

Long Island Woodturner's Association



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LIWA is a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners. Our purpose is to foster a wider interest and appreciation of woodturning on Long Island and in the metropolitan area. We meet the third Saturday of each month from 9:00 AM to Noon at BOCES, Wilson Tech Campus in Dix Hills. See the calendar for scheduled meetings for 2005 in our current club newsletter.

Directions

Take the LIE to Exit 51 (Deer Park Ave). Go east on the Service Road 1 block and turn right onto Westminister Ave. Turn left into BOCES Wilson Tech Campus and go to Building "D".

2007 Club Officers

President	Ken Deaner	(516) 239-7257
Vice President	Steve Fulgoni	(631) 421-8664
Secretary/Newsletter	John Kowalchuk	(631) 234-1999
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Librarian	Doug Ruggiero	(631) 981-6775
Webmaster	Marty Mandelbaum	(631) 331-3607

The Club offers a wide range of opportunities for its members to improve their turning techniques and enjoy the company of other turners. There are demonstrations at our Club meetings. Renowned guest turners do 6 hour workshops several times during the year at a nominal expense to club members. A free video and text library is available for their use. Members are invited to participate in our monthly wood raffle. All members are encouraged to bring samples of recent work to our 'SHOW & TELL' and become active participants. The Club participates in the American Association of Woodturners and encourages its members to join our parent organization. Many members attend their yearly symposium.

Visit our Club's website and meet our members at www.liwoodturners.org. Our site is maintained by **Marty Mandelbaum** who you can e-mail at martymande@gmail.com.

Club Calendar

The next LIWA club meeting will be held on **December 15, 2007**. The meeting will begin at 9:00 am.

Club member **Don Lindsley** will demonstrate **coring** at this meeting.

Please bring any completed holiday ornaments for Show and Tell.

December Meeting Breakfast

The **LIWA** will be providing a **complimentary Holiday Breakfast** of bagels, rolls, donuts, juice and coffee at the December club meeting. Please arrive early and enjoy breakfast on the Club.

Mid Monthly Meeting –

Norm Abrams will host the mid-monthly meeting at his house in Huntington on Tuesday, December 4, 2007 beginning at 9:00 am.

Turning finials for the holidays will be the focus of this meeting.

CLUB MEETING NOTES

2008 Elections

At the November club meeting, a discussion was held to amend current Article 7, Section 3 which states that the President and Vice President may serve a maximum of two consecutive one year terms.

A nominating committee consisting of three club members, Joel Rakower, Steve Fulgoni and

Norm Abrams, was formed to research this matter. This committee will report on nominations for 2008 officers at the December 15, 2007 meeting.

Any member that would like to be considered for a club office should contact any of nominating committee members. Nominations may also be made from the floor at the December meeting.

At the January 19, 2008 meeting, a vote will be taken on a proposal to amend Article 7, Section 3 which would allow for officers to serve from January 1 to December 31 of that calendar year with no limit on consecutive terms.

Article VII Section 3 provides:

Section 3. Term of Office - The term of office for each elected officer shall be for one year. From the first day of January through the thirty-first day of December. The president and vice-president shall not serve consecutively for more than two years in the same office.

It was discussed that we amend that provision as follows:

Section 3. Term of Office - The term of office of each elected officer effective for calendar year 2008 and each year thereafter shall begin on the first day of January and end on the thirty-first day of December.

Article XI reads:

The by-laws of this association may be amended by a majority vote of the membership, provided the amendment(s) shall have been approved by the executive board and that each member shall have been informed and had the opportunity to read the proposed amendment or amendments at least one month prior to submission for a vote.

Voting on the proposed amendment and the elections of officers can be done in person at the January meeting or via e-mail or by US Mail to the Club Secretary.

