

Lake Superior Woodturners

MEETING DETAILS

Date **SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2026**

Time 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

SHOP LOCATION: THE DORFMAN CO. BUILDING

1314 OGDEN AVE, SUPERIOR, WI 54880

AGENDA

When you get to the meeting, please sign in so we know who is attending, and wear a name badge to help those who are not familiar with who we are put names to our faces.

Half-hour before the meeting: Meeting set-up (Chairs & Lathe) plus coffee & chatter!

9:00 CALL TO ORDER

HOST

TREATS: Richard Fox and Mark Boyce

PRESIDENT REPORT – Susan J Van Loon Runnoe

TREASURE REPORT – Paul Howard: Current balance, Income and Expenses

OLD BUSINESS:

Tom Lohman Segmented Workshop—April 12,13 & 14th 2026

- Elizabeth Weber Demonstration and Workshops – June 2026. Workshops are filling up. Let us know if you are interested.
- Mentoring: Whether you are interested in finding a mentor to help you with a particular woodturning skill, or if you are experienced and wouldn't mind sharing your skills with others, we want to know. We are trying to match individuals to expand our talents!

- Kerry Sopoli: Bowling Pin Challenge
- Wig Stands—always looking for more donations
- LSW web page update - “Future Programs” button
- LSW Wish List/Budget Request

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mentoring/ Open Turning-Dates – you must email or register on the sign-up sheet as all open turning is dependent on how many participants are coming. Please let us know if you have something specific you want to work on, so if you need mentoring help we can try to have the right people available to help you. Next open turning date is Saturday, March 21.

Cost is free for members. Non-member cost is \$10.

- **Elections -**

May is the month when we hold elections. Below is a list of our current LSW Board Members. This year completing their two-year terms are Susan Van Loon Runnoe, Paul Howard, and Bonnie McDermid. Please thank these members for their service to the club.

Board members are elected for a two-year term, which begins after the May Member meeting and will serve on the Board until the board elections in May 2028. Duties include monthly Board meetings where we discuss club finances, programming, demonstrations, workshops, club membership, issues, and any future happenings of the Lake Superior Woodturners (and more!). It is a great experience and a great way to impact the direction of our club. We’ve often been asked what the requirements are to be a board member. Our response would include the following: Someone who...

- o Is an active and enthusiastic member of LSW with a passion for woodturning and for sharing woodturning with others.
- o Can attend [most] Monthly Board Meetings - meetings are typically conducted over video conferencing (Zoom) on the third or fourth Monday of the month – the time and day of the month may change depending on Board Member availability.
- o Is Willing to work as a team to help brainstorm, research, or investigate new ideas,
- o Has a desire to help recruit new members to LSW.
- o Shows a commitment to help communicate to members and non-members what our club is doing and where we are headed.

The rules of nomination are simple: feel free to nominate yourself or other LSW member(s) interested in serving on the board (if nominating someone other than yourself, please make sure they are willing and know what you are nominating them for).

SHOW & TELL – As always, we love to see what you’ve been turning, so bring in your turnings and show what you have been up to. When you show your pieces you can ask for critiques of your work, or you can simply show your turnings. We can discuss turning ‘challenges’, talk about best practices, and chat about perplexing pieces of wood you would like suggestions on how to turn or what to turn it into. We would like to have members show one of their turnings and once everyone has a chance, if time permits additional items can be shown.

SAFETY MINUTE – Open Discussion – Best practices, what to do and what not to do.

RAFFLE: If you have an item to donate for the raffle, whether it’s a woodturning book, a piece of wood, a pen or bowl blank, a tool you don’t use, or maybe a turning you have done, we would sincerely appreciate the donation. Depending upon the quantity of donations received your item may be saved for a future month’s raffle.

PROGRAM

Segmented Turning by Tom Lohman

“Tom will share techniques, lessons learned, fixing mistakes, and tricks to build a successful project. He will cover design techniques that allow students to go beyond simple patterns by providing an overview of using design software to create vessels that have pleasing form and patterns.”

Other Items:

The current Board of Directors:

- President Susan Van Loon Runnoe
- Vice President Bill Penning
- Secretary Doug Runnoe
- Treasurer Paul Howard
- Program Director - John Skarja
- Bonnie McDermid
- Greg Whitaker

