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## Chicago Woodturners Newsletter

A chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW)

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- TOC 2026
- Empty Bowls—Oakton
- Woodworking classes at CSW
- CWT Tool Library
- CWT Mentors

**CWT Monthly Meeting**

**Thursday Jan 9, 2025**

6:30 pm to 10 pm

### A Special Message to New Woodturners and to New Turners with Years of Practice

**How were the holidays? Were you rewarded for being good last year? Did you get a lathe?**

That happened to me 22 years ago. If you are a new turner with a lathe, you probably have questions. A lot of questions. Maybe you can learn from my brutal mistakes!

My well intentioned wife presented me with a lathe from the bargain basement of a now defunct hardware store. The receipt may as well have said "Good luck, no returns." I began my woodturning journey, with a "How hard can this be?" attitude and three bargain bin



Chinese-made gouges still with the factory grind.

My first wood came from the ends of

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### CWT Christmas Party at The Golf Center

The annual Holiday Party for the club went off without a hitch. We had 48 people sign up and I believe everyone in attendance had a great time. Rich Hall-Reppen greeted everyone with a Merry Christmas wish and a Happy New Year. The food was, once again, a big hit. There were even leftovers for everyone to take home if they wanted. I made some Christmas cookies to go along with our ice cream dessert bar and who

*Kodak moments on page 6*



## Editor's Corner | *Phil Moy*



*Phil Moy*

### *Happy New Year!*

**Brush off the workbench, clear your mind and plan the year's woodturning journey!**

Where do you want to go this year? What tricks or techniques have you never tried before? Should you tackle something completely different? Perhaps a CWT mentor could help you with that effort.

Or sign up for a class, a new set of classes start in January at CSW taught by our talented trio of Kuby, Miotke and Stevens! Hands-On workshops are being set for the year!

Support our charity activities, Pens for Troops, Beads of Courage and Empty Bowls.

Should you do a collaboration this year? Find a club member who has skills that would complement your skills. Be bold and ask a fellow turner and create something together!

Make some money this year and do a joint booth at a craft show, a pen show or a farmer's market.

Perhaps last month's the Bucket List could help spur your creative juices! Send in additional ideas



Image credit: ChatGPT

for an updated list.

Symposiums are scheduled, with MPG in April, AAW in June and Segmenting in August.

And don't forget all of the content online, from YouTube to Pinterest, there's lots of woodturning on the Internet.

Here's to an exciting New Year in woodturning for us all!

**Phil**

## Letters to the Editor

Comments or ideas? Even complaints! *Send them to the Editor!*  
Email them to: [editor@chicagowoodturners.com](mailto:editor@chicagowoodturners.com)



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## CWT MEETING

Thursday Jan 9, 2025

6:30 pm Networking

7 pm Meeting

In person at the Arlington  
Heights Senior Center and  
by Zoom



ZOOM.com

Meeting ID: 915 7899 5899

Passcode: 003359

### January Demo

Jeff Hart



Casting  
and  
Turning  
Orbs



## President's Curls | *Rich Hall-Reppen*



Happy New Year. I just finished my first term as your President. Our Club has had a busy year in 2024. 2025 is shaping up as another fun filled woodturning year for the members of the Chicago Woodturners.

During 2024 we moved our meeting site to the Arlington Heights Senior Center. The Senior Center is a great improvement over our previous meeting site. We had in person demonstrations and classes from Graham Priddle and Melissa Engler, Roberto Ferrer, Nick Agar, Clint Stevens and Elizabeth Weber. The Club sponsored Beginning Spindle and Bowl Turning classes were fully subscribed. Our Past President, Andy Kuby, has been leading our last Sunday of the month Open Shop Day and Steve Glass is leading the Open Shop evenings on the first and third Thursdays of the month. We sponsored two Empty Bowl events that raised over \$4,000 for local food pantries; and we sent over 500 pens to the Pens for Troops organization. We had two pen turning events with the high schoolers. The Midwest Pen Gathering had a number of CWT members demonstrating and volunteering. Several members of the club have made Beads of Courage boxes and Wig Stands for cancer survivors.

