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Beautiful Colouring on Vintage CSCL Articles

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Notes from the Editor...

November winds are blowing and it's time to shuffle indoors and tackle some leather crafting projects. September finds the Branches resuming meeting and demonstrations. October 25th CSCL held a day long Workshop making "Leather Cylinders" in Hamilton. Read about the skills learned and the helpful printed instructions from Al Stohlman's The Art of Case Making Volume # 1.

Paul Kitchener of Mississauga Branch has been instrumental in reorganizing and storing the "Larmour Library". Kim Winchester, also of Mississauga, has spent countless hours scanning the entire Library. CSCL is truly indebted to Kim and Paul. Some of the library's acquisitions are rare, out of print, or one of a kind. See page 5 for how you can access books, DVD's, and other resource materials that will help members become creative leather crafters.

This November 11th was particularly poignant because of the events in Ottawa three weeks before. Our thoughts and prayers go out all the CSCL members and their families that have loved ones that paid the ultimate price for our freedom.

Season's Greetings to our CSCL members and friends!

Branch meetings are held in Hamilton, Mississauga, and Norland, Ontario. Guests are always welcome at meetings with opportunities for newcomers to meet members and pick up some of the valuable leather crafting tips. CSCL also has a website and a Facebook page that can help with resources and finding people with the answers.

The quarterly Newsletter "Canadian Leathercraft" is your source of information about CSCL and its members. Also, check out the CSCL website at www.canadianleathercraft.org and CSCL's Facebook page.

As always, if you have questions, comments, or even a future article for this newsletter, contact your Editor, Madeleine Mitchell at [REDACTED]

Highlights from Executive Council Meetings...

September 26, 2014 and October 24, 2014

- September was the first Executive Council meeting of CSCL's new President Rob Regan
- Welcome!
- Lauch Harrison has accepted the position of 2nd Vice President to fill the vacancy
- Thanks!
- Paul Kitchener presented a slide show of the Larmour Library contents. Each Branch has access to the Library for Members to borrow any of the many books, DVD's and other resources. Well done Paul and Kim Winchester who scanned everything!
- Spirited discussion about future Annuals – decision to survey Members for their input.
- Financial concerns are being addressed by our vigilant Treasurer, Della Chynoweth
- Information about Privacy Policy and other important news to be updated on the CSCL's website.

Have you got your CSCL Membership paid up?

To sign up or renew your CSCL Membership

Contact our new Membership Chair:

Barbara Chynoweth, Membership Chairman, CSCL

[REDACTED]
Norland, Ontario [REDACTED]

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Variations on a Cylinder Workshop

