



Des Moines WoodTurners Chapter Meeting Announcement & Newsletter

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September 14th Presentation Steve Sinner



Master Woodturner, Steve Sinner, will be the speaker for the September 14 Chapter meeting. Steve will discuss his technique for turning vases and explain the method he uses to add outstanding artwork on finished vases. Steve was the judge for the Woodturning entries in the Iowa State Fair this year. He will provide commentary on items entered in the fair. Be sure to bring to our Chapter meeting any entry you had at the Fair so that it can be included in his review.

Sources of inspiration for Steve's turnings often come from unexpected places. A tree downed by a summer storm, or perhaps a log provided by a friend. Steve sources his wood from such instances of chance and through friends who know he will appreciate the material. The individual qualities found in a piece of wood are essential to the woodturning process. Whether it is the straight-grained and dense sugar maple or the delicately colored walnut, Sinner transforms the raw beauty of wood into elegant works of art. Born in Omaha, Nebraska, in 1942, Sinner had an early interest in craft. "As far back as I can remember, the process of making has fascinated me...." This affinity evolved into a lifetime of making, through a career in the manufacturing industry and later as a master woodturner. In the basement of Sinner's childhood home, he created everything from chess pieces to wooden scooters. While in school, shop class furthered his interest and, after college, Sinner made furniture and clocks and experimented with woodcarving. It was not until the 1980s that he seriously pursued lathe-turned objects. Sinner credits Creative Woodturning, written in 1975 by Dale Nish (1932-2013), with igniting his passion for woodturning. Nish was an influential mentor for an entire generation of woodturners, and his book remains an important guide for beginners and experts alike. After earning a degree in industrial education from Iowa State University, Sinner worked in manufacturing for decades. As he stated, "My work and interests in manufacturing are often reflected in my work. You can see repetition, precision, and quality. The process of taking a raw material and transforming it into a finished product is a consistent thread in Sinner's life story.

Sinner is a master at hollowing deep vessels. He created his own tools in order to achieve more precise hollowing. That evolved into a business: Advanced Lathe Tools, LLC. His hollowing bars use a laser monitoring system for consistent wall thickness.

Link: (<https://advancedlathetools.com/>)

Future Educational Programs

October: Tom Whalley Turns Trees and John Anderson on Texturing

November: Rob Wallace - Basic Principles of Bowl and Vessel Design

December: Christmas Party

January: Glen Farmer - Finishing the bottom of Bowls

February: Dan Henderson - Turning an Oval

2024 Iowa State Fair Recap Part 1 (Setting Up) By Tom Whalley

This year's state fair booth was another success. There are so many people to thank and recognize for helping make it happen but first, what actually goes into doing this each year? Here's a look at all the activities that contribute to making this event happen:

- Establish the product list (this year we had about 50 different items to sell)
- Set targets for the numbers of items we anticipate needing
- Purchase wood for spurltes, rolling pins, tops, etc..
- Cut wood into blanks
- Manage inventory of blanks for all the different projects
- Track how many blanks are taken out and returned
- Make all the items we sell at the fair – this is a huge one!
- Present updates to the board on inventory returned on a monthly basis
- Store all the blanks and finished pieces
- Purchase water, soft drinks, and paper towels to be used at the fair.
- Load everything from our meeting space into a trailers to take to the fair (thanks to Dennis Anderson for the use of his trailer)
- Load the two lathes and the toolbox from the training center to take to the fair (thanks to Dan England for the use of his trailer)
- Move everything into the space at the Cultural Center.
- Set up the booth – tables, shelves, etc.
- Cover the tables with the white paper
- Install all the skirting around the tables
- Get the TV and camera set up for folks to see what is being turned
- Set up our Des Moines Woodturners sign (Thanks to Dan England for creating the frame for this)
- Price everything
- Update all the pricing cards we place on the tables near the appropriate items
- Set up the products we sell on the tables and get the pricing information in place
- At the end of the fair, pack up everything to take back to the mall or the training center
- This large group of members (plus a couple of wives of members) were responsible for the huge success we had this year.
- Inventory what was brought back to the mall to get ready for next year.

