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MEETING LOCATION

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Meeting Location

WOODWORKERS CLUB 11910-L
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Notice to all, submissions for TJ must be in by 25th of the month.

**Thursday, December 7th, 2023, 6:30 p.m.
 Annual End of the year Pot Luck
 And Extended Show & tell**

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Thanks to our Contributors :

- Bob Anderson
- Tim Aley
- Bill Bell
- Gary Guenther
- Mary Aronson
- Joe Barnard

We'll begin with supper at 6:30 (please remember to bring a dish of your choice), followed by our business meeting, Show and Tell, and a Tips and Tricks session in which club members will show off clever hacks they've come up with to solve common woodturning problems.

We're expecting contributions to the Tips and Tricks session from Joe Barnard, Jeff Struewing, Joe Stout, Jeff Gilbert, Steve Drake, and Paul Paukstelis. (If I've missed anyone, please let me know soonest.)

As previously announced, the meeting will NOT be sent out over Zoom - this is an in-person event only.

Editor's Corner (Mike Colella)



December 7th 2023 - Live Meeting

Agenda:

6:30	Arrive and Supper begins	EVERYONE
7:00	President's Remarks and business meeting	Bob Anderson
6:45	Show Tell and Ask	EVERYONE

**Tonight is to relax and enjoy each others company.
SO bring some good food and some cool pieces of wood
And have an enjoyable evening to finish out the year.**

President's Perspective - Bob Anderson

Members.

First and foremost, in my final President's column, I'd like to thank the membership for entrusting me with the presidency for the last four years. It is a responsibility that must be taken seriously, as the health of the club can be dependent on the president's actions.

Thank you.

As you know, it's been an interesting four years. My expectations coming in were a smooth transition from Ellen's excellent tenure, and that was initially true. However, COVID quickly modified that, canceling meetings and modifying the world. While our board had been exploring remote demonstrations via Zoom (interactive remote demonstrations, or IRDs), the pandemic caused the pivot to come more quickly and was driven by two factors: the need for the club to continue to meet and thrive; and the need to be sensitive to the health of our members by not meeting in person. Additionally, demonstrators had begun to move to IRDs, preferring not to spend time traveling to demonstrate. This happened quickly and continues now, in what apparently is our new normal. While that brought some dismay to those who prefer to see in-person chips fly, it also gave us an opportunity to see demonstrations from pros who live across the country and around the world. In every adversity there is opportunity, and that was true for us as well, and our hybrid model of both in-person and Zoom only meetings appears here to stay.

The president certainly didn't make this happen alone by any means. The board, with its various members, made sure that we continued to thrive. The board met more in the past four years than at any time since the founding of the club, and did much work for MCW. They all deserve our appreciation. From their work came both a membership policy and needed updates to the club's By-Laws, which were approved by you, the members.

I was honored to have the opportunity to contribute to the club and hope that you are considering how you can serve. The candidates for 2024, both new and continuing, are capable, competent and committed; they will continue to do exceedingly well moving MCW forward. We do, though, still need a candidate for secretary and hope you will consider it your opportunity to give back to the club.

I'll see you at the meetings.

Bob



MCW November 2023 Meeting Notes

The November 9, 2023 meeting of the Montgomery County Woodturners (MCW) was called to order by President Bob Anderson at 6:30 PM. There were 28 members present and 2 guests. The guest were Laura Long, widow of longtime member Bill Long and Malcolm Paukstelis, son of Paul Paukstelis. Malcolm presented his first turned piece today, a mushroom.

DUES: Treasurer Tim Aley is now collecting dues for 2024. You can pay him at the meeting, mail him a check, or pay on our webpage through PayPal. Annual dues are \$35 per individual and \$45 per family. Members experiencing financial hardship and having a difficult time paying dues, should contact Steve Drake. Your dues will be waived and membership will be renewed, no questions asked.

DEMO FEE: Please remember to pay your \$10 demo fee either to Tim at the meeting or online on our website at <https://montgomerycountywoodturners.org/demo-fee/>.

VIRGINIA WOODTURNING SYMPOSIUM 2024 is being held at ExpoCenter in Fishersville, Virginia on November 2 and 3, 2024. Check their website (<https://www.virginiawoodturners.com/welcome.htm>) for ongoing information about this event next year.

