



# Central Connecticut Woodturners

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturning

*Dedicated to the Advancement of Woodturning*

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## Electronic Distribution is alive and well!

The CCWoodturners newsletter is available by either US mail or email. I would like to encourage all who can, to convert to the email distribution method. This saves the club money on both printing and postage. The advantages are that it gets to you sooner and it's in color!

The February issue, the first month of the email distribution, 15 members were emailed their issue. At the time of writing this article, 32 out of 67 members (almost half the club) have converted to electronic distribution.

## CCW's President's Note: The Cromwell Oak Tree

The Central Connecticut Woodturners have the opportunity to collect the wood of a 200 year old Oak tree in Cromwell, CT. I am meeting with the town council in February to discuss how the CCW could be of help to them. This tree had become a point of difficulty for the town. The town council needed to remove the tree because it had become a driving hazard. The tree has been taken down and moved to the transfer station in Cromwell. The CCW will need to collect the tree from Cromwell on Saturday, April 1st, depending on weather conditions. I am meeting with the First Selectman on March 15<sup>th</sup> to discuss further details and go out and see the tree to get a better idea of how much wood is in this tree. I will have more details at the March CCW meeting.

Alan Moltz, our new treasurer, and I have synchronized our mailing versus the member list. We discovered a few discrepancies. Only paid members are going to continue to receive the newsletter. Please look at the mailing label on this month's issue. If you see "Last Issue" printed after your name then this will be your last issue of the newsletter. If you feel this is in error please contact Alan Moltz.

Thanks in advance!!

-Dave Miner, Editor



Mike Allison will be demonstrating at the March meeting. Visit his website: [www.michaelallison.us/index.htm](http://www.michaelallison.us/index.htm)

Visit the **Connecticut Valley School of Woodworking's** web site at:

[www.schoolofwoodworking.com](http://www.schoolofwoodworking.com)

You'll find detailed information on their course offerings and schedules.

### Next Meeting:

**March 28**

at CVSW

Mike Allison will Demo Hollowing tools, forms and techniques.

Business Meeting

7:00pm

Program/Demo.

7:30pm

### Dues are Due!

(Actually, they're late!)

If your dues are not paid this will be your last Newsletter.

Contact Alan Moltz ASAP - Thanks!

Send your check to:  
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### Upcoming Events:

**April 25** meeting at Bolton Woodturning/Turning 70 (in romantic Willimantic) Mike South demonstrating his spiral machine.

**May 23** meeting at CVSW. Angelo Iafrate's latest slide show and Demo of turning a magic trick.

**June 27** - TBD



## Van Pool To New England Symposium

- John Lorch

I reserved a seven-passenger mini-van to transport CCW members to the Fifth New England Woodturning Symposium in Derry, New Hampshire. The estimated cost of rental, taxes and gas will work out to \$25 for each of the first six members who call or email me. The van will leave from the commuter Park and Ride lot on Spencer Street, Manchester promptly at 5:30 AM on May 13th. That's the lot near

Woodcraft. The drive is estimated to take a little over two hours and we will plan on a brief bathroom/coffee stop. Symposium registration is 7:30 to 8:30. I am willing to drive north and would appreciate help driving home. If we get 14 passengers we can rent two vans at a somewhat better rate, but I will need to know early enough to make the reservation.

This is a first come first served offer, so if you are interested in riding please call me at 860-646-2621 or email at [jlorch@aol.com](mailto:jlorch@aol.com) as soon as possible.

## Central Connecticut Woodturners Meeting minutes for February 28, 2006

The February meeting of the Central Connecticut Woodturners was held at Jim Kephart's new shop in Manchester. Vice President Albert D'Antonio called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

President Report: Cory Anderson

- Corey is on vacation to the wonderful world down under-New Zealand. Albert organized this month's meeting.

