

# INDIANA COUNTY WOODTURNERS ASSOCIATION

ICWA meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at Sparrows Hall, IUP Campus. The meeting starts at 7:00 pm, refreshments available between 6 and 6:30 pm.



## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Just a note
- Upcoming events
- Dues reminder

### Web sites of interest:

- [woodturner.org\(AAW\)](http://woodturner.org(AAW))
- [arizonasilhouette.com](http://arizonasilhouette.com)
- [berea hardwoods.com](http://berea hardwoods.com)
- [chefspecialties.com](http://chefspecialties.com)
- [klingspor.com](http://klingspor.com)
- [packardwoodworks.com](http://packardwoodworks.com)
- [Pswood.com](http://Pswood.com)
- [sloanswoodshop.com](http://sloanswoodshop.com)
- [thewoodbox.com](http://thewoodbox.com)
- [traditionalwoodworker.com](http://traditionalwoodworker.com)
- [turnersanonymous.org](http://turnersanonymous.org)
- [westpennhardwoods.com](http://westpennhardwoods.com)
- [woodturnerscatalog.com](http://woodturnerscatalog.com)
- [woodturningdesign.com](http://woodturningdesign.com)
- [woodturningz.com](http://woodturningz.com)

If you have any suggestions for events, turning demonstrations, of even additions to the newsletter, please submit them to me at a meeting or email me at [smallturnings@gmail.com](mailto:smallturnings@gmail.com).

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### November Meeting

The November meeting consisted primarily of a good old “bull session”. Andy had prepared to discuss the construction of a Windsor chair but we actually never got around to it. That will be a topic for a future meeting.

A number of the members discussed turning techniques and fielded many questions from the group. Those who brought items for the Instant Gallery explained and discussed their offering. In fact, all in all, I think it was a pretty informative session.

For those of you who haven't heard, Jack Brown broke his shoulder. I didn't get any of the low-down on it, but hopefully Jack will fill us in at the December meeting.

The December meeting will be a team effort. George Walker, Bob Wilson, Daryl Gray, and myself will be demonstrating pen turning. George will be discussing the construction of a “bullet” pen. Since there really is not turning involved, he will enlighten us with tips and tricks of converting your spent rifle shells into a useable work of art. Bob Wilson will discuss alternative materials for turning and pen construction. He will turn a pen from acrylic acetate and talk about the different ways to fin-

ish the pen. He will also discuss other alternative materials such as other plastic type material and hard surface (corian) materials.

I will turn a conventional wood pen but with a twist. I'll be creating a custom wood center band rather than using the center band included in the kit. Daryl Gray will show us how to put a CA finish on the pen. This is a durable and glossy finish that can be used for many small turnings.

I believe we can say that this will be the first in a series of “alternative” turning. Why alternative? When you talk with someone just beginning to turn, they always say their goal is to make bowls. Well, as many of us know, bowl turning is but one facet of the art of turning. As the year progresses, we will provide the club with other non-bowl turning events.

We have had other non-bowl turning demos in the past, but if we keep in mind the idea of alternative to bowl turning, we might be able to better communicate these techniques than before.

See you all Tuesday, December 12.

Sorry to say there will be no oatmeal chocolate chip cookies this month. Ruth Ann is having a surgical procedure done on Monday the 12th and we expect that she will be in the hospital until Wednesday. Sorry about that.