Turn on Chicago 2024 was an educational and financial success for the club. We had six international demonstrators as well as several local demonstrators, Instant Gallery, banquet and auction. Our thanks to Al and Kurt and all of the volunteers for leading an excellent Symposium.

During our election in November, I was re-elected as President for a two-year term. Rich Piper was elected as Secretary, but then Michael Canfield resigned as Treasurer due to health



reasons and Rich Piper volunteered to take on the Treasurer position. Frank Pagura, former Secretary has volunteered to stay on as Secretary until we find another member to take over the position. Please talk to me or Frank Pagura if you are interested before we start making phone calls to find a "volunteer". Your Board has three guys named Rich serving on it and one guy named Andy and another named Frank.

Rich Nye has scheduled several nationally known demonstrators to demonstrate at our monthly meeting and hold Hands-On Classes. He is finalizing those dates, but so far Rich has secured commitments from Matt Monaco, Donna Zils Banfield and Pat Carroll. Rich will discuss at our January meeting. He is working on two more demonstrators to round out our Hands-On Classes schedule for the year.

Phil and his crew of Assistant Editors and writers have produced an excellent monthly newsletter. If you haven't been reading it, all of the prior month's copies are stored on our website. Phil has some great ideas for improving our communications with our members and prospective members and the community. He is looking for some more volunteers to help. More information on this project at our January meeting.

Brenda has sign-up sheets for the high school pen turning events coming up quickly in April this year and the Matt Monaco class.

You can also register on-line for the

## President's Curls | *Rich Hall-Reppen (cont.)*



Midwest Pen Gathering being held at the Marriott in Hoffman Estates on April 11 & 12. The MPG is a great deal, \$59 for two full days of demonstrations with vendors and demonstrators along with raffles, pen contests, pen for troops donations and more.

On behalf of your Board, we want to thank everybody who helped out the Chicago Woodturners in the past year whether by serving on the Board, volunteering at an event or two, helping setup and take-down, writing an article for the newsletter, or making some pens or Beads of Courage boxes.

Also, at the January meeting we are going to be starting with holding a monthly Silent

Auction for surplus equipment and other items like wood and tools donated to the Club. We hope to have one or two mini lathes, some wood and some tools available to purchase via the Silent Auction method. We will send out an email with the Silent Auction items a day or two before the meeting with information. Some of the items will have a minimum bid starting price. If you can't make the meeting, talk to one of your friends who will be at the meeting to bid for you. We will take cash, checks or credit cards for payment.

See you on January 9, 2025!

**Rich**



Rich Hall-Reppen

Thank you for requesting a **Chapter group discount** for the AAW International Woodturning Symposium. We are excited for you and your fellow chapter members to join us at the biggest woodturning event of the year!

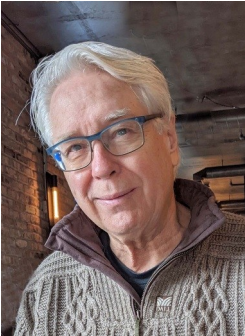
To qualify to use this group discount, at least five people from your chapter must register for the symposium. You do not have to register together and you can register individually. **The discount code can only be used on a Member Registration or Non-Member Registration. It does not apply to any other registration option and cannot be combined with any other discount promotions.**

Please share this discount code with the other members of your chapter who will be attending the symposium.

Use this code at check-out to get \$40 off your registration:

**AAW25GROUP**

## A Special Message to New Woodturners and New Turners with Years of Practice | (cont.)



Clint Stevens

discarded Christmas trees. Later that day, my efforts yielded six very rough pine blanks. One of my precious turning tools was free of its handle.

By the grace of the Almighty and plenty of sixty grit sandpaper, I produced two somewhat cylindrical pieces that I proudly put in the front window of my studio. A fellow came into the studio thinking that my work looked somewhat phallic. We came to terms at \$15 per turning and he walked away happily. I thought that this might be the beginning of something special.

