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# May, 2007 Turnings

April 19, 2007 was the first of our “open shops” meetings. Because there was not a roster of those attending each open shop meeting, I have had to do a great deal of detective work to determine, as well as I could, who went where. In the future, I am sure that attendance will be documented at each open shop meeting by having people “sign in”.

**Jeff Mee:** I will start with Jeff Mee’s open shop meeting at his shop in Danielson, CT. I was demonstrating segmented woodturning, or rather the process leading up to the turning. I started by showing the outline of a bowl which I wanted to make. I then showed how you determine how wide and high each layer has to be to be sure that there is sufficient material for turning this shape both inside and outside, by the use of a circular pie chart for 12 segments.

I had three identical bowls in different stages of completion. One stage included all the segmented layers all glued up. Another stage showed the segments for each layer cut but not glued together, and the last stage was the lengths of pieces that were ready to be cut up into segments.

In attendance at this open shop meeting were: George Nazareth, Jeff Mee, Earl Randall, Howard Smith, Richard Rinkaus, Ron Bachand, William Pick, and Chuck Dawson. (a photo from this meeting later in the newsletter)

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**Rick Sousa:** Rick Sousa had 7 members including himself at his open shop meeting. Wayne Collins reported that they turned scoops and end-grain boxes.

In attendance at this open shop meeting were: Rick Sousa, Wayne Collins, Gregg Marshall, Tom Marshall, Bill Mershon, Mark Nadeau, and Paul Pasquariello.

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**Bill Smith:** Bill Smith had one member, John Drapala attend his open shop meeting. Bill reports that John had taken a woodturning course and proceeded very quickly in turning a large bowl, including finishing the bottom and putting a finish on it. (a photo of John turning later in the newsletter)

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**Jim McGrath:** Jim McGrath also had one member at his open shop meeting. Ray Alexandre was able to turn an 8 inch Maple bowl from start to finish, while discussing issues like stock selection, orientation, chucking techniques (including vacuum), various cuts, and when to use them, and sharpening with a **Tormek**, and finishes. Jim says they worked about 3 hours on this project. ( a photo of Ray and Jim later in the newsletter)

**Angelo Iafrate:** Angelo demonstrated and also taught how to turn a large bowl. Bill DMarco remarked that Angelo is an excellent teacher (which we all know to be true). In attendance were: Angelo Iafrate, Bill DiMarco, Ron Mucci, Mickey Goodman, John Cain, Arthur Craig, Matt Ames and Cory Jengo.

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**Bob O'Connor:** There were three members who attended Bob's meeting. One of which was Edward Dowd.

**Larry Dunklee:** Before the open shop meeting night, Larry had some family problems that interfered with his hosting an open shop meeting, so he let everyone know that it was cancelled.



**Jeff Mee giving an explanation to Chuck Dawson, Earl Randall and the others present.**

**John Drapala turning a wooden bowl.**





**Ray Alexandre turning under Jim McGrath's guidance.**

**Arthur Craig turning a large bowl at Angelo Iafrate's open shop meeting.**



**Display of member's turnings at the North Kingstown free Library for June, 2007. Members who want to display their turnings should bring them to the May17th meeting. Larry Dunklee and Wayne Collins**

## **Next meeting**

**Thursday, May 17, 2007----7:00 PM**

**At: Woodcraft  
1000 Division St  
East Greenwich, RI**

**We will have lathes set up for turning  
small toys and tops for the AAW  
Symposium**

## **Yankee Woodturning Symposium**

<http://www.yankeewoodturningsymposium.org/>



**June 1-3, 2007**

**Wesleyan University, Exley Science Center,  
Middletown, CT**

### **Demonstrators**

**Mark St.Leger, Jean-Francois Escoulen, Jimmy Clews,  
Bob Rosand, Mark Sifiri, Johannes Michaelson, Beth  
Ireland, Angelo Iafrate, and Michael Hosaluk.  
Also local turners Al Czelec and Norm Mancuso. Graham  
Oaks of NH will demonstrate for the youth group.**