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A Special Thank You to Charlie Shrum

Our very own Charlie Shrum was our demonstrator for the April meeting. He demonstrated how to make a wine goblet and the intricacies of design and turning the goblet. He also demonstrated how to make “tea candle” or “votive candle” holders out of small pieces of branches. These candle holders are simple to make and show a natural edge and a natural elegance. His demonstrations certainly inspired us to try something new.

A Special Thank You to Harvey Driver

The club was asked to put on another demonstration at Harbor Freight on Tuesday 04/18/06. This was an important demo because company executives were scheduled to be at the store on that day. Harvey Driver organized the demonstration and set up the equipment before the store opened at 7:00 AM.

May 8th Meeting Demonstration by Ron Browning

Ron Browning will be our demonstrator at the May 8th meeting. Ron lives in Lecanto Florida and he is the president of the Hands-On Woodturners Club in the northwest part of Florida. Ron is also the club’s newsletter editor and webmaster. Ron holds workshops he calls “sawdust sessions” at his own workshop every Sunday evening. These workshops are attended by from 12 to 18 members. Ron is an excellent instructor and the attendees at his “sawdust sessions” come away better wood turners. Ron helps the other members with problems they are having in their own projects and how to do things such as sharpen tools and make jigs. Ron has been turning for about 40 years, teaches woodturning at the local technical institute and demonstrates at other clubs. And, by the way, he also has a full time job!

MEETINGS The Space Coast Woodturners meet at the **Faith Fellowship Church of Broadway**, 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!**

Pepper Mill Workshop Report

On April 15th, Paul Pouliot conducted a pepper mill workshop. There were 10 participants who all finished a beautiful pepper mill. Paul did an outstanding job leading and helping everyone through the process of making the pepper mills. This demonstrates that the club should have similar workshops throughout the year. Paul is planning on making a bulk purchase of the pepper mill mechanism and will make them available to club members for somewhere under \$10.00. Contact Paul Pouliot for more details.

Space Coast Woodturners Minutes for April 10, 2006

The meeting was called to order by President Jack Gregory at the Faith Fellowship Church 2820 Business Center Blvd Melbourne, Florida at 7:09pm April 10, 2006. There were 49 members and 4 guests; Vernon Burgess, Gene Komabynski, Winky Friedrich, Kevin Biers.

Reports:

President Jack Gregory:

No report.

Vice President Chuck Billings:

Next meeting Ron Browning will be turning a hat from a log (due to limited time he will not be able to completely turn a hat). On Saturday April 15th will be hands on turning of a Pepper mill instructed by Paul Pouliot. Observers are welcome its \$5 for lunch, all others its \$40 for the all day lesson. Paul's BOSS has asked please do not show up before 8:45 that morning. Paul is reminding class members to bring SHARP tools and sand paper.

Treasurer Harvey Driver

Bank Balance of 2975.05 audited balance. There is an outstanding amount of \$260 for the memorial gouges (gouges and invoice not yet received). Harbor Freight is having their grand opening on April 18, we will need turners for the demonstrations. 4 gallons of anchor seal are for sale. In the future please contact Harvey Driver in advance of the meeting for anchor seal, we are no longer able to store it here and it must be procured for each time.

Secretary Read Johnson

Paper rosters are available. Anyone looking for a ride to the Symposium in June, there is a seat available in my car.

Video Tapes Tom Weber

New member nametags.

Newsletter Paul Todd:

The newsletter should be in the mailbox by 12 midnight one week before the next meeting. Any address or email corrections please send along to our secretary Read Johnson.

Jim Donovan:

\$0 toward next order for Craft Supplies.

Old Business:

The winners of the turning "contest" were Novice class Jeff Chiapperino, Intermediate class Joe Schneider and for the advanced class Paul Pouliot.

Space Coast Woodturners Minutes for April 10, 2006 Continued

Ray Conklin:

Ray brought the lathe to the meeting to show the members. Some finishing touches still need to be applied before the Symposium.

New Business:

Congratulation to Adam Dokos IT'S A GIRL.

Miscellaneous:

Space Coast wood carving club will be showing their efforts the 2nd and 4th Tuesday in May from 1 thru 4 PM at the King Center.

For Sale:

Inexpensive turning tools. 1943 Craftsman metal lathe \$350 see Paul Todd.

Show and Tell:

Harvey Driver new Skew sharpening jig.

Chuck Billings Tool holder stand

Mike O'Brien Pen of Cocobolo

Eric Thaxton Block of Kauri From New Zealand (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Agathis_australis)

Bob Davis Segmented bowl

Ray Zakrajsek Wooden stool

Stan Knopf Red Cedar bowl

Ken Thurman Bottle brush natural edge bowl

Julian Pharis Ash pen

Paul Todd Camphor small goblet, Maple with laced edge bowl (as shown on the AAW web site photo of the day)

Larry Gonyea Spalted Maple Christmas ornament, Tiger stripe Paduck 4 leg bowl

Bruce Swinea Norfolk Island Pine bowl

Read Johnson bowl of unknown wood asking members to identify wood.

Wood Auction:

Bottle Brush, cherry Burl, Rosewood, Hickory, Cedar, and Bamboo, Large Shell boxes.

Business meeting adjourned.

Demonstration by: Charlie Schrum small goblets and tea lights

Read Johnson

A Message From the President

It was gratifying to see the participation in our April contest. All who submitted a piece were winners in my book! We will have another contest in July, with a few rule changes. The Advanced class winner will not be eligible; the Intermediate class winner will compete in the Advanced class, and the Novice winner will compete in the Intermediate class. Contest pieces for the various classes will be announced by the June meeting.

