

Tri-County Woodturners

Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2024

1. **Welcome** – Jeff Langsner opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Jim Henderson offered the Invocation.
2. **Members and Guests** - There were 32 members, new members and guests in attendance.
3. **Treasurer's Report** - Ron Bodnar presented the treasurers report. He reported that we ended the month of December with an ending balance of \$2,968.41. More details can be found on our website.
4. **Minutes of last meeting** - posted on website.
5. **Old Business**
 - a. **Hybrid Meetings / Hardware Switchbox**- Jeff show the hardware switchbox that has been developed by Ron Browning for use at FWS. The cost of these is approximately \$500 each. The club has received about \$90 toward the projected cost of hosting hybrid meetings. Please consider donating to this fund. Jeff is working with the Recreation Department to resolve the lack of an internet connection in the community building. There are several other regular users of the building that have also asked for this.
 - b. **State Fair**- Rick Donaldson gave a brief presentation on the upcoming 2024 Florida State Fair and the opportunity to participate in the Woodturning Demonstration booth. This is a great opportunity to display and demonstrate our craft to the public and to meet potential new club members. A signup sheet was passed, and several members agreed to participate. There were 4 members who brought their turning competition entries for Rick to deliver to the fairgrounds on Friday.
 - c. **FWS 2024 report** – Florida Woodturning Symposium will be held in Lakeland Feb 16-18, 2024. Club members, not yet registered, were encouraged to do so soon. FWS holds a raffle drawing for 9 great turning related items as part of funding the symposium. Tickets are available for a \$10 donation, and you do not need to be present to win.
 - d. **Turn and Learn** – There will be two Turn and Learn sessions in January.
 - i. Saturday, Jan 6th was held earlier this week at the Land o Lakes Library.
 - ii. Saturday, Jan 27th at Steve Hood's shop, Lakeland.
 - iii. Saturday Feb 3rd at the Land o Lakes Library, sign up online.
6. **New Business** –
 - a. **Need for volunteers** – Jeff is seeking volunteers to assist with possible turning related community involvement projects like Wig Stands, Beads of Courage boxes, Empty Bowl Project and Christmas Ornaments to name a few. We need interested individuals to step up and help us get involved with one of more of these projects.

7. **Safety Officer**- Rich gave a brief talk stating that we should plan to have an emergency in the shop. By plan he means **be prepared!** Have a first aid kit handy in your shop and keep it well stocked. Do not put yourself in the situation where you need to go looking for items in a crisis. He gave a listing of the items you should have on hand.
8. **Tool, Tips and Techniques** – Jeff showed and discussed a negative rake box scraper that he made from an extra skew that he had. This can be used deep on the sides and bottom of a turned box. It is also able to make a crisp tight corner where the bottom meets the sides.
9. **Show and Tell** – Art Worth. See the website for pictures of these items.
10. **Buy & Sell** – Art Worth had a few turning tools that he brought to offer for sale.
11. **Demonstration** - The demonstrator was Ted Smith from Polk County Woodturners. He discussed and demonstrated turning spheres with different techniques. He showed 2 shop-built sphere jigs and discussed their limitations (torn grain). There was a detailed presentation on turning between centers and finishing between homemade cup chucks which he made as part of his demo.
12. **Next month's meeting** – Wednesday February 7th. The demonstrator will be Mark Nienstadt turning a lidded box.

Tri-County Woodturners Monthly Financial Report

DECEMBER 2023

SUN TRUST ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance:	\$	2,711.55
Checking:	\$	1,923.34
PayPal:	\$	1,010.07
Cash DVD Account:	\$	0.00
Cash Raffle	\$	35.00

<u>Current Month Income:</u>	\$	350.73	
Credit	\$	0.00	
Cash	\$	0.00	Raffle
Cash	\$	0.00	A/V Box Fund
Cash	\$	0.00	
Cash	\$	184.00	Xmas Party
PayPal	\$	86.73	Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash	\$	80.00	Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash (DVD Rental)	\$	0.00	DVD Rental

