

# SHAVINGS

The Mid Minnesota Association of Woodturners (MMAW) is a member based not for profit organization, providing an environment of interest and activities dedicated to the enjoyment of woodturning activities and to promote woodturning to the local community through education and charitable events.

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**AAW** | AMERICAN ASSOCIATION  
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*WE ARE TEACHING THE WORLD TO TURN.*

**Attention:** The July 13, 2019 membership meeting will take place at the:

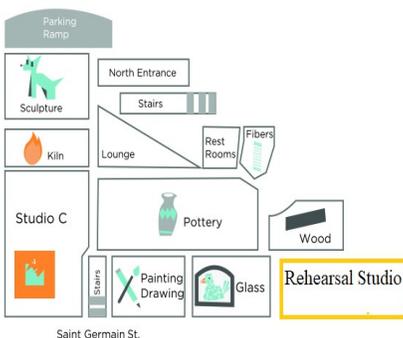
## Paramount Tech Site

248 33rd Avenue South  
Waite Park, MN 56387

**MMAW** membership meetings are held the second Saturday of each month. Located in Rehearsal Studio . (see map)

Meetings are held in the [Paramount Center For The Arts](#) (VAC) which is located in the basement of the Paramount Theatre, downtown St. Cloud, MN. All city parking is free on Saturdays; this includes the ramp near the Paramount as well as metered street parking.

**Socializing** with fellow members starts at 9:30AM, coffee and treats available. The membership meeting starts at 10:00AM (most meetings are about 1.5-2 hours long including the social time) and include announcements, members sharing their turned creations, a demo or presentation related to turning, and occasionally other activities such as a holiday celebration or wood exchange. The MMAW is an affiliate of the [American Association of Woodturners](#) .



The president's challenge for July is :

**A TOP !**

Next Meeting Saturday July 13, 2019

Meeting will start at 10:00 social time at 9:30

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### President Letter

I have tried to start this month's president's letter more than once and with encouragement from Fred Schmoll I take to the keyboard due to an approaching deadline tonight.

Last month the challenge was to come up with something for the backyard and one of the many projects chosen were bird houses. Let us know if what you made has any occupants at our next meeting.

Speaking of next meeting- it will be Saturday July 13<sup>th</sup> at the [Tech Center](#) located in the Waite Park Industrial Complex over by Fleet Farm. Please bring a dish to share. Meat will be provided along with buns, condiments, chips and water. Anything stronger your on your own (for example tea and soda) but no alcohol.

The President's Challenge for July is a spinning top with a string (30" max). There will be a long spin contest at the meeting.

There will be an opportunity for you to sell, trade or swap something before and after the picnic. Any monies made you keep.

Watch for the email blasts over the summer. As mentioned by Bob McClintick, views on social media are up! If you have an idea pass, it on to Bob or one of the board members (Bill Langen, Guy Schafer, Bob McClintick, Denny Meyer, Roxanne Meyer, Fred Schmoll or myself Jerry Wervey).

Safe Turing;

Jerry

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### MMAW Regular Monthly Meeting minutes from June 8, 2019

We had two visitors today, Brittany Berthiaune and Bryce Tveter from Becker, welcome.

Bill Baker, Dave Pogatchnik, Jerry Wervey and Guy Schafer turned at the June 7<sup>th</sup> Art Crawl in the wood studio at the Paramount. Thank you very much to the 4 of them. Jerry reminded the members that the next Art Crawl is on August 9 from 3:30 to 8:30. This is the one where we set up in front of the Paramount with a couple lathes and turn. There will be an email blast coming out asking for members to turn at this event. We will again try to accommodate all the people who would like to turn at this event so if you are going to turn for this event plan on a smaller or quick project that can be done in about 30 minutes so everyone gets a chance to turn. We will need help setting up and taking down also. We encourage our women turners to participate at this event so that our audience can see that not only men turn. Almost half of the turners at Arts Underground the past two years have been women.

Tom Harlander had a box of books donated by Albert Keppers, if you found/find one you like please make a small donation to the club. He also had a bunch of rough turned bowl blanks that Albert never got to finish so please take them if you wish.

The president's challenge for this month was an outdoor project. Guy Schafer had a barrel stave birdhouse made from his old redwood shutters. Jerry Wervey made an acorn shaped cherry birdhouse.

The following people had items they shared for the gallery.

Guy Schafer had a Florida rosewood platter.

Gary Thole had a large white oak bowl that had some blue inlay.

Ellen Starr shared a purpleheart hollow form with an ebony finial with stone inlays.

