



GOLD COAST WOODTURNERS NEWSLETTER APRIL 2006

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Gold Coast Woodturners, a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners, was formed in 1992 to promote an awareness of the craft and art of modern-day turning. Each meeting is designed and organized to present woodturning-related programs and projects to the members. Demonstrations are also presented that may be performed by a GCWT member or a world-recognized guest turner. No matter what is scheduled for the next meeting, the results will be the same. Woodturners will gather to share their experiences as well as learn from the experiences of others. All benefit, novices and "old-timers" alike. Beginners learn techniques and styles while the experts reaffirm their skills by demonstrating and teaching.

Gold Coast Woodturner membership benefits include:

- Participation in all GCWT-sponsored activities and demonstrations.
- Weekend workshops to learn new techniques.
- Wood source opportunities through raffles and auctions.
- Tool and supply discounts available from local and national retailers.
- Videotape library.
- Tools and accessories available for loan.
- To support the AAW, the national woodturners organization we encourage our membership to join the AAW and receive the American Woodturner Magazine.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Jerry Remillard, April 2006

HI EVERYONE,

ANOTHER MONTH IS UPON US AND THIS MONTH'S MEETING WILL BE ANOTHER GOOD ONE. WE'RE GOING TO DO A "SHOW AND TELL" WITH OUR MEMBERS SHARING SOME OF THEIR LITTLE KNOWN SECRETS AND TIPS THAT MIGHT HELP YOU WITH A PROBLEM YOU JUST KNEW THERE WAS A SIMPLE ANSWER TO BUT COULD NOT SEE IT. I HOPE A LOT OF THE MORE EXPERIENCED MEMBERS WILL LET US IN ON THEIR "TRADE" SECRETS. DON'T BE SUPRISED THAT THE MORE EXPERT TURNERS MIGHT NOT HAVE THOUGHT OF SOME THING YOU ARE DOING, SO BRING YOUR IDEA OR TOOL AND TALK ABOUT IT.

I'VE ASKED RICK PIXLEY TO LINE UP A COUPLE PROFESIONAL DEMOS FOR US THIS YEAR, SO IF THERE'S SOMEONE YOU WANT TO SEE LET HIM KNOW SO WE CAN CONSIDER IT.

ALSO PLEASE MAKE USE OF OUR EXTENSIVE LIBRARY AND TOOL COLLECTION AVAILABLE AT EVERY MEETING.

SO LET'S ALL COME OUT TO THE MEETING THIS THURSDAY NIGHT!!
JERRY

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MEETING MINUTES OF March, 2006

Jerry Remillard, our new president, called the meeting to order at 6:55.

He introduced our 2 guests, and then told everyone that we are a member of the AAW, urging everyone to join. He showed the magazine that is sent out 4 times a year, which he said is worth more than the price of the membership dues.

We were all reminded to check that our club's dues is now due and must be paid.

Elliot Schantz gave the treasurer's report. We now have \$5109.02

Len suggested we use that money for some serious use for our members, whether in the form of items purchased or professional demos and such.

Jerry, our president, introduced all of our officers and those members with special jobs. He forgot to mention Diane's name as secretary. **Lee Sky** is in charge of the club's tools and will lend them to club members. They are kept in his studio. **Jim Kall** is our librarian, **David Kerzel** is our web master,

Vasan Venkataraman is the editor. **Ray Reiland** is responsible for arranging our shows. **Elliot Schantz** is the club's treasurer.

There was discussion of how we might use the money in our club's treasury. We discussed transferring our videos to DVD format, but it might be a better use of money to replace the valuable videos with new DVDs instead.

Our club gave \$280 to the Nat'l AAW hurricane relief fund while the national AAW gave \$55,000.

There will be a club picnic on April 29th at Ray Reiland's home. We will have it catered. Ray lives in Plantation Acres, near Flamingo Rd. and Broward Blvd. Please let us know at our next meeting if you are planning to attend.

Upcoming show dates and locations were announced. The first is at Flamingo Groves on the 1st and 2nd of April. There will be several other show opportunities- in Lighthouse Point or Deerfield Beach (ask Roger Stegman for show particulars) and soon another show in West Palm Beach.

We hope **Dave Sargent** will be back to run the camera during our monthly demos.

The **bring-back** was won by **Jim Kall** who will bring an item in for next months raffle.

Next month's program will be devoted to special techniques, special tools that our member's use, new or rare finishing techniques. . . this will be a sharing and learning opportunity.

The meeting terminated at 9:45 PM.

Demonstration



Lee Sky presented the program, using a Jet lathe. The subject was **turning a goblet** and **selecting the wood that is appropriate**. His choice for this project was grapefruit wood. Lee mentioned that goblet turning is practice in various turning skills, using spindle turning and bowl methods. Because the stem is usually so thin, Lee stressed the importance of choosing straight grain and that the direction of grain be parallel to the lathe. He mentioned that the pith be kept out of the area planned for the stem. The tools Lee used were a roughing gouge, (which Lee said is only to be used only for spindle turning), a spindle gouge, round or radius scraper, parting tool, skew chisel, and square end scraper.

The order of work was first to rough, then shape the cup area, rough cut the stem area- still leaving it relatively thick, establishing the base location. He then worked on the bowl portion and hollowing.

For safety reasons, Lee started wearing a face mask to prevent injury from the bark tearing off. To start the hollowing, Lee offered several choices including using a drill in a jacob's chuck to start the hole. He then increased the size with a square end scraper.

He said that when sanding, the proper location for your finger holding the sand paper is between 3 and 9 o'clock.

This was a wonderful presentation for new turners, and I'm sure that veteran turners also appreciated his well planned demo. Unfortunately we did not have a camera and video set up, so the view for some was less than ideal.

Instant Gallery

The **Instant Gallery** was then started with participants standing and showing their works. Pieces ranged in size from Diane Klein's 1" miniatures to a huge acacia bowl made by Rick Pixley and bottle stoppers by Elliot Schantz. Techniques of carving, ebonizing, hollowing from the bottom, etc. were shown. Wood ranged from local Florida wood to exotics brought from California and other regions.



MEMBERSHIP FORM

The membership year for the Gold Coast Woodturners Club runs from January 1 to December 31. Annual dues are \$30.00.

PLEASE NOTE, we are a Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners. All members are expected to be members of the AAW and covered by their insurance. The AAW dues are \$40.00 per year and you receive a quarterly magazine and a directory of all AAW members throughout the world.

Gold Coast Woodturners
Membership Application

Name _____

Spouse _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Please check if you do not want your name published in the newsletter

Yearly dues of \$30.00 are made payable to:

Gold Coast Woodturners,
c/o Eliot Schantz
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NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING: Thursday, April 20th, 2006 at 7 pm

April Meeting: Thursday, May 18th, 2006, 7 pm

We hope you will plan to attend.

Bring your projects for the Instant Gallery

The meeting is held at Woodcraft located at 1157 S. Federal Hwy., Pompano Beach