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## FEBRUARY PROGRAM

The program for the February meeting will be a demonstration by club member **Paul Pouliot** who will show us how to turn coasters, napkin rings and bottle stoppers. Paul is an excellent turner who probably can show you a trick or two to make life easier for you on the lathe. Paul always gives a 100% and is a pleasure to watch. **ALSO** expect a good auction ... Ray Conklin has donated an extension for a Jet mini lathe and a sand blasting cabinet for those that like to etch a piece and we have a lot of good wood ... Persimmon, Rosewood, Citrus and more ... Bring a couple of dollars and help the Club.

## SPECIAL EVENT - JOHN JORDAN - MONDAY, MARCH 6TH

We will have, as a special event, a demonstration by John Jordan on Monday, March 6th, beginning at **6:30 p.m.** There will be no business meeting, etc, this evening...only the demonstration by John. All members are welcome. There will be no fee since this opportunity is being made possible through the efforts of our club member, Don Simmons. The regular meeting, of course, will be on Monday, March 13th.

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**MEETINGS** The Space Coast Woodturners meet at the Faith Fellowship Church of Brevard, located at 2820 Business Center Blvd, Melbourne FL ... 32940. We meet 7:00 pm-9:00 pm the second Monday of each month. Visitors are welcome!

## A message from AAW

The AAW office is in the process of finishing the preparations for publishing the AAW Resource Directory for 2006 and has not received an updated report from you. By clicking on the link below and following the directions, when you click "Save", the updated info that you edit and save will be posted on the AAW web site and will be automatically sent to me so that I can add it to the database.

Please pay attention to each box and make sure that the information is correct. Change anything that needs to be changed. Be sure to put in the number of chapter members that you have and include your chapter's web site URL if you have one. Also, please put in the title (President, Secretary, etc.) of the chapter contact person.

If you have any questions, please just let me know.

Thanks

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To update your chapter information, click on this link or cut and paste it into your browser:

<http://woodturner.org/community/chapters/signup.pl?submit=Update&uid=jNgEwgeBda2YitP33JxX>

Then update your information, click on Save, and your new information will be added to the database

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## AAW LATHE DRAWING .....

On Friday, January 20th, after allowing for all AAW member renewals or joining applications with a January 15th posting deadline to arrive at the AAW office, we had the drawing for the two full-size Delta lathes.

These lathes were generously donated by Delta Machinery. They are valued at \$2,250 each. As the rules stipulated, one member would be selected by random drawing to win one of them. This member would name their favorite AAW chapter and that chapter would win the second one.

And now for the winner (drum roll)..... Gilbert Hite from Willamantic, CT and his lucky chapter is, Central Connecticut Woodturners.

All members who join or renew their membership in the AAW for 2006 will receive the Fundamentals of Sharpening DVD, a \$34.95 value along with their '06 Resource Directory the first part of April. If you have members who have not yet joined, they can still do so at <http://www.woodturner.org/org/mbrship/>.

Please forward this message to your chapter members so that they can know who the winner was.

Thanks

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## **SUNTREE LIBRARY DISPLAY**

The Space Coast Chapter's woodturning display for the month of January in the Suntime Library was a great success. There were many outstanding pieces with a wide variety of types of turnings. The chapter fire truck was also on display. Many thanks to the following members who provided items for the display.

Mike Mogilevsky ... Harvey Driver ... John DiSanti ... Charlie Shrum ... Julian Pharis ... Jack Gregory ... Wynn Arnold ... Ray Conklin ... Larry Gonyea ... Jim Donovan Paul Pouliot ... Ken Thurman ... and Chuck Billings

This impressive display received many very nice compliments.

Chuck Billings

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## **BANDSAW BLADES** by Chuck Billings

When I was in Jacksonville a couple of weeks ago, I went by Spence Industrial Supply Co. to get some bandsaw blades. I had learned about this company several years ago and had heard their prices were good, but I had not investigated until now.

Spence does not stock "standard" blade sizes. Their stock is like a ribbon store with all types of tooth patterns and blade widths on rolls. You tell them what you want, they roll it off, cut it to length, and weld it. You must tell them the length as specified by the bandsaw manufacturer. The manufacturer of the blade material is Lenox who guarantees that theirs will outperform your present blade.

I bought three blades for my Shopsmith (72"), all hook tooth...quarter, three-eighths, and half inch wide. They were \$8.95 each. The Shopsmith catalog lists the quarter inch for \$15.39, and the half inch for \$27.59. I think I got a pretty good deal.

Spence does not have a price list, but you can call them, tell them what you want, and they will price it for you. They will do mail order. If several people went together in making an order, it would save on shipping costs. The Spence company's phone is (904) 354-8020. If you have questions about this, call ..... Chuck Billings, 783-7049.

