

Central Connecticut Woodturners

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturning

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Presidents Message:

I recently received an email from Lynn Castelli (Mike South's wife) regarding a fundraiser that the Windham Hospital Ladies Auxiliary is holding. The proceeds for this fundraiser, called "Bountiful Bowls", goes towards paying for complementary health treatments (like massage & acupuncture) for oncology and cardiac patients; which usually is not be covered under most health plans.

Last year's "Bountiful Bowls" had area potters donating bowls and were filled with hand made soaps. This year they would like to extend their offering by selling wooden salad bowls (filled with salad, of course).

The fundraiser is on April 22^{nd} so all bowls would have to delivered by April 21^{st} . At the meeting I will have more details regarding the "drop-off" location(s).

March Meeting: Tuesday, <u>March 25th, 2008</u> @ Connecticut Valley School of Woodworking 7 to 9 pm See VP report for details

Future Dates

April 22nd - Jim Kepharts May 18th - Willimantic June 24th - CVSW July TBD - picnic August - no meeting

Central Connecticut Woodturners Meeting minutes for February 26, 2008

The February meeting of the Central Connecticut Woodturners was held at woodshops of Bolton Woodturning and Turning 70. President Lynda Zibbideo called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

President Report: Lynda Zibbideo

- Lynda welcomed guests.
- Reported that Kenny Dubay declined our offer of reimbursement from the "Big E" issue, and thanked Kenny for his charity.
- Asked Tom Stevenson to update the members on the status of our video needs.
- We still need a Librarian, anyone interested?
- Request from the club on Cape Cod for a demonstrator for a regular meeting and for their summer meeting for a full day.

Vice President Report: Rick Meier

• March meeting will be at the Connecticut Valley School of Woodworking located at the Manchester Woodcraft on the 25th The demo for March will be Carey Anderson and

wood burning/texturing techniques. The demo for April will be on turning a sphere by Jim Kephart in preparation for the summer challenge.

- Rick also had some hand outs for the challenge that cover such little details as materials, dimensions, etc. See Rick for details.
- Rick also spoke about the up coming AAW convention in Richmond (June 20-22) and encourages our members to attend.

Treasurer's Report: Alan Moltz

• Dues for 2008 will still be \$35. *Please pay as soon as possible.* No newsletter after March for unpaid dues.

 This is the CCW Treasure's Report for Jan. 08 to Feb 08 Income:

Beginning balance Dues Total Income:	\$ 761.78 \$ 910.00 <u>\$ 910.00</u>
Expenses:	
Newsletter	\$ 80.13
Postage	\$ 8.20
Tool of the month (finish)	\$ 14.30
Bank fees	\$ 6.50
Total Expenses:	<u>\$ 109.13</u>
Amount in Checking Acct as of 2/26/2008	\$ 1,562.25
Amount in Savings Acct as of 1/15/2008	\$ 1,000.64

Secretary's Report: Chris Zibbideo

• January minutes were published in the February newsletter. Newsletter: Dick Rybak

• No report.

Librarian: Dayton Stimson

• Vacant.

Miscellaneous Business:

- Lynda informed the membership about a wood turner's cruise. See Lynda for details.
- Corey Anderson made a brief presentation to the membership to revive the "Mini Clinic" prior to each meeting held at CVSW. He will begin the clinics with the March meeting. He also was approached by the Brookfield Art Center to see how many of our members would be interested in a class with Richard Raffan after the AAW convention.

- Mike South had a pile of cards for Parkerville Wood Products in Manchester. They carry a selection of hardwoods and some exotic burls. He also will sell cut offs from his shop at discount. Check it out.
- Show & Yell
 - Al Moltz Box Elder bowl on a multi axis pedestal.
 - Ken Guarneri spalted pine bowl, large Box Elder bowl, natural edge conic bowl.
 - Mike Murray Maple Urn, violet w/gold leaf; a turquoise/copper leaf vase w/ebony neck and a small urn.
 - Albert D'antonio Spanish Cedar sculpture.
 - Rick Meier Cocina burl.
 - Ken Rowe eggs (maple, mara, and cedar), ambrosia maple bowl.
 - Rich Gosline Cherry burl cup.

Demos and round table discussions of finishing techniques and various finishes. Discussions varied from the various wipe ons to to Mike South's HVLP spray ons. Thanks to our demonstrators and participants, nice job!

Respectfully submitted, Chris Zibbideo. Secretary.

Tool of the Month, by Lynda and Chris Zibbideo

For the tool of the month this month we are reviewing Salad Bowl Finish. We have never tried "Salad Bowl Finish" before, because we've never turned a salad bowl. We chose the General Finishes Salad Bowl Finish, available at Woodcraft, and likely just about everywhere else. This is a wipe on finish that requires light sanding between coats. Yes, coats, three or more are required to get the nice shiny finish it is capable of producing. I have to say that this worked out very nicely. We gathered together a few of our unfinished projects and over the course of a few nights applied a light coat to each with a clean cotton cloth (old t-shirts), lightly sanded between coats by hand with the recommended 400 grit and or 0000 steel wool and used a tack clothe to remove any leftover dust residue. This did produce a nice glossy finish that is renewable, should you wear the stuff off while eating from your projects. You can also apply the finish while the piece is still on the lathe. We will bring the bowls to the next Show and Yell for inspection. A quart cost \$14.99, minus the club discount.



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