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June, 2006 "Turnings"

President Mike Murray opened the meeting. He stated that area woodturning groups want to have a regional "Yankee Symposium" made up of the Ocean Woodturners, Central Connecticut Woodturners, Central New England Woodturners, South Shore Woodturners, Nutmeg Woodturning League, and the Association of Revolutionary Turners. This idea has been long-standing desire of Angelo Iafrate. Each club is expected to contribute \$1000 to fund this Symposium. It was voted that the Ocean Woodturners would join this "Yankee Symposium" and contribute \$1000 for the funding.

It has been decided that our **Yankee Symposium** would be held every three years, alternating with the Granite State Woodturners Turning Symposium in Derry New Hampshire, and the Adirondack Woodturners Assn. Symposium in Albany, NY.

It is official that the Escoulen Demo originally scheduled for Saturday June 17 has been cancelled and Jean Francois will be doing the meeting demo instead. See the demonstration notation on page four.

Christmas Tree ornaments can still be donated to the AAW Symposium by getting them to Angelo Iafrate prior to his leaving for the AAW Symposium, June 22-24 in Louisville, KY.

There was a discussion of whether to have a club summer picnic. The consensus view was that it would be better to have a summer demonstration.

There was a discussion by those who attended the Granite State Woodturners Symposium in Derry, NH. Larry Dunklee, Bob O'Connor and Anthony Scuncio raved about the high quality of the turning by the demonstrators. Wayne Collins also went to the Symposium with some of his students and they had a great time meeting and watching the noted turners at work. Ernie Grimes talked about the Guild of New Hampshire Woodworkers, which also is a sponsor of the NH Symposium. He said that they create some of the finest woodworking projects done anywhere.

**Treasurer's Report: Bob Hopkins** reported a balance of \$2,647.65 in the treasury.

Bill Smith E-mailed me information about the **Beth Ireland Demonstration** held at the Tiverton middle School on Saturday May 20<sup>th</sup>. Beth is a world class turner who presented a full day of activities for Wayne Collins' students. Club members Donna Parillo, Henry Allsworth, Anthony Scuncio, Ken Dubay, Peter Silvestre, Greg Marshall, Bill Mershon, Bob O'Connor, Ernie Grimes, Rick Sousa, Tom Powell, Rich Lemieux, John Chakuroff, Tom Marshall, Chris Horn, Larry Dunklee and Bill Smith were on hand to help the students. There was a club member available to mentor almost every student. We should be very proud of our club's participation. In the morning session, Beth showed students how to turn a pen. After an all-you-can-eat lunch, Beth had students make a turning tool from an Allen wrench. They then each mounted the tool in a handle and used it to create a hollow Christmas ornament. A great time was had by all.

An auction was held for a large round burl donated by Ken Dubay. Larry Dunklee made the highest bid (\$75) and took the large burl home. Two pieces of Pussy Willow that was 50 years old was raffled off. It will be interesting to see what the winners will make from this unusual wood for turning.

#### **Demonstration**

Long-time member, John Chakuroff, demonstrated the turning of a wedding goblet with two captive rings. John has been turning these goblets to sell for years. This goblet was his 214<sup>th</sup>. John uses very few turning tools. Many he makes himself from old files, but his most effective ones are variations produced by his own grinding of parting tools. John did not fully complete the goblet in the allotted time, so he will finish it at home and bring it next month to be auctioned off.



John Chakuroff turning a wedding goblet with 2 captive rings

#### **Show and Tell**



Starting from the left

John Chakuroff: a Mahogany Bowl w/ ears and a fancy gavel

Bob O'Connor: a Small Locust Bowl (in front) and a Box Elder natural-edged bowl

Bob O'Connor: a Cherry natural-edged Bowl and a Cherry goblet (In rear)

Anthony Scuncio: a small Walnut Bowl (in front)

Greg Marshall: a pool Stick, an Oak Burl natural top Bowl and a tulip carving Larry Dunklee: a Cherry Bowl and a natural-edged Bowl and a small cherry tray

Emilio Iannuccillo: a Bud Vase (in front on right)

Angelo Iafrate: a large nat.-edged Bowl (far right) bought and finish applied by Bill Smith



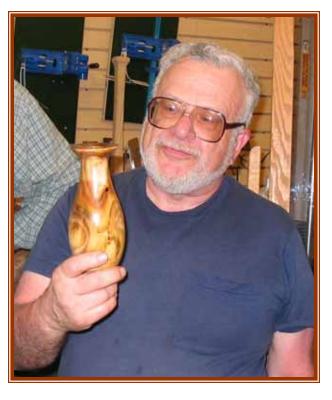
John Chakuroff holding his Mahogany Bowl



Rick Sousa's beautiful Layered bowls



**Henry Allsworth watching Beth Ireland turn** 



Emilio Iannucillo holding his Bud Vase

## **Demonstration**

Jean Francois Escoulen, the world famous turner, will be our demonstrator at the June meeting.

# **Next meeting**

Thursday, June 15, 2006 7:00 PM Woodcraft 1000 Division St. East Greenwich, RI