

CENTRAL ILLINOIS WOODTURNERS

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

Meeting Monday December 10, 2018 at 6:30
At Pekin

THE WOODWORKER'S SHOP

13587 Manito Road

Pekin, Illinois 61554

The CIW website (centralillinoiswoodturners.com) has a detailed map in the calendar section if you need additional directions.

Christmas Potluck

Monday's meeting will be the annual Christmas potluck. If your last name begins letter A through G, you are asked to bring dessert. If it begins with the letter H through M it would be good if you would bring a salad and if your last name begins with an N to a Z, you are asked to bring a side dish.

We will have no formal program or demonstration, but we will have a short show and tell time to allow our spouses and significant others to see some examples of the work we all do.

There will also be a "gift exchange for those who are interested. If you would like to participate in the gift exchange, bring an piece you have turned which you will exchange for another club members piece that member has turned.

Also during the meeting we will have drawings for those who participated in the President's challenges.

Wig Stands

A reminder that we need about 25 unfinished wig stands for the art classes at Normal High. Bring as many as possible to the meeting on Monday.

Message From Tim RE: Turning Saturday

All,

Turning Saturday 2018 is complete with the exception of an official shout out to all those that helped. The event was a big success and I would like to thank everyone

that helped. I'll try to thank everyone by name but it was sort of a blur the last couple of days and there were some faces around that I may miss, I am sorry if I missed your name. There were some that volunteered as part of a team and some that just stepped up to the plate at the last minute to help set up on Friday, pick up the load on Saturday during the day, and then to clean up. Thank you to all, it really wouldn't have been successful without all your help.

I'd like to bring forward the names that I was able to capture to show how many people made this happen. Also recognize that people multitasked and helped out in many capacities throughout the planning and execution of the event.

Friday Setup:

Ron Pierce, Mark Toon, Quinton Toon, Dave Razunus, Carl Miller, Terry Quiram, Hod Bailey, Roger Alexander, Dave Harmer, Al Azinger, Missed a name(or two) here, sorry

Saturday Teams:

Raffle: Frank Kobilek, Hod Bailey, Carl Miller, Bill Schulz

Lunch & Snacks: Dave (Crobar) Razunus, Roger Alexander, Russ McClellan

Event Activities: Mark Toon, Quinton Toon, Mark Toon's Daughter, Roger Alexander

Clean up: Everyone mentioned above on Saturday teams helped to clean up their contributions as well as clean up the facility and put things back together. Terry Quiram and Mark Padesky also stuck around and to help, as well as some attendees from other clubs. I'm sure there were some additional people that I missed naming, sorry about the omission it wasn't intentional.

CIW Demonstrators:

Jerry Rhoads, Carl Miller, Frank Kobilek, Terry Quiram, Roger Alexander, Jim Meizelis, Hod Bailey

If I missed your name in the list of volunteers I'm sorry. Thank you all. Without your help we could not have made this a success. A very special thanks to Mark Toon. Mark made himself, and his son and daughter, available whenever needed and his connection with the people at Youthbuild was invaluable.

Last but not least, a HUGE shout out of thanks to the people at Youthbuild McClean County. They were supportive to anything we needed and provided us with a great facility and support equipment.

Thanks again, Tim Verbeke

2019 Midwest Penturners Gathering - Chicago - April 26 and 27

The following was received from Mark Dreyer. You may recall he demonstrated pen turning in Bloomington in the spring along with John Underhill who talked about

casting. He sent this information to Tim. The Midwest Penturners Gathering is coming to Chicago (Schaumburg) next year - April 26 and 27.

Registration is now open. Why register so early? Because there is a big incentive. As you know there are door prizes and the big one is a lathe. Yes - a lathe. Want a better chance to take it home - here's the deal - for every month early you register you will receive an extra ticket for the lathe. So register in October and get 6 chances to win the lathe. Other door prizes will be on a different ticket you get at the door. We have also secured 30 rooms at the hotel (details below).

URL:

www.midwestpenturnersgathering.com

See the site for all the details.

Overview:

Two days of demonstrations and hand-on sessions. As we get details we will continue to update the site. Numerous vendors have already signed up. Registration is per family. This year we will cater in food both Friday night (Chicago Beef and Pasta) and Saturday afternoon (Chicago Pizza). There will be a nominal charge for the food to cover the costs. Additionally we will have shirts with the MPG Logo. If you want to volunteer and help out contact us at MPGInfo@yahoo.com.

Location:

Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Chicago Schaumburg

The MPG rate is \$109 (plus tax) and it includes breakfast everyday you stay. If you any issues with getting a room please contact us before booking and we will see what we can do to get the rate. Rate is good Thursday to Saturday evening.

Over the next few months we will be communicating all the exciting details:

- Registration Details
- The Vendors
- The Demonstrators
- The Prizes
- New Social Activities

The Venue:

Traveling with family? The hotel is situated near many popular attractions such as Woodfield Mall (largest in Illinois and one of the largest in the country) and LEGOLAND® Discovery Center Chicago - so bring the whole crew. Look at the pictures below of the main meeting facility and break out room. We have two meeting rooms reserved and plan to follow the symposium strategy of those in Ohio. One main room with vendors and demonstrations and a second room for hands-on activities. This is going to be a lot of fun. And we have some new social events planned.

The History:

Those who have "been around" long enough will remember Cozee (Greg Cozad) starting the Midwest Penturners Gathering (MPG) about a decade ago in Urbana, Illinois. After four years, Low48 (Rich Coers) continued the tradition in a super-human single-handed presentation for another four years. Then, the Ohio IAP contingent volunteered and the event was moved to Wadsworth, Ohio for the last four years. The event has seen tremendous growth over all these years. From a few hours at a union hall to a three day event in a fantastic hotel. Great demonstrations, vendors, and new activities. Most importantly great friendships, conversations, and sharing of ideas.

The Chicago Team:

Ed Brown, John Underhill, and Mark Dreyer

Additional Info:

If you would like to volunteer or be a demonstrator please contact any of the Chicago team or email us at MPGInfo@yahoo.com

Message from Hod

I would like to thank all the members who demonstrated at the Woodworker's Shop Fall Open House on November 9th and 10th. By demonstrating at their Spring and Fall Open Houses, we are compensated with turning tools that I put in our monthly raffle.

Speaking of the monthly raffle, there will be no regular raffle for December. We will have a gift exchange instead. Bring a completed project for the exchange and you will receive a raffle ticket. Then later, we will have a drawing and each participant will go home with another members' work.

Membership Dues Reminder

We have 5 members plus 2 inactive that will be dropped from the membership roster if 2018 dues are not paid this month: December. If no money is received, they will be dropped immediately and this will leave us with a roster of 45 members.

Bill Schulz
Membership Chair