Later that week, I was at Woodcraft to replace my broken gouge. The clerk promised to help me, once he stopped laughing. He suggested that I attend the January meeting of the Chicago Woodturners, that very evening. That turned out to be wonderful advice.

### ***There is no substitute for hands-on learning from an experienced turner.***

If you are reading this newsletter, you may already be a member of the Chicago Woodturners. Every month we have the opportunity to learn a wide variety of techniques from accomplished woodturners. In a search for instruction, many attempt to learn from YouTube videos.

There are potential problems relying on this to be your primary instructional source. First, it's hard to know the quality of advice from these videos. Some are professionally produced by people with decades of experience in technique and safety. Other videos are unvetted horror shows.

If a video demonstrates how to turn a bowl with a spindle roughing gouge and the demonstrator is NOT wearing safety glasses, stop the video. If the video makes the hair on the back of your neck stand on edge, take it as a lesson in what not to do. There are many sources of great videos available from the American Association of Woodturners ([woodturner.org](http://woodturner.org)) and Craft Supplies USA ([woodturnerscatalog.com](http://woodturnerscatalog.com)).

Secondly, learning from videos can be well and good, but even at its best, it's like learning martial arts by watching old Bruce Lee movies. *There is no substitute for hands-on*



*learning from an experienced turner.*

As it happens, the Chicago Woodturners (CWT) is a great source for instruction. In addition to monthly meetings, we have Open Shop time at the Chicago School of Woodworking. Even if you don't own a lathe or turning tools, you'll have access to them. Members are welcome to sign up, bring projects and have experienced mentors to assist.

So if you are a new turner, or a 'new turner' with years of practice, you are in the right place. We have the tools, the facilities and enthusiastic mentors who will be happy to help you improve your cuts.

Happy turning, amigos!

**Clint**

#### **Editors note:**

Woodturning classes at the Chicago School of Woodworking start Jan 6. Page 12 for the details and the schedule.

# 2024 Christmas Party

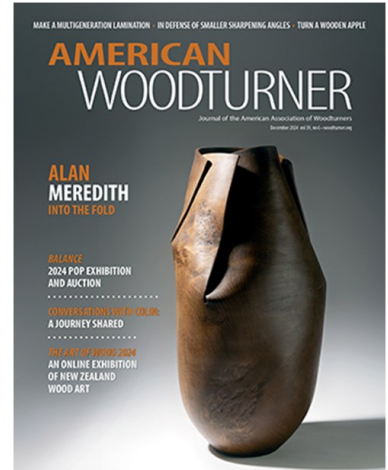


doesn't love cookies and ice cream! Our gift exchange proved what we already know, that we have amazing talent in our club and everyone was very generous!

It was a wonderful start to the holiday season. Thank you to all who attended!

**Brenda**

## A Chicago Woodturner Pillar: Al Miotke



Some members do a nice turning occasionally. There are others who not only turn out a succession of great pieces, they also do many other things to support CWT and the woodturning community at large.

Al Miotke's checklist includes:

CWT past president, Segmented Woodturners current president, Chairman Turn-On! Chicago, demonstrator- AT CWT monthly meetings, at the AAW Symposium, at the Segmenting Symposium, mentor, AAW Grant coordinator, yet he still finds the time to bring a another great piece to the Instant Gallery

Most recently, Al was published in the December, 2024 issue of American Woodturner. It is easy to miss his contribution since his name was in small print. The content is unmistakable! As an AAW member, you should have gotten your issue in the mail. You can also access the issue online at [woodturner.org](http://woodturner.org).

Al and Brenda contribute so much to our Club. The next time you see them, thank them for their activities and support of the entire woodturning community.

Check out his website at [almiotkestudio.com](http://almiotkestudio.com)

## A Christmas Party Grab Bag

It's a special treat when you open up your grab bag selection and you realize that you've just gotten an heirloom piece with Al Miotke's signature on the bottom. It even has a surprise element in the bottom of the bowl!

Thanks Al, for making this Christmas party special!

