



# Central Connecticut Woodturners

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturning

Dedicated to the Advancement of Woodturning

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## Next Meeting

January 22, 2013

7PM

CT Valley School of Woodworking

## Upcoming Events

The Woodworking Show  
Jan 11-13, 2013  
Eastern States Expo  
W. Springfield, MA  
[www.thewoodworkingshow.com](http://www.thewoodworkingshow.com)

Totally Turning  
March 23-24, 2013  
Saratoga Springs, NY  
[www.Totallyturning.com](http://www.Totallyturning.com)

AAW  
National Symposium  
June 28-30, 2013  
Tampa, FL  
[www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org)

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Deadline for the next issue is Jan 10th.



Dues are due!

Club Dues are \$35 for the year.

January 2013



## CCW Members:

I want to thank everyone who participated in the November challenge. There were a lot of great entries. I personally enjoyed seeing each and every one of them. Tremendous Effort by all!

Thank you to Buster and Jerry for assisting with the judging.

Thanks Lynda for putting together the fabulous winner baskets. Even if I didn't receive one.

One challenge down, one to go.

In January we have our 1<sup>st</sup> annual 'What did You Learn' challenge. An outgrowth of the Tournaments idea proposed earlier in the year. All who started that challenge, your effort weren't wasted. For those who didn't, you still have time. For this challenge we are look-

## President's Note:

December 2012 ing for three things...

1 -Challenge yourself by learning a new technique or embarking on project you've never done before.

2 - It's not about perfection. It's about growth. Bring in example of examples of your effort. Something that shows us where you started (including failures, things you are not happy with, etc.) and an example of what you've been able to learn so far ...

3 - Share a story (Verbal) of journey (why you began it, what you've learned along the way, where you want it to take you, etc.)

Unlike the November challenge which is judged on perfection. **This is not.** This challenge will be judged on :

1 - How are you challenging yourself as a Turner to learn new things

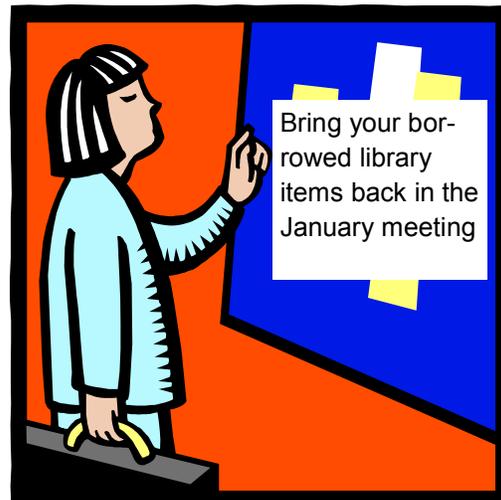
2 - Examples of your early efforts on through to where you are today. It does not have to be perfect, just better than where you started.

3 - How this journey has helped you grow. How it might inspire us to take a similar journey.

The challenge is not about mastering something, it is about personal growth. It's about the love you have for this art.

Challenge yourself with something new. No matter what level you are at, there is more to learn....

George Upton  
President CCW





The Wood Working Show was Friday to Sunday January 11 to 13, 2012 at the Eastern States Exposition, W. Springfield, MA was a great time. Thank you to Eric Holmquist, Tom Stevenson, Chris Dudley, Mike Orenstein, Buster Shaw, Corey Anderson, Ken Guarneri, Joe Stajduhar, John Pointkowski, Chris & Lynda Zibbideo. Thank you to all that came by the booth.



### **Announcing CCW – Mentor Night**

You asked, the CCW Board listened

After reviewing several suggestions from fellow CCW members the board is announcing that two meeting nights will become 'CCW Mentor Nights' to the 2013. 1<sup>st</sup> one will take place in March. Second one will be scheduled based on the outcome of the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting.

What is a 'CCW Mentor Night'?

It's a structure that takes 'Show & Yell' to a new level. It's where members bring in projects and request constructive input & ideas from other members. It's an opportunity for all who attend to learn, share their knowledge or even a little of both.

How does it work?

A Member brings in piece they've completed, is currently being worked, having a hard time getting started with, etc.. They submit the piece along with a 'Help Me' sheet. The Help me sheet will allow the owner to choose what Information they are open to receiving and to what they are not.

The 'Help Me' sheet will guide each member who wishes to share their wealth of ideas, experience and wisdom.

Categories:

Each piece submitted will fall into one of the following three categories:

*Too Far*

Pieces that were over worked. Discuss when they might have stopped.

*Too Little*

Pieces lacking pizzazz. Discuss something else they could have done

Too Late

Pieces that are 'broken', can it be fixed, re-purposed, etc.

