

The Nutmeg



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NEXT MEETING

January 8, 2018

Program: "Making an Awl & Tool Handle for Chisel/Hollowing Bar"

Demonstrator: Joe Larese

Brookfield Craft Center – Turning Studio
286 Whisconier Rd -- Route 25
Brookfield, CT 06804

Agenda

6:00 PM – Informal Gathering, Library Open

7:00 PM – Club Business

7:30 PM – Program

Officers/Club Positions		Board of Directors
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Photographer	Open	Alan Ganek
Clean-up Coordinator	John Caraszi	

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Demo for January 8th Meeting

Demonstrator: Joe Larese

Topic: “Making an Awl & Tool Handle for Chisel/Hollowing Bar”

Joe will make an awl similar to one he showed at one of our past meetings. In addition, he will make a handle for a lathe chisel/hollowing bar.

Show and Tell

I hope you have had a chance to do some turning since our last meeting so please bring in some of your pieces for the show-n-tell.

Club Raffle

Tickets will be \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00.

2018 Club Membership Dues

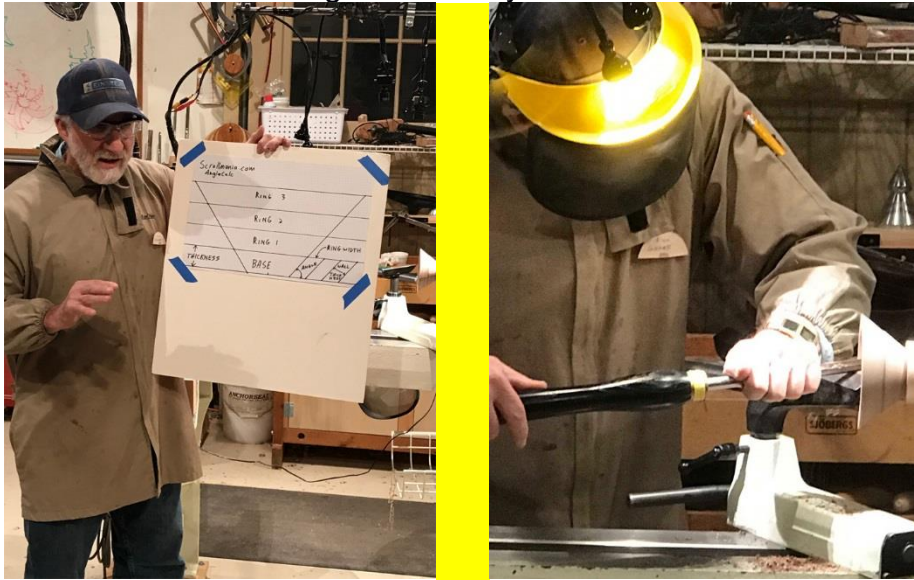
We will continue collecting the **2018** Nutmeg Club dues at our January meeting. Annual fee is \$30.

The Library

If you see any new books/DVDs that you recommend we add to the library please let Jed know.

A BIG Thank You

Thank you to Alan Ganek for his “Bowl from a Board” demonstration during our November club meeting. It was very informative.



Member Profile

I asked Don Metz if he wouldn't mind providing his member profile for this month's Newsletter so I hope you enjoy Don's profile.

Member Profile: Don Metz



My background has always been working with wood. I had a custom wooden boat shop and furniture business for a few years. I turned legs for tables and belaying pins, wheel spokes and such for boats. I returned to woodturning in 2004 when I took a class with Jim Degen on bowl turning. Then I took a class with Keith Thompkins on design. These classes gave me a good foundation to be able to move ahead and develop my own techniques.

I mostly enjoy turning works of art rather than items that are of a practical use.

I've been a member of the Nutmeg Woodturners for 13 years which has been rewarding and educational.

Also the AAW has been a tremendous source of information on their web site and their magazine.

I've also been a member of the American Craft Council for 15 years.

Here are a few photos of Don's work:



Turning Pens for the Troops

We held our Turning Pens for Troops workshop on Saturday, 12/2/17 at the Brookfield Craft Center.

We had several members participate and we made approximately 42 pens that day!
Thanks Don for coordinating the event.





February Learn-n-Turn

Date: TBD

Subject: TBD

Location: Jay Hockenberry's Shop

Upcoming Woodturning Classes at Brookfield Craft Center

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Class Subject</u>	<u>Instructor</u>
1/13/18 – 1/14/18	Advanced Turning Techniques	Don Metz
1/23/18 – 4/10/18 (10 Sessions)	Woodturning Workshop	Carl Ford
1/27/18 -1/28/18	The Wonderful World of Woodturning (Class Full)	Jim Degen

I strongly encourage you to consider taking one of these classes.

You can brush up on some techniques or even learn another aspect of woodturning.

Safety

It ALWAYS pays to always be focused when we are turning and if something doesn't feel right, it probably isn't and it's important to investigate further.

If you have any past experiences with a woodturning accident that you learned from, please drop me a line so we could possibly add it to future Nutmeg Newsletters so others could benefit from your learning experience.

I am looking forward to seeing you at the January 8th meeting.

Regards,

Ken