



GOLD COAST WOODTURNERS NEWSLETTER October 2007

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, October 18th, 2007 at 7 pm

We hope you will plan to attend.

Bring your projects for the Instant Gallery

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

<http://www.goldcoastwoodturners.org>

Minutes for Gold Coast Woodturners meeting –September 20, 2007

Jerry Remillard, our president, called our meeting to order at 7:00. As usual, he recommended that members join the AAW for the benefits of their insurance, quarterly magazine, member's directory and symposiums.

We had several interested guests this month. One of the guests became interested by attending our club's demonstration at the Ft. Lauderdale library. The other had taken a class at John Campbell and wanted to refresh his memory on what he has forgotten. We hope they both will become members of our club.

We immediately started the meeting with **Jay Ward's** excellent demonstration of making pens. Jay had a mystery piece of plastic to make into a slim line pen. He said that all types of materials can be used including acrylics, Corian as well as the full range of beautiful woods. Each style of pen requires it's own set of bushings and spacers, nibs, finials, mechanisms, clips, etc. Jay stressed the importance of being very organized so as not to mix these bits and pieces up. Jay suggested using a brad tip drill bit to get a straighter and cleaner hole before mounting on a mandrel. Mandrel and make sure that your blank ends are perfect 90

Jay has learned many time saving tips from experience and problems. He shared many of these ideas so that interested turners will avoid the problems that he had to solve. Be careful when drilling. . . use a drop of water on acrylics. . . and step drill and remove dust before continuing to drill a bit more. NEVER drill deeper at a time than twice the diameter of the bit. I hope this makes sense.

Remember that plastics overheat quickly. After Jay was satisfied with the shape and made sure he was happy with the taper toward the bushings he sanded with MICRO MESH pads to get a glass-like smooth finish.

Jay mentioned the importance of a full face mask and proceeding slowly with Corian.

Following his excellent demonstration we had a short break while some of our members quickly shopped.

Rick Pixley is our new show chairman taking over from **Ray Reiland** who has expertly acted as chairman since 1992. Thanks Ray for all of those years of hard work.

Rick mentioned an upcoming juried show that we will be participating in. This is the **City of Hollywood** show on **Oct. 18 and 19** at Young Circle in Hollywood. Those who will be exhibiting share the entry cost of \$300. Ten percent of the profit will be given to the club. . .

On **Dec. 8th** there will be a grand opening of the new art school, also in Hollywood and we will be participating in that opening.

Again we will be participating in the **Fairchild Tropical Garden**, Miami Ramble on Saturday, **November 17, 2007 - Sunday, November 18, 2007**. Last year our club took in more than \$16,000. Please let Rick know if you will be participating in this fantastic event.

This is a correction to the information at the meeting.

Please make note of this :

Cindy Drozda, (world reknown for her fabulous finials) will be giving a workshop the weekend following Thanksgiving and then she will also teach three 'hands-on' workshops for those signed up. There are only a few spots left, so please call Rick to reserve your spot.

For your info:

Jerry Remillard is President

Lee Sky is responsible for the clubs large range of tools. You can borrow them to try before purchasing your own. Call Lee to arrange to borrow them at his studio.

Jim Kal is our club's librarian and can check out DVD's and books to our members.

David Kerzel is our web master and newsletter chairman.

Diane Klein is the secretary

Ron Purcell is treasurer

Ken Rizzo is our videographer

Diane Klein mentioned an **eBay auction** that will be ending in the wee hours of the morning (this was an error and it ended during our meeting) sorry!

This auction included pieces turned by some of the most important wood turners of the 20th century.

Christmas time and the Fort Lauderdale Art Museum tree auction will take place in only a few months. Please start to make some ornaments for our club's entry in this event. You can turn interesting icicles, finialed balls, snowmen, santas, and many other turned items.

It's election time again.

Please let us know if you are interested in running. Our nominating committee is **Ron Purcell, Warren Howie, and Bobby James**. The slate will be offered at the October meeting and you can still decide to run until the November 15th meeting. Voting will take place at the November meeting.

Instant Gallery

A great variety of items were brought in by our members including large platters, natural edge bowls, a palm bowl, a burned edge laminate bowl, a decorative wheelbarrow for plants, a multi wood finial box on a base pierced by a table saw, a carved asian style bonsai base, pens, salt and pepper dispenser, walking sticks, shoe horns, miniatures, and a full size tilt top table still in the unfinished state. The types of woods used were as varied as the items and finishes

included wipe on poly, sanding sealers and wax, linseed oil to name just a few. Our club does great work.

We had our Bring Back raffle before the meeting ended. Members were encouraged to join us at Lester's diner for our board meetings on the Tuesday evening following the regular meeting.

