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SPECIAL BULLETIN re: May Meeting Date Change

NOTE: The **MAY MEETING** will be on **MAY 7, 2007**, the **1st Monday** of the month, rather than the usual 2nd Monday. This is a one-time change to accommodate the scheduling of other groups at Faith Fellowship Church.

MON., MAY 7, 2007 -- MEETING DEMO-- 7:00 P.M.

NORM ROSE will come from New Port Richey, Florida to demonstrate the "ABC" Approach to Turning Wood. Norm developed this philosophy and has been teaching it for about 20 years. Many other woodturning instructors are now incorporating the ABC approach in their teaching. Also Norm will demonstrate and instruct in the use of the skew. His teaching method differs from, yet complements, the skew instruction of Alan Lacer. Norm's demonstrations will be helpful and useful for both the beginners as well as experienced turners.

From Read

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

Space Coast Woodturners

Minutes for March 12, 2007

By Julian Pharis, Sect.

The meeting was called to order by President Read Johnson at the Faith Fellowship Church 2820 Business Center Blvd Melbourne, Florida at 7:07pm March 12, 2007. There were 51 members present and 5 guests: Terry Justin , Charles Cercle, John Passamonte (he is going to John C. Campbell school in July), Bill Welch (new turner came with Tom Beswick). Terry, Charles, and John came as a result of seeing the last demo at Harbor Freight.

Vice President Chuck Billings:

**Special Demo by Tony Cortese on the 3rd Monday in April (April 16)
“Embellishments on Wood”.**

We will have our regular meeting on the 2nd Monday of April (April 9) with Paul Pouliot demonstrating the Willard Baxter threading tool.

The May meeting will be changed to the 1st Monday (May 7) because of a schedule conflict.

Treasurer’s Report Harvey Driver:

Club treasury had \$4344.74 at end of last month. The club cost for the Alan Lacer instruction was \$254.00. There were 28 paid attendees.

The club sent a \$25 donation to American Cancer Society in memory of Bill Van Sicen’s wife who passed away. Paul Pouliot turned a cremation urn for the family.

Jack Gregory reported that SCWT club has received a \$1000 educational grant from the Florida Woodturning Symposium for recognition of our club member participation in the symposium. The SCWT executive board has decided to award five \$200 scholarships to attend the symposium next January.

Video report Tom Weber: Two new videos. Gave out name tags to new members. The club has a copy of the Tony Cortese video for anyone interested in getting a preview.

March Minutes Cont

Club Order Jim Donovan: Nothing on the order list for Craft Supplies.

How-To next month Paul Pouliot: Next month's how-to will be replaced by the Tony Cortese demo. He uses a very high speed tool for the carving and may have some to sell at the demo.

Club shirts Larry Gonyea: Changed to new vendor. Delivered shirts ordered last month. Larry is a snow bird and will be away for the summer and needs someone to handle the shirt sales.

Old business: none

New business: none

Items for sale: Jack Gregory wants to give away several years issues of Woodsmith magazines.

Ray Zakrajsek: has a contact who furnished 15-20 small samples of wood from Guyana. If there is enough interest by club members he will check into the details of getting a couple of pallets of the wood. Cost TBD. Some of the woods are not readily available to us locally. Probably will be 3-6 inch diameter logs about 3 feet long. See Ray if interested.

Delta tool base \$20 and Ryobi table saw w/stand and casters

Harbor Freight lathe \$125.

Belt driven compressor 8-10 gallon, 2 HP, 220V

Tiny Wirs has 6 gallon Shop-Vac for \$15

President Read Johnson: Woodworking show in Tampa March 23-25. Discount coupon available on-line. Good show. Some turning supplies but mostly woodworking.

Brought 4 pens that were given away last month. Come claim yours.

Show and Tell: Tiny Wirs - lamps and other items from hollow logs.

Wynn Arnold – Alan Lacer's ½ inch box scraper with purple heart handle.

Ray Z. – laminated towel rack with Corian

Ken Thurman – showing metal for making Alan Lacer type hook tool. Bloodwood turning made at HF sidewalk demo.

March Minutes Cont

Jeff Chiapperino – piece from maple and avocado with India ink as a learning piece.

Eric Thaxton – segmented turning with 132 pieces of maple and wenge in a double helix pattern and therefore named “DNA”.

Bill Lutian – learned from Alan Lacer demo how to turn a box and screwdriver handle with copper compression nut for the ferrule.

W. Goodson – sweet gum bowl and hemlock bowl.

Glen Baxter – showing his 150th Spanish cedar baluster. It is very dusty wood and tastes terrible.

March Minutes Cont

Dottie Pugh – wood earrings, said that turning exact duplicates is difficult so make them similar because you can't see both close together at the same time.

Tom Beswick – two boxes from camphor with first attempt at pyrography and a comfort pen from a corn cob.