Paul Pouliot has accepted the job as “How To” coordinator. In order to help Paul schedule his program, I would ask everyone to bring a list of 5 topics you would like to have covered. Be specific; if you want to see something on wet verses dry wood turning, then say so. We will collect and evaluate these lists at the May 8th meeting.

Let's not forget the Christmas tree ornaments for the AAW symposium. They will be picked up at the June 12th meeting.

Jack Gregory

From the Wood Pile

Black Walnut (*Juglans nigra*) also called American Walnut. Grows from Vermont to Texas but its prime growing region is the Ohio River Valley. The trees require a rich, well drained soil and are found growing scattered in a forest; pure stands are rare. It is a slow growing tree, requiring 150 years to reach 80 feet in height.

Walnut turns well and holds small details. It is also easily carved with hand and power tools. The porous grain may require filling, and clear finishes such as clear varnish, lacquer, oil or polyurethane work well.

Bubinga (*Guibourtia tessmannii*) grows in equatorial Africa in the Congo River Basin, deep in the forest. It often reaches a height of 130 feet. The heartwood is pink, vivid red or brown, and will darken in sunlight. Bubinga is fairly stable and turns well and holds fine detail.

Clear lacquer or varnish work well as well as tung oil, Danish oil or wax as a finish. Most finishes will raise the grain but a light sanding between coats will solve that problem.

Items For Sale

Two Japanese waterstones – never used. One 800 grit / 4000 grit combination and one 1200 grit. \$30.00 for both. Call Jack at 321-269-5855

TAPE DOCK by TOM WEBER

Thanks again to everyone who's supported our efforts with your DVD rentals and sand paper/faceplate purchases. Not only are you getting a 'good deal', you're also helping us to acquire more DVD's for the members to enjoy. And learn from.

For this month, I have the Robert Sorby DVD on the eccentric chuck use. Again, this is a subject for those of you who might wish to expand your turning horizons beyond just plain 'round stuff'. There are four projects demonstrated, as well as general tips on the usage of this chuck. It's #22.

As you may have noticed, a higher percentage of our new DVD's are directed at the more advanced or esoteric areas of wood turning. Recent additions have included high-speed turbo carving on turnings, complex segmented construction and turning, and enhancing your innate creativity, along with Trent Bosch's vessels within a vessel.

The primary reason for this is that over the past couple of years we have acquired just about every 'basic' turning DVD that's on the market. So where we're going from here are these 'advanced' demos, along with DVD's dealing specifically with a particular type of off-beat tools, or ones that go into depth on a particular subject, such as Russ Fairfield's 3-volume set on wood finishing. So by now, we should have something to interest (and /or educate) just about everyone in the club.

As for the sandpaper, I've just ordered the same steared rolls in the 3" width. This is for use with the 3" sanding discs. (We offered this a couple of years ago, but have been sold out lately.) Each piece will be the same price (\$3.50) for the 4-1/4" rolls, but the rolls will be 6' long, rather than 3'. You will get 24 discs from each piece, at a price of about 14¢ each. (If bought in packs of 10, you would pay 29-1/2¢ each, plus shipping!) So we will have a complete line of sanding discs for both the 2" and 3" pads. In grits from 80 to 400. (Of course, you can cut the 1" and 1-1/2" discs from either roll as well.)

By the way, we also have a limited supply of 60 grit sandpaper, which is extra heavy paper backing with aluminum oxide abrasive. This material is 6" wide, so is suitable for both the 2" and 3" disc pads. It comes in 2' lengths, (or 2 each 1' pieces), at the same price. Each piece will make 36 2" discs or 16 3" discs. Since this stuff only comes in 75' rolls, it probably won't be offered again after this stock is sold.

As an additional time saver, if anyone knows beforehand which grits and sizes they want before the meeting, email me at tpurhrt@earthlink.net with the details. I'll prepare your order and package it separately for pickup at the meeting. Ought to save you some time going through the 'big box' of stuff. And give you more time to pick out that DVD you've been wanting to view.

And lastly, don't forget that we have a complete supply of basic faceplates, in the 3/4-16, 1X8, and 1-1/4 X8 thread sizes.

Hope to see you on the 8th. **Tom Weber**

April 2006 Membership Contest Results

SCWT conducted a woodturning contest at the April 10th meeting. Members who wished to participate were asked to make items based on their skill level. Those items would be judged by judges chosen from the membership. The judging criteria was based on the Design, execution and finish of the item. The categories and projects for the contest were; novices or beginners were to make a bowl, intermediate turners were to make a goblet and advanced or professional turners were to make anything they wanted.

April 2006 Membership Contest Winners

Novice Category Winner



Novice Category entrants.



The Novice winner was Jeff Chiapperino with his lidded vessel. The top is chinaberry and is turned and carved and the vessel is podocarpus or podo and the foot is cedar.

Intermediate Category Winner



Intermediate Category entrants.



The Intermediate winner was Joe Schnider with his goblet. The goblet was made from walnut and "solid surface material" (corian).

Advanced Category Winner



Advanced Category entrants.



The Advanced winner was Paul Pouliot with his carved lidded vessel. The vessel is stained dogwood and the lid and foot are ebonized maple using India ink.

SCWT Show and Tell Table

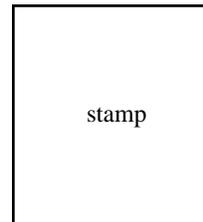


AAW Symposium

June 22-24, 2006 Louisville, KY

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The Chapter's Purposes

In addition to supporting the general purposes of the AMERICAN ASSOCIATION of WOODTURNERS, Inc., Space Coast Woodturners are to:

Provide a meeting place for local woodturners;

Share ideas and techniques regarding this craft;

Trade woods;

Exchange ideas about tools; and

Exhibit finished projects.

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