

## **November 2010**

November 3, 2010

Rudy Lopez, President opened the meeting at 7:03PM. Rudy greeted the membership and asked for any new members or guests to stand and introduce themselves, none were present.

New Business: Rudy encouraged members to sign up to turn in wood turned items for the Florida State Fair, the turn in date is December 15 for the FORMS.

Rudy also reminded the members of the cookout at Glenn Ploeckelmann's home on November 13, bring a dish to share. Rudy offered a motion to have the club pay for the meat this year. The motion was seconded and voted on and passed unanimously.

Rudy also encouraged members to check the club website for the new Events Calendar that has been added to the site.

Sandra Dean read the treasures report, the club is in good shape.

Rudy also reminded the members of the Trent Bosch workshop dates, January 19, 20 & 21 that will be held at Al Hockenbery's shop, cost is between \$325 & \$350. Rudy reminded everyone of the David Ellsworth workshop March 26.

Also the Florida Symposium will be held February 4,5 & 6 at Lake Yale and the annual Woodworking show will be held at the Florida State Fair Grounds March 18-20.

The business meeting was adjourned and the raffle was held following the break.

The featured presenter was Ron Cinquanti on using the Skew....

## **October 2010**

None

## **September 2010**

**TRI COUNTY WOODTURNERS  
Monthly Meeting  
September 1, 2010**

**Rudy brought meeting to order at 7:00 pm.**

45 people in attendance.

Welcome – Guests and New Members

Rudy made several comments and announcements that are described below:

- David Ellsworth will be doing a hands-on course for our club on March 23-25 – the cost will be from \$130 to \$150 per day for attendees; There will be a two-day class, and a one day class on Friday. Of course people may take all three days if they so desire. There will also be club demo on Saturday March 26<sup>th</sup>
- Video Equipment Update – We were able to use our new video equipment during the last meeting – it is a great improvement. Thanks again to Jan and Carl for taking the time to find the best equipment for our money and for running the equipment during our meetings.
- On October 9<sup>th</sup> the Club will be doing an all day hands-on demonstration at the Hand in Hand Academy just down the street from the Community Center. The cost will be \$15 - \$25 dollars and will include lunch. There will be several experienced club members teaching various methods and techniques for making ornaments (good timing for the holidays...). There will be plenty of wood so everyone can practice all the skills. If you have a mini-lathe, please bring it.
- Registration is now open for the 2011 Florida Woodturning Symposium to be held at Lake Yale Baptist Convention Center in Eustis, FL. The event will be held on February 4-6.
- The Florida State Fair will be held in February. Start planning your pieces to enter into the competition. Bob Varner is organizing the event.
- Finally, Glenn and Jean are having their annual holiday BBQ on November 12 or 13. This is always a wonderful event with great food, great friends and some turning as well.

**Minutes from Last Meeting** – In notebook at Sandra’s table for all to review. Treasurer’s Report and Meeting Minutes will always be available for review during the meetings.

**Treasurer’s Report** – Sandra – Current balance is \$3,290.67. Sandra identified the spending and the income for the last month. More detail can be found in the report itself.

**Raffle** – Several items were awarded during the raffle.

**Show & Tell** – There were 24 items brought by members to display and discuss.

**Buy and Sell** --

- Rudy still has some AnchorSeal available at \$13/gallon and some bandsaw blades for 105 inch and 93 ½ inch band saws.
- 6 inch jointer with a 4 foot bed, \$125.
- 1000 Harbor Freight HydroLift \$50
- Craftsman 12 inch bandsaw -- \$175
- Milling Machine with \$400 worth of tooling -- \$450
- Live Centers -- \$50 each
- Multispeed 8 inch Grinder -- \$50

**Free Wood** – Many thanks to Ken for bringing in a large amount of wonderful sapele wood for the members.

**Demonstration** – We had a two part demonstration. First, Glenn showed us his hand-made boring/hollowing system. If you have the materials and the talent to make one of these it is obviously better than the very expensive ones on the market. Second, Rudy did a demonstration of hollowing with a hook tool (a follow-on from Ted Smith demonstration last month) and other hollowing tools. He made a lamp shade and showed us how to use the tools and “light” to create the thin shade. Pretty amazing.