<u>Current Month Expenses:</u>	\$	\$148.96	
a Check #1233	\$	101.59	Drinks and Ice for Xmas Party
b Check #1232	\$	47.37	Meat for Xmas Party
c Check #	\$	0.00	
d	\$	0.00	
e	\$	0.00	
f	\$	0.00	
g Transfer	\$	0.00	Transfer from PayPal to Checking

<u>TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS:</u>	\$	2,968.41	
Checking:	\$	1,923.34	Includes \$90 for A/V Box
PayPal:	\$	1,010.07	
Cash (DVD)	\$	0.00	
Cash (RAFFLE)	\$	35.00	

Net Balance All Accounts: \$ 2,968.41 Total All Accounts

Tri-County Woodturners
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
February 7, 2024

The executive board of TCWT met at 5 PM at Black Sheep Restaurant in Lutz.

In attendance were

Jeff Langsner, President

Jim Henderson, Vice President

Ron Bodner, Treasurer

Rick Donaldson, Secretary

Jim McLoone

Jeff called the meeting to order at 5:45 PM.

Jeff presented and discussed a proposed budget for 2024. After some discussion a few modifications were introduced regarding the possible purchase of items needed for hosting remote demonstrations. Of particular importance will be the need for one or two large screen televisions. Our current projector is aging, and a replacement bulb will cost a couple of hundred dollars. The resolution of this projector is also not very good. A good television will definitely be required if we have demonstrations from the presenter's shop.

No action was taken. Jeff is to revise the proposed budget and redistribute it to the executive team.

Jeff adjourned the meeting at 6:05 PM.

Tri-County Woodturners

Meeting Minutes

February 7, 2024

1. **Welcome** – Jeff Langsner opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Jim Henderson offered the Invocation.
2. **Members and Guests** - There were 36 members and guests in attendance.
3. **Treasurer's Report** - Ron Bodnar presented the treasurers report. He reported that we ended the month of January with an ending balance of \$3,172.26. More details can be found on our website.
4. **Minutes of last meeting** - posted on website.
5. **Old Business**
 - a. **Hybrid Meetings** - Jeff reported that we are working to find other users of the community center that would like internet access in the building. Together we might persuade the county to get internet access set up. The FWS boxes are complete and will be used at FWS this month. It is our hope that we can store and use one of these when FWS is not using them. The club has received a few donations to offset the projected cost for the other items that we will need to purchase. Please consider donating to this fund.
 - b. **State Fair** – Rick reported that all time slots for demonstration at the Fla State Fair were covered. He requested that anyone else interested in helping contact him during the break. Our club had several members that entered items in the woodturning competition, and many had received awards.
 - c. **FWS 2024 report** – Florida Woodturning Symposium will be held in Lakeland Feb 16-18, 2024. All interested people are encouraged to register early. FWS holds a raffle drawing for 9 great turning related items as part of funding the symposium. Tickets are available for a \$10 donation, and you do not need to be present to win.
 - d. **Turn and Learn** – There will be two Turn and Learn sessions in February.
 - i. Saturday, Feb 3rd was at the Land o Lakes Library.
 - ii. Saturday, Feb 24th at Steve Hood's shop, Lakeland.
6. **New Business** –
 - a. **Volunteers needed** – We are seeking a “Charity Projects” coordinator. A couple members expressed interest but have not made a commitment yet.
 - b. **Tampa Woodworking Show in March** – The club will be hosting a booth with members of the Woodturners of Polk County club. The show is March 8th-10th. More information will be sent out by email. Rick Donaldson is coordinating this.

