

Minutes/Newsletter of Space Coast Woodturners - February 12, 2014

Submitted by Dotty Pugh – Secretary

Just a reminder – the meetings are held on the **second Wednesday** of the month from 7:00 – 9:00 PM and the hands-on sessions are held on the **third Saturday** of the month from 9:00 AM – Noon at Melbourne Village.

- * President Russ Bremmer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. He welcomed everyone and asked if there were any guests. Guests this evening were Paul Pouliot (former member), Joe Loy, and Dave Lax. Russ announced that there would be no Bring Back Item this month. Harvey Driver, the winner of last month's Bring Back would bring in an item in March.
- * Secretary's Report Dotty Pugh I noticed that Larry Gonyea was here at the meeting. Since last month's report of him not doing well, he was able to be in Florida and at the meeting.
- * Treasurer's Report Harvey Driver said that at the end of last month, the treasury had \$3033.26. Harvey is still accepting dues for 2014. They are \$25 for individual and \$30 for family memberships.
- * Vice President's Report Gary Christensen announced that our demonstrator for tonight would be Tony George, demonstrating seated turning and hollowing, using the Jamieson hollowing system. He also mentioned that the VP Challenge for March would be **D**, **E**, **or F** (the name of the item or the type of wood used starts with those letters.)
- * **Supply Master Jim Donovan** reported that he had some money towards the next club order (but I didn't hear how much) and if you wanted to order anything, to see him at the break.
- * DVD Librarian/Store Manager Tom Weber One new DVD by Tim Yoder Beginners Info. If you rent a DVD and experience problems with it, Tom would like to know about it so he can fix it or record another copy. Let him know what problem you had, the Name of the DVD, the number of the DVD. If you were not able to watch the DVD because of the problem, you would get you money back or get to rent another DVD. If there are fingerprints on the DVD, it can be cleaned with appropriate method and it should be OK to watch afterwards.
- * Chuck Billings Has nametags for new members. See him at break. The nametags he has are for Dick & Tee Verona, Tillman Maxwell, Justin Cusumano, and Frank Trinkle. Any new members, please pick up your nametags from Chuck.
- * **Web Master Bill Howard** had nothing to report. Go to <u>spacecoastwoodturners.com</u> and see what is available. We also have a Facebook page with photos, etc. Check it out!
- * **Gary Greenberg** is involved with Freedom Pens (Pens for Soldiers) and would like to challenge every member of our club to turn a pen (or lots of pens, if you would like to) and donate it (them) to this program. He had around 1,000 pens this past year and would like to have 2,000 pens for next year's convention. If you would like to know more about this program contact Gary Greenberg at garymg@gmail.com

Hands-on – Saturday, February 15, 2014 topic was on how to use spindle gouges to turn spindles (beads and coves). Upcoming topics for the hands-on sessions bowl turning, hollowing, safety, and lathe maintenance. Bring your own tools and safety equipment (face shield, safety glasses, and dust mask) to all hands-on sessions.

Terry Justice announced that there will be a full-sized hat demonstration at his house on March 1st beginning at 9:00 AM and probably lasting all day. The cost is \$20.00. Lunch will be supplied and some soft drinks will be available. If you drink something specific, please bring your own soft drinks. Bring your own lawn chair, otherwise you will be standing. The \$20.00 will cover the lunch and drinks and any money left will be donated to our club. Ron Browning will be demonstrating and showing Terry how to make the hat. If you have never seen the demonstration on how to make a full-sized hat, you won't want to miss this. Even if you have seen the demonstration, you still won't want to miss this.

Chuck Ortt is again asking for donations that can be auctioned off at the Melbourne Church of Christ to help fund the travel and expenses for the teenagers that participate in the annual Honduras mission. The donations can be anything that has been turned by you, but since the auction is one week before Easter, eggs would be a nice thing to make. Easter this year is on April 20th, so you can bring your donations to Chuck any time, but definitely by the April meeting (April 9th).

Harvey Driver mentioned that Ray Conklin's widow (Mary McHugh) needs help pricing Ray's tools, etc. so she can clean out the area where they are. Several of the men agreed to go and help with this task on Saturday after the hands-on.

SHOW & TELL

Russ Bolton – Winged Bowl/Box with Finial as demonstrated by Rudy Lopez at the Florida Woodturning Symposium Bill Piastuch – Bowl/Box with Finial, Cherry wood – Carved & painted

Jim Ragusa – Large Natural Edge Bowl, Ambrosia Maple

Ed Hall – Bowl, Wormy Cherry

Neil Earnhardt – First Natural Edge Bowl, "Truck" wood

Wynn Arnold – Winged Bowl, Rosewood

Rick DeTorre – Tool rests; lock nut glued into waste block (fits on lathe with 1 – 8 thread), used as glue block

Bruce Lansdowne – Pen, True Stone

Sean Williams – 7 or 8 Pens, Segmented; True Stone and several others – stand made from Ebony

Bob Winburn – Bowl, Oak Burl – Painted/Dyed; Bud vase, Textured, but no finish

Harvey Driver – Brought in pieces his wife bought at the Florida Woodturning Symposium – A segmented bowl that was a memorial to the symposium and a demo piece by Rudy Lopez. He said to look but don't touch and they weren't for sale!