AAW has sent out information on a contest it is having for the upcoming Symposium in Portland, Oregon, May 23-26, 2024. One lucky woodturner has a chance to win a \$1,500 2024 AAW International Symposium Prize Package. There is no easier way to attend the biggest woodturning event of the year, featuring demos from internationally known turners. Sign up for the Symposium Sweepstakes for a chance to win the Prize Package which includes: 1/ One General Symposium Registration; 2/ 3-Night stay at a Portland, Oregon hotel; 3/ \$350 Travel Stipend; 4/ One Banquet ticket. The entry deadline November 10th. For more info, go to https://www.aawsymposium.org/sweepstakes?utm_medium=web&utm_source=forumpost&utm_campaign=2024symposium&utm_content=sweepstakes

MCW has so many great programs and we have many members who **VOLUNTEER** to help but we need more. Consider serving to make our club stronger.

ELECTIONS for the MCW Board for 2024 will take place in December. The current president (Bob Anderson) and secretary (Mary Aronson) are stepping down. Joe Barnard has been nominated for president going forward. This leaves two positions for which we have no candidates: vice president (Joe's soon-to-be former position) and secretary. Please consider stepping into one of these roles to help keep MCW strong. Any paid-up member is eligible to run for any of these offices: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Program Chair, Membership Chair, Newsletter Editor, and Webmaster.

SELLING AND DISPLAYING are on-going activities of the club and its members. It is done in venues that are both large, such as the formal Renaissance Festival, to smaller, such as once a year holiday shows. If you are planning to participate in such events, please let us know so that we can come out and support you. To do this, let both Mike and Joe Barnard know so that information about these events can be posted in our monthly newsletter (*Turning Journal*) and posted at our on-going library displays.

MCW & OTHER LOCAL CLUBS have many members who are skilled in their turning techniques and are assembling a list of those members who would be available and **willing to demonstrate** their abilities to other clubs in the area. Anyone interested in participating in this should contact President Anderson.

The current **MCW LIBRARY** materials are up-to-date and listed in the current *Turning Journal*. Please see the list and utilize this free-to-members resource.

Joe Barnard, our **PUBLIC LIBRARY EXHIBIT** coordinator, will be “bringing library loaned pieces back November and December,” and he is asking for more loans of pieces for next year. He will have forms for members to fill out and is hoping they will begin to bring pieces in in December. He will need loaned pieces before March, when we will have a library exhibit in Bethesda at the Connie Morella Library. Joe can arrange to pick pieces up or meet members, maybe at the Woodworkers Club, since we will not be having any meetings in person before March.

The remaining date for **WOUNDED WARRIORS** session for 2023 is December 1. Contact Don Van Ryk (dvanryk@aol.com) if you'd like to help so he can coordinate volunteers.

TURN FOR THE TROOPS is ongoing. Members can always make pens on their own. Contact Roman or Chris at WWC to get kits. Any notes that pens can be turned in to the Woodworkers Club through the end of the year, at which point they will get the pens shipped to our local USO office for dispersal.

Amy also tells us that the **WOODWORKERS CLUB** has a number of sales and specials this month such as a free jar of Yorkshire Grit with the purchase of any EasyWood Tool; equipment for pen turning (mandrel, drill centering jig, display case, pen kits) kits to make gifts - garlic press, salt/pepper grinders, ceramic mug, and ornament kits; ebiara (red zebrawood) bowl and spindle turning blanks at 40%

MCW's **FACEBOOK** page is <https://www.facebook.com/groups/194941367515051/> . Go there to view posts and/or join the group.

Tonight's in-person and Zoom **DEMO** is by Kevin Bedgood. He demonstrated his technique for turning, carving, texturing, and cutting and reassembling pieces to make a unique sculptural form. For information on his work, see his website (<https://www.kevinbedgood.com?>)

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Aronson,

Future Programs 2023 – Looking Ahead

2023 Programs/Demonstrations [updated as of 5/5/2023]		
Date	Demonstrator / topic	Demo type
January 6	Rick Urban	IRD
February 10	Tod Raines, Oval Box with Sphere lid	IRD
March 10	Mark Supik	Live & Online
April 7		
May 11	Kevin Bedgood	Live & Online
June 9	Alan Stratton - “Inside out” turning	IRD
July [TBD]	Picnic	Picnic
August 11		
September 8	Annual Panel Critique	Live & Online
October 6		
November 10		
December 8	Pot Luck dinner	live/potluck

DIRECT LINKS TO ONLINE PHOTOS - (For your viewing pleasure)

Note: All photo albums are captioned. Every photo has a caption. Depending on your platform, to see the captions look in the upper right. You should click or tap the circled “i” (which stands for “information”) or the three vertical dots and then select “information” from that menu. Enjoy.

