



## MAWt Milwaukee-Area Woodturners

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### MAWt eNews

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Check out our website at <http://mawturners.com>

*Happy New Year!*

### Shavings from the President's Shop

Shavings will return at a later date. Another year has passed by including all the hectic, end of the year holidays with all the family gatherings and activities that keeps us from the shop. We try to quickly finish all the gift turnings for the year but don't really have time to start that project we've always planned to try but know that it will take more than the few short extra minutes we get at this time of the year.

Now that the holidays are over and we're in the midst of the long, cold winter we can afford to take the time we need to plan out and try that piece that we've always wanted to try. We can take a serious look at the special piece of wood that we've been saving up for that special project or plan a glue up for a segmented piece that we've been thinking about. These are the good shop times where we can spend a whole day in the shop without outside project or family gathering to cut short the time needed to work through a problem. I've been looking forward to this.

I have a piece of maple burl that was part of a larger chunk that Cliff Mitchel gave me. I got two bowls out of it already and, of course, saved every little scrap for smaller items. This piece in particular is about three inches around and eight inches around, I turned it round a few months ago and it's been sitting on my bench ever since. It has some really nice grain so I

know that what comes from it will look really nice. I had a smaller piece that I made a hand bell Christmas ornament out of which worked well, I could get two more out of this piece but I don't think this is the best use for this piece. When I turned it round I thought I might make a vase shape and turn a thin Ebony stem or it would make a really nice lidded box. Ron Nelson brought an Ebony lidded box to the our meeting a few months back that was just striking, I've only made a couple boxes and would have to practice a few on plain wood before I would attempt using the burl. I could either try to convince Ron to help me turn a box or just ask him to turn it for me; an original Ron Nelson lidded box would be very appealing. Or I could just leave the piece as it is for a while longer until its true shape exposes itself to me and I get the inspiration to turn it, fortunately it's stable and hasn't shown any sizes of cracking. Time will tell.

This will be my last article as president as we will be electing a new president at the January board meeting and I will pass this off to the next president. I'd like to thank everyone for the patience to read through all my ramblings the last two years and hope that you at least enjoyed some of them, writing some of them seemed more of a chore than others but it was interesting to write them none the less.

Stay safe,

Jon

## 2013 Club Meeting Dates (Q1)

January 7  
February 4  
March 4

## Demonstrations

TBD

## Spotlight Turner

Spotlight Turner will return at a later date

## MAWt Meeting Information

**M**AWT club meetings are held the first Monday of each month, starting at 6:30 P.M., at Woodcraft / Rhino LLC, 14115 W. Greenfield Ave. New Berlin, WI 53151 Phone: 262-785-6770, Fax: 262-785-6771, or <http://www.woodcraft.com/stores/store.aspx?id=506>

Board meetings start at 5:00 P.M., the day of club meetings, at Culvers on Hwy 100, across from the former Woodcraft location.

## Embroidered Club Logo Available

**T**he club now has a source to embroider shirts with the clubs logo. Members need to bring their own shirt(s) to have embroidered. Shirts will be sent when there is enough to ship. Cost will be \$12 per shirt. If interested, please contact Bonnie Amundsen at 262-574-0577 or [bonam@wi.rr.com](mailto:bonam@wi.rr.com)

## Member Gallery

**Y**ou are invited to bring up to two pieces that you have recently turned. This is a great opportunity to share the "lessons learned" during your turning sessions with other members. Your participation inspires and challenges other to grow in their knowledge and skill.

## Wood Raffle

**Y**ou are encouraged to donate wood and buy raffle tickets as often as you are able. Please bring wood that you would like to turn yourself. Your participation helps support the financial well-being of our club and is greatly appreciated.

## Membership Process and Dues

**C**lub membership is from January through December. New members that join after October 1 will not need to renew their membership until the end of the following year's membership period. Dues are as follows (this can change without notice): MAWt annual dues: \$20.00 and AAW annual dues: \$48.00 minimum (see AAW website ([www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org)) for member options). All prospective MAWt club members must be a current AAW in order to join. A copy of a current AAW membership card, or copy of the front cover of your AAW magazine that displays membership information, or copy of your on-line AAW membership application payment is required at the time of joining the club.