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This month's Craft Supplies specials for woodturning club members,  
**go to**

[http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com/catalog/club\\_special.html](http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com/catalog/club_special.html)

## Great Woodturning Schools in the South East

**John C. Campbell Folk School**    [www.folkschool.org/](http://www.folkschool.org/)

**Arrowmont School of Arts & Crafts**    [www.arrowmont.org/](http://www.arrowmont.org/)

**Highland Hardware**    [www.highlandhardware.com/](http://www.highlandhardware.com/)

**Appalachian Center for Crafts**    <http://craftcenter.tntech.edu/>

For the Partners and Children Other Arts and Crafts are also available at these Schools

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### Notice ... Notice ... Notice !!!

Another Harvey Harbor Freight all day demo will take place on March 4th and 5th ... Those of you that have attended these know how much fun they are and how much work Harvey puts forth to pull the two day demos off ... All members are invited to help out ... See or call Harvey Driver to get a spot ... Harvey also gets a very nice discount for those that attend. Win —— Win !!! Also that is a weekend side sale/ promotion for Harbor Freight with big sales and your discount is in addition to the sale prices .... When there say hello to Alan Ramsey, the store manager and show him our support ...

Harvey's # ..... **321-757-8579**

Harbor Freight ... Alan Ramsey ... **321-752-9203**

## SPACE COAST WOODTURNERS MINUTES FOR January 9, 2006

The meeting was called to order by President Jack Gregory at the Faith Fellowship Church 2820 Business Center Blvd Melbourne, Florida at 7:03pm Nov 14, 2005. There were 43 members and 8 guests George Green, Denise Green, Jim Ragusa, Bill Piastuch, Russ Bolton, Susan Brooks, Mike Brooks, and Blake Rankin.

### Reports:

President Jack Gregory:

Vice President Chuck Billings: Possibly March 6 will be a demo by John Jordan info at the February meeting.

Treasurer Harvey Driver: Bank Balance of 3419.50. A reminder the Harbor Freight Weekend is coming up on March 4,5 2006 volunteers are needed to turn and talk. The second weekend in March, 11 & 12 the club will be showing the flag (actually turning wood) at the Woodworking show in Kissimmee (<http://www.thewoodworkingshows.com/orlando>). Club dues are now past due, however there is no late fee so please pay your 2006 dues and support your club.

Secretary Read Johnson: No Report

Video Tapes Tom Weber: 2 new tapes Steve Russel Bowl Turning and a Promo tape for woodcut tools. February meeting I will have sandpaper and faceplates for sale.

Newsletter John Armstrong: There is a deadline of 2 weeks after the monthly meeting for information for the newsletter. I will be stepping down in the near future (90 days), anyone interested in filling my shoes (with sawdust) please contact Jack Gregory.

Jim Donovan: Craft supply order is here, there is an 18% savings over catalogue prices. The current order amount is back to ZERO. I have several back issues of Woodshop News anyone interested see me or they are dumpster food.

### Old Business:

Ray Conklin: The lathe is on schedule with first one to be done by the end of March.

New Business: A motion to continue the current board for another year was made and passed.

For Sales: 8 tool set Delta Chuck Billings, Complete Shopsmith Bill Van Siclen, Christmas Ornament tree, Antique tools 55-year-old shopsmith tools Tiny Wirs. Bamboo FREE. Half logs cut and sealed see Tiny Wirs. Citrus and Hickory logs Wynn Arnold

Show and Tell: Fiddleback Maple platter Jack Gregory, Coffee Burl flower vase and Spalted Magnolia with African Blackwood and Inlace Larry Gonyea, Lots of Pens Ray Zakrajsek, Zebrawood bowl and Thin Win bowl Julian Pharis, Sandpine bowl Wynn Arnold, Cherry Laurel spider winged bowl Bill Miller, Sea Grape Stan Kopt, small Dogwood bowl and snowman Blake Rankin, Bird house ornament, lidded Bigleaf Maple, Blackwood bowl, Amboynia burl small vessel hand chased threads, Burmese Rosewood Ken Thurman, Pine Cone pen Bill Lucian, small lidded box Walnut?, Cocobolo box with a GREAT seal, Red Cedar vessel Paul Todd, Japanese Plum small bowl, Spalted Redwood Burl pen Glenda Haskell for Jim Donovan, Live Oak small bowl Susan Brooks.

Wood Auction: None

Business meeting adjourned.

Demonstration by: Bob Rosand

## **AUDIO-VISUAL SYSTEM NEEDS YOUR HELP... by Glenn Baxter**

This is cry for help by the audio-visual committee. We have essentially completed phase I of the system. We need your ideas and suggestions on how we can improve our systems and techniques to better serve our members.

The audio visual system has 2 main functions. The first is to provide improved views of our demonstrators instructions to the audience. This is done with close-up views at the point of importance and from the best direction.

The second is to provide a record of these instructions/demonstrations for our library to be used as instructional materials for our members or students.