**Phil**



# MAKE A MULTIGENERATION LAMINATION

Al Miotke



**Al Miotke**, *Laminations Galore*, 2024,  
Figured silver maple, maple, katalox,  
chakte viga, yellowheart, 8" x 6½"  
(20cm x 17cm)

A chapter challenge is an excellent way to encourage members to try a new technique, and the Segmented Woodturners Chapter recently completed one titled, "Multigeneration Laminations." If you want your friends to ask, "How did you do that?" give it a try. It's a segmenting technique that requires precision cuts but results in very interesting patterns. A first-generation lamination always results in a zigzag pattern and is relatively easy to accomplish. If you decide to further test your skills, the results from second-generation laminations are stunning, and

the variety of patterns you can create is endless. The photos in the gallery immediately following this article show the variety of designs submitted by the chapter members.

Detailed steps for making a zigzag pattern are discussed in this article. And for the more ambitious, I will touch on making second- and third-generation laminations.

### The lamination

A lamination is the gluing of multiple strips of wood of different species to achieve a desired pattern. Typically, the two outside strips provide a contrasting color as a

barrier. There can be one or more inside strips that create the desired pattern. In most cases, it is best to select woods with contrasting colors to accentuate the pattern. Use a PVA (polyvinyl acetate) glue such as Titebond and plenty of clamps when gluing up the lamination.

### A typical lamination



Laminating woods of different species offers the opportunity to frame, or highlight, certain woods and to achieve a desired pattern.

### Cut safely and accurately



The author uses a Wedgie Sled (shown at left) to cut a lamination at a 30-degree angle. At right is a stop, which ensures all of the pieces are of identical size.

### Glue segments into a zigzag pattern



Glue the cut pairs into a single zigzag, also called a chevron.



# WIT

Women in Turning



## WIT Happenings

### Happy 2025!

Our Women In Turning group has been meeting at my home since August but as you all know, my shop is in my garage and it is not the best choice for winter get togethers!

So, I am happy to announce we will have our WIT mentoring session at the Chicago School of Woodworking starting on January 11th from 10-2pm. Shaun has us on the school calendar so we are set. Please let me know if you can attend so I have some idea of how many will be attending.

It is my intention that we will work on Wig Stands for this session but if you want to bring something else to work on, feel free. There are 9 full size lathes and it would be awesome to fill them up! This will be an opportunity to have hands on turning in a warm environment!

In order for Shawn to cover overhead at the school, there is a minimal \$5/hour charge for CWT members which can be paid when you get there.

In case you are not aware, the Windy City Woodturners Club has thrown down the gauntlet to CWT to see who can turn the most wig stands by the end of March, 2025 so this is an opportunity to jump start that challenge!

As with all WIT events, everyone is welcome, but in the event we do not have enough lathes, preference will be given to women turners (what a problem to have)! Call me to reserve a lathe!

Also, just a heads up, if you are going to St. Paul, the WIT committee intends to hold a special interest night meeting for all women in turning. Is there something you would like to have included in the agenda? Let me know and I'll see what I can do to make it happen.

**Marie**

### *A Challenge from the Windy City Woodturners*



***Which club can turn more Wig  
Stands by March 31, 2025?***

## Empty Bowls: Oakton | Marie Anderson

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help at the Empty Bowls at Oakton event on December 7th. This includes: Al & Brenda Miotke, Derek Cadmus, Jason Clark, Mary Arp, Steve Glass, Karlson Rapp, Bill Weiler and Marie Anderson.

Thanks to everyone who turned and donated items for both of our empty bowls events this year. It is overwhelming the support this club gives to this effort and each and every one of you deserves a pat on the back. Thank you all!

I am so proud that between the two empty bowls events this year and the combined efforts of both Chicago Woodturners and Windy City Woodturners clubs this year we raised \$1000 in Batavia and \$1690 at Oakton for a combined total of almost \$2700!

You all rocked it for 2024!

I know that there are neighbors of all of us that may have benefitted from our efforts and I thank you on their behalf.

