

**WESTERN NEW YORK WOODTURNERS II**

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**Meetings on Second Thursdays at 7 p.m.**

Hamburg Middle School 360 Division Street Hamburg, NY 14075

**MEETING MINUTES for March, 2018 Issue# 183**

President Craig Eckert called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**Visitors:** 3 visitors were welcomed by our president: Chuck Barrett; Steve Mead and Bill Anderson.

**Vice President Report:**

Tonight's Meeting Demonstrator is Paul Mazchowski on making wooden flowers.

May-John Lilley on natural edge bowls

June-Gary Jones

July- Joe Wisnet. This meeting will be at Joe's home as the school is closed. More info to follow.

August-Eire County Fair and Member/Family Picnic (details to be announced).

Sept. John Lemke

October-Deb Komen

Nov.-Club Auction

Dec.-demonstrator needed. Please contact Rusty Ellis if you are willing to be a demonstrator...

Thank you Rusty for a great demo schedule.

**Secretary Report:** No minutes were available from the March Meeting. John Lilley did post photos of the March show and tell products on the Website. Thanks John!

Linda will send out 'turning tips' from the AAW website as well as from other sources on a monthly basis. They will be posted on MYGROVE. If you have a tip you would like to share, please email Linda.

**Treasurers' Report: March, 2018**

This report was given by Kathie Eckert in Pat Boggan's absence-thank you Kathie!

Income: 50/50: \$12.00

Petty Cash Balance: \$241.15

Total Club Balance: \$5294.07

**Librarian:** Brian Defoe donated a book "Turning Wood" by Richard Raffan. It has a great section on chucks. This and other books/DVDs are available for members to borrow. Thank you Brian for the donation.

**AV Report:** Pete continues to try out new arrangements with media and is researching additional options to enable our monthly club demos to be seen/enjoyed by all. He will provide updates and recommendations as available.

**Webmaster's Report:** John Lilley reminded us how to post items for sale or how to post technique questions on MYGROVE. If you are not signed in, please do so. It is easy to use and enhances club communications.

**President's Report:**

**Old Business:**

AAW is still offering a trial membership for people who have **never** been members-your first three months of membership is only \$20.00. Go online to the 'American Association for Wood Turners' for info.

Turn-A-Thon hosted by Joe Wisnet in Lancaster will be June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Two shifts are available and lunch will be provided. This is an opportunity for mentorship, to learn new techniques, to meet turners from other local clubs, and to practice as a demonstrator for the fair. The signup sheet will be available at next month's meeting.

Segmented Turners have a conference coming up in St. Louis. The annual woodturning symposium is in Portland. Please refer to the AAW website for info.

The Eire County Fair is only 4 months away! You can bring in your donations at our May and June meetings. The signup sheet to work as a seller or as a demonstrator will be available at the next meeting and also online at the WNY WOODTURNERS site. Family members are welcome to work with you as sellers. We will need lots of products to sell to make this year another successful event for our WNY kids.

**New BUSINESS:**

Pepper W. announced that turners will again have the opportunity to enter work in 2 different categories at the Eire County Fair. They will be judged, with 3 prizes awarded in each of the two categories. For rules and info on how to enter refer to website **ECFAIR.ORG** or contact Pepper. This is only the second year we have had the opportunity to participate in judged categories and win prizes for Turning. Thank you Pepper for all your advocacy for WNY Turners! Congratulations to Paul Boland who was one of the winners last year!

Plastic pouches are available tonight for you to use to protect items you want to donate to the fair. Please help yourself.

The annual picnic was discussed with members requesting that it be continued this year. Craig will check with Ron Hudson for picnic availability dates at our 'usual' Marilla location. Additional info to follow.

**Announcement:** Fingerlakes Woodturners are hosting Al Stirt for an all day demo on May 19<sup>th</sup> and a hands on workshop on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Details are available on their web site at [www.fingerlakeswoodturners.com/al-stirt-demonstration-topics-and-workshop/](http://www.fingerlakeswoodturners.com/al-stirt-demonstration-topics-and-workshop/)

**Show and Tell:**

**Please be sure to fill our index cards with your name and items turned, and leave them on the table to be collected for use with photos and for this newsletter.**

Jay Ferrand-Australian Lacewood Bowl with East Indian Rosewood Pedestal; Longworth Chuck

Stu Wiesmore-Wine Bottle Holders/bottle Balance Blocks for the fair.

Scott Clark-Walnut Bluetooth Speaker' Carbon fiber cast in Liquid Diamonds Resin Bold Action Pen; Executive Pen from honeycombs cast in alumilite.

John Chavanne- 4 Cherry Wine Bottle Stoppers.

Paul Boland- Walnut/Cherry Jewelry Box ; Willow I Bowl

Pete Thomas- Cherry and Walnut Bowl; Rosewood Screwdriver

Brian also provided a tip on threading techniques.

**Congratulations to Tonight' Winners:**

**50/50-** Rusty Ellis

**Resin Blank-**Brian E.

**Show and Tell-** Craft Supply – Stu& Pete    **Buffalo Woodturning Supply-** Scott

**Tonight's Demonstration:** Paul Mazuchowski demonstrated turning techniques to make two different types of wooden flowers with unique centers. A wonderful project for spring especially with our snowy April.... Thank you Paul!

**Our next meeting :** May 10, 2018. Doors open at 6 p.m. with the meeting at 7 p.m. Come early to socialize, brose the library and ask questions about techniques used in the 'show and tell' items on display.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Bennett, Secretary