

Central Connecticut Woodturners

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturning

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February 2012

Next Meeting

Tuesday March 27th

CT Valley School of Woodworking
Regular meeting 7PM

Final Demo by Buster Shaw

Upcoming Events

Totally Turning
March 31-April 2012
Saratoga Springs, NY
www.Totallyturning.com

AAW
National Symposium
June 8-10, 2012
San Jose, California
www.woodturner.org

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Deadline for next issue is 4/10/2011



President's Note:

For the first two months I've spent

time with the board learning the ropes. Mostly focusing on demos, outings, and tournaments.

Now I want to take time to focus on CCW member needs. I need your help

and your input.

I would like to ask each of you to ask yourselves :

Why are you a member of CCW?

What do you get out of CCW?

What do you want to

give back to CCW?

What do you feel is missing?

Whatever the answers are, I want to hear from you. Please take a moment to reach out and share your thoughts.

~~~George Upton

## Totally Turning - 3/31- 4/1 Saratoga Springs, NY



The Adirondack Woodturners Association (AWA) is proud to bring you the seventh Totally Turning Symposium. Totally Turning 2012 will be held on Saturday and Sunday, March 31 and April 1, 2012 in Saratoga Springs, New York. On March 31 and April 1, 2012, the Adirondack Woodturners Association will present Totally

Turning 2012 in the same location as SHOWCASE. Every Totally Turning registrant will have full access to BOTH the woodturning rotations of Totally Turning 2012 and to all of SHOWCASE 2012. Instant Gallery pieces brought by Totally Turning registrants will be a part of the Instant Gallery of Showcase and as

Dues are due!

See Al Moltz

Club Dues are \$35 for the year.

such will be viewed by about 4000 of the general public in addition to the woodturners of Totally Turning 2012.

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

## Facebook

CCW Facebook page:<http://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/152704714844052/>

As of Tues. March 13, there are 17 members with 9 added this month. This is a great forum, members are posting pictures of their pieces, other web sites that would be interesting, and question and answer posts. All members will find this site informative.

## Guild of New Hampshire Woodworkers

The Rotation is set for the May 5, 2012 Seventh New England Woodturning Symposium. Complete information on the symposium is available on their web site ([www.gnhw.org](http://www.gnhw.org)).

### Demo: Bill Grumbine

On Sat April 14, Bill Grumbine will be giving a demo. Information about Bill is available at his web site (<http://www.wonderfulwood.com/>). Bill's demo will be held at the Western Mass Woodturners club at the Woodcraft store at 31 Lowell St, West Springfield. A map is available on the WMW site. The demo will be held from 9-4. The price is \$20 per person.

### Demo: Malcolm Tibbets

On Sun. May 6 Malcolm Tibbets will be giving a demo. Information about Malcolm is available at his web site (<http://www.tahoeturner.com/>). This demo will be held at the CT Valley School of Woodworking. The demo will be held from 9-4 with \$5 charge for pizza.

## Wood of the Month

Bubinga (*Guibourtia demeusei*)

**Grows:** Central & West Central tropical Africa

**Health risks:** Dermatitis & skin lesions

**Description:** The heartwood is a medium red brown, with a lighter red to purple veining. The sapwood is usually grayish white. Typically the grain is straight with distinctive annual rings. Fine pores of reddish gum can be found throughout the

wood. Texture is coarse & open, but consistent

**Properties:** Works well with both hand & machine tools. Can cause moderate to severe blunting on tools due to the silica content. Pre-boring is required. Gluing can be troublesome due to the gum pockets. Can be polished to a high gloss.

**Typical Uses:** It can be sliced for decorative veneers for paneling & cabinets. Also used for flooring,

workbenches and tool handles

**Additional Information:** Also known as African rosewood, akume, kevasingo, essingang, buvenga, ovang, waka & okwen.



# Point Tool

## Buster Shaw and Jim Kephart

The evening started with a mini clinic given by **Buster Shaw**. Buster demonstrated the uses of the point tool.

This tool can be use as a skew when used on its edge. Because of its shape it may be easier for turners before they take on the skew.

Turning the tool another way it can be use to clean up spindle ends. It also can be used for making beads and decorative details.

Buster also demonstrated how these simple tools are made using a piece of 3/8" M3 steel rod.

