

# WOODTURNERS OF ST. LOUIS

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## **Next Meeting**

22 JAN 2012 1pm Matt Keim TBD

Pre-Meeting
11am Dave Endres
Simple Bowles

## THIS MONTH

WoodWorking Show Collinsville, Illinois 10-12 Feb 2012

		CALENDER
22 Jan	Meeting TBD	WoodCraft
10-12 Feb	WoodWorking Show	Collinsville Illinois
26 Feb	Meeting Coloring Platters	WoodCraft
25 Mar	Meeting Off-Center Turning	WoodCraft

This year the Board has made it a priority to offer pre-meeting demonstrations. These discussions will be more informal and focused on the beginning turner.







## **November Social**

During our wine and cheese social we raffled off two of the projects turned by Jimmy Clewes when he was here in 2011.

The third project was finished and signed by Jimmy. That was a rare treat and we auctioned it off to raise money for the club.



## Greetings turners!

First of all, thanks to all of you for electing me. The campaigning just about wore me out.

As the new club president, I thought I would write up a little note to introduce myself.

By day, I'm a software developer. I've been working in the computer field for most of my adult life. Recently, say the last 6 or 7 years, I

Letter from the President

had wanted to do something NOT computer related. That desire, combined with renovating an old house, took me down the woodworking path. My principle interest was in furniture. To that end, I picked up a mini lathe, thinking I would use it to turn legs and such for furniture. That, and a gift of an art book with lots of turned wood pieces set me on the turning path.

I've been turning for about 4 years now. I started with the usual – bottle stoppers, little bowls, wands, and whatever I could think of that I could turn on a mini lathe. Once I joined the turners club, and saw the beautiful (and larger) pieces at show and tell, I had to upgrade - darn you guys! Now I turn on a Nova DVR, and have expanded to larger fruit/salad bowls, lidded boxes, ornaments, etc. My latest passions are eccentric work and threaded boxes. I plan to do a future demo - as soon as I can stop accidentally destroying the pieces before they are finished!

I hope to do as good a job as my predecessors did, and to serve the club well.

Back to the lathe now - See you in January!

-Jon

# **New Officers**

John Spelbring is the new President of our club. He will be responsible the planning our meeting and events and conducting the business of our club. Jon won one of the pieces that Jimmy Clewes made during his demonstration day.



Dan Burleson is our club's new Vice-President. He will be responsible for assisting Jon in planning and conducting our club's activities.



Bob Espy is our club's new Secretary. He will be responsible for handing out raffle tickets for door prizes. He will also keep our name tags in order. Finally, he will help keep the AAW informed concerning our activities.



Walt Ahlgrim has decided to continue as treasurer for one more term. Rich Hinkebein has decided to continue as librarian. Dave Endres will continue as conference coordinator.

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# **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - WOODTURNERS OF SAINT LOUIS**

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Submit application by mail or during the next meeting. Woodturners of St. Louis c/o Walt Ahlgrim 10 Ramblewood Ln St. Louis, MO 63141 CHECK PAYABLE to: Woodturners of St. Louis			New member Renewing member Individual Membership (\$30) Family Membership (\$40) Newsletter by email Newsletter by snail mail.