

# NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN WOODTURNERS

## newsletter

Issue 3

March, 2001

### Date of Meeting

April 14, 2001

10:00 A.M.—1:30 PM  
(note later starting time)

### Location

Cliff Lounsberry's Shop

Coffee

Lyle

Donuts

Cliff Lounsberry

### Bring Back Raffle

B.J. Harmon

### Evaluation of Turned Pieces

Theresa Brockway

### Demonstration

#### A New Adventure!

The Jumbo Boring Bar  
And the  
Captured Tool Rest

By

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### Recap of March Meeting

Gary Weiermiller's experience with chucks is extensive.

While the **3 & 4-jaw chuck** provides convenience and is excellent at centering a piece, it lacks holding power. He recommends using it only when the size of the piece is 2x the diameter of the tenon. Exceeding these limits introduces a risk. (However, use of a 3-jaw in conjunction with the tailstock improves the safety factor.)

In turning the bottom of a piece, he offered these suggestions:

A self-made **Collett or Spigot Chuck** consists of a hollow wooden tube turned on a lathe with a hose clamp to tighten over the tenon when inserted in the tube. The wall of the collett is 1/4-in thick.

A **Circular fixture chuck** consists of a disc covered with foam and placed on the headstock. For turning the bottom of a piece, the upper surface is placed against the disc and the tailstock brought up to hold while the bottom is turned.

**Jam chucks** have the

best holding power and offer less wobble when a wider interior surface of a turned piece and the chuck are in contact.

A **Cup chuck** is used to turn the bottom of vessels and lidded pieces.

A tapered **fixture** consists of a cone shaped piece turned on a lathe. When turning the bottom, the tapered fixture is placed in the headstock and the piece is inserted over the cone. And the tailstock brought up to hold the piece. The fixture does not reach the bottom of the piece.

Another tip: Use wet leather placed over the chuck to avoid a pressure burn.

Thanks, Gary.

### News Items

#### Bus to AAW Meet.

Ken Goldspink sent this note to Lyle:

"I am coordinating a bus trip to the AAW Symposium in St. Paul. Room with king bed = \$125/night; room with 2x double beds = \$125/night.

Share a 2x double bed room with a friend for \$65/night. Costs include all gratuities, taxes, hot breakfast and a shuttle bus to the meeting. The bus is

scheduled to cross over into Michigan at Sarnia." Contact: <kengold@bmts.com>

Greetings to a new member

**Clare Ray**, 6199 Baggs Rd. Williamsburg, MI

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### For Sale

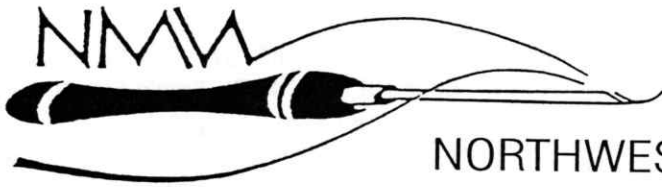
Jim Fleming ha found a source for **Exotic Woods** in California. Contact Vince White 760/320-5331

### Calender of Events

- June 7-9 Utah Symposium. Lyle has the registration forms.
- July 6-8 St. Paul Symposium of AAW
- Sept 8-9 Christian Burchard Demonstration in Traverse City.
- Sept 10-11 Christian Burchard Workshop (limited registration)

### For Sale to Members

Glue	Gap or Thin	\$6.00
600 Grit Paper	50 Sheets	\$20.00
	11 Sheets	\$ 5.00
Sanding Discs	2 Inch	\$ .40
	3 Inch	\$ .50
Sanding Arbor	2 Inch	\$15.00
	3 Inch	\$17.00
Wood Sealer	1 gal	\$7.00



# NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN WOODTURNERS

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Issue 2

February, 2001

**Date of Meeting**  
**February 10, 2001**  
**9:00 A.M.—12:30 PM**

**Location**  
 Cliff Schroeder's Shop

**Coffee**  
 Art Schubert  
**Donuts**  
 B.J. Harmon

**Bring Back Raffle**  
 Art Schubert

**Evaluation of Turned Pieces**  
 Mike McConnell

**Demonstration**

**Turning on the Bias**  
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**Recap of January Meeting**

Theresa Brockway led the review of turned items. Dave Allen described his experience with drill piercing a turned piece of birch. After applying sanding sealer, Dave undertook the task of extensive piercing of a maple leaf pattern. The work was impressive. Discussion ensued on the issue of applying lacquer. Cliff recommended using a Du Pont nitrocellulose base lacquer thinned by 75% with lacquer thinner.

Mike McConnell displayed two large pieces of hollow turning with extensive scalloping of the free margin. He used the Kutzall round nose burr to create the scallops followed by use of drum sanders. Again, an impressive work.

Cliff Lounsbury led the demonstration of turning a lidded box and use of the vacuum chuck. Using a piece of spalted maple he demonstrated how he turns and finishes the outside and then turns in inside using a hooked tool. The vacuum chuck was used primarily to turn the lid.

Cliff received a round of applause for his efforts and the result of his work.

Cliff raffled the lidded box which was won by Art Schubert. A nice deal for a buck!

A "Thank You" to Art Schubert for use of his shop.

**News Items**

**More Info on items mentioned at the meeting:**

1. Sleeveless Sanding Drums used by Cliff and Mike from Lee Valley, P135 of 2001 catalog. Several sizes are available. 2 1/4 x 3/4 in. is popular.
2. Kutzall Carving Burrs as used by Mike McConnell. Lee Valley catalog p45, ball nose burr, item "N"

Lee Valley Tools

1-800-871-8258

**For Sale**

Lathe Tools:

1 in. Face Plate 8--TPI

6 & 8 in. diameter

Sand Paper, Face Shield

Very reasonable. This is excess from a school shop closing. Contact:

David Almeter

231/271-6554

**Nova 3000 Lathe:**

\$1,100 including accessories. 1000 lb. Unit

Brian Creek

Holland, Michigan

616/335-3234

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**Meet the**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of**  
**the month**

**Northwestern**  
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**Woodturners**

2001

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