



## New Jersey Woodturners Association

*A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners*  
[www.njwoodturners.com](http://www.njwoodturners.com)



November 27, 2017 Meeting  
December Planning Meeting

This is the newsletter of the New Jersey Woodturners Association. Meetings are held monthly at the Essex County Environmental Center (ECEC) in Roseland, NJ. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the days indicated below. Anyone wanting more information may contact us by email at [njwoodturners@gmail.com](mailto:njwoodturners@gmail.com). Information is also available at the club's web site [www.njwoodturners.com](http://www.njwoodturners.com)

### Club Officers: 2017

President – Gil Malave  
Vice Pres – Bob Amarant  
Corresponding Sec'y – Stu Bauer  
Recording Sec'y – Jon Teeple  
Treasurer - Maurice Cohen  
Librarian – Paul Griffin  
Membership – Andy Coyle  
Web Master – Bruce Arnold  
Weekend Workshops – Bob Amarant  
Safety Chair – Open Position  
Photographer-- Mike Brown  
Videographer-- Chris Wimer  
Snacks – Margo Dudley and Jim Beckwith

### Meeting and Event Schedule for 2017

Jan 23 Turner's Exchange and "Show and Tell".  
Feb 17-19 WoodShow - Somerset  
Feb 27 Panel Discussion and "Show and Tell"  
Mar 27 Hitoshi – Piercing and Embellishing  
Apr 1-2 Totally Turning – Saratoga Springs, NY  
Apr 24 Photo/Video Workshop for turners  
Apr 29 Earth Day at ECEC NJWT Demo's  
May ?? Clean up day for our area at ECEC  
May 22 Meeting – Demo Lichtenberg Figures  
Jun 26 From the log to the lathe and Tool Sale  
Jun 22-25 AAW Symposium – Kansas City, MO  
Jul 24 Meeting - Demo TBA  
Aug 28 Meeting – Show and Tell with Critique  
Sep 25 Meeting – Demo – Dennis Fuge  
Sep 23 Family Fun Day ECEC NJWT demo's

Oct 23 Show and Tell and discussion  
Nov 27 Elections – Turner's Exchange  
Dec 11 NJWT 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Dinner  
Dec No regular meeting. Happy Holidays!

### Announcements

- No meeting in December. Next meeting January 22, 2018
- NJWT Holiday dinner took place on Monday Dec 11th, lots of members and many spouses attended. A great evening for all involved.
- Has anyone made anything from the 600 yr old oak given out at the August meeting?? We would like to be able to present the church some pieces for their use.
- Gil would like us as a club to commit to making bowls with lids for the Beads of Courage project. Further info on this program can be found at : <http://www.beadsofcourage.org/pages/woodturners.html> The hope is that many of our members will make a lidded bowl per the guidelines and we can make a large club donation to this very worthwhile cause!
- It was announced that next year's Woodworking Show will be in the Meadowlands, not Somerset. Dates are February 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Club elections were held and Gil stepped down after a great 7 yrs! Bob Amarant is the new NJWT President and Steve Antonucci is the Vice-President.

There are openings on the Board for Safety Chair and Recording Secretary! Volunteers eagerly needed!!

Bob Amarant will continue the role of “Weekend Workshops” organizer.

Also, Tom Gall wonders if anyone has an intense desire to take over the Annual Gift Exchange for 2018. If not, he is willing to continue in that position.

We are looking for suggestions on how to mount our “portable” lathes for use at our own club demonstrations. The existing Grizzly stands are getting old and wobbly and are no longer stable.

Additional items discussed at the December planning meeting include:

- Improvements to the NJWT website with upgrades to make it more interactive.
- Maintaining the \$35 charge for our “weekend workshops” - an amazing bargain!!
- Possible alternative dates for some demonstrators to more easily accommodate their schedules.
- Getting more involved as a club in supporting charitable causes with our turnings.  
Beads of Courage, Empty Bowls, Toys for Tots, Pens for Veterans, Top-A-Thon
- Ordering club T-shirts, hats and possibly turning smocks with an updated club logo.
- Developing and circulating a survey among members to better help us target programming.
- Possibly auction off two of our non-variable speed (belt driven) lathes to club members.
- Investigate better lighting for in-house demos.

