

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 2006 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".

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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 martyman@optonline.net.

Club Calendar

Our next Club meeting is **March 18, 2006**. Six lathes will be available for a "Your Turn To Turn" session. Members are encouraged to bring mini-lathes, tools, wood blanks, extension cords and any turning questions that you may have. This will be an opportunity for any members to ask questions of others turners in our Club, to practice new tool work or improve established techniques with the help of more experienced turners and to offer advice and assistance to fellow turners.

As our usual meeting site at BOCES will be closed during the summer, hosts are needed for the July and August Club meetings. Anyone wishing to host a summer meeting should contact Program Co-Chairman **Martin Rost**.

Upcoming Guest Turners

May 20, 2006 Al Czellec- Al will focus his demonstration on texturing. Al has some unorthodox methods of texturing, such as the use of gunpowder.



September -16, 2006 Al Stirt

Mid Monthly Meeting

The Mid-monthly meeting was held Tuesday, March 7, 2006 at Bob Brady's house in Dix Hills. Members brought an unfinished piece with no identifying marks. Each piece was critiqued on its merits by the Club members present.

Methods and application of various finishing products were discussed.

The group experimented with drying several newly turned green wood bowls. Each bowl was weighed and put in the microwave at one-half power for two minutes. It was placed outside to cool while another bowl was similarly treated. After each time in the oven, the bowls were then weighed again to determine the amount of water that was lost.

Bob and Ken Deaner calculated that over ten per cent of the total weight of each green bowl was reduced by the ten total minutes that each bowl was subjected to the oven.

One must be careful though, as too much heating could result in a bowl cracking or distorting so much that to retrue the bowl would prove fruitless.

Upcoming Mid-monthly Meetings

May 9, 2006-- Bob Brady will demonstrate making a bottom fixture jig.

June 13, 2006 Peter Schultheiss will demonstrate procedures for making a segmented bowl.

February Demonstration

Club member **Bob Kaplan** served as our demonstrator for the February 11, 2006 meeting. Bob showed his techniques for turning a long stemmed goblet.

Bob began by using an 18" long blank of maple. Bob worked between centers first drilling out the end of the piece to allow for hollowing out the cup later. He then proceeded to turn the twelve-inch stem portion of the piece to three-quarter inch thickness. Bob pointed out that this part of the turning process needs patience. A slow steady hand and gentle tool application to the wood is necessary to prevent a break in the stem.

Bob used a spindle steady to turn a thin stem. The steady must be moved along the stem often to allow the gouge to do its work.

He pointed out that a catch or slight grab could result in a break and render the piece useless.

After the stem was sized to about one-quarter inch, Bob sanded the stem and would then apply any finish at this time.

For demonstration purposes, Bob did not completely hollow the goblet top, as the stem turning demonstration was the main topic for that day. He did, however, stress that all turning,

sanding and finishing must be completely before any work on the stem is started.

Thanks Bob for an interesting and informative morning.

Club Notes

The **Long Island Woodworkers Show** will be held **April 1 & 2, 2006**, 10:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m., at the **Hofstra University Arena**. Our Club members will be demonstrating on a lathe both days of the show. **LIWA President Ken Deaner** has asked all members to please bring in two completed spinning tops. The tops will be giveaways to children attending the Show.

Anyone that would like to be a demonstrator and has not volunteered at the February meeting should see **Norm Abrams** at the March meeting.

The **LIWA** will be displaying members' works at the Woodworkers Show.. Club members who would like to loan their piece(s) for this event should bring them to **Martin Rost** at the March 18th Club meeting.

Also, anyone wanting to **sell** their work at the Show should see **Bob Urso**.

The Woodworkers club would appreciate if we could supply a folding table for our demonstration area. Any Club member that has a table to lend should bring it to the Hofstra Arena on Friday March 31st.

The **LIWA** will be exhibiting members' works at the Longwood Library in the upcoming months. Anyone that would like to offer a piece(s) for this show should bring them to the March meeting.

Club Webmaster **Marty Mandelbaum** is creating a gallery for our Club members pieces to be displayed on our Club website. If you have a digital photo of your work, please contact Marty to have it included in the gallery display. You may send in a bio of yourself to include on your gallery page.

Thanks to **Joe DeMaio** for donating a Richard Raffan video to the Club's Library.

BOCES Demonstration-January 10, 2006

As mentioned previously in the Newsletter, our Club conducted a lecture/demonstration/hands on experience to the carpentry students at the BOCES center in Dix Hills.

Norm Abrams, who coordinated the project with the classroom instructor, received this letter on January 23, 2006.

Dear Norm,

I want to thank you and all the members of the wood turners club for a great learning experience. All of my class not only looked forward to your visit but also enjoyed it very much as well. It was a great treat for them and myself.

I look forward to more visits in the future and just wanted to let you know that the preparation and effort you all put in is greatly appreciated. Please extend my gratitude to everyone. Thank you again.

Sincerely,
Scott Bernstein





Treasurer **Joe DeMaio** reported that the LIWA has a balance of \$2,093.

Tentative plans were discussed for a **Club dinner** to be held on May 19, 2006 at Bertucci's Restaurant in Huntington. More details to follow.

Attendees: 28

Joel Rakower
 Werner Wiegand
 Bob Brady
 Arnold Winters
 Joe DeMaio
 Ed Kelle
 Chas. Panzner
 Scott Edwin
 Lou Howard
 Martin Rost
 Bob Kaplan
 Bob Urso
 Jay Tomlin
 Ken Deaner
 Joseph Burrafato
 Carl Saenger
 Steve Fulgoni
 Sandee Larsen
 Norm Abrams
 John Wagner
 John Hechinger
 Jim Diamond
 Peter Richichi
 Len Mulqueen
 Joe Pascucci
 Jim Cleary
 Wm. Holland
 John Kowalchuk