



WOODTURNERS OF ST. LOUIS

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

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April 2018

April Meeting:

The April meeting started with another turning session utilizing the three club Nova lathes. We encourage new and experienced turners to join us every month. Please join us next month.

This month's demo was on a camera system for assisting with hollow form turning. John Ferreira and Bob Dickherber joined us again to display their implementation of the camera system.



Library News • Our library is only open on Sunday at our club meetings and is open to all our paid members for checking out books, videos, and DVD's. The following are new items:

- Several items have been or are in the process of being replaced

Our library is a great source of inspiration and knowledge. We typically have around 90 items checked out by members at each meeting. A complete listing content is on the [club web site](#). Please take advantage of this wonderful club benefit and return items in a timely manner. The large meeting space allows me to spread out the material so you can review and check it out. Please let me know if you have any suggestions to improve our library. All of the magazines have been moved into storage, due to space limitations, with the exception of American Woodturner. Magazines are available upon request. – **Rich Hinkebein**



President's Spin • April was a great month. Even with the colder than normal temperatures and the very late blooming of our beautiful cherry, pear and dogwood trees, it provided plenty of moisture for the local farmers offering promise for a better than usual growing season.

Growing big healthy trees is important for the woodturner, as it supplies his never-ending thirst for beautiful wood to turn bowls, vases and other turned treasures. In April, we saw a beautiful demonstration on using a camera set up for hollowing vessels at a not too expensive price. Thanks again to John and Bob for the sphere jig in March and this camera wizardry in the April Demonstration. As I mentioned in an email last Friday, Paul Krautmann will be joining us again at the May meeting, giving us the down and dirty on roughing bowls and wood drying. It is comforting to me to have such generous demonstrators for our monthly meetings, and I'm looking forward to more of our own group members to share with us their specific knowledge and talents in the coming months.

Our premeeting will feature turning bottler openers! I will provide 5 blanks and 5 bottle-opener kits for the first 5 volunteers to man one of the lathes before our meeting. It should provide a nice contrast, working on such a small item before Paul's big bowl roughing demonstration. It will also show our younger friends how much fun it is to quickly produce a beautiful gift for someone. **Some of my blanks will be exotic wood, so a warning to those with allergies.** But only 2 of the 5 will be exotic, probably cocobolo and bocote and those 2 will be kept distant from the other members that might have allergies. So bring your tools on Sunday at 11:30, skewers and spindle gouges are recommended. I will bring the drill bit and tapping tool to prime the hole for the opener hardware.

With the May 27th meeting, we will make May a better Month than April!

– John Hoeing

Club News:

Vice President's Report • [Beads of Courage:](#)



Let's all remember that the Beads of Courage is a program for kids in need. The beads are \$1.25 (13/16" in diameter)and available from Eric at the meetings. Please continue to turn boxes for the program. – **Eric Oman**



Treasurer • It is that time of year we all look forward to, dues season. The dues are the same as in previous years, \$30 for an individual and \$40 for a family. An [application](#) is available on the club web site. Renewals do not require an application. Simply pay your dues to Charlie and make sure that the [contact information](#) we have on file on the club web site is correct. Club patches are available from the treasurer for \$5. – **Charles Sapp**

Attendance/Treasurers Report • There were approximately 40 members/guests attending the April meeting.

Hidden Image Challenge• Find this image at another location in the newsletter to qualify for an entry into a drawing for a \$20 Rockler gift card in November. It could be in a photo, article, text,..... Once you locate it, email your name and a description of the location (page/location) to [Charles Sapp](#). Entrants must be a current member of the WTSTL and submissions must be received by **June 9th**. One entry per member per monthly challenge. (Note: you may want to enlarge/zoom on the newsletter to help you find the image. The kowla in the image with Michael and Jackie is NOT the "hidden image".)



Secretary● Please make sure you are filling in the card for the Show and Share. It helps me when I am translating notes and pictures from the meeting. I would also like to request every President's Challenge entrant give some additional information about their piece. This helps to ensure the most accurate information in the newsletter. I would again like to offer my service to write-up demonstration outlines or documentation. Please call or email if you have any questions. – **Rob Conaway**

In the News ●

- Pen Show – June 29th – July 1st in Westport
- Segmented Turning – October 12th – 14th in St. Louis

[AAW Flick of the Week - Hybrid Hollow Form by Heath Knuckles](#)

[AAW TOTAL EXPERIENCE VIDEOS](#)

[Protect Wood from Chuck Jaws](#)

[AAW: 32nd Annual International Symposium - Portland, Oregon](#)

[Turn-On! Chicago 2018](#)

