



# New Jersey Woodturners

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## Next Meeting

July 24, 2006

7:30pm

### Show and Tell - Turnathon

At the June meeting Igal Gerschman gave a well received presentation on how to photograph your work. Many helpful hints and techniques were shown to get good pictures of a still life.



He showed several uses of a Light Shed to soften the harsh shadows and the use of lighting to enhance the final result.



The use of a backdrop was also discussed. Members were invited to use Igal's backdrop at the meeting to photograph their own work.

## Wood of the Month

**Name:** Paper Birch (Betula papyrifera)

**Type:** Hardwood.

**Other Names:**

Also known as canoe birch, red birch, silver birch, white birch, Canadian white birch and Kenai birch.

**Sources:**

Grows in Canada and northern United States.

**Appearance:**

Straight grained with a fine, even texture. Pale-brown heartwood and creamy white sapwood.

**Physical Props:**

Moderately hard and heavy (lighter than other birches) with moderate shock resistance, stiffness and bending strength

**Working Props:**

Machines fairly well although it sometimes chips and tears during planing. Has moderate blunting effect on cutting edges. Excellent turning properties. Glues, stains and finishes satisfactorily. Susceptible to splitting - pre-drilling recommended for screws.

**Uses:**

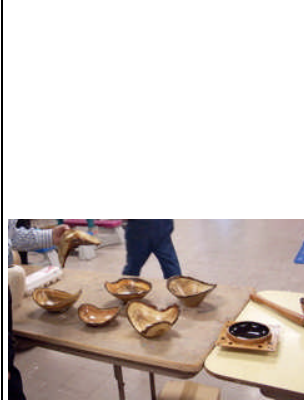
Plywood, turnery - spools, bobbins, dowels and novelties, crates, toys, cooperage, baskets, ice cream spoons, medical spatulas, veneer, paneling, and pulp for writing paper

**Comments:** Resembles maple and is often used interchangeably with it.

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Igal gave a few sources for some of the equipment he uses. The light shed was available at B&H Photo. 800-606-6969/212-444-6615. They are located at 420 9<sup>th</sup> Ave and 33 St in NYC. Just 2 blocks from Penn Station.

The Show and Tell was well represented. Many members utilized Igal's backdrop to photograph their turnings.





**August Meeting:** At the August meeting we will have Phil Alcock, a professional carver who will give us a demo of ways to enhance our turnings with carvings. If you have seen any of the galleries at AAW this year, you will notice that most of the top picks all had some type of carving done to the finished form.

**Middlesex County Fair** The fair is on August 11, 12, and 13 at the Middlesex Fairgrounds on Cranbury Road in East Brunswick. Just off Route 18. We are doing demos on all three days. Those of you that have already signed up to help, Thank You. Please come out to the fair sometime over the weekend and support the club. You can also enter projects for judging. This must be done soon. Stan and Dennis are still trying to outdo each other.

### **TO REACH THE FAIRGROUND SITE AT CRANBURY AND FERN ROADS IN EAST BRUNSWICK**

Take Route 18 into East Brunswick, follow the directions for Cranbury onto Cranbury Road (Rt. 535), pass East Brunswick High School on the left, keep left at the fork, continue on Cranbury Road for about three miles to the fair.

From Old Bridge -Take Route 18 north toward New Brunswick, pass the Colonial Diner and head toward Cranbury over the Route 18 overpass and proceed past the high school and bear left at the fork, as above.

Route from north county (this is the least congested route), take Exit 8A on the New Jersey Turnpike to Route 32. Turn right on 535 North directly to fairgrounds (5 miles).

**The Schedule for the Rest of the Year:**

**August – Monday 28** - Phil Alcock - "Professional Carver"

**September – Monday 25** - Bill Grumbine - "Professional Turner"

**October – Monday 23** - Show and Tell & Tool Auction

**November – Monday 27** - Election & Mike Kehs – Bucks

**December** - No meeting

**Raffle Drawing:** The drawing for June was a set of driver bits by Ryobi. Stan was the lucky winner.

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**Classifieds:**

**Wanted** - Dust Collector for beginning wood turner. If you have one for sale, please contact **Wayne Dieckmann** at waynexk120@optonline.net

**For Sale** - Old Delta lathe. 11” swing, 36” between centers. Well maintained. Several accessories included. \$350.00.

- DeWalt 7770 10” Radial Arm Saw - \$300.00

- Vega utility duplicator. Used for one job. \$150.00

If interested, call **Bob Sheppard 908-561-8438**

**For Sale** - Delta Midi-Lathe. 10” swing, with all accessories. Very good condition.

Includes beginner tool set, extra belt, and instruction manual. \$175.00

Interested, call **Walt Drummond 732-968-2612, wf.drummond@gmail.com**

Anyone wishing to list an item in the classified section, please contact Walt Drummond at a meeting or via email at [njwoodturners@gmail.com](mailto:njwoodturners@gmail.com)

**Newsletter Updates**

You will notice some changes to the newsletter each month, as we try to liven it up and add some new information. If you have any suggestions, please let us know. If you have anything to place in the Classifieds, let me know and I'll add it on a month by month basis. Any and all feedback is welcome.