7. **Safety Officer**- Richard Nannis talked about properly securing your work to the lathe. He covered the use of both chucks and face plates.
8. **Tool, Tips and Techniques** – Steve Hood talked about tool handles and his personal preferences, short or long, metal or wood and showed several examples.
9. **Show and Tell** – Jeff Langsner. See the website for pictures of these items.
10. **Buy & Sell** – Glen Powermatic 3520 Lathe for sale. He also offered a table saw and bandsaw, both needing some work for free to a good home. Mark Borosch has a friend selling a 12x18 variable speed lathe (likely Harbor Freight) for \$150.
11. **Demonstration** - The demonstrator was Mark Nienstadt. He demonstrated his technique for turning a lidded box. He also had several of his boxes on display for show & tell.
12. **Next month's meeting** – Wednesday March 6th. Dennis McNeil will be demonstrating "Finishing Your Wood Turnings".

Tri-County Woodturners Monthly Financial Report
JANUARY 2024
SUN TRUST ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance:	\$	2,968.41	
Checking:	\$	2,040.46	
PayPal:	\$	1,096.80	
Cash DVD Account:	\$	0.00	
Cash Raffle	\$	35.00	
<u>Current Month Income:</u>	\$	641.00	
Credit	\$	0.00	
Cash	\$	81.00	Raffle
Cash	\$	0.00	A/V Box Fund
Cash	\$	0.00	
Cash	\$	0.00	Xmas Party
PayPal	\$	120.00	Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash	\$	440.00	Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash (DVD Rental)	\$	0.00	DVD Rental
<u>Current Month Expenses:</u>	\$	\$403.88	
a Check #	\$	203.88	GoDaddy Website
b Check #	\$	200.00	Demo Fee
c Check #	\$	0.00	
d	\$	0.00	
e	\$	0.00	
f	\$	0.00	
g Transfer	\$	0.00	Transfer from PayPal to Checking
<u>TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS:</u>	\$	3,172.26	
Checking:	\$	2,040.46	Includes \$90 for A/V Box and \$120.00 Demo Fee
PayPal:	\$	1,096.80	
Cash (DVD)	\$	0.00	
Cash (RAFFLE)	\$	35.00	

Net Balance All Accounts: \$ 3,172.26 Total All Accounts

Tri-County Woodturners

Meeting Minutes

March 6, 2024

1. **Welcome** – Jeff Langsner opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Jim Henderson offered the Invocation.
2. **Members and Guests** - There were 42 members and guests in attendance. We had several new members join the club while at the meeting.
3. **Treasurer's Report** - Ron Bodnar presented the treasurers report. He reported that we ended the month of February with a total balance of \$3,506.90. More details can be found on our website.
4. **Minutes of last meeting** - posted on website.
5. **Old Business**
 - a. **Hybrid Meetings & AV equipment** – The club has received 3 large donations from companies that do business with one of our members. These included a 75" large screen TV and \$2,000 for our AV equipment and hybrid meeting fund. The TV was used at this meeting in place of our projector and screen. The picture and clarity were excellent. We will work with the county to have the TV mounted on the wall. We have reached out to one of the Hillsborough County Commissioners seeking their help with getting internet access in the building. Jeff has one of the FWS boxes which we will test with our equipment and then likely build a modified version of our own.
 - b. **FWS 2024 recap** – Florida Woodturning Symposium was held in Lakeland Feb 16-18, 2024. The club had 20 members attending. Total attendance was on par with 2023. All the demonstrators did an excellent job, and the rotations were well received.
 - c. **Turn and Learn** -
 - i. Saturday, March 2nd was held the Land o Lakes Library.
 - ii. Saturday, March 23rd at Steve Hood's shop, Lakeland.
 - iii. Saturday, April 6th at the Land o Lakes Library. The project will be turned candle sticks.
6. **New Business** –
 - a. **Charity Projects update** – Merri agreed to be our charity projects coordinator at the last meeting. She did research and was in contact with 2 different organizations. She discussed and encouraged club members to make lidded containers for Beads of Courage. Those members interested in participating were given a special bead to incorporate into each container. An opportunity to make wood pens, that will be laser

engraved, for a veteran's recovery organization was also discussed. Please contact Merri Schmidt for more information.