**Meeting Ended at 8:50 pm**

August 2010

**TRI COUNTY WOODTURNERS**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**August 4, 2010**

**Rudy brought meeting to order at 7:00 pm.**

56 people in attendance.

Welcome – Guests

Rudy made several comments and announcements that are described below:

- Wood is available from several people – Reed from Craftsmen Supply has a nice assortment of wood in his truck for sale; Jim Smith has camphor to give away; Rudy brought a van full of wood for members to take; and Larry Hasiak had wood as well.

- Rudy introduced Reed from Craftsmen Supply in Temple Terrace; Reed spoke about the family history of his business and their expansion into more wood turning tools and supplies. The club bought several pieces of wood from Reed and they were auctioned during the meeting.

- David Ellsworth will be doing a hands-on course for our club on March 23-25 – the cost will be from \$130 to \$150 per day for attendees; There will also be club demo on Saturday March 26<sup>th</sup>. David normally provides an excellent course with a focus on technique and trouble shooting.

- Video Equipment Update – We hope to have the new equipment ready to use at the next meeting in September. Carl and Jan have been out purchasing what we need. Thanks!!

**Minutes from Last Meeting** – In notebook at Sandra’s table for all to review. Treasurer’s Report and Meeting Minutes will always be available for review during the meetings.

**Treasurer’s Report** – Sandra – Current balance is \$4,114.88. Sandra identified the spending and the income for the last month. More detail can be found in the report itself.

**Raffle** – Several items were awarded during the raffle. There was a special raffle for an amazing Glenn Ploeckelmann bird-house (it was won by Sherry Hockenbery).

**Auction** – The Club auctioned several stunning pieces of box elder and other woods purchased from Craftsmen Supply.

**Show & Tell** – Unfortunately there was no time for Show and Tell but many people brought and displayed their work. Please see the “images” for the meeting.

**Buy and Sell** -- Rudy still has some AnchorSeal available at \$13/gallon

Rudy also has some bandsaw blades for 105 inch and 93 ½ inch band saws.

**Demonstration** – Our demonstration was provided by Ted Smith. He showed us all how to make and use hook tools. The special part of this demo was the source of the steel used for the tools. Ted used shock absorber shafts, engine valves, cement nails and other items for his tools. He showed how to heat, bend, re-temper, sharpen and use the tools.

Meeting Ended at 8:50 pm

July 2010

**TRI COUNTY WOODTURNERS**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**July 7, 2010**

**Rudy brought meeting to order at 7:05 pm.**

53 people in attendance.

Welcome – Guests (Mike Webster, Mary and Kirk Moss, and Beverly Jones were among the guests)

Rudy made several comments and announcements that are described below:

Don Watson sends his regards and his regrets for not being able to attend the meetings – work gets in the way sometimes.

Rudy attended the National Symposium and it was moved (Glenn P.) and seconded (Tim G.) that the President be given \$150 to offset some of the costs for attending the National Symposium. This will be allowed each year. The motion carried.

Rudy brought back a Symposium Book with excellent information. It will be kept as a club resource and is available for the members.

There was an extended discussion of our video equipment and the need to replace much of it. Denis Perez made a motion (and it was seconded) that \$1,000 be available to Carl to purchase what we need (e.g., projector, camera, switch, tripod, DVR) for the club. The motion carried.

Adam Bagan is in the hospital – we are keeping him in our prayers.

There was interest expressed in having a demonstration on photographing your work. This might be a separate demo or part of another demo.

Rudy also showed a Galbert Caliper (available at the Sanding Glove) and some aluminum sleeves for use with PVC pipe to make tool handles. Rudy demonstrated the Caliper.

Larry Hasiak provided some comments on the AAW dispute over the termination of Executive Director Mary Lacer.

Rudy showed us all a copy of Food Network Magazine that had a picture of Jim Smith's peppermill. Congratulations Jim!

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**Treasurer's Report** – Sandra – Current balance is \$4,082.26. Sandra identified the spending and the income for the last month. More detail can be found in the report itself.

