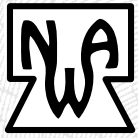


# WOODWORKERS NEWS



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## NWA General Meeting Rescheduled for October 1, 7 PM at the Shaker Meeting House

**Please update your calendars.**

**NWA's next monthly meeting is now scheduled for Thursday, October 1 at the Shaker Meeting House. This date change was necessary due to programming needs of the Shaker Heritage Society.**

## NWA Joins Shaker Heritage Crafts Fair for Our First Time!

*By Pam Curtis*

Pam Curtis and Rich Cerruto teamed up to propose, plan, and implement the first of many wood craft shows at the Shaker Heritage Site on September 12 and 13, 2020. The weather, the venue and the timing were perfect for a very successful two-day sale of wood related projects all donated by NWA members and SIGs (Special Interest Groups). These generous donations made approximately \$1800 income for NWA. Turnout for the many tented booths and pavilion was much greater than past Crafts Fairs. One can assume merchants and customers were grateful for the opportunity to leave their homes in this time of COVID while adhering to all social distancing protocols. Pam expressed warm appreciation to all the volunteers who helped set up, manage sales, and take down the displays.

With Showcase 2020 cancelled, NWA is eager to fill that income deficit with various on-line and on-site sales. Watch for E-blasts announcing such sales. The NWA Pop Up Shop, managed by Pam Curtis will again be at the Shaker Heritage site for their Shaker Holiday Bazaar. This event will begin October 7 to December 19 every Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 11 to 5, and Sundays from 12 to 5. This schedule will add hours closer to the holidays. Although we have several items left from our Sept. show we are still looking for well-crafted



*Display #1*



wood related items to be donated or sold on a 30% commission split as was done for the last NWA Showcase.

We would also like to explore Etsy sales and seek someone with considerable Etsy experience to guide this process. If you are such a person, please call Pam at 518-374-9562 to discuss this need.

Click on this link for additional pictures

<https://woodworker.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/2020Crafts-Fair-photos.pdf>



*Display #2*



*Display #3*



*Display #4*

# Raffle for Tiffany & Co. Gift Certificate

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An anonymous donor has given NWA a \$200 Tiffany & Co. gift certificate to be raffled to NWA members now through October 1st. Tickets will be available at the Shop and at the October 1st monthly meeting at the Shaker Meeting House. Tickets are \$1.00 each, and the drawing will be held on Saturday, October 3rd at the Shop with the winner being notified by phone. All raffle proceeds will go to supporting NWA operations for the current year.

## NWA to Cancel Showcase and Totally Turning for 2021

We are certain this is not a surprise to most of you by now as we have gone through seven months of Covid 19 throughout the US and the globe. Your Showcase Chair and Co-Chairs along with the Totally Turning Chair have combed through numerous options to find a way to conduct the 2021 events in a safe and affordably viable manner. When considering the potential risk to so many of our at-risk member and member volunteers, the cost of producing the events, and the significant limitations to attendance by both the City Center and Hotel restrictions, there was simply no way we could justify holding the 2021 events.

We recently brought this before the NWA and have their full support for this decision. We know this comes as a great disappointment to many of you, however we also know it comes as a relief to many as well.

As the Chair of Showcase, I have already informed the City Center and Hotel of our plans to cancel for 2021. I have also informed them of our tentative plans to have our event in March 26-27, 2022. I have already reserved that date with the City Center.

As a heads up, we are currently investigating holding a “mini” Showcase perhaps at a mall where people can view your collective works as they walk by during a weekend this coming summer. We feel it is especially important you could display your amazing work in a safe environment. There is hopefully more to come on this idea after the winter months.

Roger Holmes, our Totally Turning Chair, is investigating holding specialized classes where we can perhaps do a “pay per view” format. An onsite (yet to be defined) audience may be possible with extremely limited attendance.

You know these events take a tremendous amount of planning and many commitments from professionals, vendors, and most of all the many hundreds of you to pull these events together. Your safety is our most important factor to making this decision and we know we have made the correct call for 2021.

Thank you,

Wally Carpenter (SC Chair), Roger Holmes (TT Chair)



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# Kaatskill Woodturners Association News

*By Wally Cook*

Shop News: KWA is going virtual for the next few months. The shop at Opdahl's will not reopen for the balance of 2020; similarly, the Hurley Reformed Church is closed to group meetings for the foreseeable future.

