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

Thursday September 12, 2024 - 6:00PM
The 2024 Panel Critique

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Thanks to our Contributors :
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As the season winds down, we approach the new September month of our Annual Panel Critique Show, Tell & Ask program. We used to do it in January, but covid changed our schedule, and we're maintaining it in September now. This will be our 15th annual edition. Where does the time go? Most of you know that this program is just an extended Show, Tell, & Ask session in which we ask three outside artists to discuss your work by presenting constructive criticism, along with appreciation.

If I have your name on my signup sheet as participating by bringing a piece to show and discuss with the Panel, *you will soon receive a separate mailing* with lots of details. If you aren't, please plan to come to watch and learn and enjoy. Only members already signed up should bring something to show. October will once again be an open mic.

Our Panel this year will consist of:

Lisa Battle <https://lisabattlesculpture.com/> a ceramic artist,



and **Karen Wallace** <https://karenwallaceglass.com/> a glass artist,



in addition to our woodturner. We regret that our good friend and previous Panel member, Allen Alexopoulos has had to defer for health reasons, and his slot will be filled by **Tom Huber**, a very experienced woodturner well known to many of you. Tom has demonstrated kitchen items for us <https://photos.app.goo.gl/Ae6iDRoKRvDs2S2A7> and is currently the Newsletter Editor for Capital Area Woodturners' eclectic publication. We thank Tom for once again making the Thursday night trek around the Beltway for us.

For the most part, this will be a normal meeting -- usual time and place -- BUT, please note: we will NOT have a Silent Auction, so please don't bring any wood blanks to share. Save your nice donations for the October meeting.

If you are bringing a piece to show, please be aware that you will have a new, earlier time schedule.

If you have volunteered a piece, be sure to get it there by 5:30 so that Tim Aley can get it photographed before the critics return from dinner at 6:00. If you are one of the exhibitors going to the dinner, remember to get to the WWC to sign in your piece by 4:00 and to Amalfi's by 4:15.

President's Perspective - Joe Barnard

It is now September, and time for the Renaissance Festival, where you can find our Mike Colella every year. (Editors note: Going very well, thank you).

Of course, September also means the Critique meeting, something that Gary Guenther puts a whole lot of effort into, and we all should appreciate that effort, as well as the great result we see each year.. I can't wait to see everyone's pieces, and hear what the critics have to say. This year we have Lisa Battle <https://lisabattlesculpture.com/> a ceramic artist, Karen Wallace <https://karenwallaceglass.com/> a glass artist, in addition to Tom Huber, a very experienced woodturner well known to many of you. They will examine our work, and give honest, valuable critiques of what we've done. If you have volunteered a piece, be sure to get it there by 5:30 so that Tim Aley can get it photographed before the critics return from dinner at 6:00. If you are one of the exhibitors going to the dinner, remember to get to the WWC to sign in your piece by 4:00 and to Amalfi's by 4:15.

August had quite a highlight with a really spectacular demo by Mike Sorge. You can see the demo by looking for an email from Jeff Streuwing dated August 21 titled

[mcwmembers] Sep 2024 Demo Recording

The email contains a link to the recording of the demo.

The Montgomery County Fair went great, with a fine showing of members there to turn each morning and afternoon throughout. Lots of interest the 2 times I was there, and largely great weather.

In the Arts and Crafts submissions, we did quite well, with Tim Aley receiving the Adult Golden Years Award for his rook? castle? ornament piece. and a Grand Champion ribbon.

My Saturn Box with a captured ring won the Adult Chairman's Choice Award, and my Elm salad bowl won the Adult Champion Rosette for Woodcraft. I think every piece the 4 or 5 of us entered won some sort of ribbon and cash prize.

Next month we will have a fun demo from Jim Echter, another nationally known turner, about "40 Tips for Mounting Blanks on Your Lathe". Possibly a surprise as well.

Also next month, Joe Stout and I will begin to give y'all your loaned pieces back from the library exhibits. Still no news about when they will restart the display program.