We will take a short break on Empty Bowls for January in order to focus on the Wig Stand initiative but if you prefer to turn bowls, please feel free to bring them in to the January meeting and we will get an early start for 2025!

Again, thank you!

**Marie**

## Open Shop at the Chicago School of Woodworking

As part of our partnership with the Chicago School of Woodworking, no fee Open Shop Days will continue to be available to the members of the Chicago Woodturners on **the last Sunday of the month, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm**. Open Shop Days provide our members with access to all our shared equipment and tools as well as incidental (or prearranged) mentoring. Each of the Shop Days has a facilitator/mentor on site.

The Chicago Woodturners has six JET 1642s, two JET 1224 mini's and three Powermatic 3520's in a dedicated turning area at the Chicago School of Woodworking. Turning tools are available, both from the school stock and the Chicago Woodturners lending library.

Of course, all members are free to bring whatever tools and wood blanks they choose. Two slow-speed grinders, with a variety of aluminum oxide/CBN wheels and Wolverine Jigs, are available.

To avoid overcrowding, members who intend to attend should contact Andy Kuby [studio@riverwoodsturner.com](mailto:studio@riverwoodsturner.com). Steve Glass is the coordinator for these sessions. Please email Steve at [steve\\_glass@comcast.net](mailto:steve_glass@comcast.net) to reserve a space.

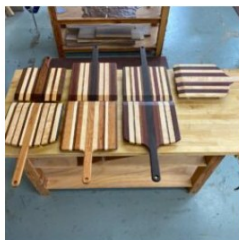
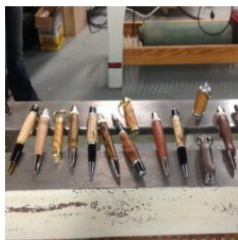
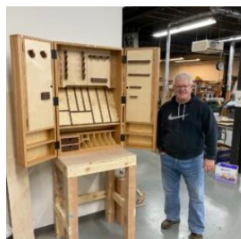


*L to R: Peter Paul, Andy Kuby, Clint Stevens, Al Miotke, Steve Glass and Graham McLaughlin—volunteers who did a thorough clean-up of the shop and tuned up all ten midi and full sized lathes in during Christmas break!*

## Open Shop: **Thursday, Jan 16 & 30 and Sunday, Jan 26**

The Chicago Woodturners have expanded the availability of member shop time at the Chicago School of Woodworking to include **evenings on the first and third Thursday of every month, 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm**.

Thursday evening shop time is \$5 per hour, to cover the school's insurance and maintenance costs.



**The Chicago School of Woodworking** was established in 2007 to train students in the art of furniture making. Since then, our program has expanded to include the arts of turning, scroll saw, marquetry, Chip Carving, speaker making and cabinet making.

We are committed to providing students the knowledge and skills to create functional and beautiful furniture that can be enjoyed for generations.

We have chosen machinery and tools that are safe, up-to-date, and well maintained, so students can focus on learning and enjoy the varied aspects of building a quality piece of furniture or crafting wood art.

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## Woodturning Classes at The Chicago School of Woodworking

Learn the fundamentals of woodturning along with several special techniques while making both spindle and cross grain projects. Instructors Clint Stevens, Andy Kuby and Al Miotke are experienced woodturners and instructors who emphasize a hassle free, safe and fun learning atmosphere in their classes.

- These carefully designed classes are perfect for inexperienced turners. You will learn about the lathe, its accessories and the tools used to shape wood. Students will be given access to all tools needed for this course and all materials will be provided.
- Students will watch demonstrations, then apply what they have learned to independent work overseen and guided by the instructors.
- These classes are provided through the Chicago School of Woodworking.
- **Go to [www.chicagowoodworking.com](http://www.chicagowoodworking.com) to register**



### Woodturning I

January 6 - March 3, 2025

Monday Evening

6:30 pm to 9:00 pm

January 7 - March 4, 2025

Tuesday Afternoon

Noon to 2:30 pm

January 7 - March 4, 2025

Tuesday Evening

6:30 pm to 9:00 pm

### Woodturning II

January 8 - March 9, 2025

Wednesday Evening

6:30 pm to 9:00 pm

### Making a Segmented Vase

January 25, 2025

Saturday

February 1 - February 8, 2025

9:00 am to 4:30 pm

## Last Cut | *Phil Moy*



*Phil Moy*

Creating last month's Woodturning Bucket list was one of the easiest articles to compose. I amazed myself with how many things I put on the list without using Google or Chat GPT.