Mark three evenly space dots around the perimeter of the shaft end and a dot in the center.

Let us go to the grinder. Set your grinding table to about 150 degrees and with the two of the points parallel to the ground, i.e. the surface of the wheel, grind to center. You now have one mark opposite a flat. The edges of the flat are your other two marks.

Repeat the grinding with each of the remaining sides to give a tool with a center point and three cutting edges. The web site contains different techniques.

[http://www.cnew.org/tips\\_techniques/using\\_a\\_3\\_point\\_tool.pdf](http://www.cnew.org/tips_techniques/using_a_3_point_tool.pdf)

**Jim Kephart** continued with the presentation by making a handle for the new tool.

Jim built a jig for cutting the brass ferrules. J

im used c1" pipe & cut the pieces 7/8"long of "M" copper pipe.

A 3/5" hole is drilled in the end of the 1 7/8" x 15" maple blank to accept the steel.

The wood is then mounted between centers. Using a spindle roughing gouge Jim rounded the blank. Once round, Jim uses a parting tool to turn down one end to accept the ferrule. Use calipers for exact sizing.

Then Jim banged the ferrule onto the end. Jim marked where the handle grip area would be and the 'end' of the tool. Sand, add any decorations or color to the handle. Part off and sand the end smooth. Insert the steel into the tool. It can be glued in with CA glue or epoxy.

# Show & Yell

CCW would like to encourage all members to bring a piece to Show and Yell. You do not need to be an experienced turner to display.

George has received a number of gift certificates to Craft Supply. Each month one of the exhibitors will be picked to win a gift certificate.



## Feb Exhibitors

Jim, Lynda, Albert,  
Rick, Eric, Butch,  
Ken, George, Joe





**Woodturning Fundamentals provides a source for basic skills and techniques.**

**The mission of Woodturning Fundamentals is to provide a source for basic skills and techniques. We will be adding information in the months the *American Woodturner* journal is not published.**

**Our purpose is to:**

- Encourage and assist members of the woodturning community in the development of their skills.
- Provide a source for starting and developing woodturning skills.
- Provide reference for equipment.

**Provide woodturning safety information.**

**Woodturning Fundamentals eNewsletter**

- Woodturning Fundamentals puts out an electronic newsletter every other month for members of the AAW who have registered to receive this resource. Our first addition of Woodturning Fundamentals will be issued January 2012. Archived copies of the Woodturning Fundamentals eNewsletter may be found in the member's area.



**WANTED...CUB REPORTERS!!!**

Looking for club members to take notes during the demos & write an article about the demo for the newsletter.

## Final Notes

### Essex Opportunity/Tulip Poplar.

Officials from Essex have contacted George re a Huge Tulip Poplar the was damaged over the winter. One very large branch fell. The Essex folks have told George that this tree is the 3rd largest in CT. George has been in discussions with the Essex folks on CCW acquiring this branch and will present some ideas to the club at the next meeting.

### For Sale:

Craftsman 12" Wood Lathe with Craftsman Heavy Duty Table

EXCELLENT CONDITION 1 HP motor, 37" between centers, 4-speed with drive belt, 6" & 12" tool rests, 9" bowl rest, 6 1/2" 4-jaw chuck, 4" & 6" face plates, Jacobs chuck, screw/cone/cup/and spur centers, pen mandrel \$450 call 207-698-1885

South Bend Lathe 12" swing x 36" \$200 \$300 with chuck

Another lathe approx same size \$200

Bill Sipple 860-345-3031

**ARTISAN AND CRAFT SHOW, HEBRON HARVEST FAIR, September 6-9, 2012.** CCW can return at the 2011 rate.

Last year's participants do not need to pay the Jury Fee. New participants will need to pay \$20.00 jury fee (for the group) and submit pictures or DVDs of your work by June 1. Jurying will be completed by June 8, and new participants will be notified by June 15. Eric Holmquist won an honorable mention (ribbon and \$75 cash prize) for a turned/pierced bowl in the Best of Show competition. **Register by the early application due date, April 1,** to insure your space needs can be met. Final application date is June 1.

For more exhibitor information, rules and applications check <http://www.hebronharvestfair.org/pages/JuriedArtsandCraftsShow.html>. If you have any questions, please talk to Carol Roffey or Arlene Snyder.



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~ 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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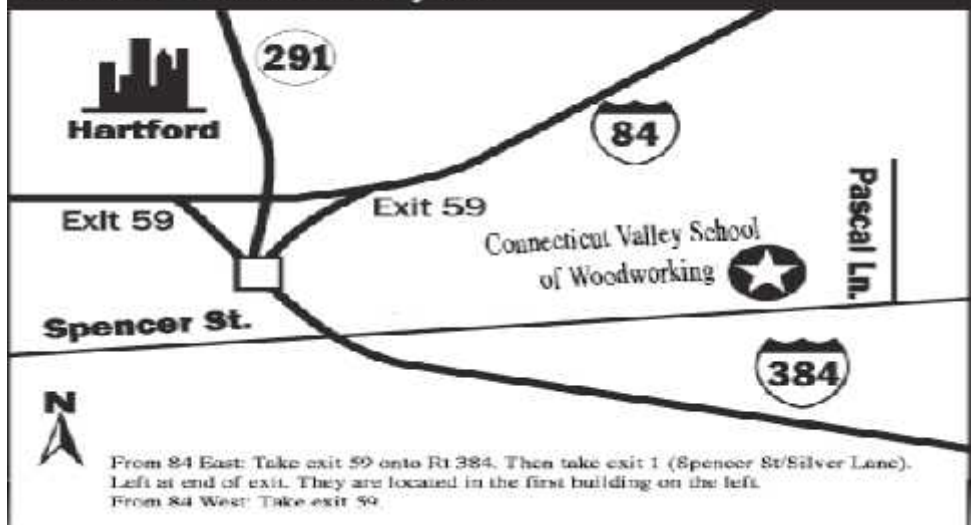
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