



Water Gap Woodturners
Chapter of the AAW
Scott Hendricks
Secretary

WGWT July 29, 2025 – Meeting Notes

There were 10 Water Gap Wood Turners and one guest present for Tuesday's meeting which started promptly at 7:00PM. The meeting hosted Beth Ireland as the guest presenter.

The meeting was held on Tuesday to accommodate Ms. Ireland's schedule and was done in a classroom structure verses a presentation.

Following are comments from the very brief business meeting followed by the classroom session.

WGWT July 29, 2025 Meeting Minutes

7:00 pm-9:00 pm

1. Welcome by President Mark Wallace

- Beth Ireland - guest presenter
- Matthew Ridley - guest
- Members

2. Any comments on last month's minutes?

- No comments

3. Thanks: Steve for helping Gary

4. Next Month:

- August 26 Elizabeth Weber No regular meeting August 6

5. Chairpersons Reports

a. Webpage: Steve

- 59 hits including Belgium and Canada
- 37 visits

b. PV Gallery Liaison: Rick

- Enough tops at the PV store, need more product for sale

c. Challenge: Keith

- Next challenge is the October Meeting-
- Topic - Christmas Tree, Tree/Shrub/Plant

d. Woodshop Liaison: Scott:

- Spoke with Kate regarding Demo Lathe Shield, Mounting TV,
- Ed Bannon donated a flat screen

e. Peters Valley Liaison: Mark

- Class to be set up next year.
- Waiting for written agreement

f. AAW Liaison: Mark

- No change

6. Officers Reports

a. VP Report: Keith

- No change

b. Tres. Report: Dave

i. Income/Expenses and total

- Club balance sheet is positive

ii. Membership

- 16

iii. **Other**

- No change

c. **Sec. Report:** Scott

i. Correspondence:

- No update

ii. **Other:**

- No update

d. **President Report:** Mark

i. **Calendar:**

- Grey Towers event
- Four members agreed to next year's studio sessions
- Winter meeting home hosts for next Winter- Feb., Mar., April
- a. Larry Z., John K., Robert L.

ii. Demo lathe shield? Scott

- Spoke with Kate, she is waiting on Deputy Director's response

i. AV system for demo lathe: Have TV needs mount.

- Gray Towers looking for vendors
- Moxley Stratton: building a modern software platform to help

- in-person clubs: managing dues, events, websites, and member communications.

ii. Looking for meeting presentations for next year.

Classroom Session

Ms. Ireland conducted a classroom session on turning a cylinder, carving a pattern into it then using the cylinder to make prints on cotton board stock. The following pictures depict the steps from turning a square basswood block to a finished print.



Some examples of member's work from the week long class which they attended.



The following pictures show Beth taking a basswood block and turning it into a cylinder employing a rouging gouge. She demonstrated how to grind the gouge and such a way as to allowing shear cuts to achieve a super smooth surface. She demonstrated how she sharpens her carving gouges prior to carving patterns into her cylinder.



Here members move to their respective lathes and practice turning a perfect cylinder.



After turning their cylinders, Beth demonstrated how to drill a hole in each end of the cylinder to accept a dowel as an axel. The dowels will allow the cylinder to be rotated without getting ink all over the artist's hands.

First ink is rolled on a medium. Then the cylinder is charged with the ink and the cylinder transfers the ink onto the cotton card stock to imprint the carved pattern.

Here we see several members making their own prints. The session was very successful and enjoyed by all.