- b. **Tampa Woodworking Show in March** – This event has been cancelled. They have cancelled the last three cities that this was scheduled to be held in. Hopefully this will be rescheduled for next year.
7. **Safety Officer**- Richard Nannis showed a jaw sizing gauge that he makes from scrap plywood or hardboard. He also talked about lathe speed and the diameter of your project. Large diameter items must be turned at lower speeds because the important issue is the outside surface speed of your material. He also discussed punk or soft wood and methods to “harden” it up to make a usable piece.
8. **Tool, Tips and Techniques** – Jeff showed a new grinder platform that he purchased at FWS. It has a locking system that sets up at common sharpening angles. The angles are not precise, but the repeatability is very consistent.
9. **Show and Tell** – Art Worth. The Florida State Fair woodturning entries by TCWT members were on display. Many of these won ribbons and prizes. There were also several other items on display. See the website for pictures.
10. **Buy & Sell** – Jeff brought an air compressor and a vacuum pump. These were offered for people making a cash donation to the club. Both went home with new owners.
11. **Demonstration** - The demonstrator was Mark Nienstadt. He demonstrated his technique for turning a lidded box. He also had several of his boxes on display for show & tell.
12. **Next month's meeting** – Wednesday April 3rd. Steve Hood will be discussing and demonstrating finial design and turning.

Tri-County Woodturners Monthly Financial Report

FEBRUARY 2024

SUN TRUST ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance:	\$	3,172.26
Checking:	\$	2,264.46
PayPal:	\$	1,212.44
Cash DVD Account:	\$	0.00
Cash Raffle	\$	30.00

<u>Current Month Income:</u>	\$	345.64	
Credit	\$	0.00	
Cash	\$	89.00	Raffle
Cash	\$	0.00	A/V Box Fund
Cash	\$	0.00	
Cash	\$	16.00	Xmas Party
PayPal	\$	115.64	Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash	\$	214.00	Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash (DVD Rental)	\$	0.00	DVD Rental

<u>Current Month Expenses:</u>	\$	\$100.00	
a Check #	\$	0.00	GoDaddy Website
b Check #1236	\$	100.00	Gift Cards
c Check #	\$	0.00	
d	\$	0.00	
e	\$	0.00	
f	\$	0.00	
g Transfer	\$	0.00	Transfer from PayPal to Checking

<u>TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS:</u>	\$	3,506.90	
Checking:	\$	2,264.46	Includes \$90 for A/V Box and \$184.00 Donations
PayPal:	\$	1,212.44	
Cash (DVD)	\$	0.00	
Cash (RAFFLE)	\$	30.00	

Net Balance All Accounts: \$ 3,506.90 Total All Accounts

Tri-County Woodturners

Minutes for the March 11, 2024 Executive Board Meeting

The executive board of TCWT met at 6 PM by Zoom.

In attendance were

Jeff Langsner, President

Jim Henderson, Vice President

Ron Bodner, Treasurer

Rick Donaldson, Secretary

Jim McLoone

Also attending

Tom Eurell

Philip Passantino

Invited, not in attendance.

Dan Penn

Jeff called the meeting to order at 6 PM.

For discussion was the 75" large screen tv that was donated to the club and other upgrades necessary to improve our AV system and allow us to eventually host hybrid meetings and have remote demonstrations. Cliff pointed out that there is a better TV currently available at Best Buy that is both larger 85" and of a higher quality than the one that was donated. The additional expense would be about \$100 additional cost to the club. A 5-year extended warranty is \$200. It was motioned, seconded, and approved for Cliff to coordinate the return and repurchase of the larger TV with the extended warranty. Jeff is to source and purchase a locking TV mount suitable for our use. The cost is estimated to be \$150.

Rick agreed to coordinate with the county for the installation of the TV in the Lutz Community Center where the club meets. Rick will transport the TV to the Community Center.

In order to fully hook up the TV to the FWS video control box, Jeff reported that that he needed to purchase HDMI extenders, HDMI cables and a remote-controlled camera with zoom for overhead use at the lathe. These are estimated to cost about \$500. This was motioned, seconded, and approved.

Items still to be resolved.

