

Greetings!

UPDATE ON 50% DUES DISCOUNT FOR CHAPTER MEMBERS

On April 1, we launched a limited-time 50% dues discount program exclusively for chapter members who have never been AAW members.

We're off to a good start and are pleased to provide you with an update on the progress. As of April 19, 162 chapters have recruited a total of **272 new AAW members**.

Drum roll...

The ten chapters who have recruited the highest number of new AAW members to date are:

1. Grand River Woodturners Guild, MI
2. Minnesota Woodturners Association, MN
3. Ohio Valley Woodturners Guild, OH
4. Calgary Woodturners Guild, AB
5. Cascade Woodturners Association, OR
6. Mid-Columbia Woodturners, WA
7. San Diego Woodturners, Inc., CA
8. Bay Lake Woodturners, WI
9. Big Apple Woodturners, NY
10. Seattle Chapter, WA

Not all chapters are the same size. For this reason, we'd also like to recognize the ten chapters who have recruited the most new AAW members as a percent of their total chapter membership:

1. Worland Wyoming Woodturners, WY
2. Big Apple Woodturners, NY
3. Grand River Woodturners Guild, MI
4. Strait Turners, WA
5. Azalea Woodturners, AL
6. PEI Wood Turners Guild, PE
7. Oregon Coast Woodturners, OR
8. Bay Lake Woodturners, WI
9. Spokane Lathe Artists, WA
10. Great Falls Woodturners, MT

50% Dues Discount Promo Materials

Each chapter president has already been sent 25 printed flyers promoting the AAW 50% dues discount program. We will appreciate each chapter's help in spreading the word about the promotion and distributing the flyers to those who are eligible for the discounted membership. **If you would like additional flyers**, please contact the AAW home office at 877-595-9094 (toll free), Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m., to 4:30 p.m. CST.

Promotion Reminders

For more than 30 years, AAW and its chapters have partnered to share, support, and deliver a shared educational mission to those interested in turning wood. The most well-rounded woodturning learning experience can be achieved through both a local chapter membership and AAW membership - for the "total experience."

Promotion Details

- The 50% dues discount program runs from **April 1 to June 30, 2017**.
- Chapter members can sign up for an AAW membership for **\$30**, which is a 50% reduction on the regular \$60 rate.
- Only chapter members who have **never** been AAW members are eligible for the discount.
- Each discounted one-year membership includes the printed bi-monthly *American Woodturner* journal (six issues).
- The discount is an **introductory offer** and applies to first-year membership dues only.
- Chapter members may sign up for the discounted AAW membership during the exclusive sign-up period at <http://www.woodturner.org/?page=NewGenMembership> or may call the AAW home office at 877-595-9094 (toll free) Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m., to 4:30 p.m. CST.

We appreciate your efforts to get the word out about this special promotion.

JOINT SYMPOSIUM SESSIONS WITH THE FURNITURE SOCIETY

In addition to AAW's already robust schedule of exceptional educational woodturning demonstrations, panel discussions, and more, we've just added something new to the slate, making our AAW's 31st International Symposium in Kansas City **incomparable to any other event**.

The AAW and [The Furniture Society \(FS\)](#) have partnered to present registered Symposium attendees with a series of joint sessions, entitled, "**Fresh Eyes on Furniture: Tradition and Innovation**,"

scheduled for June 23 and 24. The Fresh Eyes on Furniture sessions will include both demonstrations and panel discussions on furniture-related topics from inlay and embellishment, to cold metal casting and computer controlled routing, as well as how the disciplines of furniture making and woodturning intersect. Featured presenters include Scott Grove, Bart Niswonger, Mark Sfirri, and Kimberly Winkle.



We will appreciate your Chapter's help in spreading the word about this special opportunity to your chapter members, **especially your newest AAW members**, and any furniture makers you know.

SYMPOSIUM NONPROFIT BROCHURE TABLE

At the AAW Symposium in Kansas City, we will host a nonprofit brochure table located near registration from Friday, June 23, through Sunday, June 24. This is the spot where Symposium attendees can see what's going on in the woodturning world and pick up brochures about classes, schools, regional events - **and Chapters**. If your Chapter would like to make your brochures available at this table, **please ship them June 1-9, 2017**, to:

Non-Profit Brochures
Dean's Downtown Underground
1201 W. 31st St.
Kansas City, MO 64108

If you have questions, please contact the AAW home office at 877-595-9094 (toll free), Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m., to 4:30 p.m. CST.