



Established 1987

First Woodturning Club in New England, AAW #26

Next Meeting

October 4, 2018, 6:30  
PM

Learn N Turn

Finishing pens

Demonstration

***President's Message September, 2018***

*Reid Gilmore, Upton MA*



I would like to thank everyone in the club who has volunteered to help out with the Arnold Arboretum Exhibit this weekend as a demonstrator or as an indoor information/booth person.

The Arnold Arboretum has supplied our club with some interesting wood that you just won't find growing in the forests of Massachusetts. It is only fitting that the club participates in the Woodturning exhibit every fall. Hopefully the weather will be good this weekend and there is a good attendance by the public.

Next month we will be having the election of officers for the upcoming year. Most of the officer's jobs are not time consuming, and the work you will do as a club officers keeps the club going. I haven't talked to the other officers yet, so I don't know how many of the CNEW officers need to be replaced for next year.

The other upcoming events we will need to plan for is the Turning Extravaganza and Holiday Pot luck and gift swap.

Keep Turning,

*Reid*

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**CNEW MENTORS**

Below is a list of members willing to spend time with other members to promote education and skill building by sharing their knowledge. Anyone interested in being "mentored" by a more advanced or seasoned turner please contact on of the members below:

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### **Minutes September, 2018 Meeting, Frank White, West Brookfield, Secretary**

President Reid Gilmore called meeting to order at 6:30 PM; about 35 members and 1 guest, Peter Swanson of Leicester, present.

Large selection of wood from the Arboretum for the free wood swap as well as dimension lumber from Charlie for Free Wheelchair Mission.

Internal VP, Ben Cline, reported that since Rick Angus was unavailable for tonight's demo, Dave Eaton graciously agreed to stand in and make a bud vase. Demonstrator needed for October meeting; Steve Reznick is scheduled for November, and December meeting will feature the "extravaganza" and holiday party.

Kevin has the sanding devices demonstrated by Ben & Rick at the last meeting available in the store. He also asked members to try to bring exact change for purchases so he won't have to make change.

Bob Pacini reported \$4013 in savings account.

Richard Hunt announced that Steve Mittleman would do finishing techniques for the October Learn-N-Turn. Howard Shpiegel showed finishing pens with CA glue at tonight's L-N-T.

Old Business: The large Jet lathe has been fitted with retractable wheels for just \$96 plus wood from the Free Wheelchair Mission, and donated labor from members. They do need to be removed when the lathe is stored because the weight of the lathe exceeds the rating of the castors.

Arboretum Show takes place October 5-7 and people are needed for selling and for the outdoor demos.; sign-up sheet for demonstrators was circulated. Any juried pieces for the Arboretum show that have not yet been passed along to Reid will have to be delivered to the Arboretum by their maker.

A large hook tool that belonged to CNEW charter member Bill Frost, who recently passed away, and made by Andre Martel is being offered for sale at \$60.

Videos of demonstrations from the NH Woodturning Symposium at Pinkerton Academy last spring are available from Granite State Woodturners' library.

Woodturners' Paradise in Arizona is offering a 10% discount on the first purchase and a 5% discount for CNEW members—10% if club gives them our email list. No current interest to do so.

New Business: Joe McGill proposed reviving the effort to try to find a dedicated meeting place for the club. He and Steve will check around to see if any cities or towns have available space, and he, Joe, will try to find out from the AAW which clubs have dedicated spaces in order to query them about details. Club moved to form a sub-committee to explore this issue. Marty Goulet and Greg Carrel agreed to serve with Joe and Steve.

Todd Heino reminded us that the club is again eligible after 3 years to apply for an AAW grant.

Reid said that the club will again take a booth at the Worcester Center for Crafts Show scheduled for November 23-25 and encouraged members to participate.

Member Ken Ledeen, also ART president, has been elected to the AAW Board of Directors.

Charlie Croteau has a video clip of the Free Wheelchair Mission July 2018 benefit auction in San Francisco which raised \$1.6 million. Stunning venue in California.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank White, Secretary

*As the world turns "Show'n tell"*



New at the CNEW Store

Kevin can order CBN wheels—these remove less metal during sharpening and provide a much better edge. Kevin Nee says “I purchased two, 80 grit & 180 grit ,, [and] have been happy with these wheels...Kevin also wishes to THANK all the Members for bringing exact change for CNEW Store purchases.