1. Internet access at the Community Center. Cost not yet known.
2. The purchase and assembly of a video control box like what FWS uses. The likely cost is \$300 - \$500.

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Meeting Minutes

April 3, 2024

13. **Welcome** – Jeff Langsner opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a brief moment of silence on behalf of people we may know who are having health issues.
14. **Members and Guests** - There were 38 members and guests in attendance.
15. **Treasurer's Report** - Ron Bodnar presented the treasurers report. He reported that we ended the month of February with a total balance of \$5,612.54. More details can be found on our website.
16. **Minutes of last meeting** - posted on website.
17. **Old Business**
 - a. **Hybrid Meetings & AV equipment** – The club had the opportunity to upgrade the 75” flat screen to a higher quality 85” TV. A wall mount was purchased, and the county has installed the TV on the meeting room wall. A 5-year extended warranty was also purchased. The new TV was used at this meeting along with a new overhead camera for the lathe that can be zoomed in and out by remote. The picture and clarity were excellent. The overhead camera worked exceptionally well, showing great clarity for the final demonstration. It also allowed the demonstrator to easily display printed material on the large screen. We are still in the process of trying to get internet access in the building. Jeff is in the process of assembling and testing a switching box that will connect all our cameras, a computer and the TV as well as allow us to record our demonstrations.
 - b. **Turn and Learn** -
 - i. Saturday, April 6th at the Land O'Lakes Library. The project will be turned candle sticks.
 - ii. Saturday April 27th at Steve Hood's shop. This will be the last event at Steve's shop until after the hot summer months.
 - c. **Charity Projects update** – Merri reported on our charity projects. This month she received about 6 pens for veterans and 2 beads of courage boxes. She has pen kits and wood blanks for people wishing to make pens.
 - d. **Thank you to our volunteers** – Jeff expressed thanks to our volunteers Valerie and Anita for taking the lead on having coffee and snacks at our meetings. Remember to drop a donation in the tray to help offset this expense.

18. New Business –

- a. **Call for volunteers for AV support.** – Dan Penn has tirelessly been out AV coordinator for the last several years and needs a much-deserved break. We need a person to head up this team along with 1-2 more support personal. The new equipment will make the setup, operation, and teardown much easier than it has been in the past. Please consider helping with this vital part of our meetings. As a bonus you get a great seat for each demonstration.

19. Safety Officer- Richard Nannis discussed drill press safety. He stressed the importance of securing your material and not trying to hold it with one hand while operating the press with the other. Also mentioned was securing loose clothing, long hair and wearing proper safety glasses or a face shield. Never leave the key in the chuck as it will fly off and hurt you if the press is started.

20. Tool, Tips and Techniques – Jim McLoone talked about Yourkshire Grit and how well it can “polish” your project. This product will take your turning from a 240 grit finish to more like 600-800 shine.

21. Show and Tell – Art Worth lead show and tell with pieces by several club members. Included were the 2 beads of courage containers and the pens for veterans. See the website for pictures.

22. Buy & Sell – One member showed a wall mount tool rack/holder that he was offering for sale.

23. Demonstration - The demonstrator was Steve Hood. The topic was finials. He opened it with several drawings and photos of good and great finials and the fine details that make the difference. Included was instruction on the Golden Mean and proportions. He then proceeded to turn a finial and ebonize it with trans tint dye.

24. Next month’s meeting – Wednesday May 1st will be Rudy Lopez. Our June demonstrator will be Ron Browning.

Tri-County Woodturners Monthly Financial Report

MARCH 2024

SUN TRUST ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance:	\$	3,506.90
Checking:	\$	4,254.46
PayPal:	\$	1,328.08
Cash DVD Account:	\$	0.00
Cash Raffle	\$	30.00

<u>Current Month Income:</u>	\$	2,430.64	
Credit	\$	0.00	
Cash	\$	75.00	Raffle
Cash	\$	1,000.00	Telecom Advocated, Inc.
Cash	\$	1,000.00	Davis & Hanley Network Solutions
Cash	\$	0.00	
PayPal	\$	115.64	Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash	\$	165.00	Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash (DVD Rental)	\$	0.00	DVD Rental

