



## MAWt Milwaukee-Area Woodturners

American Association of Woodturners WI Chapter since January 2005

### MAWt eNews

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

#### 2013 Club Meeting Dates

Meetings are held on the first Monday of each month at Woodcraft of Milwaukee 14115 W. Greenfield Ave.

New Berlin, WI 53151

262-785-6770

6:30-8:30 PM



#### Upcoming Meetings:

August 5<sup>th</sup>, September 9<sup>th</sup>, October 7<sup>th</sup>, November 4<sup>th</sup> and December 2<sup>nd</sup>

#### August Demonstration



Glen Farmer at his lathe

Hello my name is Glen Farmer, on August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013 I will be demonstrating for the club how to make a cryptex or a puzzle box.

I currently only belong to the Milwaukee Area Woodturners club.

I live in Sheboygan with my wife and 2 year old son. I have lived in Wisconsin a total of 2 years as of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. My wife and I work for the Kohler Co. The weekend before the demonstration I am attending a woodworking class in Kentucky with Chris Schwarz.

When you ask what kind of lathe I own, my baby is the Vicmarc VL300 with 3hp motor and the original base from Australia. I use to sell lathes at a previous employment and was able to acquire the last one I ever ordered.

What got me started in turning, is long story short, I asked my grandfather what that machine in the corner did. He told me "it makes square things round." He handed me some chisels and wished me luck. A couple months later I learned that they were regular wood chisels and not woodturning tools. I took a class from a nice man who offered the use of his turning school whenever I wanted since I didn't have the materials myself. He later gave me a key and I spent what free time I had there.

I have mentored for other clubs but didn't think anyone would be interested in coming to Sheboygan and with a two year old I don't have the time to go to the Milwaukee area that often.

#### Monthly Safety Tip

Do not move the tool with your arm. Shift your weight back and forth and arch and straighten your back. Using your legs and back to move the tool allows long, flowing, and uninterrupted cuts. Make contact with the work cautiously, and then slowly progress more

aggressively. Avoid the extremes of overdoing an operation and just rubbing against the stock. Keep the woodturning tools beside or behind you so there is no need to reach over the lathe to get them.

### Member's Journal

If you have a memorable woodturning experience or attended a memorable woodturning event, please submit a written summary for future publication in the e-News to Scott Kosteretz at [skoz@wi.rr.com](mailto:skoz@wi.rr.com).

### Embroidered Club Logo Available

The club now has a source to embroider shirts with the club's 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 [bonam6@att.net](mailto:bonam6@att.net).

### Member Gallery

You 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 others to grow in their knowledge and skill.

### Wood Raffle

You 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

Club 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: [cjbrust1@gmail.com](mailto:cjbrust1@gmail.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 added regularly to the club Library**

**Please remember to return your overdue club materials at this month's 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 [cjbrust1@gmail.com](mailto:cjbrust1@gmail.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@fetchitup.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 at [skoz@wi.rr.com](mailto: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

### **15th Annual Milwaukee Empty Bowls Fundraiser**

Sunday, October 6, 2013

12 – 4 p.m.

Kern Center – Milwaukee School of Engineering  
1245 N. Broadway, Milwaukee

Select from over 2,000 original handcrafted bowls, sample delicious soups and breads from dozens of

local restaurants and listen to live music. Proceeds benefit food pantries and meal programs in the Milwaukee area.

If you are interested in turning bowl for the fundraiser, please give your completed bowl to Klaus Zunker at the September meeting.



**The Chippewa Valley Woodturners Guild is holding the 5th Annual Wisconsin**

**Woodturners Expo** at the Plaza Hotel & Suites, 1202 W. Clairemont Ave., Eau Claire, Wisconsin, on Saturday and Sunday, October 26th and 27th, 2013.

Hours will be 8 AM – 6 PM on Saturday and 8 AM – 5 PM on Sunday.

You will enjoy lathe woodturning demonstrations, exhibitors, vendors and an Instant Art Gallery. A Silent Auction will be held for supporting our youth outreach program. A great opportunity to buy your Christmas gifts early.

We will also hold our “Learn-to-Turn” woodturning workshops for youths and beginning woodturners which was such an overwhelming success last year. A great opportunity to learn the basics of woodturning.

The professional demonstrators this year will be **Mike Jackofsky of San Diego** and **Curt Theobald of Wyoming**. Also, this year we will have **Mike Hunter from the Minnesota Woodturners, and owner of Hunter Woodturning Tools; Jason Swanson from Milwaukee Woodturners; Barry Grill from the Chippewa Valley Woodturners** plus other regional and local turners joining us for both days of demonstrations. Many vendors will be performing woodturning tasks in their booths. General admission is \$5.00 per day to the vendor, exhibitor and instant gallery areas and \$50.00 for one day of demonstrations or \$75.00 for both days of demonstrations, which includes the exhibitor, vendor and instant gallery area.

Contact: Rich Thelen [rlthelen@charter.net](mailto:rlthelen@charter.net)  
1.715.834.1459  
[www.witurnersexpo.org](http://www.witurnersexpo.org)

## MAWt e-News Submissions

**M**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 [skoz@wi.rr.com](mailto:skoz@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:**

President's pick

❖ **Wood Raffle Ticket Sales:**

Char Dee

❖ **E-Newsletter Editor:**

Scott Kosteretz

❖ **Membership:**

Carl and Pat Brust

❖ **Audio/Video:**

Steve & Bonnie Amundsen



MAWt Board members

- Char Dee, President (2012-2014)
- Jim Swank, Vice President (2013-2015)
- Sandy Sheahan, Treasurer (2011-2013)
- Jim Andresen, Secretary (2012-2014)
- Ron Nelson, Board Member (2013-2015)



**Past Presidents / Board Member Advisory**

- Jon Behnke, Past President (2011-2013)
- Jason Swanson, Past President (2008-2010)
- Scott Kosteretz, Past President (2005-2007)