The wooden carving mallet (left) was an item from that list. Thanks to the Batavia Hardwoods sale there was a piece of hickory that screamed carving mallet (and it was on sale!)

After three years of CWT and attending shows like Turn On! Chicago, MPG, AAW Symposiums in Chattanooga and Louisville, the Segmenting Symposium and many CWT demos, I've accumulated a lot of ideas, sources of inspiration and that list has a lot of things I would like to do.

I hope that it gives you a few ideas when you don't know what to make next.

Also, in those three years, I have met many truly talented craftsmen and many more great people.

I've also found that being the newsletter editor

added to the CWT experience. It forced interaction with members and officers. It's been a great opening line for meeting people outside the club, at the symposiums as well as with the vendors and organizers.

It's even a great topic of conversation for people outside of the woodturning world.

Thanks to Andy Kubly, who three years ago, asked me if I could take over the newsletter from him. It's been a unique part of the Chicago Woodturner's experience.

I encourage you to volunteer in support of CWT activities! There are many ways to share the workload of supporting an active club. It's an unlisted benefit of membership, one that comes from within

See you at the January meeting!

**Phil**



## Is it bird? Is it a plane? No, it's .....

Boyd Black was walking through a Cook County Forest preserve and took this picture. What do you think it is? Comments in next month's issue of AWT.

Send your thoughts to [editor@chicagowoodturners.com](mailto:editor@chicagowoodturners.com). Send some of your unique photos that you see!

## It's even more fun when you bring a friend!

### Reasons to join Chicago Woodturners

- Monthly meetings & newsletter
- Access to club member expertise and mentors
- Classes and hands-on sessions with named turners
- In-person demonstrations, product discounts, raffles
- and generally a good group to hang out with!....

### Membership Fees

- \$30 Individual membership
- \$40 Family membership.
- \$10 Under age of 25

Yearly membership fees for Chicago Woodturners are due at the beginning of the year. You can join at any time of the year!

Pay with cash or a check at the monthly meeting. (Make checks payable to 'Chicago Woodturners')

Application forms are found online! Contact Brenda Miotke for more information. By email: [bkmiotke@comcast.net](mailto:bkmiotke@comcast.net)

Or by snail mail

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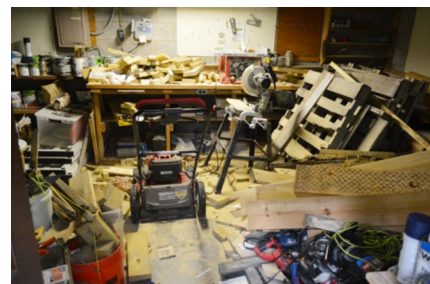
*Join the movers and shakers of woodturning in Chicago!*

## Classifieds

### Decluttering your Shop? Got something to sell? Looking for something?

Send an email with details and pictures and we'll post it in the Classifieds!

E-mail to: [editor@chicagowoodturners.com](mailto:editor@chicagowoodturners.com)



**Andy Kuby**

[studio@riverwoodsturner.com](mailto:studio@riverwoodsturner.com)

847-922-8201 phone

**7 X 10 metal lathe** with Quick Change Tool post, three jaw and four jaw chucks and miscellaneous cutting tools. Low mileage. \$500.00



**Gas welding kit** with cutting torch, acetylene and oxygen tanks plus carrying rig. \$250.00



**Boyd Black**

[beblack@comcast.net](mailto:beblack@comcast.net)

312-659-0151 phone/text

**Laguna 12/16 lathe and homemade stand**

About 2 years of use. Very good condition.

