turners. The goal of the class is to jump-start your progress as a woodturner by teaching you a wide variety of techniques, proper use of the various tools, keeping your tools sharp and, most important, lathe safety. This will be accomplished in a hands-on environment with multiple instructors guiding you through the day's projects.

The first class will focus on lathe basics and spindle turning. Being proficient with spindle turning is the cornerstone for all the other techniques you will learn. At the end of the day you will leave with a number of projects that you made during the day as you hone your skills. The second class will pick up where the spindle class ended, with focus on how to use a 4-jaw chuck, bowl turning and platter turning.

Each class is just \$60 and covers all the wood you will use - the best woodturning deal you will find. The day will begin at 9 am and end by 4:30. Everyone who signs up will have their own large format Jet or Powermatic lathe to use. If you don't have all the basic turning tools yet, no problem, tools will be available and we can discuss what are the best tools for you to get.



Due to the current health department recommendations, the class sizes will be limited to no more than eight students. The class will meet in the Chicago Woodturners space at:

Chicago School of Woodworking  
5680 N Northwest Hwy.  
Chicago, IL 60646

Two classes will be offered:

Spindle Turning	Sunday, September 27, 2020
Bowl Turning	Sunday, October 18, 2020

If you require more information or wish to enroll, please email Al Miotke at [abmiotke@comcast.net](mailto:abmiotke@comcast.net).

# As the Wood Turns

---

## Chicago Woodturners Mentoring Program

For many years the Chicago Woodturners has promoted mentoring to assist our members learn both the basic and specialized skills needed in woodturning. Although the program has always existed, the list of people that are willing to do mentoring has become outdated. Below is an updated list. If you are looking for help, please contact one of the people on this list directly. All arrangements including possible fees are between the mentor and student. If you would like to have your name added as a mentor, contact Al Miotke at [abmiotke@comcast.net](mailto:abmiotke@comcast.net) and provide the information shown in the mentor list.

The following list of CWT members are available for private mentoring. Although this is a CWT sponsored activity, these sessions will be organized between the student and mentor. Depending on the mentor and number of sessions requested, fees may apply.

Mentor Name	Location of Mentoring	Experience Level mentored Beginner (B) Intermediate (I) Advanced (A)	Areas of Mentoring	Phone Number	Email Address
Andy Kuby	Riverwoods or Chicago School of Woodworking	B,I,A	General turning, spindles, bowls, platters, pens, multi-axis, hollowing, ornaments, finials, etc	847-922-8201	studio@riverwoodsturner.com
Al Miotke	Mount Prospect	B,I,A	General Woodturning, Segmenting	630-379-9369	abmiotke@comcast.net
Rich Nye	Batavia	B,I,A	General Woodturning, carving, texturing, painting, burning	630-865-7938	newoodturning@earthlink.net
Frank Pagura	Elk Grove Village	B,I	General turning	847-987-1852	fpagura.sr@att.net
Terry McCammon	Wilmette	B	General Turning	630-697-4900	terry.w.mccammon@gmail.com

Additional mentors will be added as the names become available. Mentoring and classes are also available through the Chicago School of Woodworking, see their website.

## Woodturners Worldwide Online Symposium

Woodturners Worldwide Online Symposium, September 24 to September 26, 2020. Early registration (\$79) ends on Friday (8/7) at midnight, after Friday the registration cost increases to \$99. Early Bird Extended to August 7, 2020

Many club members had a great experience with the AAW virtual symposium a couple weeks ago and this event will feature several times more demonstrators and topics than the AAW. Like the AAW the demo videos will be available online for at least 2 weeks beyond the end of the symposium.

# *As the Wood Turns*

---

Current demonstrators include **Michael Alguire, Mike Mahoney, Rebecca DeGroot, Jeff Hornung, Raleigh Lockhart, Cindy Drozda, Matthew Deighton, Greg Gallegos, Graeme Priddle/Melissa Engler, Harvey Meyer, Mark Dreyer and Jason Clark**. Additional demonstrators will likely be announced.

Registration is open now at [www.woodturnersworldwide.com](http://www.woodturnersworldwide.com). If you're interested in a discount code that offers \$10 off your registration please reach out Jason Clark [jclark58@gmail.com](mailto:jclark58@gmail.com) or Mark Dreyer [mg\\_dreyer@yahoo.com](mailto:mg_dreyer@yahoo.com) directly. In the interest of full disclosure: as a demonstrator each will be compensated for participation in the event and will receive an additional monetary benefit if you use their discount code when you register.