Harvey Driver – pecan mallet with oil finish and buffed and an example of why we turn twice with green wood to take care of the warping. Black walnut piece. An Alan Lacer screwdriver kit.

Julian Pharis – bowl from three limbed oak crotch.

Green Gross – spalted sycamore hollow vessel with Minwax product for hardening the soft spalted wood. Polyurethane wipe-on finish.

Club auction – hook tool, steady rest, oak, hollow logs, magnolia, maple crotch, maple, Spanish cedar, and Corian. Auction made \$96.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

March Minutes Cont

We had a good demonstration of turning three legged candlesticks by Gene Gross, a retired cardiologist and past present of Central Florida Woodturners. The three legged candlesticks involves splitting a log into 3 pie shaped pieces and turning each piece to a nice shape that can fit back together at the base to reform the log shape. Gene expressed great concern for practicing safety not only from the tools but protect the lungs from dust with a mask, the eyes and face from flying debris, and the ears from hearing loss caused by long exposure to the high frequency noise.

DVD Dock for April

We will hopefully have three new DVD's for rent this month. Two are the 2006 AAW Symposium Techniques DVD's. Should have a third DVD, if enough new stuff shows up on Tim Yoder's show.

And along those lines, we have started on our 4th DVD rack, along with the corresponding sign-out book. We now have 152 videos for rent.

A NOTE OF CAUTION HERE! Volume 1 of the 2006 AAW (DVD #151) set contains an instructional piece on shop safety. While it's very informative, and sure to grab one's attention, be aware that there are some quite graphic photos of what can happen when one doesn't practice what it's preaching. Believe me, it'll flat get your attention. But if you don't wish to view these scenes, there is a warning in the video just prior to the presentation, so you can fast forward through that portion of the DVD. (On the other hand, as some of our members, myself included, would agree that the level of discomfort experienced by viewing these scenes, are absolutely nothing compared to the discomfort one suffers by becoming an example of these very same unsafe practices.)

I would like to mention another series we presently have for rent. During the past several months, we have had quite a few new members added to our roster, and a considerable number have said that they were beginning wood turners. Well, in our DVD library, there are at least 12 discs that are specifically geared to the new turner. They all vary of course, but each shows the attributes of different lathes along with the proper (and safe!) use of the tools and attachments. And of course, most important, the beginning turner can see the techniques needed for all the basic cuts, and when to use each. You'll also discover the different ways of holding wood on the lathe for turning. (You can't turn it if you can't hold it...)

Just look at the yellow pages (DVD's listed by Subject) in the Index Book, at the 'Basic' listings, and you'll see the 12 DVD's, along with the author, and the DVD number.

And remember, your club offers sand paper for making your 2" and 3" discs. And a pretty complete selection of faceplates in various thread sizes to fit just about any lathe you may purchase (or already own). Along with mounting screws to be used with the face plates, spindle washers, embossing wheels, and some other goodies. All of these are priced below what you'll normally pay at retail. And all proceeds go to the Library Fund, to be used to acquire more 'stuff'.

Tom Weber

DVD Dock for May

In May, I'm going to try something new. A mail order service for DVD's. For an additional dollar, if you decide during the month that there's a video out there that you need right then, email or phone me, and I'll mail it to you. You can pay for it at the next meeting when you return it.

Just put \$2 into the box instead of one. (Make sure that you leave enough time to watch the DVD prior to the next meeting. Shipping time should be one to two days after the morning I get it in the mail.)

The DVD will be shipped in a heavy cardboard sleeve. When you bring it back, just put the disc back into its jewel case.

Tom Weber

Biography

By Freida

Who is Who in Space Coast Woodturners

I still am waiting for our biography program to take off. But, no matter. We will at least list our new members. I would like to create a directory of the members who wish to be in it. For now we have the following new members for April with their names only.

Charles B. Ceerle

Joyce A. Ceerle

Kenneth (Ken) R. Murrell

Mayo Murrell

Terry L. Justice

Troy Porter

John Passamonte

Looking for email addresses

I only have 49 email addresses and 3 members who need the newsletter mailed.

Where is the rest of everyone???

If you send me a list of live email addresses, I can easily enter the names into my wood turner address book.

If you know of a person who needs to send me his/her email address, please have the person email me.

If you know who needs to have the newsletter mailed, please let me know.

Thanks,

Freida

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Check It Out

Tony is a master woodcarver and wood turner who embellishes his turned forms to create one of a kind originals. He is currently one of the elected national directors of the American Association of Woodturners, the AAW. To view his work, check out Tony's website at <http://tonycortese.org/> From chuck's memo



WOOD CARVERS & WOOD TURNERS

BY TONY CORTESE



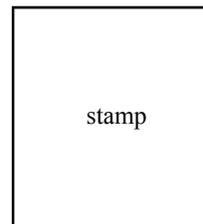
Welcome to the Homepage of Master Woodcarver & Wood Turner:

Tony Cortese

in January 2006.



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TO:

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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