AAW membership benefits are:

- AAW Journal: American Woodturner
  - Published quarterly
  - High quality full-color publication
- Large circulation
  - Variety of articles
    - Current trends
    - Techniques
    - Critiques
    - Galleries
    - Upcoming events
- Local AAW Chapters - Parent organization of more than 300 local chapters in North America and around the world
- AAW Resource Directory
- AAW Symposium – discounted fees for members
- AAW Website ([www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org))
- AAW Forum ([www.aawforum.org/vbforum](http://www.aawforum.org/vbforum))
- Educational Opportunity Grants
- Liability Insurance for Chapters – U.S. and Canada

- Business insurance available for U.S. members

Questions about MAWt and AAW membership?  
Please contact Carl Brust at: [cjbrust@wi.rr.com](mailto:cjbrust@wi.rr.com)

## Club Library

We offer our members a growing list of topical resources that can be checked out and returned at the following month's meeting. Our library includes DVD's, books, and magazines that address many aspects of woodturning. This is a popular member benefit and the lending rules should be respected and honored. For the benefit and enjoyment of all club members, it is important that you return all MAWt videos and other educational materials at the following month's club meeting. To inquire about titles and check availability, please contact: Gary Datka, Club librarian at [mawtlibrary@hotmail.com](mailto:mawtlibrary@hotmail.com)



### New titles are add regularly to the club Library

Please remember to return your overdue club materials at the January meeting!

## MAWt Membership

Our membership consists of both novice and experienced woodturners. We place a high priority on teaching and expanding each member's turning skills and knowledge of the craft. We encourage each member to freely share ideas, insights, and lessons learned as a result of their experience. Having fun and good fellowship is required at all club functions.

## MAWt Demonstrators Wanted

We are seeking demonstrators that have an interesting theme or approach to turning, and have demonstrated sound technique and skill level. Please forward your suggestions to Charlene Dee at: [charsden@wi.rr.com](mailto:charsden@wi.rr.com)

## Member Services

Name tag or membership card requests or Contact information changes, such as: address, phone, email address, please send an email with your request to Carl Brust at [cjbrust@wi.rr.com](mailto:cjbrust@wi.rr.com)

## For Sale

If you have equipment or tools for sale, please submit a detailed description and prices by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month and we will include it in the following month's eNewsletter. Please email your information to Scott Kosteretz at [skoz@wi.rr.com](mailto:skoz@wi.rr.com)

## Member Supplier Discount Program

We are continually researching new woodturning resources that may offer our club members special discounts. If you have any suggestions, please contact Jon Behnke at [Jon Behnke <fetchitup@live.com](mailto:Jon_Behnke@live.com)

Current Supplier Discounts:

- Woodcraft (Requires AAW or MAWt membership card to receive 10% discount)
- Rockler (Requires AAW or MAWt membership card to receive 10% discount)
- Klingspor's Woodworking Shop (Club members receive 10% discount on all non-powered merchandise)

## Suppliers and Resources

We are looking to add new woodturning websites to our "Member Resources" newsletter section. If you have discovered interesting and informative websites

related to woodturning, please send an email to:  
Scott Kosteretz (skoz@wi.rr.com)

Note: The editor has the right to include or exclude suggested websites based on space, relevancy, and club standards.

### **Manzanita Turning Burls**

[www.nativemanzanitaburl.com](http://www.nativemanzanitaburl.com)

### **CHOICE WOODS**

Contact: Clay Johnson at 2801 Floyd Street,  
Louisville, KY 40209, 502-587-0777, 888/895-7779,  
[www.choice-woods.com](http://www.choice-woods.com)

"I only ship what I would want to receive"

### **Steve Russell's Lathe Talk**

Free Monthly e-Zine: Steve Russell's Lathe Talk, a free monthly newsletter (e-zine) for subscribers of Steve Russell's "Woodturning Videos Plus" woodturning website. This newsletter will be delivered on or about the first of each month to the email address you indicated on your sign-up form. All back issues of this newsletter are available to subscribers.

Lathe Talk will offer tips and tricks to make your woodturning easier and more productive. I'll also show you ways to save money in your studio, so you can stretch your hard earned money. In addition, we will periodically offer subscribers only specials on our videos and e-books. To subscribe: Steven Russell

[steverussell@woodturningvideosplus.com](mailto:steverussell@woodturningvideosplus.com)

### **The Woodworking Channel**

If you haven't check this out, you will discover many woodworking video resources (Free to view) on this site including: A Wood working experience, AAW, Fine Woodworking, Intarsia and Marquetry, IWF, The American Woodshop, The Great British Woodshop and more! You can find this at:

[www.woodworkingchannel.com](http://www.woodworkingchannel.com)

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

International, non-profit society dedicated to the advancement of woodturning by providing education, information, and organization.

[www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org)

### **Woodturners Resource**

This site includes: message boards, woodturning galleries, on-line video's, featured artists, websites, tutorials, projects and tips, event calendar, vendors and resources, and chat.