Three tool rests (8", 12" and 8" J-curve) and face plate included.

10" expansion set included. Expands bed length from 16" to 24" or can be mounted on headstock end to allow outboard turning.

Retail value of Lathe and accessories - \$1,338 plus tax - asking \$700

Homemade stand - asking \$50

**Craftsman 10" table saw with stand and wheeled platform**

Listed on Facebook marketplace (without stand) as Vintage for \$200

Saw plus stand - asking \$50

Wheeled platform - asking \$50

**Porter Cable compressor - almost new condition**

150 PSI, 6 Gallon, 2.6 SCFM

Amazon price - \$157 plus tax - asking \$100



**Porter Cable pneumatic nailers - great condition**

16-gauge finish nailer - FN250SB - asking \$45

18-gauge brad nailer - BN200SB - asking \$35

18-gauge 3/8" crown stapler (still in the box) - TS056 - asking \$50

**Ryobi electric pressure washer**

1600 PSI, 1.2 gpm - Model RY141612 - asking \$100

**Ryobi 18V ONE+ Miter Saw**

Model P552 - asking \$100

SAVE THE DATE!

## Turn On! Chicago 2026 Volunteers Needed!

As a member of the Chicago Woodturners you should be proud that we have a history of offering one of the best regional symposiums in the country. It's not only my opinion, we also hear that regularly from both attendees and demonstrators.

We have also been very fortunate to have had a core group of committee chairpersons who have been involved for over 10 years and were instrumental in making TOC the success it has been.

This is a rebuilding year, and we need talented and energetic members who are willing to take over many of the critical organizational roles. Detailed planning for the next symposium will remain on hold until we have a new team in place.

Contact Al Miotke at [abmiotke@comcast.net](mailto:abmiotke@comcast.net) or Kurt Wolff-Klammer at [blhkgkurt@yahoo.com](mailto:blhkgkurt@yahoo.com) to discuss and learn more.

Thanks, Al & Kurt, TOC 2025 Co-Chairs



**Segmented Woodturning Symposium**  
**September 26-28, 2025**  
**Crowne Plaza Hotel**  
**Northbrook, Illinois**




**Demonstrators**  
**Featured Demonstrators:**  
 Robin Costelle, Tom Lohman  
 Malcolm Tibbetts, Curt Theobald

**Additional Segmenting Talent:**  
 Steve Bonny, Martha Collins, Doug Drury, Reid Gilmore, Jeff Hornung, Gerald Jensen, Lloyd Johnson, Kip Lockhart, Al Miotke





[Segmentedwoodturners.org](http://Segmentedwoodturners.org)

**Segmenting Chicago**  
**September 26-28, 2025**



- ◆ 5 large classrooms doing 48–90 minute classes over 2.5 days.
- ◆ Tradeshow.
- ◆ Instant Gallery.
- ◆ Hotel attached to the conference center.
- ◆ Raffle full of vendor provided Products.
- ◆ People's Choice award.
- ◆ Lifetime Achievement award.
- ◆ Saturday banquet with entertainment by the Johnson Brothers.
- ◆ Discounted symposium room rate.
- ◆ Spouse/companion activity.
- ◆ Pleasant suburban location close to the interstate highway.

The Segmented Woodturners are a 501 (c)(3) Organization and a chapter of:



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# 2025 Hands-On Classes at the Chicago School of Woodworking

2024 had a great line-up of Hands-On classes conducted by woodturners from across the country as well as from CWT Members. They have included Grahame Priddle & Melissa Engler, Nick Agar, Elizabeth Weber, Roberto Ferrer, John Dillon and Paul Pycik, Clint Stevens and Nina Benson, and Frank Pagura.

These visits will include conducting the Thursday night monthly CWT demo followed by a three day Hands-On workshop at the Chicago School of Woodworking.

Mark your calendar for these demos and classes!