**Raffle** – Several items were awarded during the raffle. Don Doyle donated several hundred dollars worth of abrasives for club members (Thanks Don!!).

**Show & Tell** – Several members brought items to display and discuss.

**Buy and Sell** -- Rudy still has some AnchorSeal available at \$13/gallon

Rudy also has some bandsaw blades for 105 inch and 93 1/2 inch band saws.

Rockwell Unisaw is available for \$500.

Harbor Freight Lathe – free!!

### **Demonstration**

We had a two part demonstration. First Rudy demonstrated the Galbert Caliper. The caliper allows real-time measuring of spindles as you turn them. The main demonstration was provided by Glenn Ploeckelmann who demonstrated his method of making birdhouse ornaments. He provided suggestions on woods, bits and special ways to cut the small dowels (dog toenail clippers!). He showed us how to do the top and bottom and to use special jigs. Both demos were very well done, fun and educational.

Meeting Ended at 8:45 pm

June 2010

## **TRI COUNTY WOODTURNERS Monthly Meeting June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010**

Rudy opened the meeting at 7:05.

There were several items on the Show & Tell table; listed below are some of the items discussed:

§ Jim Smith brought in two vases – one is Florida Rosewood with a tube sponge finial. The second was a piece of Norfolk Island Pine with Honey Locust thorns.

§ Al Selke made some beautiful sewing bobbin cases from several different species of woods.

§ One of the guests at the meeting brought in a bowl made from Manzanita Root Burl – it had beautiful figuring.

§ Phillip brought in a nice bowl made from a piece of Citrus. It had a lovely yellow hue.

§ Kurt Allison made a nice Paduk box, and a Cedar bowl.

§ Rudy brought in a nice vase made from Boxelder. Rudy mentioned a contact for wood in Georgia and he will be providing the information to put on the Web site.

Thanks to all who participate in the Show & Tell. It is nice to see all of the work and incredible ideas our club members bring to life.

There were 62 people in attendance at this meeting.

#### **Welcome:**

There were 3 guests that were introduced.

#### **Minutes from Last Meeting:**

Not available, as Tim was not in attendance.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Sandra identified the spending and the income for the last month, and the current balance is \$4700.52. The report is always available on the back table for review.

#### **Old Business:**

Seven members showed up to the hands on session at Craft Supply. They made the Ball-in-a-ball, made famous by Al Hockenbery.

Rudy took a poll to see if there would be interest in holding these types of sessions more often. Several people put up their hands that they would be interested in attending, and would pay between \$20 - \$30 per session. If the sessions are held at the school, the cost is \$300, so there would have to be ten members signed up to make it worthwhile.

Rudy passed out the Anchorseal and band saw blades.

Bob Varner made DVD's of the demonstrator's from the Symposium sessions. The DVD's are available to rent from Carroll Robbins.

#### **New Business:**

Rudy will be displaying some of his work Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at the Tampa Museum of Art from 7:00 – 10:30 pm.

Rudy spoke about the suggestion to help the club president with expenses to go to the symposium. Next month the members can vote on this suggestion.

#### **Buy and Sell:**

Don Doyle sells Rubber Chuckies for peppermills and the Ball-in-ball and cones. He donates a portion of what he sells to the club. He donated \$8.00 to the club at this meeting. Thank you, Don!

**Raffle**

The raffle brought in \$83.00.

**Demonstration:**

John Benton demonstrated how to make chip and dip platters.

The meeting ended at 8:45 pm.

May 2010

**TRI COUNTY WOODTURNERS  
Monthly Meeting  
May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

Rudy opened the meeting at 6:55.

A table in the front was set up for a "Show & Tell" session. Several people displayed and discussed their work and the technique used to create and finish their pieces.

There were 43 people in attendance at this meeting.

**Welcome:**

There were 2 guests that were introduced.

**Minutes from Last Meeting:**

Not available, as Tim was not in attendance.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Sandra identified the spending and the income for the last month, and the current balance is \$4,331.47. The report is always available on the back table for review.

