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## February, 2005 “Turnings”

**Attendance:** We had 31 members and 3 guests at our January, 2005 meeting. The guests were **Carl Priestley, Richard Beneduce, and David Michelle.**

**President Mike Murray** opened his first meeting as president of the **Ocean Woodturners.** **Mike Murray** announced that **Larry Dunklee** and **Rick Sousa** are responsible for arranging demonstrations and activities for our monthly meetings.

**Mike Murray** wants all members to wear name tags at each meeting. As the club grows it is difficult to know every member by name. **Treasurer, Bob Hopkins,** will make up a name tag for each member and **Mike Murray** will buy plastic holders and clips for the name tags. These name tags will be numbered and stored in a container for each member to pick up at each meeting and then be returned to the storage container.

**Mike Murray** announced that he intends to have at least 3 meetings each year with hands-on lathe work in groups. This next meeting we will have 4 or 5 lathes set up, so we can work in groups turning tops.

We are also planning on demonstrations this year including **Photography (Ken D’Ambrosio), Hollow Turning, Spindle Turning, Lidded Box turning, Vacuum Chucking, and Christmas Ornament Turning.**

**Larry Dunklee** was requested to secure the **Cold Spring Community Center for next September for our Annual Outing. October has proven to be too cold.** This has been accomplished. **Larry has secured the Center for Sunday, September 18, 2005. Mark your calendars.**

**Treasurer’s Report: Bob Hopkins** reported a check book balance of \$1880.98. He also reported that our raffle financial intake tripled when we went to separate paper bags for each item to be raffled. This means that members placed more dollars in a separate bag for each raffle item than when we used one bag for all the raffle items.

**Ken D’Ambrosio:** Two motions were made and approved by the membership. The first was to officially designate our founder and president for our first seven years, **Ken**

**D'Ambrosio, President Emeritus. The second motion was to make Ken a free lifetime member of the Ocean Woodturners.**

**Jean Francois Ecoulen has been secured as our demonstrator for July 16, 2005 at the Cold Spring Community Center in North Kingstown. The fee was decided to be \$20 per person. We will be inviting other clubs in Massachusetts and Connecticut to participate. (more on this in later issues).**

**Purple Heart Pen Ceremony:** The following members of the **Ocean Woodturners** attended the ceremony at the **National Guard Armory: Mike Murray, Larry Dunklee, Jeff Mee, Curt Mason, Ed Lewis, Tom Marshall, Greg Marshall, Wayne Collins, Tim Oman and his father, Steve Perry and his father, and the Snyder family (George, Judy, Kate and Jake).** Making the presentations was **Major General Reginald Centracchio.** Also taking part were **Senator Jack Reed and Representative Jim Langevin.** Recipients of the pens were: **SPC Joseph Gallagher, SPC Richard Greenhalgh, SGT Joseph Callahan, SGT Jason Doyle, Sgt John Washburn, SSG Matthew Hayden, 1LT Charles Mulcahy.** Not present for ceremony (will receive pens later) **SSG Stephen Lafond, SSG James Leonard, SPC Todd Titus, and SPC Edmund Aponte.**

**The National Guard was very appreciative of our efforts, and the Adjutant General requested that we make pens for the families of those killed in action. Thank you, Tom Marshall, for the pictures and the names of the pen recipients.**