2024 Iowa State Fair Recap Part 2 (At the Fair)

We had booth coordinators, salespeople, and demonstrators. Also, tickets for entry had to be purchased and parking passes had to be gotten. They either had to be passed out or mailed. Additionally, all the additional information about times, locations, etc., had to be printed and included in the envelopes with the tickets and parking passes. This is a massive coordination process. This year we had a couple of folks who were not able to be at the booth, so at the last minute, fill-ins had to be recruited.

For 2024, we had 36 members volunteer to work at the booth. Then you add all the people that assisted with the activities listed above, including those who took blanks home to turn into items we sold at the booth and that number becomes much larger.

2024 Iowa State Fair Recap Part 3 (Special Thanks)

Five members went above and beyond to make it happen.

- **Stan Merrell** and **Tom Baker** were there every day from about 6:00 AM to closing time at 8:00 PM handling the money and helping out on the sales desk. After he got home from the fair (every day), Stan would reconcile the funds and print out a spreadsheet detailing the sales of each item sold that day. Tom assisted Stan at the treasures table.
- **Dan Carlson** and **Dick Meuler** were a tag team that solicited workers, prepared schedules, procured admittance and parking passes, assembled and distributed worker packets with need-to-know information, admittance tickets, and parking passes.
- **Duane Groenenboom** managed wood inventories, checked out blanks, checked in finished items, and developed a new system of tracking what was taken out and received.
- To all of you who helped in any way with making this experience happen, a huge thank you! Without the time you volunteered to do this, none of this would have happened.

2024 Iowa State Fair Recap Part 4 (Why do we do this?)

Why do we do this year after year? To show the public the art of woodturning. Wood items are not just craft show items, but a form of art. By doing live demonstrations every day, people who had no idea how things were made can see firsthand what this process is.

The items that we turn are designed to improve the skill set for members such as rounding the ends of spurlles and rolling pins, turning straight smooth surfaces for rolling pins and spurlles, perfecting the skills of bowl turning to eliminate sanding or finish rings, and the bumps we see on the inside bottoms of bowls. The revenue we generate allows us to provide demonstrations by professional turners at no additional costs to the members and to keep our dues at perhaps the lowest of any Chapter in the AAW.

Working in the booth with other members that we have not met yet or gotten to know very well is rewarding. Lasting friendships come out of this experience. Monthly meetings or networking meetings often don't allow us to get to know people like working side by side with them at the fair does.

If you have never participated in the state fair effort or if you are a newer member, please consider helping in some way for the fair next year. We have blanks for spurlles and rolling pins so you can start making items we sell now. As you can see, there are also a lot of "behind the scenes" activities that are available.

2024 Iowa State Fair Woodturning Entries

Special Show and Tell

September 14 Meeting

There were 87 woodturning entries this year at the fair, which is 25 more than we had last year! What a great representation of wood "art". To all who entered, thank you for doing this for the folks that attended. Now start thinking outside the box about next year.

It is customary that members bring the projects they entered at the state fair to show during the show-and-tell portion of the September meeting. This year, we will also have a table for those who entered projects who would like to have them critiqued by Steve Sinner, this year's woodturning judge. We will be doing show-and-tell first, and following Steve's presentation Steve will be critiquing those items on the table.

Award Winners, Iowa State Fair 2024 Congratulations

Bowl

- 1) *Best of Show 1st runner up*
Tom Whalley, Urbandale
- 2) Mike Hamilton, Urbandale
- 3) *Arnold Carter, Coralville

Box

- 1) *Best of Show 3rd runner up*
Mike Hamilton, Urbandale
- 2) Donna Byers, Ankeny
- 3) Bill Burchett, Ankeny

Hollow Vessel

- 1) Jack Rolison, Ottumwa
- 2) Albert Bustillos, Norwalk
- 3) Charles Tadlock, Winterset

Kit Items

- 1) *Carl Vass, Danville
- 2) Robert Blink, West Des Moines
- 3) Grace Orlich, West Des Moines

Natural Turned Wood

- 1) *Dennis Wonick, Cedar Rapids
- 2) *Arnold Carter, Coralville
- 3) *Arnold Carter, Coralville

