Maine Woodturners
Newsletter
November 2016

November's Demo subject :

Hands-on turning opportunity night

Members will be able to try out a tool technique under a mentors keen eye or bring in a project that is troublesome and needs a little help.

Current Ideas include:

1. Spindle projects:
    1) Making a Spinning Top
    2) Making a Tree Ornament
    3) Making a Pen
    4) Making a Bottle Stoppers
2. Chucking Systems projects:
    1) Making a Small Bowl
    2) Making a Small Lidded Box
    3) Making a Small Bud Vase
3. Other ideas:
    1) Basic Woodturning Skills for:
        a) People who have never turned a thing.
        b) Inexperienced turners or bowl turners who have never turned a spindle piece or vis-a-versa
    2) Creative Design Options

President's challenge. Between the October meeting and this coming meeting turn a toy or gift project which is fairly easy to turn and bring it on the 16th for a show and tell and for an example of projects our in-experienced members or guest could work on.

Let's work together to make this meeting very beneficial and enjoyable.

November 16, 2016, 7pm, **Wood shop**, Erskine Academy,

SECRETARY'S REPORT

President Al Mather opened the meeting at 7:04 PM and announced that Dennis Curtis, Roger Rittmaster and Stephen Tofield would present their methods of finishing at this meeting.

Al mentioned that several E mail addresses bounced after his last e mail to the members. Members were encouraged to correct their e mail addresses.

Al announced that there will be a turning session at the next meeting for members that may need help.

Members are encouraged to bring small lathes and tools to this meeting. Let Al know if you can bring a small lathe. Making pens could be part of this session.

Al encouraged members to bring in a simple turning at the next meeting for what he called "The Presidents Challenge"

Al said the Christmas party will be as usual in December.

At 7:12 PM Dennis Curtis started describing and demonstrating his finishing method using a 50-50 mixture of tung oil and citrus oil. He said drying time is 15 to 30 days.

Stephen Tofield followed using Walnut oil which he said was food safe. He uses 600 grit At final sanding and finishes in the lathe.

Roger Rittmaster followed Stephen using Danish oil, mineral spirits and satin polyurethane about a 30% volume of each. He lets it dry for 24 hours and buffs between the 3 coats of his finishes. The final coat is mineral oil and varnish. He uses the Beall buffing system. The demo's ended at 8:05PM

Al Mather talked about some of his finishes using gloss 2X ultra cover Rust-oleum spray and the use of limeing wax and shoe polish on oak bowls.

Al hosted the Show and Tell table until the meeting ended at 8:33 PM.

Tom Raymond, Secretary

REMINDER:

DUES ARE DUE

We still need a Vice-President, please consider stepping up and volunteering !

SHOW and TELL

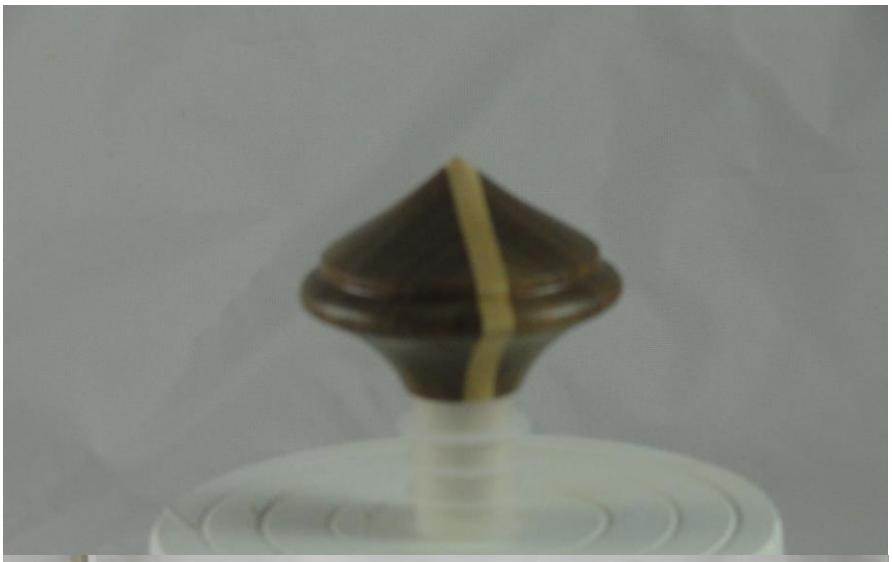
Tom Raymond

Steve Tofield

Steve Tofield

Baxter Smith

Roger Rittmaster



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