



Established 1987

First Woodturning Club in New England

Next Meeting
October 1, 2015
5:30 PM

Learn & Turn
Joe McGill
Skew Chisel
Demo
Reid Gilmore

President's Message



In September Mike, Richard, Steve and the two Larrys did a demo in Fitchburg and, as I write this, Reid and Mike are planning another demonstration at a place I cannot remember. Dominic donated 6 bookcases to the Church and Todd spent a Sunday morning building and installing shelving for them. Mike, Mickey, Rick, Reid, Todd, and Richard manned the Turning Extravaganza. Art takes minutes at every meeting and produces a great newsletter every month. Michael lugs the club library back and forth to meetings and oversees rentals, while Kevin keeps us well supplied at the club store. Ben arrives at each meeting at 4:30 to open the room and set up the Learn and Turn. Notice anything familiar? Month in and month out it is the same group of folks who work to keep the club going.

Steve's request for folks to man another demonstration at Aubuchon Hardware in Fitchburg fell on deaf ears. That was disheartening. While I applaud the hard work of all the folks who contribute to the efforts of the club, I am left to wonder why others sit quietly. It does not take much, just a little time, but the rewards are great. By actively participating in the club activities I have gained friendships that I could not have imagined otherwise and, I've had a good time, every time. In the next months try to give two hours of your time to the club. Sign up to do a demonstration, help out at the Arnold Arboretum event, welcome someone into your shop for some mentoring or the Open Shops this coming winter. I guarantee you that if you give a little you will get a lot in return. Stay well, *Joe*

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Minutes September 10, 2015 Meeting

Art Bodwell, Secretary

- Approximate attendance 35
- Short business meeting due to outside demonstrator
- Todd provided latest financial report—balance end of August \$5326.92
- Steve Reznek reported 5 members demonstrated at Aubuchon Hardware and 5 new members signed up.
- Steve will do the November demo—Tulips
- Jerry Sambrook—Mike Mahoney confirmed for April 2016. Offered Jimmey Clewes for September 2016. CNEW will discuss and decide at the October meeting. Jerry announced after next year he will no longer be lining up outside demonstrators.
- Meeting demonstration by Joe Ruminski

Month	Learn N Turn	Demonstration
October	Joe McGill - skew	Reid Gilmore—TBA
November	Mike Smith - TBA	Steve Reznek—Tulips
December	Christmas Party	Turning Extravaganza

What would you like to see in the newsletter?

Anyone with ideas or suggestions as to what you would like to see in the newsletter, let me know. I will try to accommodate.



If you have something to contribute- a tool, book or dvd review, technique, jig, wood, tool or accessory source, suggestions for improvement-anything, send it to me, I will get it in as soon as possible.

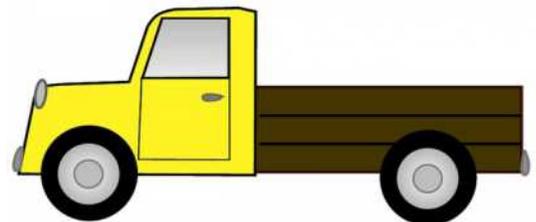
The more member involvement-the better the newsletter

HE WHO HESITATES

During the summer of 2014 a storm took down a large maple tree in my neighborhood. It was not a clean fall and had all of the characteristics of “widow maker” so I left it alone, driving past it regularly while trying to figure how to get it completely on the ground without killing myself. About a month ago I thought my hopes were answered, someone took it to the ground and took some wood but there was a lot left. The first time I went to harvest some wood I only took a 12” diameter branch about 8 feet long. The next day I went at it with gusto.



The house where the tree was located is only about 10 years old and is probably valued at seven figures. However, for the past few years the lawn has gone to seed and the shades have been drawn. Imagine my surprise when I heard someone calling to me from a third floor window. Embarrassed, I quickly apologized to the woman (who bore a striking resemblance to Bette Davis in “Whatever Happened to Baby Jane”). She assured me that it was perfectly all right for me to take as much wood as I wanted and asked if I would be so kind as to cut up and remove a pine tree that the maple had taken down with it. I gladly performed this task for “Bette” and left with some, but by far not all, of the maple. It was too hot and humid and I was soaked to the bone. I resolved to return the next morning to tackle the remaining 15’ of the trunk (about 20” in diameter). The next morning I left the house at 9:00 AM. Imagine my disappointment to find that all of it was gone. I had lusted after that tree for about a year and when I finally had the chance to go at it I did not take full advantage of my opportunity. Never again!



Joe McGill

The Gift Turning Studio

Art work by **Joe Ruminski**



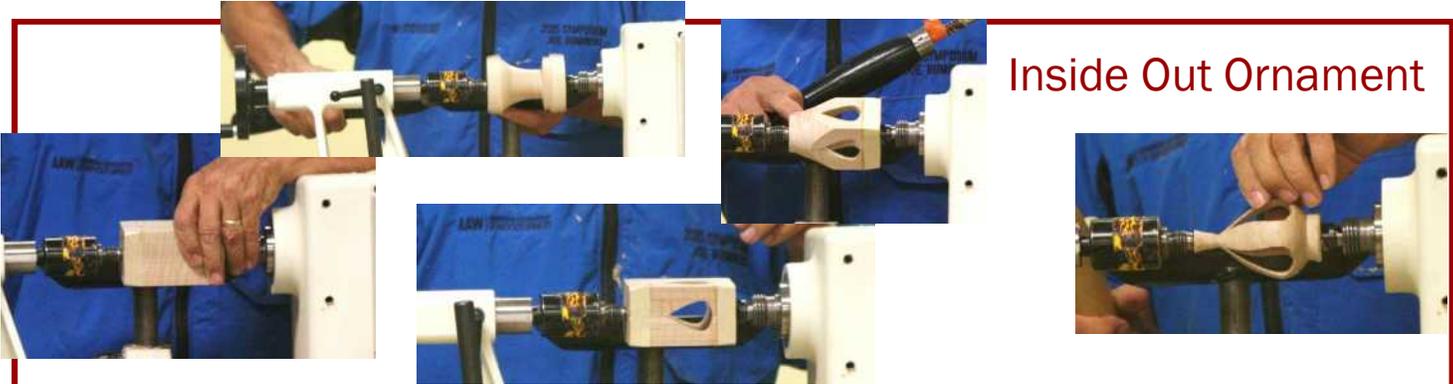
Joe gave a very interesting and rapidly moving demonstration of several small projects that showcased various turning techniques and produced several usable small items that challenged the imagination to