Functional Items

- 1) Maurice Herold, Indianola
- 2) Mark Hayes, Colo
- 3) Leroy Monson, Waukee

Segmented Turned Item

- 1) *Best of Show 2nd runner up*
Bill Burchett, Ankeny
- 2) Jack Kennedy, Winterset
- 3) David Rabe, Ottumwa
Honorable Mention
Tom Whalley, Urbandale

Open Segmented Turned Item

- 1). Jack Kennedy, Winterset

Embellished Turned Item

- 1) Steve Yeager, Martinsburg
- 2) Steve Yeager, Martinsburg
- 3) *Kevin Lurth, Cedar Rapids
Honorable Mention
*Kevin Lurth, Cedar Rapids

Stylized

- 1) Tom Whalley, Urbandale
- 2) David Rabe, Ottumwa
- 3) Mark Hayes, Colo

Any Other Wood Project

- 1) *Best of Show* Tom Whalley, Urbandale
- 2) Jack Rolison, Ottumwa
- 3) Jack Kennedy, Winterset

* Not a member of the Des Moines Woodturners

Des Moines Woodturners Woodturning Scholarship

The Des Moines Woodturners offer a scholarship program for the benefit of chapter members. Woodturning can be an expensive endeavor. The cost of equipment such as a lathe, bandsaw, chainsaw, sharpening system, buffing system and the myriad of items like drive centers, scroll chucks, live centers, adapters, jaws, and faceplates can mount rapidly. In addition is the cost of turning tools, embellishing tools, specialty tools and a host of accessories, supplies and finishing products, not to mention the cost of wood if you don't have the capacity to harvest your own.

By the same token, three and five day woodturning educational events are also expensive when located out-of-state. Travel costs, lodging and tuition can easily run \$1,000 to \$1,700 per event.

This scholarship is not intended as a source of financial aid for those who might otherwise not be able to afford the educational experience. Instead, it is offered as an incentive to those serious about woodturning who are willing to expand their skills and knowledge and bring those skill-sets back to share with our members in a variety of ways. The scholarship can provide recipients a 25% to 50% discount toward the overall cost of their attendance expenses.

The purpose of the scholarship is to expand personal woodturning skills and knowledge and share their experience with fellow members by:

- Attending Chapter events and sharing their learning experience.
- Showing examples of their work as a result of their learning experience.
- Demonstrating what they learned at a chapter meeting, event, or class.
- Sharing their overall learning experience and confidence building experience.
- Encouraging members to expand their woodturning skills via similar educational experiences.
- Volunteering for Chapter leadership positions (wide variety of opportunities).



Mark Hayes - Newest Member of the Training Team

Our thanks to Mark for joining us. The objective of our organization is to foster the art of woodturning and he is just the person for the job.

Reminder - Networking at the Chapter Meeting

If you would like to spend some time with your fellow turners, the Valley West location will be open before and after the Chapter meeting. The doors will open at 12 pm and close at about 4:30 pm.

Getting Coffee or Water? Maybe sign up to bring refreshments!

There is a refreshment sign-up sheet on the post near the coffee pot.

Mentoring Program

The Des Moines Woodturners Inc. (DMWT) invites members to use the Mentor Program. Below is a list of volunteers, members in good standing, who are willing to share their experience and answer specific questions to help you with a particular problem. Each mentor's strengths are noted along with their name and city location. Select who might be best to contact, based on your questions and how far they are from you. As volunteers, it will be up to the mentor to decide if they can help, whose shop will be used and what mentoring will look like based on the need.

Dan Carlson, Clive, Iowa
Phone 515-720-0637
Dano1466@yahoo.com

Dan will mentor in these areas:

1. Getting started with pen turning
2. Turning small ornaments
3. Turning small lidded boxes
4. Turning seam rippers,
pen letter openers
with or without a kit
5. Turning bottle stoppers

Glen Farmer, Ogden, Iowa
Phone 517-395-0317
gfarmeriii@yahoo.com

Glen will mentor in these areas:

1. Bowl turning
2. Ornaments
3. Hollow forms
4. Coloring
5. Platters
6. Spindle work
7. Boxes
8. Harvesting wood/Blank cutting