Finally, I need to prod the membership that we still do not have a volunteer to be our representative in the AAW Women In Turning group. Please consider this opportunity. It is one of the most active and larger groups within the AAW. The annual AAW Symposium next summer will be at St. Paul, MN in a truly beautiful part of the country.

See you at the Critique!

MCW August 2024 Meeting Notes

The monthly meeting of the Montgomery County Woodturners was called to order by President Joe Barnard on August 8 at 6:34 pm. There were 19 members present and one new member.

President Barnard reminded those present that their **2025 dues** are due. He also told members that anyone attending the demonstration should pay the \$10 attendance fee. Both payments can be made to Club Treasurer Tim Aley directly or they may be made through the club's website. The dues are \$35 per individual or \$45 per family.

The 2024 **American Association of Woodturners**, which was held in Portland, OR, is finished and several MCW members attended. There were no direct reports from those who did. Next year, the AAW 2025 symposium will be held June 12-15 in St. Paul, MN.

MCW's attempt to have a presence at **Glen Echo Park** has been rejected. President Barnard said we will regroup and apply again next year.

The **Montgomery County Fair** starts tomorrow. Tim Aley is the point person on this. Set up begins tomorrow. Contact Tim for more info.

During the upcoming September meeting, **MCW's annual critique** panel will take place. Judges will include Lisa Battle, a ceramic artist; Karen Wallace, a glass artist; and Tom Huber, a very experienced woodturner. There will be no silent auction at that meeting. Only those already signed up should bring something to show.

Tonight's **silent auction** includes a pile of older electronic equipment: adapters, cables, etc that the club has essentially replaced. The club needs the space, so these antiques must go. If you are interested, make offers; they likely won't be rejected.

MCW's programs led by **volunteers** are going well, but some volunteers are still needed. So please let President Barnard know. It would be great to see some new faces.

Warriors in Transition, formerly known as Wounded Warriors, has been taken over by Joe Stout as Dick Van Ryk has retired and moved out of the area.

The **MCW library materials** are up to date. They are available for anyone interested in borrowing them. If you have any questions, ask John Laffan, who is managing that project.

The **Public Library Displays** are on hold until the county government figures out a way to make the process identical in all the libraries. We will be returning pieces to everyone who loaned them to us starting in October.

Turn for the Troops is going well. Anyone interested in turning on your own can obtain kits thru Roman Steichen or Chris at WWC. Completed pens can be turned in at the WWC through year's end. They will then be shipped to our local USO for dispersal.

We still need a representative for AAW's **Women in Turning**. No one has volunteered to be the WIT representative for the club, and this is the sort of activity that we really need a volunteer for. It need not be a woman, so please make an offer. Anyone can do it

The **MCW Annual Picnic/Ice Cream Social** was a success. Duane Schmidt won the gift card for his Beads of Courage bowl. Continue to make these boxes as they are much appreciated.

Don't forget to visit MCW's Facebook and Instagram pages to view posts and join the group. The addresses are facebook.com/groups/194941367515051 and Instagram.com/mocowoodturners/?hl=en

The August **Bring Back Challenge** was won by Eliot Feldman.

SHOW & TELL was introduced tonight by Mike Colella. There were 19 items presented by 11 members.

Tonight's **demonstrator was Mike Sorge**, from Virginia, who was introduced by Bill. He turned a blossom or winged vessel.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Aronson

Secretary

Warriors In Transition

For the Warriors In Transition class this month we had 4 students. Jeff Gilbert and I ran the session. These sessions are very therapeutic for the warriors. They had a great time and are very pleased with their pens. Here is a picture of the pens they turned.

The next session will be on October 4th at 11:30-2:00.

Jeff and I could use one more volunteer to help out occasionally. I will be holding the class myself next month, so if anyone would like to join me it would be appreciated.

