



Des Moines Woodturners

**A central Iowa
AAW Woodturning
Chapter for woodturners
of all skill levels**

- Education/Training**
- Member Networking**
- Monthly Demonstration
Meetings (Sep – May)**
- Monthly Networking
Meetings (Year-round)**

Demonstration Meetings held at 1 p.m. on the 2nd
Saturday of each month, Sept thru May.

Networking gatherings held 9:30 to 11:00a.m. on 4th
Wednesday, 12 months a year.

Meeting Location

Des Moines Woodturners Inc.
Valley West Mall, Suite 201
1551 Valley West Drive
West Des Moines, IA 50266

(South end of upper level)

An IRS recognized 501(c)(3) non-profit
organization

FOR THOSE WANTING TO LEARN WOODTURNING OR ADVANCE THEIR TURNING SKILLS

WHO WE ARE

The **Des Moines Woodturners** is an AAW Chapter serving central Iowa woodturners of all skill levels. The organization promotes continual education, inter-member networking, monthly meetings and a variety of other learning opportunities. Programs are presented to expose members to a wide variety of woodturning disciplines and promote woodturning safety. Membership is open to all individuals who have an interest in any aspect of woodturning and who are willing to share their experiences and knowledge with others.

Demo meetings are held at 1 p.m. the second Saturday of the month from September through May. Networking gatherings held 9:30 to 11:00a.m. on 4th Wednesday, 12 months a year.

Guests are welcome to attend a meeting to see what we're about and visit with participants.

MEMBER NETWORKING

One of the hidden benefits of belonging to a woodturning chapter is getting to know other woodturners who have the same interests as you. Need help in solving a woodturning project? No doubt a fellow member would help by sharing their experiences on a similar project along with other helpful hints on tool use. That's why member networking is such a powerful benefit!! We've recently added a second monthly meeting specifically to facilitate member networking. It's held at the Maytag Scout Center from 9:30 to 11:00 on the 4th Wednesday of the month all year long. See web site for more information.

EDUCATION

Monthly meetings are designed to provide an educational experience for attendees. A featured demonstrator provides detailed information on a project or woodturning discipline each month. Members are encouraged to bring in examples of their work, a new tool, jig or fixture to share with the group at each meeting's Show 'N' Tell.

ANNUAL DUES

NEW MEMBER annual dues are \$25.00. New members can join at any time. All dues expire on the January meeting date annually and are subject to change each calendar year.

NEW MEMBERS joining between Sept and Dec will have membership privileges the remainder of that calendar year PLUS all 12 months of the following year. Join Early!!

Dues provide members with monthly meetings from September through May, a membership card for discounts at participating stores, a monthly meeting bulletin, access to woodturning training classes and all library books and videos. You also get discounted rates at chapter sponsored woodturning events.

Annual RENEWAL memberships are \$5 less than NEW member dues providing renewal dues are paid no-later-than the expiration date shown on a current membership card.

EXPERIENCE LEVEL

Beginner - A wannabe or actually getting started and buying woodturning equipment, tools and sharpening accessories. You're still learning a lot, turning simple projects and you have lots of questions you need help answering. Be sure to contact our Education Chair before buying any of your equipment and tools for advice. It will save you money!!!!!! For instance, woodturning tool sets ARE NOT recommended.

Intermediate - You have a shop and the essential quality and style of woodturning related tools and sharpening system for your interests. You've had training and adequate turning experience to use your tools safely and properly to feel comfortable turning spindle and cross grain projects and do so to stay reasonably proficient. You have a full sharpening system and a broad range of lathe tools and accessories

Advanced - You use nearly all your tools on a regular basis and you turn a wide variety of turning styles and types. You're familiar with a wide variety of specialty turnings and embellishments. You stay safe and proficient with all tools because of frequent, proper use.

WOODTURNING IS A LEARNED SKILL THAT REQUIRES CONTINUED PRACTICE

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

(Please Print Clearly)

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Nickname: _____
(Used on Nametag)

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____

Experience Level:

- Beginner
- Intermediate
- Advanced

What experience and knowledge would you be willing to share with other members?

Occupation: _____
(Day Job. If retired, what was your profession/occupation.)

Woodturning Interests: _____
(List types of woodturning you enjoy doing)

Other hobbies/interests: _____
(List interests & hobbies other than woodturning)

Please check each of the tools you own:

- Table Saw (TbSw)
- Band Saw (BnSw)
- Scroll Saw (ScSw)
- Miter Saw (MtrSw)
- Compound Mittersaw (CMtrSw)
- Chainsaw (ChSw)
- Drill Press (DrP)
- Thickness Sander (TSn)
- Belt/Disk Sander (BDSn)
- Air Cleaner (AirC)
- Dust Collector System (DstC)
- Shopsmith (Spsm)
- Mini-Midi Lathe, 12" dia or smaller (MLth)
- 14" dia or Larger (FLth)
- Various HSS Spindle/Bowl Gouges (VSpBG)
- Various HSS or Carbide specialty tools (VST)
- Slow speed grinder (6" or 8") (Grnd)
- Wolverine Sharpening Sys (Wolv)
- Vacuum Chuck system (VacCk)
- Beall Buffing System (Buf)
- Boring Bar Sys (BorSy)
- Other _____

\$25 NEW membership (age 18 and over)

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ Check # _____

Agreement to Terms of Membership

Signature (Required)

Mail application form and payment to:

Des Moines Woodturners, Inc.

P.O. Box 71629

Clive, IA 50325

American Association of Woodturners

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AAW Chapter 158

Des Moines Woodturners, Inc.

For a calendar of meetings and events, visit our WEB site at

<http://www.DMWoodturners.com>

If you have membership questions, e-mail to DMWoodTurners@gmail.com or call 515-720-0637

TERMS OF MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to all persons with an interest in woodturning and who comply with the following:

- must be age 18 or older
- complete & sign application for membership
- agree to uphold the purposes of the "Chapter"
- payment of annual "Chapter" membership dues as advertised for appropriate time period.

The board may revoke membership if in the opinion of the Board, the member:

- does not support the purpose of the "Chapter",
- fails to practice good safety at any "Chapter" event,
- fails to pay monies owed to the "Chapter" for a period of 30 days or more.

Failure to renew annual membership dues within 30 days of expiration will be cause to terminate membership and require any future membership to be as a New Member at New Member dues rate.

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