



Space Coast Woodturners

Newsletter of Space Coast Woodturners – May 11, 2022

Submitted by Paul Jackson – Secretary

Russ Bremmer opened the March meeting of the Space Coast Woodturners at ~7 PM at Melbourne Makerspace. There were ~14 people at the meeting and ~7 on-line via Zoom. There was one visitor: Joshua Shannon who is new to turning.

Old Business

Russ advised that the replacement for the “gray box” is on hold. The grinder and other accessories are currently stored under the OneWay Lathe with the platform being stored elsewhere in Makerspace.

New Business

Planning meetings have commenced for the 2023 Florida Woodturners Symposium. It will be held next February at the RP Funding Center in Lakeland.

Gary Christensen advised that there would be an Honor Flight Reunion on Sunday May 15 at the Wickham Park Senior Center. The club distributes pens at these events. There are enough for the next few months, but more will be needed soon. All contributions are welcome.

Officers Reports

Treasurer – Read Johnson

We had \$4,743.80 in our bank account at the end of April. The only expected expenses are for paid demonstrators later in the year.

Vice President – John Conway

John advised that the schedule for the rest of the year is fairly complete, with only a few TBDs.

May 11, 2022	Bill Piatusch	Basket Illusion
June 8, 2022	Ron Browning	No Measure Lidded Box
July 13, 2022	Mike Peace (remote)	Adding Pizzazz with Texturing
August 10, 2022	Frank Worrall	Turning a Square Plate/Platter
September 14, 2022	TBD	
October 12, 2022	TBD (Club member?)	Christmas Ornament Basics
November 9, 2022	Darryl Jones (remote)	More Complex Christmas Ornaments
December 14, 2022	Holiday Party	

Complete schedule is on the website.

Meetings with Remote Demos will feature abbreviated business meetings (i.e. no Show-and-Tell or raffles) to allow maximum time to the presenter.

The meetings and demos are also advertised on Meetup.com, Makerspace's meeting scheduler.

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Workshop

We are resuming our Workshops on the 3rd Saturday of each month, however the May workshop featuring sharpening with a Wolverine jig failed to generate enough interest and will not be held.

June 18, 2022	No-measure Lidded Box (from Ron Browning demo)
July 16, 2022	Rotary Texturing Tool (from Russ Bremer demo)
August 20, 2022	TBD
September 17, 2022	TBD
October 15, 2022	Proposed: Halloween Ornaments
November 19, 2022	Proposed: Christmas Ornaments

If anyone has any suggestions for ornaments, please let us know.

Show and Tell

Instant Gallery

Paul McDaniel	Rotary Texturing Tool – Oak with brass threads in the cap Cedar Bowl, bottom embellished with Rotary Tool Bowl from a Bowling Ball with wood bowling pin legs
Russ Bremer	Salt and Pepper Grinders – Spalted Tamarind and Black Palm Chatter Tool with tip storage in handle – Cherry, brass
John Conway	Large Walnut Crotch Bowl Large Ambrosia Maple Bowl

In Person

Bill Lutian	Rotary Texturing Tool
Terry Justice	Pepper Mills with Lacquer finish
Bill Piastuch	Basket Illusion Lidded Bowl (preview of demo)

To submit Instant Gallery items for future meetings, see the link on the website:
<http://spacecoastwoodturners.com/Show&Tell.html>

Demonstration – Bill Piastuch – Basket Illusion

Bill persevered through some early technical issues with cameras in the demo room to demonstrate how he creates bowls and platters with the illusion of being corded baskets. He began by showing the beading tools he uses (see source list below.) The first tip offered was to complete the basket beading before hollowing the bowl to minimize movement of the wood that would affect the bead profile. Bill demonstrated how he rocks the beading tool until he gets a feel that the bead is full depth. The edge of the previous bead is used as a reference for the subsequent beads until the desired area is fully beaded. Bill then defined the lines between beads by burning with a wire. In cases where a wire cannot be used such as platters, a small piece of plastic laminate can be held on edge in the groove to produce a similar effect.

The next step is to lay out the bead segments to achieve the desired effect. An indexing wheel or the indexing feature of the lathe can help here. The layout is left to the imagination of the creator. Once laid out, the segments are defined by burning with the pyrography tool with the corresponding tip (see sources.) Bill then showed how he completes the design by coloring with artist's pens.

Sources:

Beading Tools - d-waytools.com

1/8" DW-BT-1-8-38
3/16" DW-BT-3-16-38

Wood Burning Pens – carvertools.com PJJ Enterprises

1/8" PH21AEF
3/16" PH21BEF

Coloring Pens

Faber-Castell Pitt Artist Pens – Hobby Lobby, or Amazon

Raffle

Richard Smith made a large square-tip turning tool and donated it to the club as a raffle item. The winner was Tammy Conway

Bring Back Small Goblet with 2 captive rings Sally Deabenderfer (via Zoom)

Closing Note

Our Makerspace colleagues advised that they have completed negotiations with the landlord to expand their facility into adjoining space. This will result in a reconfiguration of the Woodshop to make more room. The final configuration is TBD, so stay tuned!

Next Meeting: June 8, 2022 at Melbourne Makerspace

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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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