



Long Island Woodturner's Association Newsletter

December 2023

Holiday Breakfast Party

Charlie Bell
How to turn a multi axis vase



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.



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Crystal Ball: Upcoming Meeting Schedule for 2024.

All meetings run from 9:00 am to 12 noon on the 3rd Sat of the month. Dates subject to change. Doors open at 8:00am for socializing and setup. Live meetings are held at Northport High School (154 Laurel Hill Road, Northport, NY 11768) and are also available via Zoom. Links will be sent to all members in good standing.

Jan 20: Jim Cleary. (Fixtures)

Feb 17: TBA:

Mar 16: TBA

Apr 20: TBA

May 18: TBA

Jun 15: TBA

Jul 20: Picnic at Bob Urso's house

Aug 17: Picnic at the Woodturning Store

Sept - Long Island Woodworkers Show

Sept 21: TBA

Oct 19: TBA

Nov 16: TBA

Dec 21: TBA



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To all members: If not you, who? Please consider joining a committee and helping your fellow woodturners, and yourself.



Summary of Meeting



Passing the torch. Barry Saltsberg welcoming the newly elected Club President, Bob Lee. (ed note: There were no claims of a fraudulent election)







Treasurer's Report:

We are currently at 88 paid members.

Good and Welfare

No new members



A few words from the Chairman of The Board:

LIWA 2024
Ken Deaner

Looking forward to 2024. The Board of the Long Island Woodturners Association, Inc. will meet in February to discuss the direction of our organization under the leadership of our newly elected President and Board Members. 2023 was a very successful year. We have many new members and an opportunity to support them as they gain skills and share their needs with us.

We have a core of experienced turners who are always willing to give of themselves and help others to become better turners. I suggest that we look to bringing experienced professional turners to hold hands on workshops for us. Symposiums are being held across the USA and many foreign countries. The American Association of Woodturners, our parent organization, holds a national Symposium yearly and presents an opportunity to meet people from all over the globe who have similar interests as turners. Several of our members open their workshops for monthly hands-on turning experiences.

I look forward to working with our officers and board members to help you meet your individual goals as turners, craftspeople, hobbyists and artists. Please contact me or any of our leadership team with your ideas on how to make the Club the best it can be at fulfilling our mission of bringing woodturning to Long Islanders.

Ken



El Presidente - A Message from our President

As we start 2024 and I begin my term as club president I have a mix of excitement and wonderment as to what I have gotten myself into. I joined the Long Island Woodturners Association four years ago at the suggestion of a teacher who said you need to work with other woodworkers to continue improving your skills. I volunteered for the technical committee at my first meeting. This led to helping Jim with the AV during the meeting, taking over as webmaster, and trying to expand what we do on the website and joining the board this year.

My contributions to the club have been more than paid back by what I have been helped with during my time here. When I first arrived, I was impressed by the number of people actively involved in some aspect of supporting the group. This could be the official positions, setting up the coffee, cleaning up and putting equipment away after the meeting, mentoring (formally and informally), participating in show and tell and sharing of wood.

I would like to challenge everyone to review how they are contributing to the group and how we might make it stronger. This could be supporting photography during the meeting for the newsletter and website, looking for opportunities to help mentor others, opportunities for knowledge sharing and demonstrating, becoming a backup to support AV or the website - particularly since the new president will be busy. 😊

We have had a good slate of presenters but suggestions for new topics or old ones that people need a refresher or new members haven't been exposed to would help guide the group to be most helpful to the most people. For new members, what do you want to learn about? A great topic raised at the last meeting was finishing techniques. For members that aren't new but haven't been with us too long, what do you wish you knew when you started?

I look forward to working with the group to try and make it stronger or at least keep it as solid as it has been since I joined in December of 2019.

Bob

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## Health – Safety – Wellness - A Message from our Safety Officer

Jodi Gingold

As your safety officer I thought it would be good to remind you of a few things. It's all been said before, but reminders are good. As a retired physician, pulmonologist at that, I am always concerned about the effects that our hobbies have on our health and lungs especially.

While we are all enjoying woodturning there are a few things to keep in mind to stay healthy and safe while we do this. As I discussed in a previous newsletter, the most important things we can do is protect our eyesight, hearing and lungs.