**Old Business:**

There are several people that have overdue donations. The list is available for review.

Rudy will place the Anchorseal order this week. Rudy is also taking orders for band saw blades, and that order will be placed very soon.

**New Business:**

David Ellsworth will be here for a hands-on workshop and demo in March of 2011. More info to follow.

On May 22<sup>nd</sup>, there will be a hands-on workshop at the Craftsman Supply Center in Temple Terrace. The cost is \$15.00.

On June 4<sup>th</sup>, there will be a fundraiser at the Tampa Museum of Art. Rudy will have some of his work on display. The cost to get in is \$10.00.

Rudy suggested having a 50/50 raffle; along with our other raffle.

Angel Ranon recently had his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. How nice to be able to win ribbons at the fair at 90!

A suggestion was made to have a fundraiser to help the club president with expenses to the symposiums; more discussion to follow.

**Buy and Sell:**

Bruce will have wood available for a donation, and he will donate 50% to the club.

Don Doyle has been donating \$5.00 for every Rubber Chuckie he sells. He donated \$20.00 to the club at this meeting. Thank you, Don!

**Raffle**

The raffle brought in \$63.00.

**Demonstration:**

Al Hockenbery demonstrated his ball-in-ball turned specialty item. He provided several good tips on how to turn a sphere.

The meeting ended at 8:50M

April 2010

**TRI COUNTY WOODTURNERS  
Monthly Meeting  
April 7, 2010**

**Rudy brought meeting to order at 7:00 pm.**

68 people in attendance.

Welcome – Guests (7 guests were introduced)

Rudy made several comments and announcements that are described below:

Reminded people to pay their donations.

Review of Wood Show held at the Fairgrounds last month – great participation by our club; demonstrators, volunteers, etc. Two members received awards for their efforts.

We may have David Ellsworth and/or Trent Bosch provide demonstrations in the future. Rudy is in contact with both of these folks.

Kirk Diheer has donated a video on sharpening to the club – it is available for check-out.

Anchor Seal is available at \$13 per gallon – Contact Al Seilke.

Next Month's Demonstration will be provided by Al Hockenbery. He will do his amazing "ball in a sphere." Al will be a demonstrator at the National Meeting in June. Rudy asked if there was interest in having a hands-on session at Glenn's shop on the Saturday after our meeting (May 8<sup>th</sup>) to do the ball in a sphere project. Several people were interested.

Club Shirts were handed out to those who had ordered them (several remain to be picked up).

**Minutes from Last Meeting** – In notebook at Sandra's table for all to review. Treasurer's Report and Meeting Minutes will always be available for review during the meetings.

**Treasurer's Report** – Sandra – Current balance is \$3,797.30. Sandra identified the spending and the income for the last month. More detail can be found in the report itself.

**Raffle** – Steve Marlowe provided his segmented bowl for a raffle item. We had two raffles – one for the Marlowe bowl and one for everything else.

**Show & Tell** -- We had excellent participation in Show and Tell. Many members brought items to display and discuss. The pieces were very nice (some were award winners and others won awards in our hearts) and the discussion and descriptions were very interesting and detailed. The variety of items was expansive

– from arts and crafts items (wrist watches, bracelets, etc.) to pen holders and hollow forms and everything in between.

**Demonstration**

We had a very good and detailed demonstration. The demonstration was provided by Rudy, Glenn and Al on methods of re-chucking. The trio demonstrated and discussed the many different ways to re-chuck an item on the lathe (jam chucks, Cole chucks, rubber chuckys, and other home-made and retail products to make our life easier).

Meeting Ended at 8:35 pm

March 2010

**TRI COUNTY WOODTURNERS  
Monthly Meeting  
March 3, 2010**

Don Watson opened the meeting at 6:50 pm with a "Show & Tell" session. Several people displayed and discussed their work and the technique used to create and finish their pieces.

Jimmy Clewes was introduced as a special guest. The Jimmy Clewes demo will be held on Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010, at the Hand In Hand school, which is just down the road from the community center. There will be someone at the center to direct folks to the school.

There were 66 people in attendance at this meeting.