Vice President Report: Albert D'Antonio

- Albert thanked Jim Kephart for the use of his new shop.
- Saturday 3/4/06 set up for the South Windsor Library display. Please arrive by 9AM.
- Next meeting on 3/28/06 will be at the Connecticut Valley School of Woodworking, featuring Mike Allison doing a demonstration on hollowing tools, forms and techniques.
- City of Cromwell has offered CCW wood from a historic tree that had to be removed.
- Sunday 4/23/06 there will be a show in Rockville, CT sponsored by the TKB Club. This show will be showcasing Rockville and Vernon artists.
- June meeting/picnic - although we got Mary's OK, we were unable to book Cindy Drozda for the picnic. Suggestions are welcome.

Treasurer's Report: Alan Moltz

- DUES ARE DUE!!!! \$35 per year.
- For December

Beginning Balance	\$3103.29
Income:	841.00 (Dues, wood swap & Xmas party deposit returned)
Expenses	<u>694.87</u> (Newsletter printing, postage & lathe shipping charges)
Ending balance	\$3,249.45

Secretary's Report: Lynda Zibbideo

- Nothing to report.

Newsletter: David Miner

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- Looking for any news worthy items for the newsletter: book reviews, new products, web sites, pictures of your turnings, stories, etc. If you send in items to the above email address, please use Comic San 10pt. Items can also be mailed in.
- Submission deadline is 10 days after the meeting. This will allow David to organize/format the newsletter & get it out on time.
- Put out to the club whether it is preferred to have the newsletter mailed, sent via email or just out on our website [www.ccwoodturners.org](http://www.ccwoodturners.org). A third of the members have signed up for email newsletter. This is a great saving to the club.



### ~ Legal Stuff ~

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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### Minutes (continued)

Librarian: Dayton Simson

- Looking for suggestions for new publications/videos to add to the library.

Web master: Mark Lefebvre

- Aside from the club's monthly newsletter, we can have "Member Pages" set up. These pages would show pictures of your turnings, your shop and YOU!

#### Miscellaneous Business:

- John Lorch announced the "unbuttoning" of the Amistad is on Thursday 3/15. First work party will be Saturday 3/18 at 9AM meeting at the Mystic Seaport main entrance. John passed around a sign up sheet for all those who are interested.
- Gil Hite advised us that CCW's new delta lathe arrived and that it is at his shop. Discussions will continue regarding it's future. Windham Art Show is looking for turned items using Windham wood.
- Jim Kephart thanked all that helped him move to his new location, 85 Hilliard St., Manchester 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. It is next to the old Bon Ami building.
- Rick Meier bottle stoppers are here. Rick said that he would do a demo on stopper turnings.
- Saturday May 13/14 is the 5<sup>th</sup> North East Woodturning Symposium at the Pinkerton Academy in Derry, NH. Our very own Jim Kephart & Rick Angus will be demonstrators!
- Presentation followed given by Beth Ireland "Turning Outside the Box". Jim's shop was packed with all straining their necks & ears to hear Beth give an insightful demonstration on the many uses for the band saw! Always keep you fingers away from the blade! Use Jacobson clamps if needed. Beth stressed band saw safety!!! Beth started the presentation by taking a piece of wood - cutting it up on the band saw - regluing the pieces back together and then turned it on the lathe. The finished box, although round on the outside had a square interior! With the "scraps" from the band saw cutting, Beth made a smaller rendition. You can see more of Beth's creations at [www.bethireland.net](http://www.bethireland.net)
- Next meeting: March 28th 7PM at Connecticut Valley School of Woodworking located at the Manchester Woodcraft. Featuring Mike Allison doing a demonstration on hollowing tools, forms and techniques.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lynda Zibbideo

#### CCW Equipment

The CCW owns a 10x10 easy-up tent including 4 sides; 2 CCW banner; and a lighting system recently donated by Jim equipment is stored at Gil Hite's shop. Call 860-933-4038 to reserve for your show(s).

#### Central Connecticut Woodturners - Membership Information

New:  Renew:

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