Thanks,
Joe



Montgomery County Fair was a great success again this season thanks to Tim Aley who organized everything and all the volunteer demonstrators. Here's a few photos, but the full gallery can be seen at:



Future Programs 2024 – Looking Ahead (to be updated next month)

2024 Programs/Demonstrations [updated as of 1/7/24]		
Date	Demonstrator / topic	Demo type
February 8	Roberto Ferrer	
March 7	Denis Delahanty	
April 11	Chris Kunzle	
May 9	Paul Paukstelis - will demo his new home grown CNC system	Live
July 11th	Paul Paukstelis Lathe Engravers Workshop	WWC
July 14	Picnic At Mike & Sue Colella’s yard	Picnic
August 8	Mike Sorge Demo	Demo
September 12	Annual Panel Critique	Live & Online
October 10	Club meeting	
October 12	Woodworkers Club Octoberfest - Saturday	
November 10		
December 12	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 August 2024 Web Albums Links List

MCW Aug. '24 Live Gallery: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/df1vA1zf66cggxsba>

MCW Aug. '24 Live hybrid Meeting and ST&A: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/b62iEZb3ozfxpKPc6>

MCW Aug. '24 Live hybrid Program – Mike Sorge: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/NgRCqTFwphWeJZdD7>

MCW Aug. '24 Montgomery County Fair 2024: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/a7p4cJPctk2vjxvo6>



Bring-back Challenge (Gary Guenther)

It's nice to have a woodturned item in your collection from one of your friends.

Each month, we raffle off a piece by a Member, and the winner turns a piece of their own and brings it back to the next Meeting to have it raffled off, in turn. It's a fun, if random, way for us to trade our work.

At our August Meeting, for our Bring-back Challenge program, visitor Dave Swiger drew the winning free raffle ticket, and we played "your turn" as Eliot Feldman, apparently our currently designated raffle winner, once again had the winning stub. (Is this thing rigged?) Eliot won one of Tim Aley's signature ornaments. They have begun their own mutual admiration society. Congrats to Eliot, seen here really appreciating his new ornament. He will bring back his own new contribution to the August meeting. Thanks to Eliot and Tim for participating.



You too can join in the fun. Just say "yes" to a free Bring-back Challenge raffle ticket at the September 2024 meeting, and maybe you'll go home with Eliot's next contribution, if Tim

doesn't get it. And you can bring something back in October to share with one of your friends.



Show, Tell & Ask Gallery August 2024

Joe Barnard
bowl with pewa holding cracks
5" h x 10-1/2" dia.
walnut with maple pewa



Joe Barnard
lidded bowl with surprise finial
6" h x 6" dia.
cherry, maple, firethorn, boxwood, olive



Rick Ellsbury
bowl
2-1/2" h x 7" dia.
walnut, resin



Rick Ellsbury
lidded box
2-3/4" h x 2-1/2" dia.
walnut



Jeff Gilbert
box
7" h x 5" dia.
ash, walnut



Jeff Gilbert
bowl with pewa
3-1/2" h x 10" dia.
ash, walnut



Tim Aley
bowl
4" h x 10" dia.
maple



Tim Aley
birdhouse ornament
1-1/2" h x 1" dia.
red maple burl, tuliptree



Dave Swiger & Kristine Yaroschuk
winged "trillium" box
4" h x 11" x 11"
ash, dye, liming wax



Richard Webster
bark-edge bowl
6" h x 8" dia.
redbud



Gary Guenther
sculpture
5-1/4" x 5-1/4" x 5-1/4"
siberian elm, holly, dye



Gary Guenther, David
Fry
flare bowl
2-5/8" h x 10" dia.



