



Space Coast Woodturners

Minutes/Newsletter of Space Coast Woodturners – December 9, 2015

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. Doors will be open at around 8:00 AM so come early and help set up. We always need extra help with the lathes, etc.

* **President - Russ Bremmer** – Opened the meeting at 6:30 PM – There was no business meeting as this was the annual Christmas Party. We had a special guest – Jules Blier, a former member who has donated a lot of wood to our club recently. He is retiring from woodturning. Also present were our other special guests – the family members of our club members.

Russ gave the blessing and the tables chosen first got up to go fix their plates. Mike Frazier made sure that everyone knew that the foam plates **WOULD** break if held by the edges and to hold them from underneath. The other tables were notified to get in line. Everyone had plenty to eat and then, of course, there were the delicious desserts. YUM!

The raffle was held after the meal was finished.

\$10.00 Gift Certificate – Mrs. Gell

Calipers – Bob Winburn

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\$10.00 Gift Certificate – Mike Frazier

Banksia Pod – Reenie Pirjevec

The ornament contest had 9 entries this year. Russ said that he would like to have at least 5 more entries next year. The winners were:

Novice Category – Kevin Nowak - \$20.00 prepaid gift card

Intermediate Category – Rex Bradburn - \$30.00 prepaid gift card

Advanced Category – Terry Justice - \$40.00 prepaid gift card

Remember that the winners will now have to move up to the next category next year. I'm not sure where the advanced category moves to. Guess they just have to make an even better ornament next year.

More raffle results:

Calipers – Russ Bremmer

\$10.00 Gift Certificate – Rick DeTorre

4 blocks (2 x 2 x 12) of different kinds of wood – Read Johnson

Crocheted Shawl (made & donated by Tammy Bradburn) – Kevin Nowak

Small crocheted blanket (also from Tammy) – Jules Blier

"I Love You" box (from Ken Thurman) – black palm box and lid and African blackwood finial – Betty Quianthy

The Christmas Party was a great success, as usual. Thanks to Mike Frazier and Bruce Lansdowne for coordinating; and to Chuck Billings for mentoring them in their first year as Christmas Party coordinators.

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Hands-on Sessions – was held in December, but I didn't attend, so I don't know what went on at that session. If you have suggestions for a hands-on session or would like to lead a hands-on session, contact Russ Bremmer.

* **Secretary's Report** –

* **Treasurer's Report – Harvey Driver** – Harvey is now accepting membership dues for 2016. The fees are: Individual - \$25.00, Family - \$30.00.

* **Vice President's Report – Gary Christensen** – Demonstrator for **January** will be **Dawn Petrie-George**. She will be showing how to make a small box and how to make miniatures.

There will be no Vice President's Challenge in December or January. It will probably resume again in February.

* **Supply Master – Jim Donovan** –

* **DVD Librarian/Store Manager – Bob Cusumano** –

* **Web Master - Bill Howard** – Go to spacecoastwoodturners.com and see what is available. We also have a Facebook page where you can upload photos, etc. Check it out! If you have any information that needs to be on the web page contact Bill at BillH@spacecoastwoodturners.com

* **Chuck Billings** –

* **Charlie Cecrle** will be taking over the duties of getting shirts for the club. Bring your own new shirt to the meeting and what name you want on it and Charlie will collect the shirts, get the embroidery done and return your shirt to you at the next meeting. SCWT Logo and name on shirt is \$14.00; a patch with Logo only is \$9.00. The person can also do ball caps, jackets, etc.

Old Business – Florida Woodturning Symposium will be held at Lake Yale Baptist Convention Center, as usual, and will be February 5 – 7, 2016. Registration is already open. If you plan to go, register soon because it fills up fast. At the January meeting, coordination of sharing rides will be discussed. If you don't want to drive, get with someone else that will be going and has room. The club won't be coordinating this, but individual members can get together and figure this out.

In November, nominations for officers will be discussed and voting will take place. The open positions were Secretary and Vice President. Randy Hardy was nominated for Secretary and was voted in by all members present. Bruce Lansdowne was nominated for Vice President and was voted in by all members present. Russ Bremmer will remain as President and Harvey Driver will remain as Treasurer; all present approved. Newly elected officers will take over in January. Russ Bremmer said that out-going officers must train the in-coming officers.

Note: At the Christmas Party, Bruce Lansdowne announced that he had gotten a job out-of-state and would not be able to be the Vice President next year. A special election will be held in January to fill this slot. If you are interested in filling this slot, please let Russ Bremmer know before the meeting on January 13, 2016.

* Dawn Petrie-George is the Florida Regional Ambassador for WIT (Women In Turning), a new committee of the AAW.

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Show & Tell

Raffle Winners:

If you are not familiar with the **Bring Back** idea, it is where a member turns something and donates it to the club. Then the winner of the drawing (has to be a member, not a visitor) 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 that you turned.

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/visitor. It is a good way to collect turned items from others and the cost is FREE. What a great bargain.

See next page for demonstration notes.

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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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