Vice President's Challenge - A, B, or C

Rex Bradburn - Crochet Hook Earrings, various kinds of wood glued up (hooks were to scale, so they could really be used to crochet) They were a Valentine's gift for his wife, Tammy.

Rick DeTorre – Bowl, unknown type of wood

Dave Search – Baseball Christmas ornament with 108 stitches just like a real baseball

Elizabeth Barrett – Lidded Box

Bruce Lansdowne – Atomizer, Segmented (Butterfly style); Bottle Stopper; Very small Cup

Neil Earnhardt – Bowl, Ambrosia Curly Maple

Sean Williams – Brass inlaid pen

Gary Christensen – Baseball & bat (ball looked like it was embedded in the bat), Ambrosia Maple

Winner of drawing for the VP Challenge – Rex Bradburn

Wood & Books Auction – brought in \$86.00 for the club



Demonstrator – Tony George – Seated Turning using the Jamieson Hollowing System

Tony has been in a wheelchair since he was injured in a construction accident. He has designed his own version of a sitting type lathe. He made the wooden legs that support his lathe. When asked how he determined the height of his lathe to be used in a seated position, he said that he made the legs so that the ways of the lathe were at elbow height when he was sitting in the wheel chair. The lathe needs to have enough room under it so that the person's legs will go under comfortably. Tony said, "Whether you are born disabled, have had an accident or are just no longer able to stand for long periods of time, you can still turn. You shouldn't have to give up your hobby just because you are disabled. There is equipment available that can help you enjoy your hobby again."

Tony has a You Tube video about seated turning using the Jamieson Hollowing System. Check it out. Look for: **Boring Bar System Demonstration by The Wheeling Woodworker** on You Tube. It is not the one about Wheeling, West Virginia.

Gary passed around pieces of wood in various stages of the process – block, block with tenon, block partially hollowed out, block hollowed out all the way, and block cut in half so you could see how thick or thin the walls were.

- * Choose a wood block, whatever size you want to make (and will fit on your lathe)
- * Put block between centers and round out the block
- * Create a tenon on tail stock end
- * Shape outside as desired
- * Turn block around and mount in chuck
- * Make sure there is nothing hitting the tool rest or any part of the lathe before turning on the lathe
- * Clean up the face
- * Make a dimple in the center with a parting tool or other tool (this is where you will put the drill bit for drilling a hole)
- * Drill the hole to the depth you have determined (measure so that you don't drill through the bottom and make sure that you won't hit the chuck when you drill). Use the tool rest to center and to steady the drill bit. (Drill bit size was not mentioned, but the hole should be big enough for the bit on the boring bar to get into.)
- * When drilling the hole, pull the drill out of the wood often to clear the flutes so they don't get clogged up
- * Set up the Jamieson Hollowing System
- * Using the cutter on the boring bar, go to the bottom of the hole that you drilled and start removing wood from center to the sidewall and then to the edge (rim). Continue this motion until you reach the desired thickness/thinness of the wall. Use the laser pointer to "see" where your tool tip is to determine thickness of the wall.
- * Inside shape should mirror the outside shape. Finish as desired.

Tony said that he once heard Glenn Lucas say, "The person buying the article doesn't care about the 'process' of how it was made, just the look of it. Only other woodturners care about the process." Now you know the process.

Thanks Tony for a great demonstration.

Raffle Winners:

Book – Wood Magazine "Basic Woodworking – Lou Woodruff

Book – Wood Magazine "Favorite Toys" – Read Johnson

Book – "Country Woodcrafts – Wynn Arnold

\$10.00 Gift Certificate from Craft Supplies – Gary Christensen

\$10.00 Gift Certificate from Craft Supplies – Russ Bolton

\$10.00 Gift Certificate from Craft Supplies – Rick DeTorre

Free DVD rental – Jim Goodman

Share the Wealth #1 - from Rick DeTorre - Goblet with offset stem - Winner - Bill Wiese

Share the Wealth #2 - from Bob Winburn - Wine Bottle Stopper Holder - Winner - Jim Goodman

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Bring Back Item – from Don Tyler – Bowl and a piece of wood that the bowl was made from – Winner – Harvey Driver will have a Bring Back item for March.

If you are not familiar with the **Bring Back** idea, it is where a member turns something and donates it to the club. The winner of the drawing gets to keep the item and then must turn something and bring it back the next month and donate it. The item doesn't have to be the same thing, it can be anything.

If you are not familiar with the **Share the Wealth** idea, it is where members donate an item that they have turned and it is raffled off to another member. It is a good way to collect turned items from others and the cost is FREE. What a great bargain

Some pictures from the February Hands-on session – Turning Beads and Coves













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The Chapter's Purposes,

in addition to supporting the general purposes of the AMERICAN ASSOCIATION of WOODTURNERS, Inc., are to:

- 1. Provide a meeting place for local woodturners
- 2. Share ideas and techniques regarding this craft
- 3. Trade woods
- 4. Exchange ideas about tools
- 5.Exhibit finished projects

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