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| <b>Matt Monaco</b>         | <b>Mar 13-16</b>  |
| <b>Pat Carroll</b>         | <b>May 8-11</b>   |
| <b>Donna Zils Banfield</b> | <b>Sept 11-14</b> |



## 2025 PenMakers International Chicagoland MPG

**April 11 and 12, 2025**

**Chicago Marriott Northwest, Hoffman Estates, IL**

The Midwest Pen Turners Gathering (PenMakers International Annual Symposium NFP) is back in person and it is a cannot miss.

### Register Early For Better Odds To Winning

If you came to an event in the past you know we give away a lathe and many more big and small prizes. Tickets for the big prizes are based on how early you sign up. For every month in advance, you'll get an extra ticket. You know you are coming, sign up NOW and get extra tickets!

Watch for details as we have them. See you again in April. This is going to be fun!

The MPG Planning Committee

**[midwestpenturnersgathering.com](http://midwestpenturnersgathering.com)**



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With more than 16,000 members and over 365 local chapters globally, AAW members include amateurs, hobbyists, professionals, gallery owners, collectors, tool and equipment suppliers, and others.

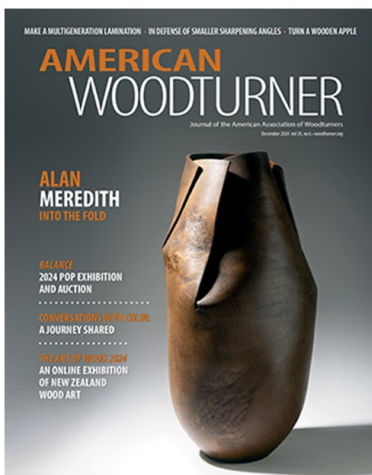
Join the AAW and have access to the largest portfolio of woodturning-related material in the world!

Hone your knowledge and skills using AAW's online learning portals, exclusive print and digital publications, curated educational videos, high-quality safety resources, and more.



Register by April 11 to get the best price!

[aawsymposium.org](http://aawsymposium.org)



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- 25:1 to 34:6 > 2010 to 2019
- 15:1 to 24:4 > 2000 to 2009
- 4:3 to 14:4 > 1990 to 1999
- 1:1 to 4:42 > 1986 to 1989

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**Join us for our monthly meetings,  
everyone is welcome!**

**Arlington Heights Senior Center**  
1801 W. Central Road,  
Arlington Heights, IL 60005

6:30 pm Networking  
7:00 pm to 10:00 pm

### CWT Meeting Calendar\*

| 2025          |                |                |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Jan 9</b>  | <b>May 8</b>   | <b>Sept 11</b> |
| <b>Feb 13</b> | <b>Jun 12</b>  | <b>Oct 9</b>   |
| <b>Mar 13</b> | <b>July 10</b> | <b>Nov 13</b>  |
| <b>Apr 10</b> | <b>Aug 14</b>  | <b>Dec 18*</b> |

\*CWT meetings are generally scheduled for the second Thursday of the month. We'll post any changes online, in the newsletter and by e-mail!

*Can't come in person? Zoom!*

www.zoom.com  
Meeting ID: 915 7899 5899  
Passcode: 003359



## Calendar of Events

|                       |                                 |                                 |                       |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Jan 6                 | Woodturning I                   | Chicago School of Woodworking   | Chicago, IL           |
| Jan 8                 | Woodturning II                  | Chicago School of Woodworking   | Chicago, IL           |
| Jan 9                 | CWT Monthly Meeting / Jeff Hart | Arlington Heights Senior Center | Arlington Heights, IL |
| Jan 11                | WIT Mentoring Session           | Chicago School of Woodworking   | Chicago, IL           |
| Jan 16, 30, Feb 6, 20 | CWT Open Shop Thursdays         | Chicago School of Woodworking   | Chicago, IL           |
| Jan 25                | Making A Segmented Vase         | Chicago School of Woodworking   | Chicago, IL           |
| Jan 26                | Open Shop Sunday                | Chicago School of Woodworking   | Chicago, IL           |
| Feb 13                | CWT Monthly Meeting             | Arlington Heights Senior Center | Arlington Heights, IL |

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