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Minutes of the November 19, 2009 meeting.

Charlie Hockenson, Justin Mercier, Smokey Spangler, and George Lough were welcomed as guests to our club meeting. Justin and Charlie joined our club during the meeting.

Old business:

Bob Hopkins reported that there was \$3180 in our treasury.

Mike Murray reported that there was little activity on organizing the volunteers for the AAW symposium being held in Hartford at the Connecticut Center Convention Center June 18-20, 2010. He expects that there will be more activity starting in January. . For more info on the symposium <http://www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2010/>

Steam Engine : Larry and a few club members visited our steam engine and found it in decent storage at a facility of the Slater Mill Museum in Pawtucket. The engine is missing its flywheel which the museum is still looking for. He established that all the parts seem to move properly.

An auction was held to raise money for the Homestead Group – an Adult Needs Charities .



Martin Hyman bid \$50 for a bowl started by Bernie Feinerman and finished by Wayne Collins.



Rick Sousa bid \$30 for the bowl made by Mike Murray during a club demonstration

Bill Smith bid \$50 for 4 pounds of Deer antlers supplied by Larry Dunkalee Rich Lemeiux bid \$50 for a case of assorted wines supplied by Larry Dunkalee. No pictures were taken of the wine or the Deer antlers.

Mace project – no news -the Mace is due for completion by May 2010 for the Earth Sciences building.

New Business:

An election committee was drawn up (a bit late per our by-laws) to draw up the nominees for club officers for next year. Larry Dunkalee, Anthony Scuncio, Bill Smith, and Dick Murphy volunteered to be the committee.

Mark Nadeau has resigned his positions of Vice President, club photographer, and Librarian. Mark is returning to school in January and can't tell if he will have time to come to our meetings. Mark recommended that the Librarian position be split into two positions so that the books and videos can be brought to every meeting. He also suggested that the photography be a formal position since the Secretary often is too busy writing notes to take pictures.

Life Members – Wayne brought up the subject of Life members. Dave Eaton suggested that his honorarium be applied to a Life Membership on our club. We do not have such a membership category. Ken D'Ambrosio, our first club president was given a life time membership for his years of service. Wayne said that a club, he belonged to limited life membership to 10% of its members, had a waiting list for such membership, and charged 10 years dues as the cost of life membership. There was much discussion as to the point of Life Membership. Larry suggested that such a membership should be earned by service to the club, such as George Nazereth has provided for many years, and not be something that someone could just buy. No conclusion was reached and the subject was left for further discussion at following meetings. Dave Eaton's honorarium is being applied to yearly memberships so he has "paid his dues" for seven years.

George Nazereth brought in a box of old AAW journals for the members to take.

A question was raised on how to make a Celtic Knot by a club member Anthony Scuncio and Larry Dunkalee recommended: "The Homework Ultimatum" by Alex Lesniak (a 12 year old penmaker aka "Pens for College") as the best example on how to make the Celtic Knot on a pen blank. A video is available at <http://woodtube.ning.com/video/video/show?id=2511014%3AVideo%3A12081>

Recommendations were to not cut the wood totally off but leave a stub that can be trimmed by hand later. Also to use a good grade of glue (not CA for this application) and allow enough time for the glue to set.

Rich Lemiux said that Ocean Tides has an opening for a part time woodworker to work with two to four students several mornings per week

Howard Smith is reported to be having health problems. He has donated much wood and help to Ocean Tides and the Tiverton Middle School. Ernie Grimes is reported to have recovered from his hospital stay.

SHOW and TELL

Ray Alexander showed a segmented bowl made of Walnut, Maple, and Plywood



Paul Tavares showed a Segmented bowl made of soft Maple, Cherry, and Bloodwood



Richard Murphy showed several bowls (1) a bowl made from wood from last month's wood swap, (2&3) two bowls from Cayman Mahogany, (4) , and a bowl made from some Spalted mahogany



A club member (name not gotten) showed a bowl he made from unknown wood. Club members thought the wood was Cocobolo



Larry Dunkalee showed several gifts made for the holidays (1) a gardening trowel with a Banksia pod handle, (2) a cheese board with an 8 inch marble insert based on an article from **Woodturning** issue #140, September 2004. Supplies for making such tools are available from Woodcraft, Craft Supplies, and others



Bernie Feinerman showed a double spouted hollowform made from two pieces of Yew.



Anyone with photos, or ideas, of interest to the club, should send them to Henry Allsworth. at henry@allsworth.com

Demonstration

Rick Sousa demonstrated making a natural edge bowl, using some Cherry wood from a tree that had been recently cut. Trees cut in the winter often retain their bark. Trees cut when the sap is flowing often lose their bark when the wood is finally dry. Rick said that one should always wear a face shield when turning. He showed some recently turned Natural Edge bowls

Natural edge bowl from Cedar wood



Natural edge bowl from Locust wood



Some notes from the demonstration:
Split log, Knock the corners off, Flatten the bottom

Use a circle cut out of a hard material to use as a template. It is hard to follow a circle drawn on a log



Drill out portion of bark where the tailstock center will go since the bark will not hold the point of the tailstock reliably. Rick prefers to use a large 2 point spur drive that mounts in a chuck so as to make it easier to center, or even off, the peaks of the bowl. You can harden the area where the spur drive goes with CA glue so that points of the spur hold and do not drill in to the wood when there are catches

Rounding the raw blank



Shaping the exterior of the bowl



Shear scraping the bowl exterior



Final exterior cut



Starting to hollow interior while riding the gouge bevel



Final shaping of the bowl foot



When cutting end grain, cut from outside to inside. When cutting side grain cut from inside to outside except near the bark edge. To avoid tearing off the bark, start from the outside of the bowl and cut in. He uses a bowl gouge with a 55 degree bevel, and recommends sharpening your gouge before making final cuts. Leave a knob on bottom of bowl to make final finishing of bowl easier. The knob retains the center point hole from the tailstock and makes recentering the bowl for finishing the bowl foot easier. He likes the wavy edge sandpaper better than the simple disks. Note optical oval effect of turning. Be aware of intermittent cuts when you are cutting the lip of the bowl. Rick finishes with salad bowl finish – usually four coats

The completed (but not sanded or finished) bowl was auctioned off and won by Martin Hyman.



Wood Swap

There was no time for a wood swap.
Several chunks of Maple were brought in by a club member and left at Woodcraft

Next Month Meeting

Thursday, December 17, 2009 @ Woodcraft Store
1000 Division St., East Greenwich, RI
Anthony Scuncio will demonstrate making ornaments &, time permitting, pen turning.

Coming events

Totally Turning 2010 Woodturning Symposium

Saratoga Springs, NY
Saturday and Sunday, March 27 and 28, 2010.
<http://www.totallyturning.com/index.htm>

24th Annual International AAW symposium,-

Hartford, Connecticut,
Friday June 18 through Sunday June 20, 2010
<http://www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2010>