

The Nutmeg

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NEXT MEETING

Monday, November 9, 2009

PROGRAM: Carving Thin Walled Vessels
by Jim Degen

Brookfield Craft Center
Route 25, Brookfield, CT

6 TO 7 PM – Informal Gathering, Library Open

7:00 PM – Club Business

7:30 PM – Program

CHALLENGE: Bring in a musical turning

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There are a number of activities planned for the upcoming year, here's an overview of these events:

NOVEMBER MEETING DEMO - *Carving Thin Walled Vessels* by Jim Degen. Jim will be demonstrating how to turn thin walled vessels and then carve the surface. He will also have material on hand so you can try it out.

DECEMBER LEARN AND TURN - will be at the Craft Center on December 12th and 13th. We will be turning bowls for *Bowl Fest*.

JANUARY MEETING DEMO - *Mounting and Turning Platters* by Buster Shaw. The Club will have platter material on hand to sell to members. All members that bring in a completed platter to the February meeting will receive some money back. The price of material and amount of the refund TBD.

FEBRUARY LEARN AND TURN - at Jay Hockenberry's on turning platters, Feb. 13th.

MARCH MEETING DEMO - *Remounting Bowls to Finish* by Jay Hockenberry, Jim Degen and Buster Shaw.

APRIL LEARN AND TURN - *Remounting Bowls to Finish* on Apr. 10th. We still need a location.

MAY MEETING DEMO – to be determined.

Learn and Turn At Peter Marshall's

A big thanks to Peter for hosting the event. I understand it was great. I want to take this opportunity to thank Peter for all he has done for the club. Peter and his wife Pat are headed out west. We will miss him.

Peter's departure as *Learn and Turn* coordinator leaves a big hole that needs to be filled. Would someone please step up as replacement?

2010 DUES - Collection of the 2010 dues will begin at the November meeting. Please see Alan Nemetz.

AAW Hartford Symposium 2010

Planning for the Symposium is under way. I have already attended a few meeting and things are moving along. Information is on the AAW web

site at www.woodturner.org. There are some openings for volunteers to help and I will explain more during the Nov. meeting. Please remember that you **must be an AAW member** to attend.

Nutmeg Woodturners 20th Anniversary Reception and Exhibition

The exhibition is over and we did well when you consider the economy. Some turnings have been transferred to the Ironwood Gallery in Ridgefield. Richard Herrmann and Betsy Halliday from the Craft Center own the gallery. They are featuring our work through the end of November.

Please bring in something for the raffle and don't forget about the *Show & Tell*

Keep a sharp edge!

Buster

COMING EVENTS

Please note that I will no longer be writing the *Coming Events* column so make note of the following information for future use – **Buster**.

BROOKFIELD CRAFT CENTER

203-775-4526

The Brookfield Craft Center will be doing two catalogs per year beginning with the *Winter/Spring 2010* issue. Sign up for the catalog or go to www.BrookfieldCraftCenter.org for the latest information on class offerings.

NORWALK WOODWORKERS CLUB

203-847-9663

Go to the Norwalk Woodworkers Club web site at www.WoodworkersClubNorwalk.com for the latest information on the classes they are offering.

SUNY PURCHASE COLLEGE

Andy Barnum teaches a Woodturning Workshop at the State University of New York in Purchase. You can get detailed information at the following web site – <http://www.purchase.edu/departments/AcademicPrograms/ce/GeneralInformation/NoncreditCourses/arts.aspx>

Woodturning History and More

by Ed DiTomas

If you think you're old did you know that woodturning dates back to around 1300 BC and was developed by the Egyptians? And you thought they only worked in stone. Another tidbit of knowledge – did you know the term **bodger** comes from woodturning? Get on the net and look up woodturning on Wikipedia – here's the link <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Woodturning>. This isn't the only web site that has woodturning information. Google the term **woodturning** and you'll be pleasantly surprised at what might turn up. Here are a few more links to whet your appetite:

<http://www.woodturningonline.com/>

<http://www.aroundthewoods.com/>

<http://www.woodturningcenter.org/turnpoint.html>

http://video.google.com/videosearch?client=safari&rls=en&q=wood+turning&oe=UTF-8&um=1&ie=UTF-8&ei=D9zkSvjfPIInRlAeBtpXoCg&sa=X&oi=video_result_group&ct=title&resnum=4&ved=0CCwQqwQwAw

<http://www.woodturns.com/>

<http://www.woodturningdesign.com/>

While some of these sites are commercial they all offer lots of free information and many articles written for the woodturning enthusiast. Do a little surfing and see if any of it is of interest to you.