MCW Nov. '23 Web Album Links

MCW Nov. '23 Live Gallery: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/4tjVxW8EVMvrRcDz5>

MCW Nov. '23 Live Program: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/VCV8DwFvdHDb1fa5A>

upcoming...meeting...libraries,,,officers...potluck

I'm certain that everyone has already started their planning as to what of their own pieces they can bear to loan to the club for the next year, I'd just like to remind you that in fact you can loan them for as short a time as you like. One of the perks of membership is that you can ask us to give them back if you need them for something. or for no reason at all. No charge. no questions asked. The important thing is that you give us something to display in all those empty cases all over the county; otherwise we'll just have to fill them up with my pieces! Oh, that reminds me, Joe Stout has agreed to help me out with the library displays this year, so you might be unfortunate enough to have library displays of mine and his pieces. The labels will be easy, They'll just say "Joe". All y'all can avoid the unpleasantness by bringing pieces to the meeting, maybe with something yummy packed inside for the potluck? Joe S. also is volunteering to run for vice president. OF THE CLUB. I know it's an election year, but let's worry about our own election. While you ponder your choices, consider that the club also needs a...scribe, let's call it. Legally, according to the bylaws, we have to call that person the club "secretary" As men apparently tend to do ALL THE TIME, I was thinking about ancient Rome today, and it came to me that 'scribe' might give off a better vibe for many members, some of whom might actually remember ancient Rome? I certainly do, having taken 3 years of Latin in High School and a further 2 years in College (part of which was spent translating Pompeiian grafitti of a decidedly off-color nature).

Summarium:

Memento spectaculum bibliotheca
te offerre esse scribam
Dic tibi gratias Joe Stout

Thanks everyone!

Joe



Show, Tell & Ask Gallery
November 2023

Richard Webster
bowl
3" x 9"
redwood



Roman Steichen
chess set Rook
3-1/2" x 1"
oak



Roman Steichen
pen
5-1/2" x 1/2"
granadillo



Jeff Struewing
lidded box
3-1/4" x 2-1/2"
walnut



Duane Schmidt
bark-edged bowl
2" x 5"
redbud



Rick Ellsbury
lidded box
4-1/2" x 2-1/2"
unknown wood



Rick Ellsbury
lidded box
3-1/2" x 4-1/2"
spalted unknown wood



Paul Paukstelis
footed bowl
4" x 10-1/2"
cherry



Paul Paukstelis
salad bowl
4" x 13"
maple



Malcolm Paukstelis
mushroom
(very first-ever
turning)
sassafras



Chris Burns
natural-edged,
crotch bowl
2.5" x 10"

Joe Barnard
namaste burl bowl
2-1/2" x 6"
cherry burl, dye



Joe Barnard
namaste burl bowl
2-1/2" x 6"
maple burl, dye



Gary Guenther
shot glasses
1-3/4" x 1-3/4", 1/32"
wall
bocote



Bill Long and Gary
Guenther
water dipper
4" h x 13" w x 3-1/2"
d
oak, dye
rough turned by Bill
Long, completed
and finished by Gary
Guenther



Bill Long and Gary Guenther
footed bowl
4-3/4" x 6-3/8"
cherry
designed and roughed by Bill Long;
carved and finished by Gary Guenther



Gary Guenther and Bill Long
"Spirit"

sphere fetish with medicine bundle
3-7/8" H x 3-1/2" L x 2-1/2" D

beech, stone, thread, cane, dried orchid blossom;
pedestal cherry branch burl.

sphere roughed by Bill Long; designed and completed
by Gary Guenther in Bill's memory and honor.