**SPC Richard Greenhalgh receiving his pen from Major Centracchio.**

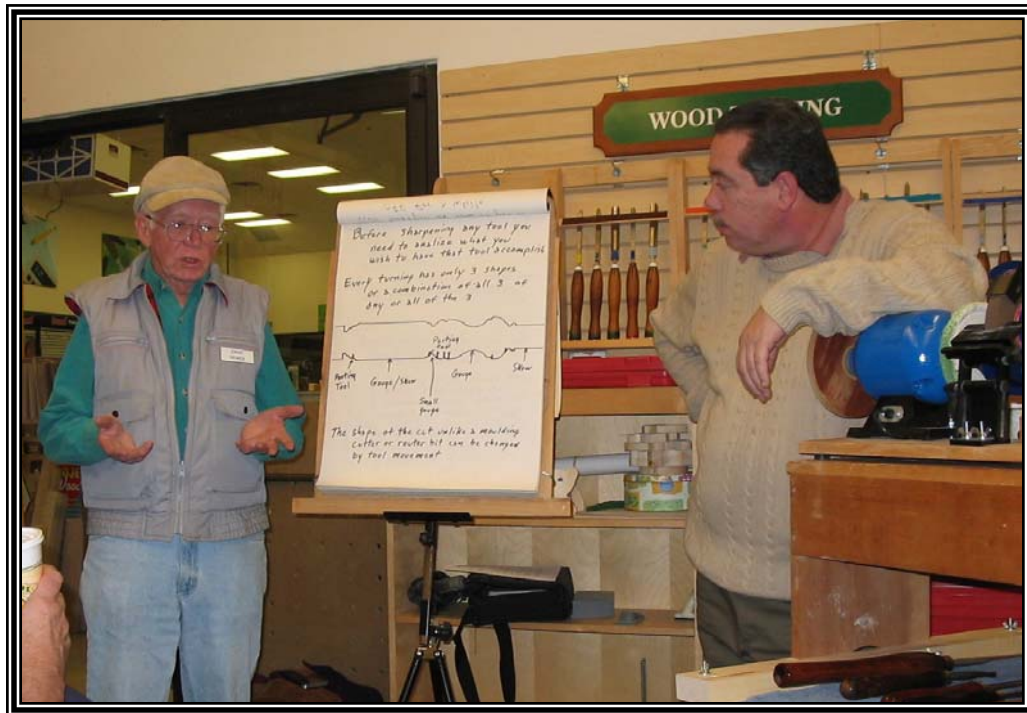


**SGT John Washburn receiving his pen from Major Centracchio.**

# Demonstration

This month's demonstration was presented by **Ernie Grimes**. The demonstration was a very comprehensive coverage of tool sharpening, from slow-speed wheels to upright sanders. It also included interesting home made jigs and store bought jigs to maintain the proper angle and sharpness of your cutting tools. He also said that if you do not have your sharpening devices and jigs near your turning station, you will neglect sharpening your tools or just use the method that is closest to the lathe.

Ernie's logic made such sense to me, your editor, that I revamped the layout of my small work shop and bought a slow speed grinder from Woodcraft. My next project is to buy the 2 jigs that Ernie displayed, so I won't be sharpening in a hit-or-miss fashion in the future (hopefully). I may also try to visit Ernie's workshop to sketch out the plans for making other jigs like he had



**Curt Mason**, our ever-faithful member, received devastating news while at our meeting last month. His son came to the meeting to get him and to tell him that his daughter had just died of a sudden heart attack. Curt and his family have our heartfelt sympathies as they cope with this tragic loss.

# Show and Tell



**George Nazareth:** A segmented bowl of Cherry and an unknown reddish wood from Curt.

**Ron Chatterly:** A large bowl (looks like maple)

**Rich Lemieux:** A segmented bowl of Catawba and Cherry with Holly and Ebony strips

**Rich Lemieux:** A Big leaf Maple dish

**Anthony Scuncio:** A small Yellowheart bowl and 3 Diamondwood stoppers and 2 pens

**Rich Lemieux:** A Pen set in a very unique wooden pen case of Ash and Walnut

**Mike Murray:** An exotic globe-shaped bowl in varying hues of green ala Mike Murray



**Bill Smith:** A Big Leaf Maple bowl

**Mickey Goodman:** A Box Elder bowl

**Rich Sousa:** 6 exquisite bowls. One is just paper thin.

**Bob Iuliano:** A cue stick of Cherry and Spalted Maple





Larry Dunklee giving Tony Bancalri his weighted mallette for carving



Carl Priestley holding 2 of his bowls, 1 Cherry and 1 in Spalted Maple

## Next Meeting

Thursday, February 17, 2005

At Woodcraft East Greenwich, RI

We will all be using 4 or more lathes to make tops

Bring a spindle gouge and parting tool to use in making tops.