He ended up with over 50 one dollar bills at the end of the night, plus of course the normal \$5 \$10 & \$20 dollar bills.

Wood Swap at Meetings

Remember to bring a few dollars for Wood Swap on Thursday! Mike Smith is away this week, I will be running the wood raffle for him. We have some nice maple, box elder, Cherry, some wood I can not ID, and some dimensional lumber. If you plan on donating some wood to the raffle could you please email me the type and the number of pieces.

Thank you

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CNEW STORE PRICE LIST

CA Glue \$5.50  
(all thicknesses)

Accelerator

Small pump \$5.50  
Large Pump \$8.00  
6 oz Aerosol \$12.00  
Pen Kits \$5.00

Bushings \$4.00

Anchor Seal \$10.00/gallon

Sanding Disc

All grits, 2 and 3 inches 10 for \$2.00

Sanding Pad Holder

2 inch \$4.00  
3 inch \$5.00

Sanding Repair Kit

2 & 3 Inch \$1.00

Sanding Pad Cushion

2 & 3 100 NCH \$2.00

Bees Wax \$1.00

Mason Jar of Brass \$5.00

Save the Dates

October 5-7, 2018, **Arnold Arboretum Woodturning Show**, Boston, Arnold Arboretum

October 12-14, 2018, **Gateway to Segmenting**, St. Louis MO.  
[segmentedwoodturners.org/home/symposium/symposium-overview/](http://segmentedwoodturners.org/home/symposium/symposium-overview/)

## In Memorial

William, Bill, Pepperrell Frost Jr. of Wilmington, Massachusetts, and Fryeburg, Maine, died on August 7, 2018. He was born on August 9, 1926. In 1955 he moved from New Jersey to Massachusetts.

He began woodturning as a hobby in 1950 when he was recovering from a car accident. In 1989 he was one of the founding members of our Central New England Woodturners chapter of The American Association of Woodturners. He was a member of charter member of two other chapters - the Granite State and the Mount Washington Valley. He also joined the League of New Hampshire Craftsmen and the Guild of New Hampshire Woodturners. One of his bowls is on permanent display at the Guild.

Early in his career, he was happily surprised to see one of his bowls featured in an advertisement placed by the prestigious Georg Jensen Gallery in the New Yorker magazine. He was active in The Robert Frost House in Derry, New Hampshire, and one of his pieces is on permanent display there.

Bill Frost was one of the pioneers of our craft. He will be missed.



## Sap Defects in Cherry - Catch City

The bowl shown above is from a cherry crotch. (The rim in tiger maple.) If you have worked with wild cherry, you know that you often get black lines highlighting the grain structure. The B arrow points to a typical one. The lines can add interesting features. Occasionally the black feature is larger than a line. In this case there was a three dimensional glob, about 3/8" in diameter, that was located just above the spot marked A.

You can sometimes see fairly large blobs of hardening sap on the bark of wild cherry trees. And I guess that the black features are sap that fills openings in the wood and then hardens. Perhaps the sap fills openings in the annual grain structure that occur when the trunk or branch is stressed. Or the sap might fill the void left from a small branch that starts but does not develop. This crotch certainly had a number of dark lines as well as a number of globs. Most of the globs were considerably smaller than the one at A.

The two halves of the crotch sat in my basement for quite a long time and were fairly dry when I started to turn them. As I turned down into the wood I had a major catch. I carefully sharpened, turned up the speed and tried again -- another large catch. I switched from a gouge to a large scraper -- a smaller but large enough catch. (Too bad I did not take a picture of the catch, but at the time I didn't stop to think I would write all this up.) What was happening was that hitting the void that was filled with the black stuff produced the catch. Apparently the wood surrounding the black stuff is quite soft and breaks away appearing to be a catch. So what I did was dig out the black glob with a knife and fill the hole with a mixture of fine saw dust and epoxy. I could then turn down through and eliminate the defect without any problem.

The bottom line -- the dark features that often occur in wild cherry can add interest. But if they are large enough they can give you trouble turning. If they do dig them out, fill the hole and continue turning.

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A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners



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**Membership**

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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? \_\_\_\_\_

Please check appropriately below

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e-Mail Newsletter (\$40.00)