**Welcome:**

There were 7 guests that were introduced.

**Minutes from Last Meeting:**

Not available, as Tim was not in attendance.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Sandra – Current balance is \$6256.20. Sandra identified the spending and the income for the last month. More detail is in the report itself. The report will be available on the back table for review.

**Old Business:**

Another reminder that the Jimmy Clewes Demo is to be held at our location on March 6<sup>th</sup>. The donation is \$25 per person and it includes lunch. See the website for additional information about Jimmy.

**New Business:**

Rudy presented Pat Hess with a plaque for her exceptional service as past President. Rudy also presented her with a beautiful Natural Edged Vase from Elm that he made, and inscribed with the longest "thank you for your service tribute."

Several members of our club entered their turned art into the Florida State Fair, and placed in several categories- some of the entrants included were: Rudy Lopez, Judy Francisco, Thor Olsen, Angel Ranon, Al Selke, Jim Smith, and Jose Oural. Congratulations to all who entered, placed and won honorable mentions.



Al Hockenbery spoke about the Woodworking show coming up on March 19- 21 2010. The Woodworking Show will be held at the State Fairgrounds. Anyone interested in working at our booth at that event should contact Al or Rudy.

**Buy and Sell:**

Nichols lathe– contact Rudy Lopez  
Large Metal lathe – contact Gene Tyner  
Stained Glass Tools – contact Don Doyle  
Craftsman Radial Arm saw – contact Judy

**Raffle**

**Demonstration:**

John Benton did a nice job demonstrating how to make a game call. He showed the method to turn, gave tips and provided the resource to buy the kits. He even tried the call out so we could hear how it sounded. An especially important tip he pointed out was not to use a spindle-roughing gouge while turning a bowl. This is because the tang of the spindle-roughing gouge that is in the handle of the tool is very short, and could snap under the shearing forces created when hollowing out a bowl.

Meeting ended at 8:50M

February 2010

**TRI COUNTY WOODTURNERS  
Monthly Meeting  
February 3, 2010**

**Rudy Lopez started the "Show & Tell" session at 6:45pm. Several people displayed and discussed their work.**

**Rudy brought meeting to order at 7:00 pm.**

Pat was excused as she was attending a class. We are looking forward to her return so she can be recognized for her fine work as President.

77 people in attendance.

Welcome – Guests (10 guests were introduced)

Rudy reminded folks to pay their donations.

Tim announced that we needed to more club shirt orders before we can submit the order.

Rudy called Cody to the front where he was awarded two certificates for his achievements in wood turning.

**Minutes from Last Meeting** – In notebook at Sandra's table for all to review. Treasurer's Report and Meeting Minutes will always be available for review during the meetings.

**Treasurer's Report** – Sandra – Current balance is \$4,010.23. Sandra identified the spending and the income for the last month. More detail can be found in the report itself.

**Old Business:**

Review of Florida Symposium activities and attendance. 37 people from our club attended and several of our members were part of the planning committee. We are looking for replacements for Jim Smith's responsibilities. Anyone interested in serving on the planning committee or helping in any way with the Symposium should contact Rudy.

Bob Winter was awarded a hollow vessel turned by Rudy for all of his help and work at the Florida Symposium. Bob is the auctioneer (amazing skill!) and regularly donates wood to the auction resulting in significant monies for the effort.

The Jimmy Clewes Demo is to be held at our location on March 6<sup>th</sup>. The donation is \$25 per person and it includes lunch. See the website for additional information about Jimmy. Steven Marlow announced that the Largo club has two slots that they will not need for the three day hands-on course with Jimmy. The fee for the hands-on course is \$350 and it will be held at the Hockenbery's.

#### **New Business:**

The Florida State Fair starts this week. Anyone interested in working the booth and/or doing demonstrations should contact Bob Winter. Free admission for those working at the booth.

The Wood Show will be held at the State Fairgrounds on March 19-21. Anyone interested in working at our booth at that event should contact Rudy.

Steve Marlow announced that the Largo club will have an all day hands-on class on Friday March 5<sup>th</sup> at their meeting location. The class is limited to 8 people and there are three slots open. The cost is \$100 and lunch is included. Must bring your own lathe.