[www.woodturnersresource.com](http://www.woodturnersresource.com)

### **Woodcentral**

Woodworking information, discussions, chats, articles and sources for everything the woodworker needs. [www.woodcentral.com](http://www.woodcentral.com)

### **Woodturning Online**

*Woodturning* Online offers turning projects, plans and articles for *woodturners* including information on bowl, pen and segmented turning using the lathe and more. [www.woodturningonline.com](http://www.woodturningonline.com)

### **Around the Woods**

*Wood turning* lathe instruction, tips and techniques for the beginner or experienced turner. Wood turning lathe tips, techniques and projects to add to your joy in turning.

[www.aroundthewoods.com](http://www.aroundthewoods.com)

### **Woodturns**

The Online *Woodturning* Community *Woodturning* articles, *woodturning* directory, *woodturning* artists, *woodturning* projects, *woodturning* tools, etc. [www.woodturns.com](http://www.woodturns.com)

### **Mystic Burls**

530-917-9642

mysticburls8@yahoo.com

<http://www.mysticburlwood.com>

### **Exotic Blanks**

Ed Brown is now carrying Jason Swanson's segmented pen blanks under the brand name "Stripe Tease". For anybody who has admired Jason's segmented pens and would like to turn one of their own, please check out Ed's website

[www.exoticblanks.com](http://www.exoticblanks.com).

## **Woodcraft Classes**

If you are interested in developing or expanding your woodworking skills, including woodturning, Woodcraft has classes for all skill levels. Please

refer to your monthly Woodcraft flyer or request a class schedule during your next visit to Woodcraft. For more information, please call Woodcraft at: 262 785-6770

## Classes and Events

### Alan Lacer at Woodcraft

Demo: Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Cost is \$35 in advance for each day or \$40 for each day at the door

Hands on workshop: Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>.

Cost for Hands On will be \$110 (Limit 6 people)

For more information on classes and events, please call Woodcraft at: 262 785-6770

## MAWt Board Meeting Minutes

### Board meeting minutes of Milwaukee Area Woodturners December 3, 2012

In attendance: Jon Behnke, Dave Drickhamer, Sandy Sheahan, Char Dee, Jim Andresen

Jerry Tackes has turned in his resignation to the board for personal reasons.

Tonight will be elections for the 2 new board members. In the running are:

Ron Hinderman

Ron Nelson

Jim Swank

Char will be picking up the lift for the lathe.

Ron Nelson will be working on our photo setup.

We will be requesting a grant from the AAW to purchase two flat screen TV's to replace the existing TV's we currently have.

### General Meeting minutes of Milwaukee Area Woodturners December 3, 2012

Tonight we held elections to the board. Jim Swank and Ron Nelson were elected and will start their 3 year term in January.

Don't forget with the new year it's also time for dues. Both MAWt and AAW. Bring your proof of membership to the next meeting when you pay your dues.

Everyone have a safe Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

## MAWt e-News Submissions

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AWt welcomes the submission of news stories, photos, calendar items, letters, announcements, or any other information that would be of interest

to woodturners and relevant to woodturning.

Below are guidelines for various submissions:

### Please include your name and contact

**information** (either a telephone number or e-mail address). Please send the information in a timely manner. Remember to include as much pertinent information, including the following:

**WHO** was involved?

**WHAT** was the event?

**WHEN** did the event occur?

**WHERE** did the event occur?

**WHY** was the event important?

Please send your e-News submissions no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. The editor has the right to edit or not to include the request based on space limitations or topics not relevant to woodturning.

Please contact Scott Kosteretz at 414-852-3853 or [sko@wi.rr.com](mailto:sko@wi.rr.com)

## MAWt Committees

If you aren't on a committee, you are encouraged to volunteer.

- ❖ **Member/Guest Registration:**  
Carl Brust and Tom Palaubecki
- ❖ **Meeting Set-up/Clean-up:**

All members

❖ **Library:**

Gary Datka

❖ **Photography:**

Don Boeck and Ron Nelson

❖ **Demonstrator Scheduling:**

Char Dee

❖ **Member Gallery Facilitator:**

Jon Behnke

❖ **Wood Raffle Ticket Sales:**

Char Dee

❖ **E-Newsletter Editor:**

Scott Kosteretz

❖ **Membership:**

Carl Brust

❖ **Audio/Video:**

Dennis Dee



## MAWt Board members

Jon Behnke, President (2011-2012)

Jerry Tackes, Vice President (2011-2013)

David Drickhamer, Secretary (2009-2011)

Sandy Sheahan, Treasurer (2011-2013)

Char Dee (2012-2014)

Jim Andersen (2012-2014)

### **Past Presidents / Board Member Advisory**

Jason Swanson, Past President (2008-2010)

Scott Kosteretz, Past President (2005-2007)