## **Meet the Woodturner**

Pat Carroll, editor of Woodturning Magazine is hosting a number of interviews with well known turners and some turning demos. They are free but he is asking for donations to cover expenses. If interested, you have to email him at [meetthewoodturner@gmail.com](mailto:meetthewoodturner@gmail.com) to get on the email distribution and to have a link sent to you a few hours before the meeting starts. Note: All times are Irish times. The next one features **Michael Allen Alquire**.

The next Meet the Woodturner presentation will be from Michael Allen Alquire, from Texas in the USA, on August 2nd at 7:00pm Irish time. Michael is probably best known for his precision work on his "Wheels of Delicacy". You will receive an email two hours before the meeting by email. Please login at least fifteen minutes before the meeting using the email you have responded with. Due to limited spaces, it will be access on a first come basis. Do not share these details as your link is unique and may inhibit your ability to join the meeting. If you have any issues or queries email [meetthewoodturner@gmail.com](mailto:meetthewoodturner@gmail.com)

## **Harvey Meyer Demonstration**

The September 15th Windy City Woodturners meeting will be virtual with **Harvey Meyer** of Georgia joining them via Zoom to demonstrate turning a square platter with a domed center. Harvey is probably best known for his Basket Illusion pieces which unfortunately cannot be demonstrated in the time available. To offset the cost of bringing in a professional like Harvey, Windy City will charge \$5 to attend this Zoom meeting. Registration will be done through a PayPal link on the Windy City website <https://windycitywoodturners.weebly.com/> As of July 31, 2020 this page was not active on the website but Jason Clark has said it will be soon. \$5 is a tiny amount to pay to attend a live virtual demo from someone of Harvey's abilities. Attendees will likely be limited to 100.

## **Odyssey, Focus and Artsapolozza**

For many years, Roger Basrak has been coordinating ODYSSEY, FOCUS, ARTSAPOLOZZA and all of the Chicago Woodturners' other outreach events at High Schools and outdoor fairs. Roger would like to relinquish this responsibility to a new member and requests volunteers for the position of Outreach Coordinator. David Longaker and Brenda Miotke have volunteered to help Roger.

# *As the Wood Turns*

---

## **Beads of Courage**

We need more Beads of Courage boxes. Our last delivery of twelve boxes to Lurie Children's Hospital was all we had remaining. Ms. Cindy Maysonet at Lurie Children's Hospital is coordinating the delivery of the boxes from Chicago Woodturners to patients in treatment. Andy Kuby has been in touch with Cindy recently and they would like to have more boxes. Please contact Andy Kuby or any of the Board members to donate. Thanks

## **Empty Bowls**

Chicago Woodturners is planning more Empty Bowls turning days at the Chicago School of Woodworking. Stay tuned for additional information.

## **Education Committee**

The Education Committee last met on January 30, 2020. Please contact Rich Hall-Reppen if you wish to review the minutes or be put on the email list to receive notifications of future meetings. The next meeting has not been scheduled.

## **Holiday Party and Summer Picnic**

The Board of Directors recently met to discuss these events. Due to the health risks still present in larger gatherings, it was decided to cancel both the Picnic and the Holiday Party. It may not have been possible to find a venue willing to take us in any case. If you have any suggestions for alternate celebrations please contact the Board.

Marie Anderson has officially retired from her Holiday Party responsibilities and a new Special Events Manager is needed. To further complicate matters, the Fox Run venue is being demolished/rebuilt and will not be available for the 2020 party. Brenda Miotke and Rosemary Pagura are stepping up to make sure nothing falls through the cracks, but they will need help.

---

# **Professional Demos for 2020**

---

Rich Nye is working on scheduling professional demonstrators for 2020. Each will do an all-day demonstration on a Saturday at the Christian Liberty Academy with hands-on classes the following Sunday, Monday and Tuesday at the Chicago School of Woodworking. The all-day demonstrations, 9-5,

# *As the Wood Turns*

---

are open to all, \$30 at the door, \$15 in advance. Hands-on Classes are \$130 per day. The following have been scheduled:

Andy Cole was to be one of the featured demonstrators at Turn-On! Chicago 2020 and was scheduled to do hands-on classes the following Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday (July 27-29, 2020) at the Chicago School of Woodworking. These classes unfortunately have been cancelled as Andy will not be in Chicago for Turn-On! Chicago.