LeRoy Monson, Waukee, Iowa
Home Phone: 515-987-1655
Cell Phone: 515-745-9098
monsonlg@aol.com

LeRoy will mentor in these areas:

1. Spindle (including duplicating)
2. Bowls
3. Platters
4. Lidded box
5. One-way sharpening and set-up
6. Tool control
7. Bandsaw and lathe maintenance

https://www.dmwoodturners.com/?page_id=1241

Dave Rabe, Ottumwa, Iowa
Phone: 641-680-1129
rjanetdave@gmail.com

Dave will mentor in these areas:

1. Basket illusion
2. Hollowing
3. Coloring/airbrush

Jack Rolison, Ottumwa, Iowa
Phone: 641-683-5647
jd.rolison@outlook.com

Jack will mentor in these areas:

1. Bowl turning
2. Finishing
3. Coloring
4. Sharpening

Tad Tadlock, Winterset, Iowa
Phone: 515-201-7403
tad4tahoe@aol.com

Tad will mentor in these areas:

1. Natural & naked edge
2. Large & small bowls
3. Platters
4. Boxes
5. Open void vessels
6. Sharpening

Jack Kennedy, Winterset, Iowa
Phone: 515-462-3141j
jkennedywinterset@att.net

Jack will mentor in these areas:

1. Segmented Bowls
2. Open Segmented Bowls

Matt Monaco Demonstration Summary **By Will Zitterich**

Matt Monaco's morning demonstration was on using the skew and making captured rings. He is a professional turner and provides turning classes at his studio near Springfield Missouri. He has been a production turner making many copies of the same bowl.

He began with a 3-inch square ash blank and demonstrated how to make a goblet with captured rings on the stem. He made the square blank round with a planing cut with the skew beginning at each end. He demonstrated a catch and showed how they occur and how to avoid them. He was turning the blank at 1500-2000 rpm and the catch gouged out the wood to almost making the blank unusable. He made the planing cut by leading with the short point of the skew. The planing cut is made using the tool support and the peeling cut is made without the support of the tool rest. The "V" groove is made using the large point to make the groove and the sides of the groove is straight. The sides of the V groove are rounded as making a bead with the small point leading the cut. One of his recommendations is to turn the blank faster to get a cleaner cut and will be burnished to about a 320 roughness.

He demonstrated using 1/2 inch skew on a walnut blank. As he planed the blank, he lead the cut to the right with the long point and lead to the left using the short point. He made a top with a captured ring on the stem and finished it with oil.

Matt Monaco's afternoon demonstration began at 1:00 demonstrating how he makes his signature bowls. This would be cross-grain turning as the spindle would be cutting side grain. He used a 10-12-inch wood blank and began at 800-1000 rpm. He has made some of his turning tools as a spear point from a thick scraper and a 45-degree bevel. He uses several other gouges as a bowl gouge with a swept back to cut the tenon on one end. Internal cuts were made with a 3/8-inch bowl gouge with a 40-45-degree bevel with a 50-degree micro bevel and a small swept back side. This gives him a very smooth cut. He thought using a gouge with large swept back wings would not give a smooth cut on the surface. He cut the inside of the bowl at 1500 rpm. He also made and used a spindle gouge with a sharp point as a detail gouge. He finished the inside of the bowl with a 1/4 inch gouge with a 50-degree micro bevel.

Matt ended the demonstration by making a cap for the bowl he just made beginning with a 6-inch diameter blank. He made a cap to fit the bowl edge diameter with a tight fit and then turned the blank to match the bowl edge. The bowl was very impressive with very smooth sides and interior and burnished to about a 320 roughness. Very little sanding is necessary (and may not be even necessary). The bowl was very light with only about 1/8-inch-thick walls.

Membership News from Dan Carlson

New Members:

Paul Fitzpatrick from Urbandale
Tom Smith from Waukee
Su George from Bondurant
Tim Heady from Mitchellville
Vern Kinderknecht from Winterset
Jeff Newhook from Ankeny

Marv Morrison from Urbandale
Daman Herbert from Waukee
Brad Huyser from Ankeny

The club now has 182 members.
Starting in November, dues will be collected.