**Demonstrators:**

Maurice raised the topic of Demonstrators which are a big draw for members and suggested we work to get these turners to club meetings in 2018 ;

**Graeme Priddle-** Steve Antonucci to contact

**Beth Ireland-Curt Theobald-** Bob to contact

**Dennis Fuge-** Pewter (always a crowd pleaser)

**Bob Sheppard** can do a demo using alabaster and/or other non-wood materials

**Steve Antonucci** has a wide range of topics, make a suggestion on what you want to see.

**Barry Gross,** Bob will contact.

Bob will again contact the AAW and use Facebook Turners pages for possible other contacts.

**Dues:** Dues of \$30.00 (\$40 for family) will remain the same in 2018 (The best value in NJ)! If you attend all the meetings works out to be about \$1.25 an hour of great information and entertainment

A new Membership Form is being developed. We need everyone to fill it out so that we can be sure the club membership list and email list are updated to reflect any changes or new information.

Tom Gall will be sending the new membership and dues form to Stu. Stu will send the form to the members.

**Please make any phone, email contact, address changes if needed and either bring to January meeting or mail to Maurice along with your dues.**

**Please pay dues by the end of January by either attending the meeting or send to Maurice’s house.**

***Please don’t make us chase you for dues!***

**Maurice Cohen  
38 Richard Drive  
Short Hills, NJ 07078**

November's meeting was filled with elections and the long awaited and eagerly anticipated Turner's Exchange.

The following is a list of Turner's Exchange participants:

- Bowl with green stripe by Bob Sheppard
- Beautiful carved and painted vase by Patty Jennings
- Mini snowman with tons of details and pendant by Steve Antonucci
- Off-center pot by Hitoshi Tanaka
- Andy Kramer, Very cool looking Jetson's spaceship lidded bowl.
- Carved walnut pot by Maurice Cohen
- Duke Hemmer presented a very interesting off center multi-axis sculpture.
- Covered Wok in walnut and maple (?) by Jim Ruocco
- Small cherry bowl by John Beck Sr.
- Gil Malave with a bowl that ended up as a mirror, highly detailed design opportunity.
- Jim Beckwith- Christmas Sphere ornament
- Mike Aberly made a fantastic Basket Illusion and will be demonstrating the technique at the January Meeting
- Tom Gall made a yew pot with feet.
- Bob Amarant made a Santa Claus decoration.
- Tony Whalen with an awesome square / round bowl

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**As always:**

**Reminder:** Hartville Tool ([www.hartvilletool.com](http://www.hartvilletool.com)) offers club members 15% off. It was agreed not to send our membership list directly, therefore, any member wishing to take advantage of the offer should advise by sending an email to Stu Bauer at [njwoodturners@gmail.com](mailto:njwoodturners@gmail.com) who will compile it and send the info to Hartville. It was noted that in addition to the 15% club discount, Hartville offers free shipping on all items, no minimum order required!

Bruce Arnold, our computer guru and webmaster, continues to put new information/photos/items for sale on our web site. Just go here on the main page [www.njwoodturners.com](http://www.njwoodturners.com). Lots of tools for sale and lots of interesting tidbits. Also check the website for updated meeting times and other items of interest.

If you haven't already, check out Pinterest.com and YouTube.com for woodturning and woodworking ideas. Don't forget that there are lots of videos on technique on the AAW website (you are a member of the AAW aren't you?)

*And another reminder, NJWT has a display case in the main building of the Environmental Center. Directly next door to us. This offers a great opportunity to showcase your work and/or sell some pieces.*

**Keep turning and be safe!                      Stu**

Photos from November Turner's Exchange attached