Donation to Honor and Remember Charlie Mount. It was noted that one of our founding members, Charlie Mount, had passed away. A motion was made and passed that we send \$100 to the AAW Educational Opportunity Grant program in remembrance of Charlie.

Hartville Tool provides our members with a 15% discount on purchases and then sends the club an additional 3% of the purchase amount at the end of the year. To receive the discount, however, we must supply Hartville Tool with a list of members, their addresses and phone numbers. They have a list now, but it is out of date. If you do NOT want your information shared with Hartville Tool, you should tell Tim Gates. Hartville Tool does not distribute, sell or share our member information with other groups or companies.

#### **Buy and Sell**

Ryobi Tablesaw

Shopvac in Cabinet

30 gal can with cyclone lid

3520A Powermatic Lathe – being repainted (\$1900)

#### **Raffle**

#### **Demonstration**

Steve Marlow of the Largo Club (Florida West Coast Woodturners) provided an excellent demo on segmented turning.

Meeting Ended at 9:05 pm

January 2010

### **TRI COUNTY WOODTURNERS JANUARY 6, 2010**

#### **Rudy Lopez brought meeting to order at 7:02 pm.**

64 people in attendance.

Welcome – Guests (7 guests were introduced)

**Minutes from Last Meeting** – In notebook for all to review. Treasurer's Report and Meeting Minutes will always be available for review at the table at the back of the room.

**Treasurer's Report** – Sandra – Current balance is \$4,227.91.

Donations are due! Pay Sandra or use PayPal online.

**Old Business:**

Sending two boys to the Symposium; Need chaperone for boys – we will pay \$132 to fund half of his expenses. Motion was made and carried.

**New Business:**

County is charging \$20 per hour for use of this building. \$60 per meeting currently.

Rudy proposes to keep donations at \$20 per person this year, but may have to increase next year.

**Fundraising Ideas:**

Rudy proposed for following ideas/concepts for consideration. All were supported by a majority of those in attendance.

Separate Raffle for Hands-On Instruction -- \$5 per ticket. The winner would receive a day of hands-on instruction by one of the experienced club members at his or her shop or at the trainer's shop.

Club Art Show/Open House – Open house for the general public. Members will do demos and have items available for sale. This would provide exposure for the club and woodturning in general, and allow people an opportunity to display and/or sell their work. A percentage of proceeds would go to the club.

All day hands-on workshop for \$25. The topics would be decided on in advance but might include sharpening, demos of different tools and techniques, finishing, etc.

Show and Tell – Start at 6:30 for all those who want to participate; Cards with the info on the piece – critique in 2 minutes only. Good learning and educational opportunity.

**Jimmy Clewes** – March 6<sup>th</sup> Demo at this facility; Sharing the demo with the Largo club. There is a potential to move the demo to the Largo facility. Fee is \$25 per person which includes lunch and the demo. Hands-on workshop at the Hockenberry's home – 3 days (2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> of March). Price will be \$350 for the three days. Eight people will be participating – two spaces left. Many thanks to the Hockenberry's for their substantial and continued support of the club activities.

**Shirts** – Bill is moving to Tennessee. Currently at 5 shirts and we need 8 for an order. \$25 per shirt with \$5 going to the club. Tim Gates will take over the shirt ordering process.

**Bob Winter** – Auctioneer. Still looking for donated items to auction at the symposium. The effort will result in a check to the club for educational purposes. Please find items to donate.

**Buy and Sell**

Copy Crafter for Craftsman lathe

Metal working lathe for \$300

1hp Dust Collector \$100

New Delta Duplicator (paid \$650) for \$575.

Leigh Jigs – dovetails

Computer Pen Kits – Bob

Norfolk Island Pine and Monkey Pod – Glenn

Hartville Tool – 15% off for tools plus 3% back to club.

**Raffle****Demonstration**

George Dinsmore. Hollow form ornaments. George provided an excellent demonstration on his process for making hollow form ornaments. Great discussions on tools and their use.

Meeting Ended at 9 pm