2024 Iowa State Fair Sales Summary

Contact: Duane Groenenboom



Approximately 1700 items were sold. The tall red cedar trees and decorated trees were big sellers. Christmas trees were the top seller. The quality of the donated items was excellent. Thanks to all.



Christmas Trees – 310
Tops - 224
All Spurtles – 222
Simple Wooden Pens – 214
Bowls – 95
Honey Dippers - 56
Fancy Pens – 55
Ornaments – 52
Greg's items - 49
Coffee Scoops - 47
Standard Rolling Pins – 43
Bread Knives - 41
Ball and Cup – 32
Yo Yo's - 30
French Rolling Pins - 23

Program Chair Needed.

Since our current Program Chair has been elevated to the position of Vice President, we are looking for a new Program Chair. In the past, this has been the task of a single person, which can be a bit intimidating. Going forward, we would like to see us have a committee of people willing to serve on the committee headed by a Program Chair. The chair position is a board position. Responsibilities include updating the board of upcoming programs at the monthly meetings, providing updates for the newsletter, and leading and providing direction to the Program Committee.

Duties of the committee people include:

- Determining demonstration topics of interest to the club
- Finding program presenters for upcoming Chapter meetings
- Securing commitments from professionals to do demos (2-3 per year)
- Communicating with demonstrators the expectations and their supply needs for a demo
- Provide the demonstrators with the release forms we require of all presenters

We all know how important good demonstrations are, but it starts with someone making the arrangements to have such a demo. That will be the focus of the committee going forward. Without a program committee, we won't be able to present any meaningful demonstrations at our Chapter meeting.

If you are interested in the Program Chair position, serving on this committee, or simply have questions, please contact Dennis Anderson at dennis.anderson.dca@gmail.com or at (515) 975-8573.

Training Class Graduates



Sharpening Class, May 20, 2024

Tad Tadlock (instructor), Duane Groenenboom (instructor), Jim Canterbury,
Paul Groben, Perry Grant, Dick Meuler (instructor)

2024 Fall Class Enrollment

If you are enrolled in a class you did not want or not enrolled in a class you thought you were enrolled in, please contact John Amberg ASAP. (johnaamberg@yahoo.com)

Basic Woodturning	Sept. 16 & 23	Theo Filanowicz	Tom Smith	Tim Heady	Su George
Basic Segmenting	Sept. 30	Mike Mauro	Tom Smith		
Basic Bowl	Oct. 7	Theo Filanowicz	Jerry Reiman		
Basic Skew	Oct. 14	Ted Redenius	Kim Eaton		
Basic Woodturning	Oct. 21 & 28	Bryan Stearns	Jerry Peek	Tom Golding	Duane Strepke
Basic Sharpening	Nov. 4	Theo Filanowicz	Bill Chrisman	Kim Eaton	Duane Strepke
Basic Bowl	Nov. 11	Todd Troll	Jerry Peek	Tom Golding	Duane Strepke

Training News
Contact: John Amberg

Fall 2024 Classes are available for enrollment

Fall 2024 Woodturning Classes		
Basic Woodturning	Sept. 16 & 23	Full
Basic Segmenting	Sept. 30, 2024	2 spaces
Basic Bowl	Oct. 7, 2024	2 spaces
Basic Skew Chisel	Oct. 14, 2024	2 spaces
Basic Woodturning	Oct. 21 & 28	Full
Basic Sharpening	Nov. 4, 2024	Full
Basic Bowl	Nov. 11, 2024	Full

Basic Woodturning: If you have not taken Basic Woodturning you will find it useful if you're new to turning, been away from the lathe for awhile or would just like a refresher. Enhance your spindle turning skills. It is a fun day and a confidence builder. In addition, it is the prerequisite for the other courses. Basic Woodturning is two consecutive Mondays, 8:30 to 5 and costs \$40.

Basic Bowl Turning: This class touches on basics of wood harvesting, differences from spindle turning, and introduces the bowl gouge. You will

practice on a Poplar blank before turning your Hard Maple bowl. The class is one full day. We provide the tools and blanks, you provide the accessories and face shield. This is a one day class and costs \$20.

