



Central Connecticut Woodturners

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturning

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President's Note:

I realized when taking on the position of president of CCW there would be many challenges. My latest is trying my hand at being newsletter editor. On March 24th Dave Scott went into the hospital and underwent bypass surgery. Our prayers & well wishes go out to Dave, his wife and family for a speedy recovery. A special thank you to Dick Rybak for helping me get this newsletter to you all.

Thank you to all that participated in the Windham Hospital Bountiful Bowls Event.

And remember the club challenge that Rick announced at the January meeting??? Summer is coming. The club challenge will culminate at the summer picnic. This year's challenge is sports related. Need an idea: archery, baseball, croquet, darts, fencing, golf, hockey, jai a lai, lances, mace, nets, pool balls, quidditch, racket ball, squash, tennis, uloo, volley ball, yo yos, and zourkhaneh (yes, the internet can be fun).

Forever green~
Lynda

Tree trivia:
Tree shown on the new Vermont 25¢ coin

Originally published in 1678, Mechanick Exercises was the first English book to describe and illustrate the tools of various trades and explain their use. It included chapters on smithing, joinery, house carpentry, turning, bricklaying, and drawing sundials, and included 26 engraved plates. It has been reprinted by Astragal Press.

Moxon on Polishing hardwood or ivory "Lastly the hold either a piece of seal-skin, or Dutch Reeds (whose outer Skin, of filme somewhat finely cuts (pretty hard against the work, and so make it smooth enough to polish. Hard wood they polish with beez-wax, viz. by holding bees-wax against it, till it have sufficiently toucht it all over; and press it hard into it by hard the edge of a flat piece of hard wood made sizable and suitable to the work upon, as the work is going about. Then they set a gloss on it with a very dry woollen rag, lightly smeared with salad oyl. Buty Ivory they polish with chalk and water, and afterwards dry it with a woollen rag, and a light touch of sallad oyl; which at last they rub off again with a dry woollen rag, and so set a gloss on it."

<http://www.lathes.co.uk/goodell-pratt/index.html>

Next Meeting:
April 28, 2009

Parkerville Woods
580 Parker St.
Manchester
Bring a chair

Mini Clinic at 6.30
Dave Harris

Business Meeting
7:00pm
Program/Demo.
7:30pm

Upcoming Event:

May 26th

Kurt Hertzog

Central Connecticut Woodturners Meeting minutes for March 24, 2009

The March meeting of the Central Connecticut Woodturners was held at the Connecticut Valley School of Woodworking located at the Manchester Woodcraft. President Lynda Zibbideo called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

President's Report: Lynda Zibbideo

- Lynda welcomed guests.
- Thanked all of the members who helped out at the show in Hartford and especially Tom Stevenson for his help at the Craft Supplies pen turning project, John Lorch for treading his way through the show and Rick Meier and Corey Anderson for the use of their Jet mini's.
- Thanked all who donated to the Bountiful Bowl charity.
- Announced Jimmy Clewes will be guest demonstrator for the Cape Cod Woodturners in May. For those interested, make your arrangements now, small venue.
- Announced AAW has contacted us about volunteers for the convention next year, more to follow.
- Announced there will be a wood auction in Rhode Island
- Announced the AAW A/V grant award to CCW, \$1,000 for the purchase of video equipment.
- Pres. Zibbideo made a special presentation of Certificates of Appreciation to Keegan and Kaleb Twomey, member Ken Guarneri's grand sons for their participation in the Hartford Woodworking Show.

Vice President's Report: Rick Meier

- Report on the Hartford Woodworking Show.
- Contacted by an individual in Haddam Neck about a tree she had to take down and wants to sell the wood at reasonable offers.
- Next meeting will be held at Parkerville Wood Products. The demo will be on how to do a demo.
- May's meeting will be special guest Kurt Hertzog on "How to be a Penmaker" at the Connecticut Valley School of Woodworking located at the Manchester Woodcraft. For this meeting we will have a short business meeting followed by the demo to allow as much time as possible for Kurt. No Wood Swap or Show & Yell.
- Announced the "6th New England Woodturning Symposium" in Derry, NH, May 23rd.