The system presently consists of 2 TV sets (one of which is also a VHS recorder), 6 cameras, a 6 channel switcher (audio & video) and the associated power supplies, microphones, amplifiers, lights and wiring.

The cameras are presently assigned as follows:

1. Audience. It is positioned in the audience looking straight toward the lathe with a relatively wide angle to record the talking part of the program when no particular technique is being performed. This camera gives the library copy the overall discussion and should be more meaningful with facial expressions and hand motions.
2. Hand held cam-coder. It is needed to capture the details during a demonstration when none of the fixed cameras gives adequate coverage. It has the advantage of zoom and can be maneuvered for just the right details.
3. Fixed on the head stock end of the "turning".
4. Fixed overhead
5. Fixed on the tail stock end of the "turning"
6. Fixed mount on the bench behind the lathe to allow the instructor to show a sharpening technique or grind profile. It will probably be set up aimed at the grinder. The hand held (#2) may not be able to gain the position to see this area.

The philosophy for camera switching is as follows:

The four fixed cameras will be utilized when ever they can show good close-up views. The hand held camera will be utilized for special close-ups where it is superior to the fixed views. The audience camera will be used during general discussions or when none of the other cameras have any advantages. The audience camera can be utilized when the hand held camera is being relocated.

The entire present system should be considered a prototype system and any part of it can be rebuilt if required. The club presently does not own the hand held cameras we have used. We initially used Ernie Ferguson's camera but more recently we have used Roger Cartier's camera.

In a utopian world each of the camera stations would have remote pan, tilt, zoom and focus. Each camera output would be monitored continuously. The instructor would have a monitor so he could see what the audience is seeing. We obviously cannot afford all these goodies, but we may be able to afford more that we have now. We need to streamline our wiring to decrease setup and securing times.

Please give me your ideas. If enough people are interested in helping we can schedule a committee meeting.

Written by Glenn Baxter

Other committee members: Ernie Ferguson, Roger Cartier

# AAW Symposium

## June 22-24, 2006 Louisville, KY

<http://www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2006/>

### Maybe It's the Float

A WIFE walked into the house and told her husband, "There's water in the carburetor."  
"You don't know the difference between a carburetor and a generator," he huffed. "Where's the car?"

She shrugged. *"At the bottom of the lake."*

LITTLE Billy's kindergarten class went on a field trip to the local police station. They saw a bulletin board with photos of the FBI's 10 most-wanted criminals. Billy pointed to one of the photos and asked the officer if that person was really a most-wanted criminal.

"He certainly is," answered the officer.

Billy replied, *"Then why didn't you just keep him when you took his picture?"*

**Editor's Comment ...** I've been doing the Newsletter for several years and have enjoyed it very much... I announced last meeting that I would continue to the March 2006 issue ... Mostly due to other interests, however, I believe it's someone else's turn ... I would like to thank all those that have helped along the way ... They have been a big help to me ... However, after the meeting three people asked me "What is your problem?" ... Well the opportunity is open to step up! ... To those three good Members I would like to dedicate this little ditty :

I'd like to be a could be .... If I could not be an are  
For a could be, is a maybe .... With a chance of reaching far  
But I'd rather be a has been .... Than a could have been by far  
For a could have been has never been .... While a has been was an are

## TAPE DOCK by TOM WEBER

I hope to have the transfer to all DVD's complete by next meeting. Found some DVD holders at a garage sale that should be just about perfect for holding them.

I have all of the latest ones done, numbers 73 through 122. And most of the older ones numbered 1 through 72 as well. (I will try to have them all transferred in the next couple of months or so.)

Along these lines, if anyone needs a particular program on VHS tape, just give me a call, or drop me an email before the meeting, and I'll bring it for you.

We now have just about all of the wood turning tapes that are available. And so our monthly rentals have dropped off somewhat. We used to take in enough money every three months to buy about two tapes. Now we only make enough to buy a tape every two or three months. So I'd like to remind everyone of some our other fund raising endeavors.

We have faceplates (1X8, 1-1/4X8, and M33) for sale. These are excellent for use with a wooden face block. They are priced at \$10, \$12, and \$14. This is a bit less than half of what they sell for elsewhere.

Also, our sandpaper stock has been replenished. We again have all grits from 60 to 400. Each piece sells for \$3.50, and will make from 16 to 18 2" discs, depending on how you cut them. (Round or octagonal.) Again, this price in about a third of what you'd pay for precut ones.

You'll also find spindle washers in all sizes, hand drill kits (see pic below, you supply wood and chuck), and sheet metal type screw packs for the faceplates.

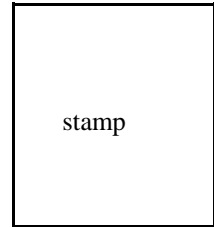
Your continued patronage is appreciated, and I'd like to thank all the members for their past support.

See you next Monday.





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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; and
5. Exhibit finished projects.

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