Bob McClintick had two cherry bowls one red and one blue.

Guy Schafer announced that we still have 3 t-shirts left, 1 XL and 2 L. If anyone is interested in one please let Guy know.

Bob McClintick shared that our Facebook likes and shares and followers are increasing, please keep encouraging your Facebook friends to continue to follow the MMAW on Facebook.

Jerry reminded members that the library has many DVDs and books to share. There is no longer a fee to check these items out.

This is just a reminder that the AAW is offering a 6 month free membership to encourage new members to sign up. Go to the AAW site to find out more about this.

The July meeting will be our annual picnic and will be held at the Tech Center out by Traut Well and Mill's Fleet Farm. Brats and burgers or hot dogs, buns, chips and condiments. There will also be bottled water. Bring a dish to share along with a beverage if water doesn't do it for you.

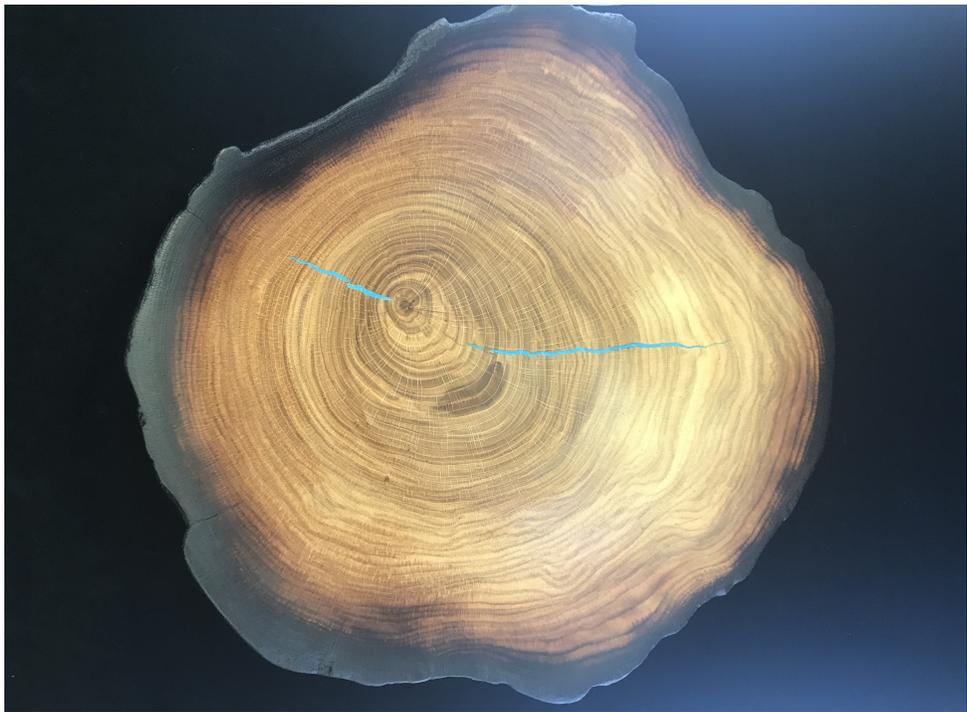
Jerry Wervey gave a demo on turning beads and off-center pendants and magnets. Thanks Jerry.

Jim Brodd won \$11.00 with the 50/50 drawing.

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Instant Gallery





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### **Safety tip**

#### **Eye and Face Protection**

Having at least minimal protection in place to reduce the chances that flying projectiles will reach and damage the eyes or face should be a common sense no-brainer for ANYONE who intends to stand at the lathe.

Full face shields provide the protection needed for bowls, vessels, or any turning involving chucks and faceplates. At a minimum, use safety goggles or safety glasses that have side protectors when turning small items. Properly adjust the hand-band and how to lift the shield for talking. Face shields should be kept clean and free of scratches.

From the AAW Safety Guidebook.  
<https://www.woodturner.org/page/GuestPublications>

Please check out our [Facebook page](#). Be sure to like and follow us if you are on Facebook

**SHAVINGS****Photo Booth**

For the pictures of the Instant Gallery at the meeting we will have the photo booth set up. We would like you to bring your piece to the booth and we will take 2 pictures. One of the piece alone and one with your name tag. You can then put your piece on the table. This will help us get done faster and help to see that we get photos of all the pieces brought in. If you would like to use the booth to take your own pictures please feel free to do so.

We are also looking for more help with setup, taking photos and take down. We would like to rotate the task every month or so. Training will be provided.