Wearing a mask at all times while in the shop is important. Having dust extraction devices is important but wearing a mask even more so. Wearing N95 or better is preferred. Although we have the reusable dust mask I think the N95 with the bands that go around your head are better for making a tight seal around your nose and mouth. Ken might be at the lathe turning and I might be on the other side of the table carving and what we are both doing is creating a lot of dust. Wear a respirator mask if you are using any chemicals, lacquers, sprays, toxic woods, using a lot of CA glue.

Wear ear plugs or hearing protection earmuffs for even the few seconds at the band saw will help prevent hearing loss. While at the lathe one should at least use ear plugs to help decrease the level of noise.

The last thing is face and eye protection. Wear a face shield while at the lathe or eye goggle protection while carving or doing other things off the lathe. Be mindful of the kind of clothing you wear at the lathe - sleeves that are loose can get caught while turning.

Talking about wood, we all know that while cocobolo is beautiful, it can cause strong allergic reactions to the skin and lungs. It is a strong sensitizer so even people who are not initially allergic to it can become allergic. If you want to work with it wear long sleeves, a respirator and perhaps a skin protectant or barrier. Vacuum up the dust and blow off your clothing before leaving the shop. As it is in the rosewood family, other rosewoods can cause similar problems.



Our favorite, spalted wood, is another to be careful about. The fungi that colonize the wood leave beautiful patterns, but their dust should not be inhaled. Once again skin protection and wearing a respirator or at least an N95 mask is important.

Safety. At the bandsaw, always make sure the bottom of the wood you are cutting is flat so it can't kick back at you. If something isn't flat enough, fashion a jig or glue on side blocks to keep the wood stable. The extra minutes can save you stitches.

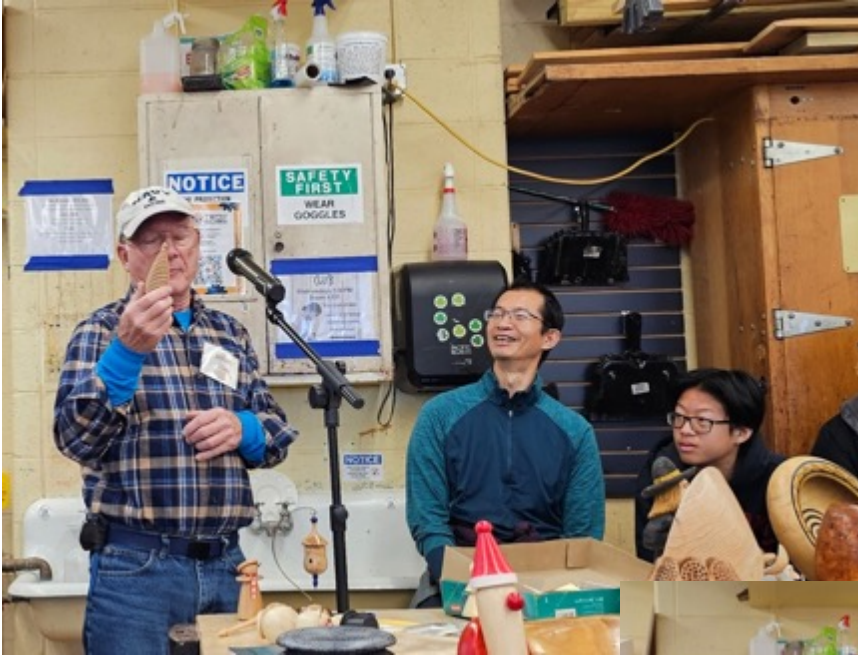
Let's talk about first aid. Every shop should have a kit. You can always run into the house or upstairs to get a bandaid, but having stuff close at hand may be vital. Make a small box with bandaids of different sizes, alcohol swabs, water, sterile gauze of different sizes, adhesive tape or paper tape, tweezers, gloves, instant cold packs, clean scissors, antiseptic towelettes. With any significant cut, apply pressure and elevate first to stop the bleeding. Keep your cell phone handy in case you need to call for help.

Keep having fun, stay safe. Happy and Healthy New Year to you all.

Jodi  
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Show and Tell:























Main Event

Featured Speaker:

Charlie Bell
How to turn a multi axis vase





To watch the entire presentation
use this link:

<https://youtu.be/yylWhFUx3YQ>

For all other presentations, go to our Links
page at liwoodturners.org

Check your email from Jim for the
password.