create other items with the lessons learned



Inside Out Ornament



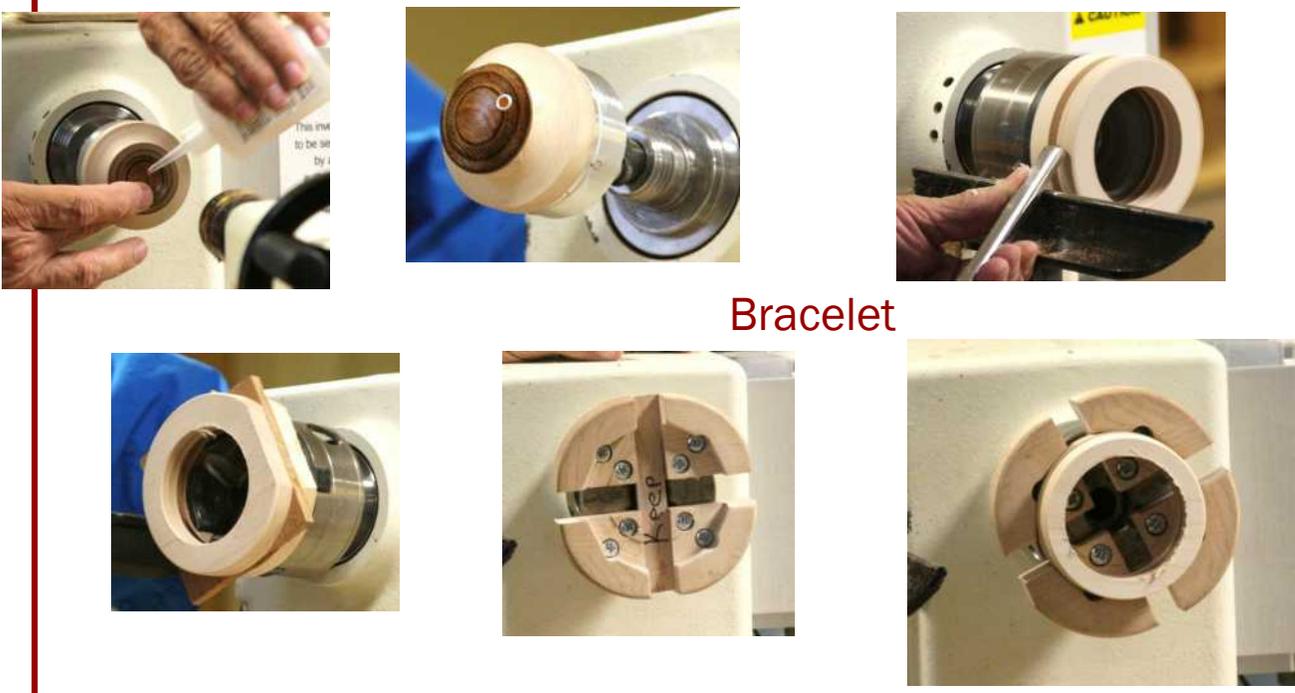
Off Center Bowl



Necklace



Bracelet



Show - No Tell



CNEW Demos and recruits at BridgeFest



Turning Wood: The Art of the Woodturner

Location: Hunnewell Building : The Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University

An Exhibition by the Association of Revolutionary Turners (ART), Central New England Woodturners, and Massachusetts South Shore Woodturners

October 24-October 25, 2015

Opening Reception: Friday, October 23, 5:00-7:00pm

Select work will also be on display in the Hunnewell Visitor Center, Oct 9-Nov 8

Woodturning: the art or process of fashioning wood into various forms and shapes by means of a lathe.

Woodturning has a long history, going back to 1300 BC Egypt. Unique in relation to most woodworking due to its use of a lathe, woodturners turn out practical, functional pieces or “turn” to the purely aesthetic. Each craftsman brings their own personal artistic vision to the objects they create, and the pieces in maple, cherry, and other wood from far and near (look for work turned from Arnold Arboretum deaccessioned trees) offer a unique look at the “personality” within the wood itself. The three woodturning associations that have come together for this very special Arnold Arboretum exhibition will bring their own creativity and technical expertise, displaying unique pieces for utilitarian use and aesthetic enjoyment. Join us as members demonstrate their skill working the lathe throughout the weekend.

Central New England Woodturners

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners



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Annual dues: \$40 including e-mail delivery of newsletter

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____

State: _____ & Zip: _____

e-Mail: _____

Please check appropriately below

New Member

Returning Member

e-Mail Newsletter (\$40.00)

Please let us know of your interests:

How long have you been turning? _____

What programs would you like to see at meetings? _____

Would you like to demonstrate at a meeting? Yes/No If so, what topics do you offer? _____