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Nominating Committee Members:

Joel Rakower 462-1186
Steve Fulgoni 421-8664
Norm Abrams 427-8778

2008 AAW Annual Symposium

In June 2008, the American Association of Woodturners Annual Symposium will be held in Richmond, Va. Now is the time to put in your room reservations as rooms fill up quickly. Contact the AAW website for details.

\$\$\$\$\$ 2008 Dues \$\$\$\$\$

The LIWA annual dues of \$25 should be remitted to Treasurer Joe DeMaio at the January meeting. If you are unable to attend, dues may be mailed to :

Joe DeMaio
224 Amos Ave
Oceanside NY, 11572

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**Welcome to our newest LIWA member,
Jack Fiume of Freeport.**

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The **Exotic Wood Group** located on 192 Laurel Road in East Northport is having a warehouse sale of their inventory on December 9, 2007 from 9:00 am-3:00 pm. The company is advertising discounted prices on turning blanks and an additional 5% to LIWA members. For more information, contact them at:
631-262-8825 info@exoticwoodgroup.com
631-262-8826

November Demonstration



Expert turner **Jim Syvertsen**, conducted the November demonstration by using a selection of Australian burls. Mr. Syvertsen also brought along a fine selection of burl blanks that many of the attendees purchased.



Jim Syvertsen works primarily with Australian burl. He advocates using whatever tools work best for each turner. Jim turned two pieces, a winged bowl and a hollow vessel with a finial.

When turning Australian Burls:

- Jim looks for color and contrast in the wood.
- Turns twice as burls tend to move somewhat.
- Burl dust can be irritating-use a protective mask.
- When assessing each burl blank, look for "topography" or changes in texture and shape.
- Tools must be sharp.
- Uses a faceplate (4" or 6") with 1 ¼ self tapping screws.



Turning a winged bowl

Jim began turning his winged bowl by running the lathe at a slow speed so he could safely remove the high points and form a tenon.



He emphasized using his body to anchor the ½" bowl gouge. He continued roughing until a tenon was formed. He shaped the bottom side of the bowl to approximately 1" thickness.

Jim then reversed the piece and turned the inside of the piece between centers.

Jim uses tung oil before making any final cuts. He finds that a tung oil application minimizes tear out which ultimately requires less sanding.



Hollow Vessel with Finial

Jim prepared the blank to be hollowed by using a faceplate screwed to a glue block.

He trued up the blank and turned the outside to the desired shape using a bowl gouge.

Jim then drilled a 5/8" hole to the desired depth of the vessel. He used homemade hollowing tools fashioned from Allen wrenches. Jim likes the challenge of working from a very small opening at the top of the vessel.

After hollowing the inside to a thickness of about one-half to three-quarters of an inch; he would then allow the blank to dry for a month or two before finish turning.

For our demonstration, Jim remounted a roughed vessel that had been drying for 4-5 weeks. He needed to retrue the outer surface before tackling the inside again.

Jim stressed that at this point it is critical to take extra care to achieve the most pleasing shape. Jim used a bowl gouge with the flute turned down to sheer scrape and refine the piece.

Turning A Finial



Jim first made an insert of contrasting wood to fit over the small opening created earlier. He then reverses the piece to finish the bottom using a vacuum chuck.

Jim begins the finial by turning a blank to a basic cone shape. He utilizes a variety of small scrapers to turn a pleasing shape including coves and beads.

The finial is then glued to the insert and turned to form a pleasing line with the insert and the vessel.

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Attendees: 25

Jim Diamond
John Kowalchuk
Bob Brady
Bob Fentress
Joe Burrafato
Rene Perez
Melissa Bishop
John Hechinger
Peter Schultheiss
Marty Mandelbaum
Joe Pascucci
Bob Urso
Mike Josiah
Jim Macallum
Barbara Becker
Ken Deaner
Les Hoffman
Norm Abrams
Joe DeMaio
Paul MacMenamin
Arnold Winters
Carl Saenger
Steve Fulgoni
Jay Tomlin
Bob Kaplan