Steve Haddix
large carved bowl
5" x 16.5"
oak



Steve Haddix
dragon eggs
4" x 6"
sycamore, color



Steve Haddix
dragon eggs
4" x 6"
sycamore, color



Tim Aley
bowl
3" x 4"
red maple



Tim Aley
bowl
3" x 9"
red maple



Tim Aley
ornament
3" x 1"
cherry



Treasury report - April 2023 (Tim Aley)

Begining Balance	\$2,915.96		
November Income 2023		November Expenses 2023	
Membership 2024	\$339.65	Membership Paypal fee	\$6.44
Future Membership	\$35.00		
Lifetime Membership	\$0.00	Demonstrator	\$300.00
		Demonstrator dinner 2 mon.	\$35.00
Ken Lobo Tool Sale	\$2,612.50	Secondary Mic stand	
Silent Auction	\$44.00	WWC Room Fee	\$75.00
Name Badge	\$10.00	Name Tag	\$10.00
Demo Fee	<u>\$214.00</u>	Paypal fee Donation	<u>\$6.34</u>
Total	\$3,255.15	Total	\$432.78
Ending Balance	\$5,738.33		

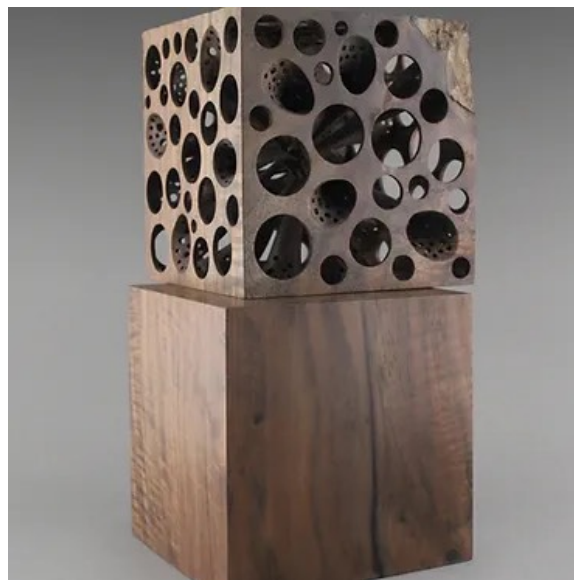


Members in the news

<p>Paul Sandler</p>	<p>I also have some utility items for sale at the Something Earthy Pottery Studio at 24410 Hipsley Mill Road, Laytonsville, MD 20882, and I have submitted to the Black Rock show, but haven't heard back as yet.</p>
<p>William Flint</p>	<p>I also sell on Etsy. My shop name is UFOKing, the direct link is https://www.etsy.com/shop/UFOKing</p>
<p>Tim Aley & Paul Sandler</p>	<p>Tim Aley And Paul Sandler are members of the Gaithersburg Artist Collective. We are a co-op of artists in many mediums. Our current show is at a pop-up gallery at 113 Market Street, Gaithersburg, MD 20878.</p>

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Some stunning pieces of wood art, a must to see.
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CALL FOR ENTRIES
2024 POP EXHIBITION
BALANCE



Get Featured in the 2024 AAW POP Exhibition "Balance"

Your work could be featured at the 2024 AAW International Woodturning Symposium and the AAW Gallery of Wood Art. AAW's Professional Outreach Program (POP) is pleased to announce that the theme for its 18th annual exhibition and auction is "Balance." Each year, this exhibition features an exciting mix of unique work created by a roster of national and international established, mid-career, and emerging artists. Any AAW member is welcome to apply between December 1, 2023, and January 15, 2024. Visit the link below to learn more about eligibility and how to apply.

[LEARN MORE](#)



World Connections - Links and other noteworthy places.

This page will be dedicated to useful and noteworthy links, Feel free to email me with suggestions: michaeljcolella@gmail.com

AAW: <https://www.woodturner.org/>

Arrowmont: <https://www.arrowmont.org/>

Women In Turning: <https://www.woodturner.org/?page=WIT>

The Woodworkers Club: [The Woodworkers Club](#)

MCW Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/194941367515051>

AAW Photo Gallery: <http://www.aawforum.org/community/index.php?media/>

Worth checking out to see some amazing work.

Mark Supik: <https://www.marksupikco.com/>

Talking Turning: <https://www.awgb.co.uk/talking-turning-zoom-sessions/>

Wood Symphony Artists: <https://www.woodsymphony.com/wood-artists>

To Be Continued.....

Note:

As we all continue to find interesting demonstrators around the world, PLEASE let me know so I can post them here for everyone else to benefit.

