



Space Coast Woodturners

Newsletter of Space Coast Woodturners – October 9, 2019

Submitted by Randy Hardy – Secretary, notes by Dotty Pugh

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 – 5:00 PM 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.

Russ Bremmer opened the meeting at 7:00 PM & welcomed everyone to the October meeting of the Space Coast Woodturners. He asked if there were any visitors – there were one – Kate Hogan from Tennessee. She turns bowls, pens, & jewelry

Safety Soapbox:

A woodturner in Orlando died from lung cancer caused by wood dust. Dust can clog lungs & give you an allergic reaction. There are also some oils in wood that may cause a reaction. A dust mask is a good preventative measure. Dust masks & finishing masks are not the same. Dust-Be-Gone is a good washable, fairly inexpensive dust mask.

Respirator – Bulky, difficult to see over (especially if wearing glasses)

Rzmask – easy on/off dust mask

Lowes carries another mask for ~\$33 that has a filter, carbon filter, & carrying case. It's rated for dust only (not organic vapors). Different versions are available – M1 for neoprene, M2, & M2.5.

Different kinds are available – one has a mouth piece like SCUBA.

New Business:

Registration is now open for the 2020 Florida Woodturning Symposium to be held at Lake Yale February 7–9, 2020 (their website is <http://floridawoodturningsymposium.com/>). The featured demonstrators are Nick Agar, J. Paul Fennell, Judy Ditmer, & Keith Gotschall. The regional demonstrators are Frank Penta, Jack Shelton, Steve Cook, & Jon Hollingshead. There are workshops by Dixie Biggs, Rudy Lopez, Lee Sky, Dave Farrell, & Don Geiger. Meals & rooms are on campus. The rotation of demonstrators has 2 demos Friday, 4 on Saturday, & 2 on Sunday

Treasurer: We have \$3,135.84 in the checking account. We paid the rental fee for the Christmas party.

Secretary: Nothing

Vice President: Still no V.P.

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Demonstration for tonight is Christmas ornaments by Rick DeTorre. He will also help make Christmas ornaments at the hands-on workshop on October 19, 2019. Bring your own safety gear, tools, & hollowing equipment. The November hands-on (11/16/2019) will be a follow up on Christmas ornaments.

The club's Christmas party will be held in place of the December SCWT meeting on 12/11/2019 at the Melbourne Village town hall. The club will provide turkey, dressing, gravy, plates, silverware, & drinks. Bring ornaments for the contest. There will be 3 categories (beginner, intermediate, & advanced) with prizes of \$20, \$30, & \$40.

New Business:

Honor Flight – Gary Christensen: 25 pens were given out to veterans & 2 more flights are scheduled for next month – November 3 & November 24. There are enough pens for the November 3 flight, but we need pens for the November 24 flight. Get pens to Gary. In November, a reporter from Senior Life & Viera News plan to write articles on pens we provide for Honor Flights.

SCWT Elections: Election for officers will be held at the November SCWT meeting. Vice President & treasurer don't have any candidates. President & secretary will continue unless someone else wants to do it.

Business cards: Russ Bremmer's daughter drew up a design for the club business cards. They will be completed by a local printer for ~\$40.

Show & Tell:

Russ Bremmer	Gilded electric tea light holder – clear glass on top
Bob Cusamano	Aromatic cedar bowl, Howard's finish
Wynn Arnold	CNC Norfolk Island Pine lidded box
Kevin Nowak	Segmented bowl – flat board, swirl stacked Large segmented vase, 1000 pieces, 20” tall, 14” at widest diameter
Paul Jackson	Segmented platter – CNC pieces made at last month's demo
Rick DeTorre	2 Christmas ornaments, one for bring back

Club Order

Rick Detorre said he has ~\$650 toward the next Craft Supply order.

For Sale:

Delta lathe with extension	See Lil Baxter or Russ Bremmer
Jet lathe (small)	See Pat or Sally Deabenderfer

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Auction:

Lots of items from Phil Axtell, a former member who passed away. His wife donated the tools. More items (wood & tools) will be auctioned in January & February.

Beall System	Kate Hogan	\$15
Chatter tool	Bruce Lansdowne	\$5
Caliper – Harbor Freight	Bob Cusamano	\$1
Dial caliper	Bruce Lansdowne	\$2
Hut wax	Rick DeTorre	\$2
2 pen tube inserters	Gary Christensen	\$5
3 pen mandrels	Bruce Lansdowne	\$5
4 spur drives	Bruce Lansdowne	\$4
Shadow box	Bruce Lansdowne	\$1
Screw mandrel – 1/8 twist	Rick DeTorre	\$2
Miscellaneous tools	Bill Lutian	\$11
Hickory 4"x4"x12"	Kevin Nowak	\$2
Caliper & micro mesh sanders	Bruce Lansdowne	\$15
Red gum burl	Russ Bremmer	\$20

Demonstration – Christmas Ornaments Rick DeTorre

Rick showed several globes he turned – some were small pieces glued together. The eye sees a globe shape even if it's not totally round – it can be “squashed”. Globes can be 1-1/2” - 2”. Make a mark at the end of the globe so you get the size you want. A globe is essentially a large bead – sneak up on the bead. Use the skew as a negative rake scraper & use a Forstner bit to cut a hole in the center. Don't drill all the way through – leave about 1/8”. Tools for hollowing include a Sorby mini hollower & a Dale Nish tool. Position the tool at the center of your piece or slightly above. When hollowing, make sure to stop & clean out shavings. Don't try to look inside the globe when you're hollowing – if you get a catch, the tool can lift up & smack you in the face. Keep the tool handle under your arm because it's more stable & you have more control.

Why hollow ornaments? It makes the ornament lighter – you can make them solid, if you prefer.

when removing the tool from inside the globe, turn off lathe – it's safer & you won't blow up your globe. Keep tool flat on tool rest. You can use a coat hanger to measure the thickness of the walls.

He has a recipe for sanding paste. He sands down to about 220 grit, & then uses a paste to sand to about 1200 grit. The paste also traps sanding dust. The paste is made of bees wax, mineral oil, & diatomaceous earth (see recipe in the attached AAW article). It's similar to EEE paste. He uses Captain Eddy's shine juice for finish – shellac with wax, boiled linseed oil, & denatured alcohol. It's a lot cheaper to buy alcohol at a pharmacy like Walgreen's rather than Lowe's or Home Depot.

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Raffle:

Book – Making Wood Bowls	Bill Lutian
Gift Certificate - \$10 to Craft Supply	Kevin Nowak
Book – Turning Geen Wood	Kate Hogan
Gift Certificate - \$10 to Craft Supply	Bernie MacDonald
Demo - ornament from Rick DeTorre	Paul Jackson
Gift Certificate - \$10 to Craft Supply	Terry Justice
Dust mask	Bob Cusamano
DVD rental	Russ Bremmer
Share the wealth	Paul Jackson
Bring Back	Kevin Nowak

In this video, Ernie Conover demonstrates options for adding decorative carving to turned bowls, including fluted carving and the use of a veining chisel. Additionally, he discusses the best bowl shapes for carving, grain direction concerns, and vise attachment options

https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=KcWDoHvksA4

Al Stirt demonstrates his techniques for creating square and carved platters at a meeting of the Woodturners Guild of North Carolina.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mg0wuh_SapE

In this video, Joey Richardson offers piercing tips

<https://vimeo.com/132441491>

You might need to be an AAW member in order to view this video. Just copy the link into your browser.

Next meeting: November 13, 2019

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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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