Raffle

Members who bring in pieces will be eligible for a raffle at the end of the night for a \$20 Craft Supplies certificate.

Moderator

CCW President will moderate the event to ensure everything runs smoothly



## Wood of the Month

**Boxelder** *Acer negundo* (Aceraceae)

**Grows:** Canada & USA

**Health risks:** Allergic bronchial asthma and rhinitis



yellowish in color, light, porous and close-grained.

**Properties:** It has good steam-bending qualities. Medium blunting effect on cutters, care is needed when nailing.

**Description:** Boxelder is the lightest of the American maples. It is the only North American maple to have compound leaves (consisting of 3-7 leaflets). Can grow to 50' in height, but more often it is seen in cane-like gatherings. In some areas it is considered a weed. The coral-red streaks are caused by a pigment of the fungus *Fusarium negundi*. It is

**Typical Uses:** Inexpensive furniture, woodware, crates/boxes, cooperage, pulp and charcoal. Some artistic use is made of the red-streaked wood in decorative turnings & sculptures.



Date	Location	Guest	Demo
1/22	CVSW	Jerry Sambrook	Boxes
2/24		Jim's open shop	
2/26	JIM	Jim Kephart	sharpening
3/24		Jim's open shop	
3/26	CVSW	Mentor nite	Bring in pieces that need help/advice
4/14		Jimmy Clewes	
4/23	PARKER	*guest	Finishes
4/28		Jim's open shop	
5/26		Jim's open shop	
5/28	CVSW		
6/23		Jim's open shop	
6/25	JIM		
7/23	CVSW		
7/28		Jim's open shop	
AUG - TBD		picnic, BDBurls	
9/22		Jim's open shop	
9/24	CVSW	Mentor nite	What to do with this piece of wood/turning?
10/22	JIM		Spouse craft, pizza, talk about new 2014 officers
10/27		Jim's open shop	
11/24		Jim's open shop	
11/26	CVSW	Rick Meier	ornament & election of officers
DEC - TBD	PARTY		
		TBD	
		open shop months	

### 2013 Calendar!

The eBoard met on Jan 7th to plan the 2013 calendar year. We have some spots that need your input on what you would like to see for a demo. We will also be bringing in Beth Ireland for one of the meeting.

We are looking for demo topics & demonstrators. We have extended the "Open Shop" from just August to June/July & August to allow for more participation.

**South Windsor Library** - Eric was able to reserve the library display area for us. Come by and see a great display in the month of February.



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The Central Connecticut Woodturners (CCW) was founded in 1994 to support the needs of woodturners in the central Connecticut area. Its purpose is to promote a higher standard of excellence in woodturning by providing an ever expanding source of information and resources to its membership. Memberships are calendar basis from January 1 through December 31. Annual dues are \$35 or \$20 for six months or less.

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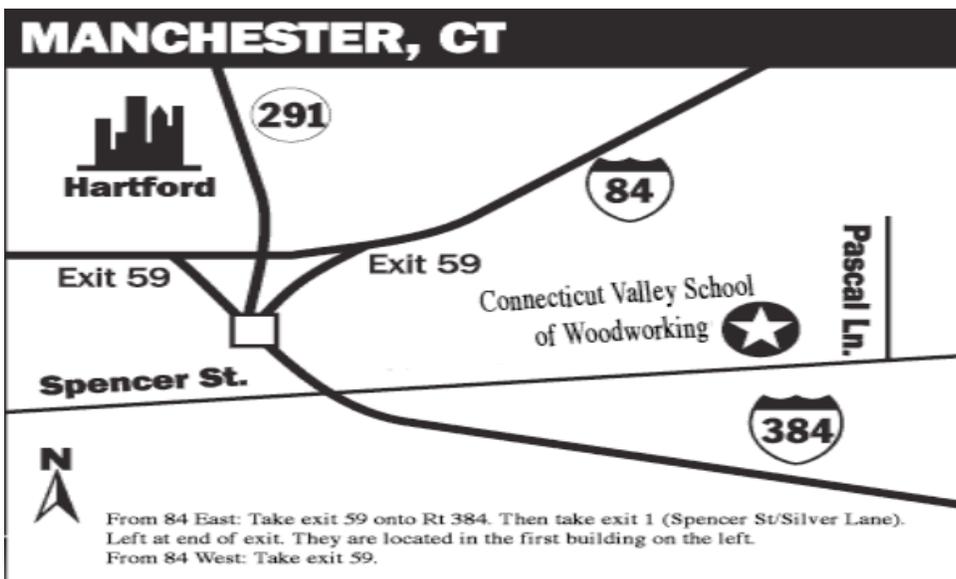
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