



Central Connecticut Woodturners

A Chapter of The American Association of Woodturners
Dedicated to the Advancement of Woodturning

NEXT MEETING—October 27—Starting at 6:30 pm

Where:

JIM KEPHART'S SHOP
85 HILLARD ST, MANCHESTER, CT

MEETING DEMO BY ERIC HOLMQUIST

Subject

“THREAD CHASING”

The Demo starts at 7:30 pm

PRESIDENT'S NOTE

We had a great turnout at the September/October Final Training and Demo events. A total of 15 members took advantage of this Club offering.

Thanks goes out to Butch Watson and Jim Kephart for use of their shops, to Buster Shaw for his pretraining and arranging the demo and training session by Keith Tompkins, and Tom Stevenson for video taping the event and mentoring those learning.

A total of 10 turners took the opportunity to turn on the lathe and learn how to make finials. Amazing results were had by all skill levels. I ask that each bring their results to our November meeting for all to see.

In talking to Keith Tompkins, he commented on combining the demo and training sessions. He enjoyed working with the 10 turners as they tried to engrain what they saw a short time earlier.

I for one had a great time and hope that others did also.

Please note, because of demo constraint time, there **WILL NOT BE A SHOW AND TELL** at the October meeting.

GEORGE UPTON
CCW PRESIDENT

OTHER OCTOBER MEETING EVENTS:

1. Starting at 6:30 pm, there will be a meeting pizza party. Cost \$5.00/person.
2. There will be a Spouse and Significant other craft/hobby show starting at 7:15 pm. Members are urged to have their spouses and significant others bring samples of their works of art .
3. Joe Ferola's vast library of tree books which were donated to the CCW will be present at the meeting. These books were donated to the CCW by Joe's wife, Linda Ferola.

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*****September Business Notes*****

VOTE: Tools-Plus Pen Event Oct 23rd and 24th. Pens supplied by Tools-Plus
APPROVED

*****October Business Agenda*****

7:00 pm Update on Keith Tompkins Demo
Report on Lisbon Pen Turning Event
Tools-Plus Pen Turning Event
Christmas/Holiday Party
Elections—November meeting
VOTE: Woodcraft—Pen Turning for Troops & Demo

COMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 23 & 24

CCW Pen Turning at Tool-Plus in Waterbury, CT.
Contact George Upton for details

OCTOBER 24

CCW Pen Turning Event
Location---Lisbon Senior Center
CT RT 138 (Newent Road)
Lisbon, CT

Help is needed!

To participate in this event, contact Joe Duran at 860-376-3170 or narodjt@gmail.com

OCTOBER 25

Open Shop at Jim Kephart's---Please call Jim to confirm that you will attend—860-643-9431
This Open Shop is a learning and sharing activity that woodturners can benefit from.

NOVEMBER 6-8

North Carolina Woodturning Symposium---Greensboro, NC
This is a great symposium. The cost to attend is low. The demonstrators are excellent.
If you are heading South this time of year, you may wish to consider this symposium.
www.northcarolinawoodturning.com

NOVEMBER 24 (Meeting night)

Election of CCW officers

DECEMBER 13

Christmas/Holiday Party

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TRIBUTE TO JOE FEROLA (November 27, 1927-March 3, 2011)

By Jim Kephart

Joe was the founding Father of the CCW. The CCW was started because Joe got tired of driving to Worcester, MA for CNEW.

Joe was one of the first to become a CCW lifetime member.

Joe worked for the State of Connecticut for 32 years as a supervising engineer on bridge and road construction. He retired in April, 1986. He started making small pieces of furniture, and then found woodturning as a hobby when his brother Frank gave him a small lathe.

Joe started with small things like bud vases, cups and small bowls.

He upgraded to a General 260 lathe and got into bigger work. He is quoted to have turned 200 to 300 bowls in a Hartford Courant article of June 18, 1988.

Joe is remembered for "The Joe Bowl" which is a natural edge style for which he is well known. I am not sure who in recent history started leaving a bark edge, but if it was not Joe, he most certainly contributed to its popularity.

He did private teaching, some demos for local clubs and an occasional class for the Harris Enterprise School.

He loved wood. He was member of the International Wood Collectors Society, the CCW, the CNEW and the Nutmeg Woodturning Club.

Joe loved trees. He had about 20 to 30 different species of trees growing in his yard. Most were started by him from seeds or cuttings. Joe even bought shares in a tree farm in Honduras for conservation of and sustainable harvest of trees. I don't think that worked out but it was an investment in the future.

He was soft spoken, kind, and always willing to give help to a fellow turner.

Until he finally stopped turning, he attended all the AAW Woodturning Symposiums.

At his peak, his work was in galleries from California to Massachusetts. One of his pieces was given to Katherine Hepburn by her sister Mrs. Peg Perry.

I have a catalpa natural edge bowl turned by Joe. He gave a bowl to me from a load of catalpa I have given to him. Joe believed in the tradition of sharing wood, in a wood swap and giving back a bowl for usable wood.

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SHOW AND YELL

I apologize that the artists of these works of art are not identified. I hope to do better in the next Newsletter. Joe

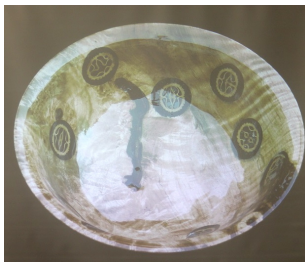


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September Demo by TOM EDWARDS "SAVING PROJECTS"



Tom explained how to save flawed turned projects by using epoxy and resins. He also showed some of his turned art that was created with the addition of resins. Some of his work is shown below. If you wish to see more of his work go to www.artinwood.org/t_edwards/tedwards.html



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The Training Session prior to the Keith Tompkins Finial Demo Training Sept 27 at Butch Watson's shop was headed by Buster Shaw. Seven CCW members received valuable instruction in finial turning. Thank you Buster for your time and effort with this project.

On Sunday, Oct 4, Keith Tompkins gave a finial demo in the morning and a training session in the afternoon. Ten CCW turners took part in the afternoon session. Under Keith's direction, many turners turned excellent finials. It was obvious to see that the CCW turners gained more confidence in turning finials. Thanks Keith.

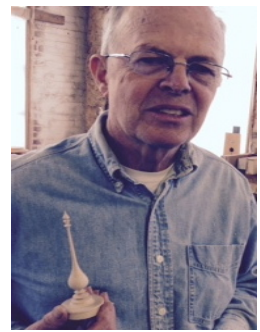
Below are some photos from this event.



Keith's finial



Joe's finial



Paul's finial



Keith giving instruction



Buster giving instruction

A NOTE FROM THE OCEAN WOODTURNERS:

The Rhode Island Ocean Wood Turners are preparing for the fiscal year 2016.

We are soliciting your chapter to see if any of members are interested in doing a demo at one of monthly meeting which are held on the third Thursday of the month.

If you are aware of any of your members that may be interested, please provide me with their information.

Happy shavings.

Gene Amaral, President Ocean Woodturners

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