Our group will still maintain the Opdahl Shop during this period, but weekly work sessions on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings are canceled. Instead, group news will be shared in GroupWorks on the KWA site. We are encouraging members to post pictures of their work, as we focus on remote live demonstrations and monthly challenges.

September's challenge is turned a covered vessel from cedar. The monthly remote live demo is the Woodturners Worldwide Online Symposium airing 9-22 to 9-26. Discount tickets for this event along with complimentary gift cards can be obtained at <https://woodturningtoolstore.com/> and <https://carterandsontoolworks.com/>.

## NWA General Meeting of September 10

*By Susan McDermott*

With COVID precautions in place, NWA members met in the Shaker Meetinghouse to view other members' woodworking projects in an expanded Instant Gallery. The meetinghouse has considerable floor space to seat attendees with six-foot space. Everyone had masks and signed in for tracking purposes.

The meeting commenced with **announcements**:

Bob Stanley, Membership Chair, appealed to delinquent members to pay their dues which is critical in this time of lost revenue for the organization.

Charlie Goddard informed members of signposts being made by the Crafters for the Shaker Heritage Site and the need for **volunteers** to dig 16 holes to secure the posts for signs. Contact Charlie for time and date 518-370-0388 home or 518-852-9404 mobile

Wally Carpenter explained why Showcase 2021 will be cancelled (see his article in this newsletter).

Rich Cerruto announced the Shaker Heritage Crafts Fair on September 12 and 13 to have an NWA booth selling donated wood items made by our generous members. This should generate much needed income.

Lee Hilt has coordinated two on-line sales this month. The first was for large power tools that was a highly successful money maker for the club. Juliana Shei recorded item descriptions, took detailed photos, and obtained fair pricing for the website's sale. She did the same for the

second sale of 65 small tool items currently for sale. A third sale in October will be for seasoned hardwoods sold by 50 to 100 board feet for set prices. Watch for the e blast announcement.

Ray Puffer is developing a Machine Qualification Program that will train members in the safe and skillful operation of the shop's power tools.

### **Instant Gallery**

Members moved around the widely spaced tables of wood projects on display. For the purposes of conserving newsletter space, photographs of these projects can be viewed on a link.

Dale Lombardo had two carved items. One is a cake plate and the other is a Tibetan box with eight-sided chip carvings of Buddhist symbols. Dale invited members to submit photographs of their wood working on the NWA Facebook.

Bill Mac Tiernan's Lowboy is a work in progress. Bill explained how he carved the four cabriole legs from cherry blanks in steps to ensure uniformity in size and shape. The aprons are joined in such a manner as to allow movement without cracking as their horizontal grain meets the vertical grain of the legs.

John Slezak brought in his Pennsylvania tilt top Pie Crust table which took him two years to hand carve. He has also donated his bandsaw box to the NWA Crafts Fair store. John is new to our club as he relocated from Florida, but he has 40 years' experience teaching woodworking. We hope he will join our expert woodworkers and teach some classes at the NWA shop.

Gregory Martin was inspired by a 1980's article on building Lincoln clock replica of one Lincoln's second son Tad made or gave to his father for their Springfield, IL home. Gregory's hinge design is noteworthy as is his rendering of a steam engine passing under a bridge.

Finally, Juliana Shei brought in her chisel and iron sharpening box with practical and skilled woodwork. The top has a linoleum surface to repel oil and water. Also, she has inserted to precise Eclipse bars to measure 25, 30,45-degree blade angles while honing with an Eclipse jig. The box holds sharpening stones, oil bottle, and her custom-made wedges with magnets to hold plane irons at the precise angle for sharpening. She demonstrated the proper hand hold when using the wedges. Julian's skillful joinery can be hidden as it is in the corners of her box. The dovetails are inside the corners, so we will have to believe they are there!



