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Minutes of the May 20, 2010 meeting

Our June meeting date will be June 24

OLD BUSINESS:

There were 3 guests at the meeting and two, or three, people signed up with dues.

Our treasurer was in Wash DC so no treasury report. Balance is low after buying the Delta lathe.

Several regular members were absent – Larry Dunklee at his grand-daughters graduation, Mike Murray a had a death in the family, Rick Sousa had a “door” project that had to be finished

Reminder – Please update your membership data in our Oceanwoodturners group at Yahoo.com. If you have trouble with updating, please contact Jeff Mee at jmee@hotmail.com

Meeting room at Woodcraft : Aaron Smith (from Woodcraft) spoke to the group about his decision to end the use of the classroom (which we meet in) and convert it to retail space – the space will be used for the lumber racks. The store will no longer offer formal classes and plans to increase the number of public demonstrations which will take place in the front of the store.. Aaron said that it not make economic sense to rent the empty space next door to Woodcraft.

The 10% discount that the club members enjoy is given because our club participates in the hands-on demonstrations that Woodcraft sponsors and will be retained.

The club members thanked Aaron for the use of the space.

After Aaron left the discussion continued. People felt that the notice of the end of our meetings room was short – the store had been thinking of it for a year but did not discuss it with us.

Richard Mowry suggested that we consider the Rocky Hill Grange which is just up the street from the mall we meet in. A club he belongs to pays \$60/month for meeting there.

The consensus of the meeting was that E. Greenwich-Warwick area is central for most members and we should see what is available. Suggestions made to check out American Legion halls, VFW halls, etc. The Cold Spring

Community Center which we use for major demos costs \$125 for the day and someone will find out what it might cost for an evening rental.

The Woodcraft classroom is a bit bigger than 16 x 24 feet and we try to accommodate 30+ people – often with people hanging out both doors when more people attend. Some members have said that they could not even get close to the doors to hear what was going on in the meeting.

A motion was made for Wayne to find and pick a site for the July meeting, assuming that Woodcraft stays on plan with their space alterations. A committee of Wayne Collins, Donna Parillo, and Bernie Feinerman will explore what our options might be and report to the members at the next meeting.

John Pietrella , president of the RI Woodworking Guild (WWGRI), spoke about a possible joint use of space in Pawcatuck at the [Keeseh Studio](http://keeseh.com/) sometime in the future. The studio offers a community for designers, inventors, artists, craftsman, tinkerers, and makers. The WWGRI has partnered with Keeseh Studio to continue its mission of woodworking, artistic development, inspiration and community support. See website <http://keeseh.com/> for further details.

A club member suggested that the TV in the meeting room was probably ours and there might be some tools belonging to the club to be retrieved before we left the space.

Woodworking Symposium : John Pietrella also spoke about the Weekend Woodworking Symposium that the guild is planning – probably for next year. Nationally known woodworkers will teach and lecture and manufacturers will demonstrate their tools and accessories. There would be hands-on classes, lunch would be included – cost might be \$75-100. The guild would like our participation. Check out their website <http://www.wwgri.org> for insight as to all the activities.

Steam engine: George Nazareth and John Chakuroff told the group that the steam engine has almost been stripped and ready for finishing Anthony Scuncio recommended that we find someone with a covered trailer and 4 or 5 guys with strong backs to move it into the trailer. John Chakuroff reminded the club that we need a small compressor to operate the steam engine.

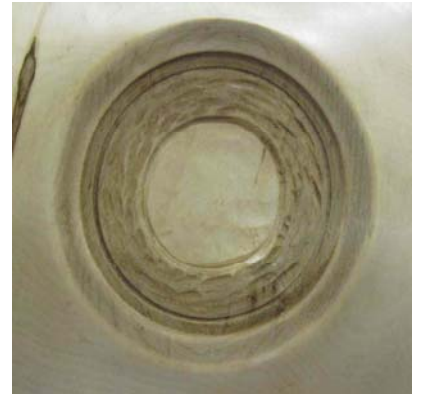
NEW BUSINESS:

The Mike Mahoney demonstration will probably take place in the Fall-Winter 2010-11 and be held at Ken Dubai's workshop in CT so that coring could be demonstrated..

Show and Tell

Rich Lemieux – carved vessel in
Cherry

Mahogany rough out bowl blank donated
by Jeff Mee in April and carved,
textured, and finished by Rich.



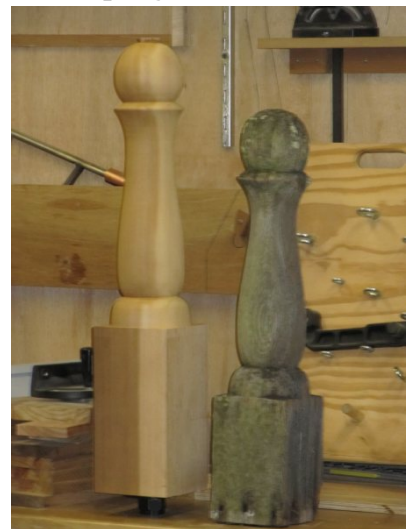
Angelo Iafrate turned and carved a Feathered Egg Vase.

Two eggs, one is solid and the other is hollow for the feathered vase



John Chakuroff turned several "finials" for the roof of the State Police headquarters in Scituate as part of its renovation

Original "finial" and one of the replacements. John bought a 10 foot 6"x6" cedar beam for the project which cost \$145



Demonstration

Rich Lemeiux demonstrated the making and using of a Foam Ball sander

Rich has prepared a full handout with step by step instructions which will be available at the June meeting. You can also find instructions, <http://www.davidreedsmith.com/Articles/FoamBallSander/FoamBallSander.htm> <http://www.davidreedsmith.com/Articles.htm> is a source of many articles on projects, tools, sharpening, etc...

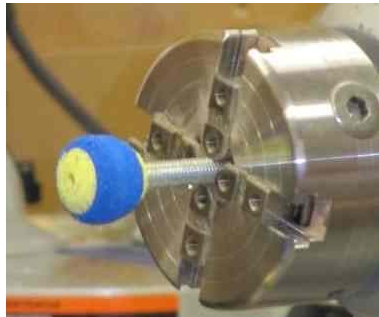
One inch foam sanding ball



Two inch foam sanding ball



Sanding ball in use



There was no wood for a wood swap at the meeting.

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

Next Month Meeting

(Possibly our last meeting at this site)

**Thursday, June 24, 2010 Woodcraft Store 1000 Division street
East Greenwich, RI**

Coming events

**24th Annual International AAW symposium,-
Hartford, Connecticut, Friday June 18 through Sunday June 20, 2010**

<http://www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2010>