Michael Blankenship and Jackie took a trip to Australia for Turnfest March 23-25. Michael was one of the featured presenters for Turnfest. See the link below for additional information. *(NOTE: The kowla with Michael and Jackie in the picture to the left is NOT the hidden image of a kowla.)*



[Turnfest in Australia - Michael Blankenship](#)

New Members ●













None this month

April President's Challenge • Sphere

We will be continuing our voting procedure. During the break, review the items on the challenge table. Tear the tickets and write your selection on the back of the one marked "TICKET". Place in the President's Challenge bowl. In addition to the winner selected by the members, an additional door prize ticket will be given to everyone that provides a President's Challenge entry. If you have a President's Challenge Entry, be sure to look for your name on the door prize winners. The PC tickets are a different color and will have the winner's name written on the ticket. You will not need the matching stub.

Entries for the April President's Challenges Sphere



 <p>Steve Nagy 1st Place</p> 	 <p>Charles Sapp</p> 	 <p>Bill Farny</p> 	 <p>Wayne Iehl</p> 
 <p>John Hoeing</p> 	 <p>Rich Hinkebein</p> 		

May President's Challenge – Hollow Form

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Date	Pre-Meeting 11:30 am – 12:30 pm	Meeting 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
May 27, 2018	Open Turning	Rough turning a bowl with Paul Krautmann
June 24, 2018	Open Turning	Using a chainsaw to rough a bowl

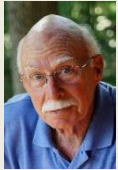
April Show and Share



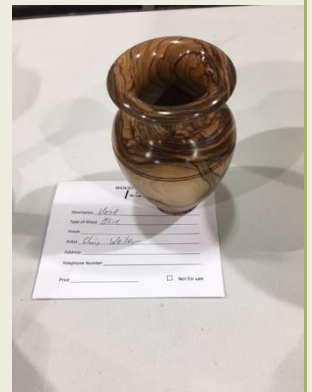
Don Eskridge – Catalpa 'GO' game piece bowl finished with poly



Steve Nagy – Bradford Pear Zipper Vase finished with poly



Bob Goulding – Hybrid Vase of Tea bag paper and Cherry finished with lacquer



Chris Weiler – Olive wood vase



John Bouchillon – Walnut Clock finished with oil



Charles Sapp – Walnut Metal Paint Sphere and basswood sphere textured with woodburning and paint.



Wayne Iehl – Birch Snowman finished with Rustolem



Jeff Hornung – 'Friday Night Firepit 'Popular burnished and airbrushed.



Web site ● If you have not signed on to the [club web site](#) but want to establish an account send your request to the Treasurer, Charles Sapp. Once your membership is verified, he will contact the web master and an account will be established for you with a temporary password. When you sign on for the first time you will be able to set your own password. If you would like to be featured on the home page, provide Jon Spelbring with 4 to 6 good quality pictures (640 x 480) of your turnings with the same background. You can also establish your own gallery! If you have any problems with web site operation, downloading, or general suggestions please contact the officers.

Coffee and Cookies ● Complementary coffee is available at the meetings. Donations are appreciated for the cookies. Purchases are on the honor system.

Facebook Group ● Our club has a Facebook group that is a great way to post pictures of your work, provide tech tips, and share ideas. It is a closed group. When you go to the site: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1157348070957128/?fref=nf> click on “Join” and your request will be processed by our Facebook administrator, Jason Hill.

Facebook site ● Check out the club Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Woodturners-of-St-Louis/292734664135601> and “Like” the page (click on the “Like” icon) to receive updates.



If you enjoy turning wood, making things on your lathe or want to learn more about woodturning then join the Woodturners of St. Louis. Learn and share ideas with like-minded Woodturners of St. Louis. Our chapter normally meets from 1:00pm to 4:00 pm on the fourth Sunday of every month at 8300 Valcour Avenue, St. Louis, MO <http://www.stlturners.com>

American Association of Woodturners ● WTSTL is one of 350+ worldwide chapters of the American Association of Woodturners. We encourage you to join this fine organization. The AAW is dedicated to providing education, information, and organization to those interested in woodturning. You can join the AAW at their site: <http://woodturner.org/member/MemberLogOn.asp>.

Membership comes with access to on-line training information and includes a subscription to the *American Woodturner* magazine. Our club is a chapter of the AAW and we encourage all club members to join the AAW. They have been publishing a great series of on-line woodturning training articles for members that are worth the price of membership by themselves. They have also indexed all of the past AAW magazine articles so you can search and find help with most any issue you November have or ideas on your next project.

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