



Central Connecticut Woodturners

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

NEXT MEETING May 27th at PARKERVILLE WOOD PRODUCTS CO.

580 PARKER ST, MANCHESTER, CT

See data on Parkerville Wood Products on page 3

MEETING STARTING AT 6:30 PM

The monthly demo will be replaced by "DESIGN". See President's note below.

PRESIDENT'S NOTE

CCWoodturners.org website

At our meeting last month I received some great input regarding updating the website. Thank you to everyone that took the time to share their ideas. I am still digesting them. Next month I will provide an update on what I believe I heard.

May Meeting--DESIGN

For May we will be trying something different. Rick M. will lead us with a discussion on design. It will be in place of "Show and Yell" and "Mentor Me". I will ask that each of us who attend bring two pieces. One emphasizing a design they feel good about, and a second piece that you are not as happy with. Do not disclose which piece you are happiest with.

We know we all learn from practice. Practice pieces are not perfect. We took a risk and didn't quit reach the bulls eye.

These practice pieces become part of our "tool" box. They teach us what we want to avoid. Please take a risk. Open that "tool" box to the club! Share with us the things you aren't proud of. Share with us what you have learned from it. Help us expand our "tool" box through your successful and not successful moment.

George Upton, CCW President

UPCOMING EVENTS.....

MAY 25

Open Shop at Jim Kephart's.....Please call Jim to confirm that you will attend.....860-643-9431

If you need advice and/or help with turning, this is the place to be.

See map on last page. Photos below of the April 27 at Jim's Open Shop.



JUNE 13-15.....AAW National Symposium, Phoenix, AZ www.woodturner.org

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UPCOMING EVENTS continued

JUNE 14

“Arts and Crafts” at The Lebanon Historical Society (Across for the Lebanon Town Green)

Our VP, Butch Watson, is asking CCW members to participate in this event.

Butch would like members to bring their lathes and to turn pen and other art.

For more info, you may contact Butch at 860-334-8284

JUNE 20-22

The Mohegan Sun is having a BBQ Festival. They are offering the CCW a 10 x 10 booth for three days to sell turned art. The cost for the booth is \$150. The Sun has been asked if the CCW could be provided a booth for free for CCW demos. Interested—contact George Upton

AUGUST 16

CCW's annual road trip to Bad Dog Burls in Belcherville, MA. If interested, please sign up at the club meetings. Car pools will be formed for this adventure.

More details at the club meetings.

April Demo by Rick Meier Natural Edge Bowl

Rick gave an excellent demo. After watching his demo and applying Rick's turning methods. A novice woodturner could successfully turn a natural edge bowl.

Rick demonstrated :

How to properly mount a bowl blank to give the natural edge a balance

How to turn and finish the outside

How to remount the piece so that the inside could be turned

How to turn the inside while preserving the natural edge

How to remount the bowl again so that the bottom could be finished



Rick



Setup



Turning outside



Turning inside

DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE TO CCW MEMBERS

WOODCRAFT---At least 10% on most items on meeting nights at The Manchester Woodcraft

KLINGSPOR'S WOODWORKING SHOP---At least 10%

Klingspor web www.woodworkingshop.com Phone 1-828-327-7263

MY BEST NEW TOOL by Scott Duncan

My best new tool is....wait for it....a microwave. Rather than waiting for green wood to dry naturally, I've been taking my rough turned and finish turned bowls to the microwave oven. The thicker bowls I zap for a few minutes at a time and check the moisture level and weight. When the bowl cools down, I weigh the bowl and compare it to the previous weight. When the bowl stops losing weight, the process is done. I shoot for 8% moisture content. Thin and finish turned bowls take only a few minutes to dry. I was told by artist/woodturner Binh Pho that the microwave process dries the bowls from the inside out, thus the absence of cracking.

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Excellent work of the members of Central Connecticut Woodturners



PEPPERMILLS

Three CCW members were given kits to make peppermills at the February meeting. The rest of the other club members are anxiously awaiting to see the fine work of these turners at the May meeting.

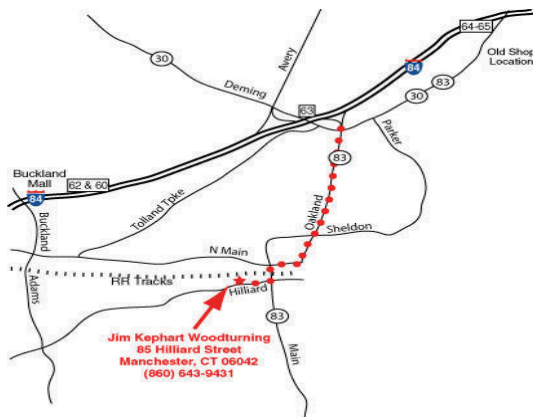
THE PARKERVILL PRODUCTS CO. DATA (from page 1—next meeting)

Parkerville offers domestic and exotic wood for sale as wood finishing product. Arrive at the meeting early to shop. Their web site is www.parkervillewoodproducts.co Their phone # 1-860-649-9663 NOTE: Your GPS may not get you directly to Parkerville Products Co. Notice on the map the split in Parker Street.



Parkerville Wood Products
580 Parker St, Manchester, CT 06042
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Jim Kephart's Shop

From I-84 Eastbound:

- Take Exit 63
- At end of ramp, go Straight (Rt 83)
- Turn Right onto North Main
- At next light, turn Left onto Main
- At next light, turn Right onto Hilliard
- 85 Hilliard is the building just after the Time Machine hobby shop.
- Jim's shop is on the second floor.

From I-84 Westbound:

- Take Exit 63
- At end of ramp, go Right (Rt 30)