When the meeting was over, a wood raffle was held outside of Woodcraft where great prices and beautiful blanks and natural woods were enthusiastically purchased.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Klein

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



HI ALL, THIS MONTHS MEETING IS A MUST FOR EVERYONE THAT CAN COME. THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE WILL PRESENT NEXT YEARS SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. THE FLOOR WILL ALSO BE OPEN FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE SAME OFFICERS. ALSO RICK WILL UPDATE US ON ANY SHOW STUFF, AND OF COURSE CARL WILL HAVE A GOOD DEMO PLANNED FOR US.....
.JERRY

Demonstration

Jay Ward - pen turning



Instant Gallery

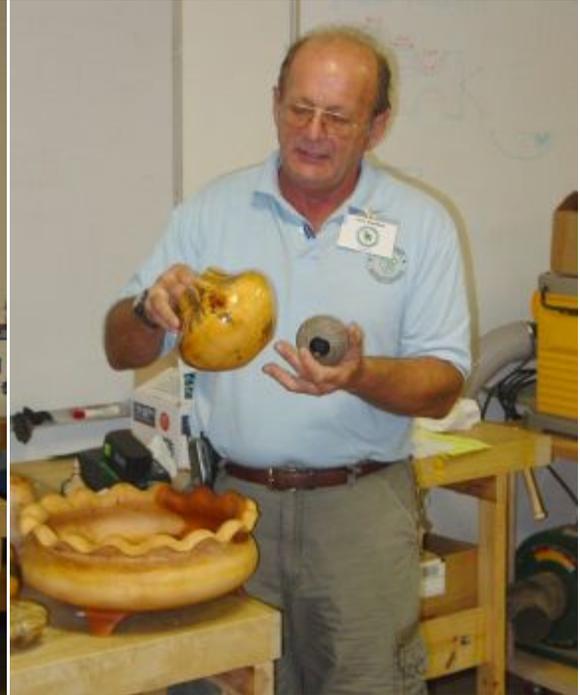


















Wood auction after the meeting



Our Library



The cub has a library of tapes, DVD's and books that can be checked out for a month by members. A \$5 deposit is required.

Lyle Jamieson

Lyle Jamieson will be teaching for clubs in our area in mid January, 2008. He is available for one-on-one instruction in your shop, with your tools, and at your skill level, to kick it up a notch. Please call Lyle directly for rates and availability. 231-947-2348, www.lylejamieson.com He has a special rate structure for the one-on-one students..

Cindy Drozda

Palm Beach County Woodturners are having Cindy Drozda (www.cindydrozda.com) for a Saturday demonstration and two days of hands on workshops. There was one opening left for the hands on workshop as of last Saturday. They can most likely get an extra workshop day if there is enough interest. The weekend after Thanksgiving is when this is scheduled. Saturday is the demo from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. This is a sit and watch, learn & ask lots of questions. The hands on workshops are in a shop on a lathe with Cindy Drozda mentoring you. Six turners each day is the workshop limit. More information will be coming soon.

Web Site

A new page has been added for membership which has a membership form and a link to the AAW membership page.

The web site has space available for events or ideas relating to woodturning and thing the members might be interested in such as items for sale. If you have any items to add write.

We have Blog (web log) area that is short articles or news. At present, you sent items in and I post them. We can actually make this an interactive Blog where you can post messages if you want. It would use passwords and be limited to members only.

Don't forget the **member's gallery** where you can post photos of your work. Send the photos with a short description of each work, wood, finish and any other details. There is no limit on how many you can post, I may need time if you have a lot of additions. IF you would like to have another photo session for gallery photos, let Jerry know. If you have pictures presently in the gallery, they are all numbered so you can send descriptions for each one. I think a short personal biography about your woodturning or a link to a personal turning site would also be good additions. If you want pictures removed, I can do that too.

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 Woodturners 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.
- We encourage our membership to join the AAW. You will receive the American Woodturner Magazine and get some basic insurance needed at many club events.

MENTORS

The club has several members who have volunteered to be mentors to other members. Members may contact one of the experienced mentors and set up a meeting where specific skills or tool usage can be worked on together.

North Broward	Carl Spinnler	954.370.6318
West Broward	Ray Reiland	954.475.1167
Southwest Broward	Jerry Remillard	954.434.5289
South Broward	Rick Pixley	954.435.2920
Ft Lauderdale	Lee Sky	954.971.6314
Hollywood area	Paul Heede	954.981.5695

OFFICERS and BOARD MEMBERS

If you have any questions about the Gold Coast Woodturners, please contact any of these officers, board members or committee chairpersons:

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Gold Coast Woodturners Membership Form

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

Name _____

Spouse _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone _____

E-Mail _____

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

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.

_____ Are you an AAW member?

Yearly dues of \$30.00 are made payable to:

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c/o Ron Purcell
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