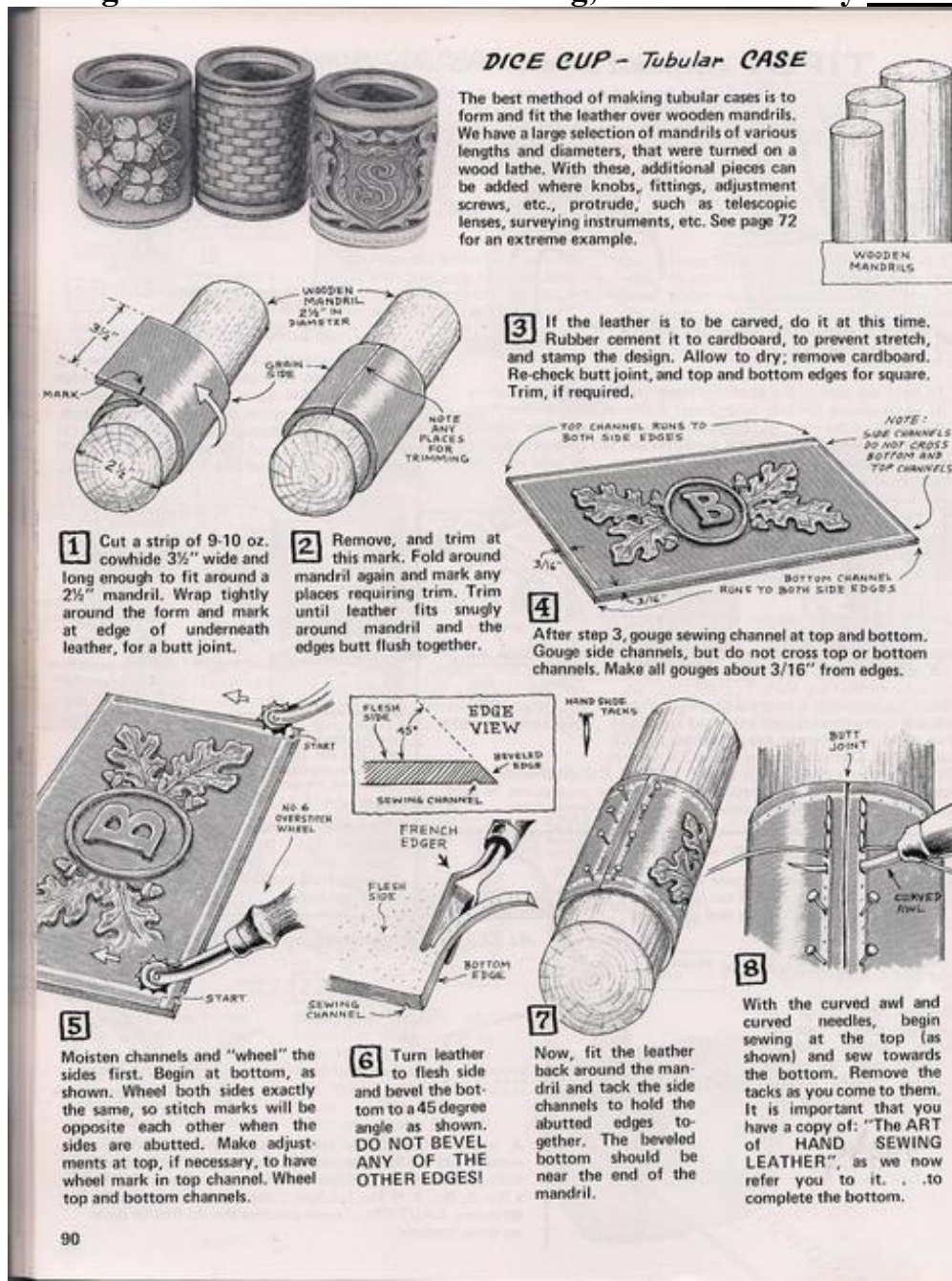
Eight CSCL members met at the home of Lester Pinter, a Hamilton Branch member and spent Saturday, October 25th working together making variations on a Leather Cylinder. Lauch Harrison ACSCL and Rob Regan ACSCL led the eager group through the design and construction of their own cylinders or cups.

Morning practice time was spent Basket Weave stamping, mitre cutting, using French Edgers and learning to skive. During the afternoon the stitching began and then the finishing tricks.

It's interesting to note how many techniques and tips are employed in this one project.

Watch for the results of this Workshop at the 2015 Annual.

The following are from "Art of Case Making, Volume One" by Al Stohlman



The CSCL Larmour Lending Library



Mrs. Reta Larmour preparing for the travelling Leather Exhibitions in the 1950's

Dr. and Mrs. Larmour were Charter Members of CSCL who attended the very first meeting of CSCL that was held June 8th, 1950. Dr. Ralph Larmour became CSCL's 2nd President in 1954.

Throughout the early years of our Guild, Reta Larmour organized travelling exhibitions of Canadian Leather craft. She and her husband collected patterns and books that became the genesis of the Larmour Lending Library.

CSCL is very fortunate to have this incredible lending library that is available to Members. There are books, instructional guides, patterns, and DVD's pertaining to leather crafting as well as design, colour, and the arts. Some of the items are literally irreplaceable, the library contains books that are out of print and many that would be very difficult to find. Many of the patterns for wallet backs, purses, book covers, often from noted known leather crafters, are unique and creative. There is an abundance of "Doodle Pages" teaching skills and providing tips that you could use for inspiration.

Paul Kitchener and Kim Winchester have been the driving forces in organizing the many boxes of the Library. Kim spent countless hours scanning the contents and listing everything. Paul has provided memory sticks listing the contents to each Branch President and to our Website.

Steps to Borrowing from the Larmour Library:

1. Look through the list of contents either by contacting your Branch President in Hamilton, Mississauga, and Norland **or** through the website link.
www.canadianleathercraft.org
2. Select item(s) you would like to borrow. Send your list to Paul Kitchener at [REDACTED] Lending times for books and packages will be approximately one month.
3. Branch Presidents will pick up the orders (and then return items) at the monthly Executive Council Meeting (the 4th Friday of September, October, November, January, February, March, April, May each year) for Branch Members.
4. Members-at-Large, or those who prefer, may order directly from Paul .
If possible, some items may be emailed directly to the member.
5. Shipping or printing fees may apply.



Early CSCL Articles that might have been inspired by the Larmour Lending Library

Holiday Decoration 2014

Here's a little Christmas Pattern that you could use for Christmas Cards or perhaps a Book Cover or Box Top.

From "Inverted Leather Carving by Al Stohlman"



Happy Holidays to CSDL Members and Friends!

See You in 2015!