
AS THE WOOD TURNS

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Hands On – March 12th

Visitors-

Joe Fenney from Hingham
Herb Elsner
Tom Holland (old member)
Mark Bulman
David Ludlow from Kingston
Bob Scott from Norwell

Hank reported correspondence from the Smokey Mountain Wood Carvers Supply

Wally said that the James Library exhibit started well and runs until March 2nd. Thirteen turners participated. Expenses were \$252 for the show including wine for the reception. We have been invited by the show coordinator, Lisa Flynn to participate again the next two years. She also has a North River show in May and we're invited to submit turnings of a theme related to the North River.

We have \$496 in the bank for the club. There is also \$950 in the bank for the new lathe account including \$500 from Gill and Nigel Howe in memory of their son, Samuel.

38 people have paid dues so far. We are way down from this time last year on membership renewals. \$800 is due for heat soon.

Dave Rice on behalf of the club congratulated Wally on a job well done on the James Library show.

Charlie Rosen as librarian reported a three video set from Trent Bosch on turning on his carvings.

Hank called for an update on club officers for 2011 to include:

President- Hank Cahill
Vice President Nigel Howe (or Rich Friberg if Nigel doesn't want the position)
Treasurer Wally Kemp
Secretary Jeff Keller
Librarian Charlie Rosen
Website & newsletter Bob Sutter

Jeff reported that the Maple Festival will take place on Sunday, March 13th at the South Shore Natural Science Center off Jacobs' Lane in Norwell from 11:00 until 4:00 pm in the afternoon. We will be demonstrating and turning tops for the kids and selling turned items to attendees. Setup will be 9:30 am. We will be stationed in basement again.

Also the Totally Turning Expo will be in Saratoga Springs, New York on March 26th and 27th. It is \$175 for turners to attend.

Bob Sutter reported that he wants to condense the newsletter into the website and can use the services of godaddy.com for a nominal fee of \$7-15. a month to help out. Since 11 members don't have email we can mail them printed copies from each meeting. Bob also proposed keeping the part of the website for members to post messages plus a bulletin board only accessible to members. Also design changes to the site to include a different home page not using the wood chip background but adding a header to feature chips flying from a turning. Also list vertically down the left side the click categories instead of across the top of the page. All to be voted on at the next meeting.

It was reported that AAW has been paid for club insurance for 2011.

Re: Demo Day April 2nd with followup hands on April 3rd. Dave Rice said it is a good deal for \$25 a day to attend plus lunch. Wayne added there will also be a raffle and door prize.

Ernie Grimes thanked members for "thinking of me when I wasn't here" while he was recovering from his illness.

Members voted to not take Ken Lindgren up on his offered donation of \$800 to the club for 100 bowl blanks and 20 spindles delivered to him while he was recuperating from a stent insertion into his artery. Andy Osborne reported that Ken had just completed his second stent operation and was resting comfortably and doing well.

Andy also reported attending the San Diego woodturners (sdwt.org) meeting this past Saturday with over 200 members. He also reported submitting turned items for sale to the Artists' Collaborative in Harvard Square, Cambridge.

The demonstration was on finishes by Jeff Keller with emphasis on friction polish enhanced by buffing with the Beall System. Jeff presented a piece of padouk and while turning on the lathe applied Mylands Friction Polish to it with a paper towel for a high gloss finish in two applications. He did the same with a piece of spalted maple and then buffed both with the Beall System running through the three stages of tripoli, white diamond and carnouba wax for a smooth finish.

Refreshment for the March 22nd. meeting, David Rice