---

## **CWT Virtual Meeting**

---

### **Things you might need to know for our Virtual Meetings**

#### **The Virtual Show and Tell Gallery**

We suggest the members submit pictures of their pieces ahead of the meeting to use for the Show and Tell Gallery portion of the meeting. Several other clubs have switched to doing it this way and are happy with the results. A picture will have better lighting and orientation without it being too close or too far away from their webcam. Jerry Kuffel has spent time with Stephanie George from Florida learning a system she has developed using G-Suite apps to provide a link for the submission and then automatically generate a PowerPoint from those submissions. The form the participant fills out includes all the info on our physical meeting submission sheets as well as an upload button for their picture. Any photo from any source can be uploaded. You can browse on your computer or select a photo from the device. Here is the link for the form Jerry has generated:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScydvIEwuyMHNQ4bmcBGYgH4VkiQRXX9pAzrMBSNr7ovVhkw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScydvIEwuyMHNQ4bmcBGYgH4VkiQRXX9pAzrMBSNr7ovVhkw/viewform?usp=sf_link)  
[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScydvIEwuyMHNQ4bmcBGYgH4VkiQRXX9pAzrMBSNr7ovVhkw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScydvIEwuyMHNQ4bmcBGYgH4VkiQRXX9pAzrMBSNr7ovVhkw/viewform?usp=sf_link).

Members can still make verbal comments while their piece is being displayed. Submissions can be made almost right up to the meeting time.

#### **Summary of how to use Zoom**

Note: These are instructions for PC users. The interface for Mac users should be similar. If you are using a tablet or phone, you need to download the Zoom app and use it to connect to the meeting.

To connect to the meeting: Click the link in the invitation or insert it into your browser: A browser window will open, and Zoom will initiate a download of the small bit of software you need. Run the downloaded

# *As the Wood Turns*

---

file to install zoom on your system. The meeting should start automatically once the download is complete. You do NOT need to sign up for an account with Zoom, and you definitely do not need to enter a "free trial" of a paid account. It is FREE to join the meeting through Zoom. However, you do need to download the software and run the install.

Setting yourself up in the meeting:

When you first join the meeting, you may be prompted a couple of times to join with computer video and computer audio. The "join with video" will show when you have a camera attached and shows you what your camera view looks like. Select the "Join with video" at the bottom. The "join with computer audio" is next. You can test your speakers and microphone (if you have one) or just select "Join with Computer Audio". Most laptop computers have a built-in webcam and microphone. If using a desktop, you probably have external speakers. You can use your phone as audio if you do not have a microphone for your computer. Click on the up arrow next to the microphone icon at the lower left and select the telephone option. NOTE: You do not need a webcam or a microphone to be part of the meeting. You do need speakers to hear. If you don't have these, people won't be able to see you or hear you, but you will be able to see and hear the meeting. There is a chat feature that you can use to ask questions.

Once you get through the video/audio dialog boxes, the main zoom screen should appear.

There are three major areas of the Zoom Display:

At the top is a strip of thumbnail videos showing all participants. Your login name should be in the thumbnail for you. The middle section is the main display and at the bottom is a set of icons to control the Zoom session.

Left Side	Mute button – Turns on/off your microphone Start/stop Video – Turns on/off your camera not the feed coming to you
Center	Invite – Lets you invite others Participants – Shows you a list of all people attending the meeting Share – Lets you share your screen with the group, do not use. Chat – Brings up the chat interface Record – Only Host can do
Far Right	Leave Meeting – Use to exit the meeting

Zoom will remove all these "things you can click on" if there is no mouse activity. Just move the mouse to bring them back.

## Changing Audio/Video Settings

If your audio or video do not connect automatically, click on the "up arrow" to the right of the icon and it will open a popup menu. The microphone popup menu shows the default microphone and speaker settings. If you don't see the correct ones in the menu, select "Audio Settings". Here you can choose which microphone and speaker you are using and test them to see if they are working. On the left side of the settings window there is a sidebar from which you can select "Video" to select the camera you are using to connect to the meeting.



# *As the Wood Turns*

---

It is a good idea to keep your microphone muted unless you are asking a question to keep the background noise down.

In the upper right corner there is an open square icon with 4 arrows. Click that icon to make Zoom take up your full screen. In full screen mode, everyone will have a thumbnail view of all the participants in a “filmstrip” popup along one of the sides of the screen. This often gets in the way of the meeting or demo. You can hide it by clicking in it, which will display 3 icons. The small single-bar icon will hide the thumbnails, leaving a small box which will display who is currently talking. This small box can be moved anywhere. Clicking the double bar icon will display the full strip again.

Note: Just remember the meeting streams in HD. If using cellular data you need a good data plan.