*Lincoln clock*



*Bill Mac Tiernan's lowboy in progress*

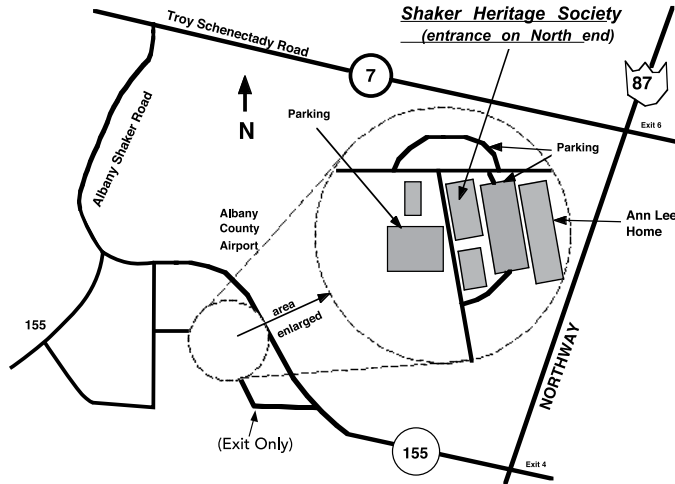


*Chis Stolickey's bamboo bike*

Please click on the link to view the Instant Gallery photos  
<https://woodworker.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Sept2020GeneralMeeting.pdf>

# October Meeting

*Thursday, October 1, 2020 7:00 PM*  
**Shaker Heritage Society Meetinghouse**  
**Albany-Shaker Road, Albany, NY**



## 2020 MONTHLY MEETINGS\*

Unless noted otherwise, held at the Shaker Meetinghouse  
on the Second Thursdays at 7:00 PM

For meeting cancellation information,  
Charlie Goddard 370-0388

November 12 TBA

December 10 TBA

January 14 TBA

February 11 TBA

March 11 TBA

April 8 TBA

May 13 TBA Election of NWA officers

\*To be updated with additional information

## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

### **SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS (SIGs):** Please note meetings will commence at our new location at 97 Railroad Avenue.

**Adirondack Woodturners Association (AWA)** - The AWA is active throughout the year. **General** Meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month (except in January and July when it is the second Wednesday), at the NWA Learning Center located at 97 Railroad Avenue, Colonie, NY from 5:30 PM to 8:45 PM. **Contact:** Kevin Ramsey Cell 518-769-9665 or kmrammer@yahoo.com

**Spindle and Pen Turners** - Meets Mondays 5:30 PM - 8:45 PM. Contact: Pam Bucci at 518-429-6440 or woolglass2@gmail.com Wednesday "Learn and Turn" sessions occur on all other Wednesdays at the NWA Learning Center. These sessions run 5:30 PM to 8:45 PM. [www.adirondackwoodturners.com](http://www.adirondackwoodturners.com) **Contact:** Kevin Ramsey Cell 518-769-9665 or kmrammer@yahoo.com

**Kaatskill Woodturners** - Second Saturday mornings at 9:00 AM at the Opdahl property in Hurley, NY. **Contact:** Wally Cook at wally.cook@gmail.com

**NWA Crafters** - Meet Tuesdays and Saturdays 9:00 AM to noon. They provide public service woodworking for various charitable organizations, including the Double H Hole in the Woods camp for children and the GE Toy Modifications Group, and the Make A Wish Foundation. Sharing information, fellowship, and relating experiences are a major part of these sessions. **Contact:** Wayne Distin at 518-674-4171 or wdistin@nycap.rr.com, Ken Evans at 518-281-0779 or kevan1@nycap.rr.com, or John Heimke at heimkj@sage.edu for more information.

**The NWA Wood Carvers SIG** - Meet Thursdays 5:00-8:30 PM all year at the NWA Learning Center located at 97 Railroad Avenue, Colonie, NY. The goal is to promote the art of wood carving and to have a good time doing it. The only prerequisite is a desire to carve while making new friends. Wood, tools, and patterns are available. **Contact:** Diane Balch at 518-885-9899 or signs@balchsigns.com

**Hand Tool SIG** - Meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00-9:00 PM in the Herm Finkbeiner Education Center at 97 Railroad Avenue, Colonie, NY. **Contact:** Dave Parkis at 518-429-6581 for further details: dparkis@nycap.rr.com

**Scrollers SIG** - Meets every Monday and Wednesday 6 to 8:30 PM. Contact Pam Bucci woolglass2@gmail.com 518-429-6440 (for Mondays) Kay McCampbell kmcccampbell@nycap.rr.com 518-371-9608

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**NWA Mid-Hudson** - The chapter meets at 7:30 PM on the third Thursday, except July, at the Hurley Reformed Church. The Church is just off the Hurley exit from Rte. 209. Right at the exit, right at the stop sign and left into the Church parking area. **Contact:** midhudsonwoodworkers.org Jim Lee, President - (845)382-6045