Basic Segmenting: This class will cover the basics of making segmented projects, from calculating segment angles and sizes, ring diameters needed, segment wood prep, gluing and clamping, to accurate cutting fixtures. You'll glue together furnished pre-cut segments and clamp them. Turning will be demonstrated but students won't be using the lathe in the class. Pre-cut segments for glue-up practice will be furnished. Bring paper and pencil to take notes. This is a one day class and costs \$20.

Basic Skew Chisel: This class will introduce students to the proper techniques and use of the tool as well as sharpening. Students will furnish their own skew chisel(s) (3/4 inch and up preferred). We will use the same accessories as in the Basic Woodturning Class. This is a one day class and costs \$20.

Basic Sharpening: The sharpening class will use lathe mounted sandpaper sharpening wheels and wooden dowels to teach the techniques of sharpening. This class is primarily for gouges but will also touch on a variety of other common traditional turning tools such as parting tools, skew, bedan and scrapers. In addition, sharpening hollowing tools, thread chasers, hook tools and common flat carbide cutters will be discussed. After practice, students will have the opportunity to sharpen their own tools using the Oneway Wolverine Sharpening system and CBN wheels. This is a one day class and costs \$20.

Please contact John Amberg at johnaamberg@yahoo.com or 858-220-1489 for further information or to sign up.



Educational Opportunities

TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION OF WOODTURNERS 36th Annual Woodturning Symposium

JANUARY 31st & FEBRUARY 1st, 2025 • NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

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For the latest information, registration form and schedules go to tnwoodturners.org
Contact us by email at symposium@tnwoodturners.org or call David Sapp at 615.498.1585
Vendor information contact: vendorinfo@tnwoodturners.org



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American Association of Woodturners 39th International Symposium June 12-15, 2025, St. Paul, MN.

Registration opens November 18, 2024

Link: [AAW Symposium Information](#)

Possible Free Admission plus: 2025 AAW Symposium Package (\$1,500 prize value).

Enter by 11:59 p.m. ET on November 1, 2024.
Only one entry is valid per person.

No purchase necessary. Sweepstakes entry is limited to legal US and Canadian residents only.
Rules and restrictions apply.

Link: [AAW Symposium Sweepstakes](#)

Board Members and Officers

Please contact any member of the board with your comments, suggestions, or concerns.

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Camera	Tom Baker	State Fair Products	Duane Groenenboom
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Greeter	Donna Byers	Training	Duane Groenenboom
Librarian	Don Skarin	Training	John Amberg
Library Assistant	Bob Fischer	Training	Stan Merrell
Mentoring Program	Will Zitterich	Training	Tom Baker
Newsletter	John Amberg	Training	Jack Kennedy
Photographer	Gil Lea	Training	Dan England
Refreshments	Volunteers Needed	Training	Mark Hayes
		Webmaster	Jim Bergeson

Chapter Meeting	Sep. 14, 2024, 1 PM
Networking Meeting	Sep. 25, 2024, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Oct. 12, 2024, 1 PM
Networking Meeting	Oct. 23, 2024, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Nov. 9, 2024, 1 PM
* Networking Meeting	*Nov. 20, 2024, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Dec. 14, 2024, 1 PM
* Networking Meeting	*Dec. 18, 2024, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Jan. 11, 2025, 1 PM
Networking Meeting	Jan. 22, 2025, 9:30 AM
Tennessee Woodturners 36th Symposium	Jan. 31 -Feb. 1, 2025 Franklin, Tn.
Chapter Meeting	Feb. 8, 2025, 1 PM
Networking Meeting	Feb. 26, 2025, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Mar. 8, 2025, 1 PM
Networking Meeting	Mar. 26, 2025, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Apr. 12, 2025, 1 PM
Networking Meeting	Apr. 23, 2025, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	May 10, 2025, 1 PM
Networking Meeting	May 28, 2025, 9:30 AM
No Chapter Meeting June	No Chapter Meeting June
AAW 39th Annual International Symposium	Jun. 12 thru 15, 2025 St. Paul, Mn.
Networking Meeting	Jun. 25, 2025, 9:30 AM
No Chapter Meeting July	No Chapter Meeting July
Networking Meeting	July 23, 2025, 9:30 AM
Iowa State Fair 2025	August 7 thru 17, 2025
No Chapter Meeting August	No Chapter Meeting August
Networking Meeting	August 27, 2025, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Sep. 13, 2025, 1 PM
Networking Meeting	Sep. 24, 2025, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Oct. 11, 2025, 1 PM
Networking Meeting	Oct. 22, 2025, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Nov. 8, 2025, 1 PM
*Networking Meeting	*Nov. 19, 2025, 9:30 AM
Chapter Meeting	Dec. 13, 2025, 1 PM
*Networking Meeting	*Dec. 17, 2025, 9:30 AM
* Rescheduled due to Holiday	