Eliot Feldman
bark-edge bowl
3-1/2" h x 6" wide
honey locust



Eliot Feldman
natural-edge bowl
3-1/2" h x 6" wide - Elm



Eliot Feldman
natural-edge
bowl
4" h x 8" wide
walnut



Eliot
Feldman
natural-edge
bowl 2
4" h x 8"
wide
walnut



Dick Ratcliff
fish club
16" L x 1-1/2" dia.
maple, leather



Treasury report - June 2024 (Tim Aley)

Begining Balance	\$6,922.08		
August Income 2024		August Expenses 2024	
Membership 2024	\$85.00	Membership Paypal fee	\$1.50
Future Membership	\$0.00	Plcnic	\$0.00
Lifetime Membership	\$0.00	Tech	\$0.00
Dontation	\$0.00	Demonstator	\$434.00
Ken Lobo Tool Sale	\$250.00	Dinner for Mike&Dave	\$86.00
Silent Auction	\$43.00	WWC Room Fee	\$75.00
Name Badge	\$0.00		\$0.00
Demo Fee	<u>\$255.60</u>	Paypal fee Donation	<u>\$6.38</u>
Total	\$633.60	Total	\$602.88
Ending Balance	\$6,952.80		



Members in the news

Paul Sandler	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.
William Flint	I also sell on Etsy. My shop name is UFOKing, the direct link is https://www.etsy.com/shop/UFOKing

Woodturning Fundamentals Learning Portal

Welcome to the world of woodturning!

New turners — this site is for you.

The world of woodturning is large, complex, and continually growing. In order to enter that world safely and confidently, you need to learn a few basics: How to sharpen your tools, how use the different tools properly, and above all how to work safely. This site is designed to point you to helpful articles and videos by some of the world's most talented and successful woodturners.

The menu buttons will take you to important areas of woodturning. Click on any button for a rundown of resources chosen with beginning turners in mind.

You may also want to go read the Learning Outcomes curriculum. It details the knowledge, skills, and attitudes needed to become a successful turner.

Also, like the larger world of woodturning, this site is continually growing, with new articles and videos added regularly. Come back often to see what's new.



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June 12-15, 2025 St. Paul MN

Registration opens November 18 2024 The AAW International Woodturning Symposium is the biggest woodturning event in the world and has something for everyone, no matter your experience level.

- **Internationally Renowned Demonstrators** – Top woodturners from around the world will be demonstrating for woodturners of all skill levels.
- **Woodturning & Woodworking Trade Show** – Many of your favorite woodturning and woodworking vendors will be in one place giving you a hands-on look at the latest and greatest products.
- **A Sense of Community** – Connect with a welcoming community of woodturning hobbyists, professionals, artists, collectors, and vendors.
- **Gallery, Exhibitions and Auctions** – The largest and most unique display of awe-inspiring wood art from around the world
- **Two Ways to Attend** – Register for full access to all the demonstrations, presentations, gallery, auctions and trade show, or attend just the trade show and gallery for free.

Women in Turning (WIT)

Summer Newsletter

WIT  **EXCHANGE**

VIRTUAL 2023

Presentation of Projects

April 29, 2023

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Membership has it's privileges!

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 Officers

Updated 1-8-2024

President	Joe Barnard
Vice President	Joe Stout
Treasurer	Tim Aley
Newsletter Editor	Mike Colella
Membership Chair	Steve Drake
Program Chair	Bill Bell
Secretary	Mary Aronson
Webmaster	Jeff Struewing

Volunteers

Warriors In Transition Program Director	Joe Stout
Public Library Exhibit Committee	Joe Barnard, Joe Stout 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, Mike Colella
Gallery Photography	Mike Colella
Candid Photography and Web Albums	Gary Guenther, Tim Aley
Show Tell & Ask Leader	Mike Colella
Show Tell & Ask Recording	Richard Webster
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

EXOTIC LUMBER

Exotic Lumber <https://www.exoticlumber.com/>

With over 130 species in stock, Exotic Lumber has one of the widest selections available on the East Coast. They offer a 10% discount to MCW Members with a membership badge. They are located in Annapolis where you are welcome to select from their extensive selection of turning blocks.

Frederick Lumber Company, Frederick, Maryland <https://www.fredericklumber.com/>

Frederick Lumber Company offers over 130 species of domestic and exotic hardwoods, with a showroom full of small boards and turning stock. They offer a 10% discount to MCW Members with a membership badge. They are located in downtown Frederick, where you are welcome to browse and select your own boards.





Joe Barnard
Lidded bowl with surprise finial
6" h x 6" dia.