Chapter Positions Contacts

Updated 1-4-22

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Volunteers

Wounded Warrior Support Program Director	Don Van Ryk
Public Library Exhibit Committee	Joe Barnard, Mary Beardsley assistant
Beads of Courage Program Director	Jeff Gilbert
Montgomery County Ag Fair Program Director	Tim Aley, Paul Sandler (assistant)
Turn for Troops Project Leader	Roman Steichen
Videography	Joe Stout, Joe Barnard, Joe Mosli
Gallery Photography	Mike Colella
Candid Photography and Web Albums	Tim Aley, Gary Guenther, Mike Colella
Show Tell & Ask Leader	Mike Colella
Show Tell & Ask Recording and Trucking	Richard Webster and Paul Sandler
Demo Fee Collection	Bob Grudberg
Discount Deacon	Steve Drake
Bring Back Challenge Ticket Giver	Bob Grudberg
Activities Arranger	Tim Aley
Backup Secretary	Steve Drake

MCW Resources

Our Hosts: Our most important resource is our space. We are deeply indebted to our hosts, [The Woodworkers Club](#), for their continuing support in sharing their facility with us. Please give Amy, Chris, Matt, and Ralph your individual expressions of appreciation, both verbally and with your wallets. If you need something, they will get it for you, either off the shelves or from the catalog – with no shipping charge. Please help support them.

MCW Facebook Group: MCW has a private Facebook Group. Use it to post pictures of your work, ask questions, check out upcoming events, and it provides another venue for our members to get to know each other better. Go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/194941367515051/> and request to be added to the group.

Silent Auction: Not everyone has access to a chainsaw or a band saw, which makes it nice to have access to reasonably-priced, properly-sized turning blanks. Please bring your 'road kill' to share with other Members.

Discounts: Steve Drake has assembled a selection of retailers who provide MCW Members with monetary discounts. First and foremost, of course, is the Woodworkers Club, but we have a number of others too. Please check out the list of participating merchants on the Web Site or at the end of each Newsletter.

Web Site: <http://montgomerycountywoodturners.org> Thanks to Webmaster Jeff Struewing we have an outstanding Web Site.

Newsletters: The MCW Newsletter Archive, accessible on the website, is a tremendous resource, containing the complete history of all MCW programs and activities from day one, as seen on a monthly basis through the years. All past issues back to Volume 1, Issue 1 in 2007 are available at <http://montgomerycountywoodturners.org/newsletters/>



Member Discounts

Woodworkers Club Rockville, Maryland (www.woodworkersclub.com). The Woodworkers Club, a Woodcraft affiliate, offers MCW Members a 10% rebate on all regularly priced items. After reaching certain plateaus of spending, you will become eligible for a rebate which you will receive by email and is good for 3 months. Non-qualifying items are power tools, items already on sale, gift cards, and items from companies that prohibit discounting (Festool, SawStop, Leigh, and a couple others). Our relationship with Woodworkers Club is very synergistic and important to us, and I encourage you to make your woodturning and woodworking purchases from them. If they don't have something in the store that's in the Woodcraft catalog or on their web site, they will get it for you, and you can save on shipping by picking it up at the store.

Frederick Lumber Company, Frederick, Maryland (<https://www.fredericklumber.com/lumber.com>) With over 130 species in stock, Frederick lumber has one of the widest selections available on the East Coast. We offer a **10% discount to MCW Members** with membership badge. We have warehouse locations in Frederick and Annapolis, where you are welcome to select from our extensive selection of turning blocks. *(previously Exotic Lumber)*



Craft Supplies USA (www.woodturnerscatalog.com) is a family-owned and operated business serving the woodturning community. Individual MCW Members can save 10% on all finishes & disc abrasives -- just mention "Montgomery County Woodturners" and save, all year long.



Hartville Tool (www.hartvilletool.com) is a nationwide retailer of general and specialized tools for woodworking and home improvement. They offer free shipping to all. If you have accepted the MCW offer to "opt in" to be a member of the Hartville Tool Club, you will get a 15% discount on all tools (excluding sale items, gift cards, special orders, and Festool Products)



North Woods Figured Wood (www.nwfiguredwoods.com) North Woods is a multi-generational family-owned supplier of wood and wood blanks specifically selected with the woodturner in mind. They specialize in Pacific Coast native species of trees and have sizes from single pen blanks up to 1,500 lb. whole burls. With 20+ species in stock, there is something for everyone. Members get a 15% discount by mentioning their MCW membership during a phone order or by entering "WOODTURNERS" as a coupon code during online ordering.





Steve Haddix
Dragon egg
4" x 6"
sycamore, color