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Minutes of the June 20, 2013 meeting

Wayne opened the meeting with about 20 people present



Wayne announced that we need to buy more pen kits – motion was made to authorize buying another 50 kits. Keeseh Studio has made available two Saturday dates for our use in making pen for our military, and they are July 13th and 20th. An email will be sent to the club asking for their availability.

So far only Bill Smith has shown a bowl made from the John Brown wood. Bill also made some photo books of the turning process. Not much is known of anyone else's progress.

In memory of the passing of Ernie Grimes on May 10, MSSW will do 3-4 minutes of members telling stories about Ernie. Wayne suggested that we put some material up on our web site about Ernie Grimes, Rick Souza, and Larry Dunklee.

Rick had no insurance and left behind some debts. His wife plans to sell his tools, (turning, carving, lathes, etc.) after letting the company he worked for have first pick. Rick had 110 turning tools and at least 50 carving tools.

Wayne will organize collecting the wood Rick had stored in garage in a couple of weeks which will be donated to club A list of items for sale will probably be posted on our web site when available?

Asher Dunn has a wood cutoff sale set for this weekend,

Wayne reported that he has not heard back from Hartville about a club discount and will look into the problem.

Barry Gross (pen maker) is willing to do a demo on fancy pen turning for \$200 and has purchased Arizona Pen supply company.

The club voted to participate at the Pawcatuck Slater Park craft show - Sept 20&21. Mike Murray will follow up.

Mike Murray said that the Central CT club is hosting Jimmy Clewes on Aug 17 for a demo day – cost is \$20 and includes lunch. Demo is probably in Manchester CT.

Wayne is trying to organize a few people to take a trip to David Ellsworth for training. Wayne mentioned two professional turners (Mike Mahoney and Bill Grumbine) who seemed to have dropped teaching.

A demonstration for Demo for the July meeting is still in the planning stages.

Carousel project – since no one has definite plans to go to Phoenix in June 2014 for the AAW Symposium (&which is Father's day) the club is undecided about participating in the AAW Chapter Competition. However the club did decide it is interested in a club project that as many members as possible can participate in. Angelo will visit the Crescent Park Loeff Carousel in East Providence to get some pictures, and may draw up plans later. Several people signed up as interested participants.

Angelo Iafrate suggested a work party to visit Bob O'Connor – help clean up workshop, cut trees, and make some turning blanks for Bob and the club. Bob has a forklift that could load cutup tree's into members trucks. Jeff Mee has a chainsaw and will participate. The work party is scheduled for Sunday July 21 starting at 9 AM.

Woodcraft in Walpole is honoring club member cards for discounts but the store want's an up to date membership list.

Gene suggested that the club spend a meeting devoted to jigs the members have made to simplify work. Fine Woodworking has some good books out on jigs. There are also video's available.....

Bob Hopkins treasury report - *Dues - \$25 for members (read newsletter on website), \$30 for members who get their newsletter by way of the post office. Mail your dues to: Bob Hopkins, 48 Tilbury Dr, Bristol, RI 02809*

Gail displayed several DVD's that we have in our library on the subject of hollowing vessels.

Demonstration **Nigel Howe – turning large vessels**

Nigel Howe brought in a few of the large vessels that he likes to turn.



Starting with a freshly(?) cut tree trunk, he mounts a section on a faceplate, moves the blank onto his Vega lathe using a chain hoist to support the weight. He starts with shaping the first third on the outside and then hollowing it before moving on to the next section. Doing the shaping in sections makes it harder to get the final

shape just right. He leaves the bark on as long as practical to slow the drying/checking of the blank. When he is done with the shaping and hollowing he will flood the bottom with thin CA glue to try to prevent/minimize checking around the pith.

Nigel showed the large tools and calipers he has made to ease the turning. His biggest hollowing tool seems to be a 6 foot long of 2" square steel tubing with the ends modified to accept "standard" gouges and hollowing tools. He recommends the Rolly Munro articulated hollowing tool (<http://www.rollymunro.co.nz/>) above all others. { http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c_xhE9dxavo is a link to 3 minute Youtube video put out by Axminister on the features of the Rolly Munro tool which is carried by many woodturning tool suppliers such as Packard - http://www.packardwoodworks.com/Merchant2/merchant.mvc?Screen=CTGY&Store_Code=packard&Category_Code=tools-munr }

After explaining the process he uses, Nigel set up his large hollowing tool with a Munro hollower mounted, and showed how it worked hollowing a small blank on the club's Mini lathe. He asked for volunteers and Gil Blais tried his hand at using the setup.



Munro tool as pictured in Packard catalog



Large hollowing tool



Support for hollowing tool



Gil Blais using the hollowing rig.

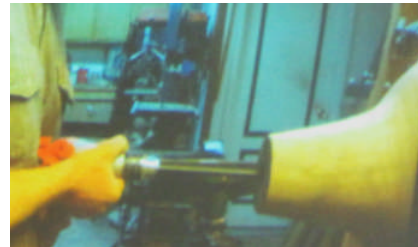
He ended his demonstration with a 9 minute "speeded up" video he made of hollowing one of the vessels he brought to the meeting.



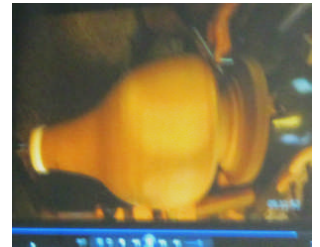
Faceplate mounted blank is supported by a chain hoist while it is secured onto the headstock



Shaping is done in stages



Hollowing started



The vessel is parted off its faceplate and is supported at the tailstock end

Show and Tell

Bill Smith brought in a photo book documenting the process of turning a chunk of the John Brown wood into a bowl



John Chakuroff brought in a dozen pens he made which went to Gene Amaral

Bernie returned 3 unassembled pen kits.

Next Month Meeting -7 PM, Thursday, July 18, 2013

Demonstration to be announced later

Coming events

Central CT club is hosting Jimmy Clewes on Aug 17 for a demo day – cost is \$20 and includes lunch. Demo is probably in Manchester CT.

At the Fuller Craft Museum

**Across the Grain: Turned and Carved Wood (April 7, 2013 - September 15, 2013) Opening Reception:
Sunday, May 19, 2013, 1:00 - 4:00 pm**

Fuller Craft Museum is excited to present an exhibition of wood art that reveals the scope of its Permanent Collection (with 49 turned, carved, assembled, and repurposed pieces) as well as another 66 pieces selected from friends of Fuller Craft Museum (15 lenders in eight states: Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Illinois, Maryland, North Carolina, Kentucky). The exhibition includes the first wood object acquisition Totem#2, a 1963 sculpture by Varujan Boghosian, given the year after the Museum's modernist building was opened in 1969. The most recent wood acquisition, Jamie Russell's Hobbit's Chamber Pot, prods the imagination and blurs the imaginary distinction between utilitarian function and form; craft is art.

A Conversation with Silas Kopf **Sunday, October 6, 2013, 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm** Join us for a talk with furniture maker Silas Kopf "Marquetry: Does an old European craft have any relevance for 21st century American furniture?" Kopf is the acknowledged American master of marquetry. Members Free, Nonmembers \$20

Made in Massachusetts: Studio Furniture of the Bay State **October 12, 2013 - February 9, 2014**

Opening Reception Sunday, October 20, 1:00 – 5:00 pm, with a talk by Professor Brock Jobe, Winterthur Museum

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