Treasurer's Report: Alan Moltz

- See full minutes on web page

Secretary's Report: Chris Zibbideo

- February minutes were published in the March newsletter.

Newsletter Editor: not present

Librarian: Walter McMahon

- Please return your items!

Miscellaneous Business:

- Mike South is having another clearance sale at his shop, details to follow.
- The raffle for the Bad Dog Burls was held, congrats to the Bad Dog Burl winners.
- Demo of two piece hollow vessels by our own Al Czellecz.





~ 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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Thanks to Al for the great demo! Sorry we rushed you through it.

Next meeting: April 28th at Parkerville Wood Products in Manchester.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Zibbideo, Secretary.

Wood of the Month!

Madrona

Arbutus menziesii (Ericaceae)

Grows: Native of California to British Columbia

Health risks: Not known.

Description: Its heartwood can vary from light pink to pale reddish-brown. Growth rings can form unusual patterns. The sapwood is whitish to cream & can have a pinkish cast

Properties: It is very hard, tough and heavy. Works well with both hand & machine tools. Moderate blunting to tools. The wood turns, bores, nails, sands & screws well & polishes to a high gloss.

Typical Uses: Quality furniture, turnery, flooring, interior construction and charcoal for making gunpowder. Can be thin sliced into veneers, with burl slices highly prized.

Wood Identification & Use by Terry Porter
Botanica by Konemann

Tree trivia answer: Maple. The VT quarter made its debut in 2001.

Central Connecticut Woodturners - Membership Information

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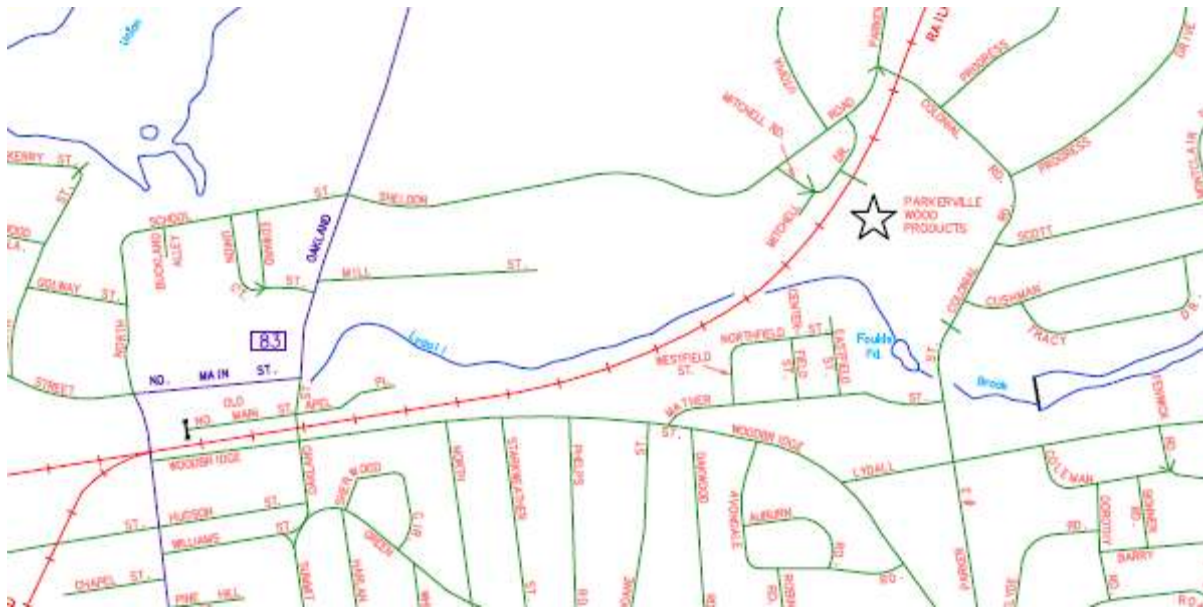
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