August 2024 Woodturning FUNdamentals PDF - Great for Beginners

If you are a member of the AAW, you can access the Woodturning Fundamentals page at the AAW website.

The August projects are: Eyeglasses Case, Walking Cane, and Laminating Wood for Turning.

Here is the link: [Woodturning Fundamentals](#)

Newsletter Content

Please send in photographs of your work; we would love to see what you have made. If you have articles that you would like to have published or suggestions on how to improve the newsletter, please send them to johnaamberg@yahoo.com.

Links to the DMWT Website

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Additional Educational Opportunities

[AAW Articles and Videos](#)

AAW Articles, Videos, Safety and More (AAW membership required)

[Virtual Woodturning Demos](#)

Driven by master woodturner Trent Bosch. Most demos require a \$10 fee for a two-hour demo, but you can access the archived demo later if you wish. There are several turners providing demonstrations using this website.

[TurnAWoodBowl Videos](#)

Excellent series of free You Tube videos about turning Bowls. Kent Weakley also has a website: TurnAWoodBowl.com

Des Moines Woodturners Wearables

Members wanting Des Moines Woodturners logo embroidered on clothing are advised to purchase shirts, sweatshirts or turning smocks of their choice and style. These must be BRAND NEW and UNWASHED and can be delivered to any officer or board member. When enough items are collected to meet minimums, they will be taken to the embroiderer. Be sure to attach a note with your name to the collar of each garment submitted indicating if and how you want your name embroidered along with the Chapter logo. Costs to add the standard logo are \$10.00 per item. Personalized names can also be added for an additional \$6.00 per item. Chat with **Rob Beattie** if you have questions. 515-282-4532 or beattie.r@mchsi.com.

Membership Benefits - Supplier Discounts

One of the benefits of DMWT club membership are discounts with participating suppliers. We strongly encourage you to use local suppliers whenever possible. Before they ring you up, show discount suppliers your Des Moines Woodturners membership card. BUY LOCAL when you can, Mail Order when you have no other choice!!

Woodsmith Store	A 10% discount is available on most items without a cord. 2900 Clocktower Square, Suite #230, West Des Moines. https://thewoodsmithstore.com/ Mon thru Fri 9 to 6, Sat 9 to 5, Sun 12 to 4. Phone: (515) 254-9494
True Value Hardware	63rd and Grand in WDM offers a 10% discount on most non-sale items. If you're in doubt, ask a sales associate. They are known for having nearly anything you'd ever want especially hardware and fasteners. Mon thru Fri 7 to 8, Sat 7 to 6, and Sun 9 to 5. Phone: 279-9905
Acme Tools	629 SW 9th St. in Des Moines offers a 10% discount to members except for sale items and power tools or things with a cord. If you're in doubt, ask a sales associate. Mon thru Fri 7 to 5:30, Sat 8-5:30. Phone: 244-4189
Renewal by Andersen	517 Railroad Ave. in WDM (Valley Junction) offers 5% discount on top of any other promotion(s) for home/business replacement windows and doors. Mon thru Fri 8-5. Phone: 274-9700
Woodcraft	8645 Bluejacket Road, Lenexa, KS 66214, Phone: (913) 599-2800, Email: kansas-retail@woodcraft.com . Website link . 10% discount supplier for woodturning tools, supplies, and accessories not <u>sold</u> locally. Show your DMWT membership card in store for discount on most items except tools with a cord or battery and other selected premium and sale items. Only valid for in-store purchases.

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