---

## Calendar for 2020

---

- January 1, 2020 - Turn-On! Chicago 2020 registration opens
- January 14, 2020 – CWT Meeting, Don McCloskey demonstrates Celtic Knots on pens
- February 11, 2020 – CWT Meeting, Dick Sing demonstrates Eggs, Egg Challenge starts
- March 6-10, 2020 – Andi Wolfe all day demonstration and hands-on classes
- March 10, 2020 – CWT Meeting, Egg Challenge Judging, Tool Sale
- April 14, 2020 – CWT Virtual Meeting, Frank Pagura demonstrates a Flower
- May 12, 2020 – CWT Virtual Meeting, Dave Bertaud demonstrates razors and brushes
- June 4-7, 2020 - AAW 34th Annual International Symposium, Louisville, KY - Cancelled
- June 9, 2020 – CWT Virtual Meeting, Jason Clark demos his Saturn Bowl
- July 14, 2020 – CWT Virtual Meeting, Demonstration is a tour of Al Miotke’s shop
- July 23-26, 2020 - Turn-On! Chicago 2020 – Cancelled
- July 27-29, 2020 – Andy Cole hands-on classes - Cancelled
- August 11, 2020 – CWT Virtual Meeting, Roberto Ferrer demonstrates
- September 8, 2020 – CWT Virtual Meeting
- September 15, 2020-Windy City virtual meeting with Harvey Meyer demonstration
- September 27, 2020- CWT Spindle Class
- October 13, 2020 – CWT Virtual Meeting
- October 18, 2020-CWT Bowl Class
- November 10, 2020 – CWT Virtual Meeting

# As the Wood Turns

---

- December 8, 2020 – CWT Holiday Party Canceled
- 

## For Sale, Trade, or Wanted

---



Tom Albrecht [tja490@gmail.com](mailto:tja490@gmail.com) has the following for sale:

Jaws fit Vicmarc 120, 140, and 150 chucks.

Jaw mounting holes are 27mm O.C.

\$55 plus \$8.30 USPS Priority Mail to Lower 48 States

Also the following Robust Tool Rests (Comfort Rest) all with 1" X 5" posts. My arthritic hands have made these rests too difficult to work with. They are all in excellent shape. Located in Evanston, IL.

I have reduced the list prices by 20%.

15" @ \$63

12" @ \$55

9" @ \$47

6" @ \$42

4" @ \$39

The photo is of the 12" Comfort Rest



# As the Wood Turns

## Chicago Woodturners Board of Directors and Committee Chairs 2020

President	Andy Kuby	847-922-8201	studio@riverwoodsturner.com
Vice President	Dave Bertaud	847-878-1285	dtbwoodworks@gmail.com
Secretary & Safety	Frank Pagura	847-524-0231	Fpagura.sr@att.net
Treasurer	Matthew Schmitz	847-439-6023	angelhaus@comcast.net
Past President	Al Miotke	847-297-4877	abmiotke@comcast.net
Newsletter Editor	Andy Kuby, pro tempore	847-922-8201	studio@riverwoodsturner.com
Gallery Reviewers and Meeting Demonstrator Coordinator	Dave Bertaud	847-878-1285	dtbwoodworks@gmail.com
Membership	Brenda Miotke Stan Herman	847-682-1176 847-303-0930	bkmiotke@comcast.net stan21@aol.com
Librarian	Marcia Jundanian	708-352-5974	mark@jundanian.com
Webmaster	Scott Barrett	847-420-5155	dr@bdental.net
Raffle	Sol Anfuso	847-963-1994	solanfuso@comcast.net
Tools & Equipment	Don McCloskey	847-420-6978	mccloskey@ameritech.net
Audio-Video Co-Chair	Jerry Kuffel	847-895-1614	tokuffe@gmail.com
Audio-Video Co-Chair	Dawn Herndon-Charles	630-588-8431	dcharlesster@gmail.com
Education	Rich Hall-Reppen	630-232-8525	rhallreppen@yahoo.com
Demonstrations and Hands-on Classes	Rich Nye	630-406-1855	nyewoodturning@earthlink.net
Special Events Manager	Marie Anderson	630-222-0277	Danmar12@yahoo.com
Outreach Coordinator	Roger Basrak	847-471-2046	rbrasrak@hotmail.com

Membership in the Chicago Woodturners Association is open to all wishing to increase their turning skills through education, discussion and critique. Dues are \$30 for a single membership and \$40 for a family. Visit our website for an application.



Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, 7:00-10:00 PM at Christian Liberty Academy, 502 W. Euclid Ave., Arlington Heights, IL. 60004. Please join us. All are welcome. Chicago Woodturners is a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners. Visit the [website](http://www.chicagowoodturners.com) for more information.

<https://www.chicagowoodturners.com>

<https://www.woodturner.org>