<u>Current Month Expenses:</u>	\$	\$250.00	
a Check #	\$	0.00	GoDaddy Website
b Check #1236	\$	250.00	Demo
c Check #	\$	0.00	
d	\$	0.00	
e	\$	0.00	
f	\$	0.00	
g Transfer	\$	0.00	Transfer from PayPal to Checking

<u>TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS:</u>	\$	5,612.54	
Checking:	\$	4,252.46	Includes \$90 for A/V Box and \$224.00 Donations
PayPal:	\$	1,328.08	
Cash (DVD)	\$	0.00	
Cash (RAFFLE)	\$	30.00	

Net Balance All Accounts: \$ 5,612.54 Total All Accounts

Tri-County Woodturners

Meeting Minutes

May 1, 2024

1. **Welcome** – Jeff Langsner opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Jim Henderson offered an invocation.
2. **Members and Guests** - There were 43 members and guests in attendance.
3. **Treasurer's Report** - Ron Bodnar presented the treasurers report. He reported that we ended the month of April with a total balance of \$3,983.16. Expenses in April included insurance, FL State registration fees, warranty & upgrade to the TV, and A/V equipment. More details can be found on our website. Jeff reminded everyone to be sure to pay their 2024 dues, which were due in January.
4. **Minutes of last meeting** - posted on website.
5. **Old Business**
 - a. **Hybrid Meetings & AV equipment** –We are still in the process of trying to get internet access in the building.
 - b. **Turn and Learn** -
 - i. Saturday, May 4th at the Land O'Lakes Library. The project will be a lidded box.
 - ii. Saturday April 25th at the Land O'Lakes Library. This session will be from 9 – 3:30 and is exclusively for TCWT members. A signup sheet was passed around.
 - c. **Charity Projects update** – Merri reported on our charity projects. She has received several pens for veterans and 3 beads of courage boxes so far. She has pen kits and wood blanks for people wishing to make pens. We would like to laser engrave the pens, does anyone have the capability to help with this?
6. **New Business** –
 - a. **Call for volunteers for AV support.** – We still need a person to head up this team along with 1-2 support personal. The new equipment will make the setup, operation, and teardown much easier than it has been in the past. Please consider helping with this vital part of our meetings. As a bonus you get a great seat for each demonstration.
7. **Safety Officer**- Richard Nannis discussed bandsaw safety. He discussed the need for using a sled to prevent rotation of round items you may be cutting. Also mentioned were saw maintenance, cleaning, guide adjustment, and the benefits of releasing the blade tension when the saw is not in use.

8. **Tools, Tips and Techniques** – Richard Nannis showed and discussed a point tool that he uses.
9. **Show and Tell** – Art Worth lead show and tell with many different pieces created by club members. See the website for pictures.
10. **Buy & Sell** – Offered for sale were; Franck has a Powermatic 3520, John Long a 6” jointer and Rich Wakefield has 2 powered air filtration helmets.
11. **Demonstration** - The demonstrator was Rudy Lopez. He turned a natural edge thin stem goblet from a green branch.
12. **Next month’s meeting** – Wednesday June 5th. Ron Browning will be making a beads of courage box.

Tri-County Woodturners Monthly Financial Report

APRIL 2024

SUN TRUST ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance: \$ 5,612.54
Checking: \$ 2,625.08
PayPal: \$ 1,328.08
Cash DVD Account: \$ 0.00
Cash Raffle \$ 30.00

Current Month Income: \$ 90.00
Credit \$ 0.00
Cash \$ 90.00 Raffle
Cash \$ 0.00
Cash \$ 0.00
Cash \$ 0.00
PayPal \$ 0.00 Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash \$ 0.00 Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash (DVD Rental) \$ 0.00 DVD Rental

Current Month Expenses: \$ \$1,719.38
a Check #1240 \$ 672.00 Jeff Langsner A/V Equipment
b Check #1241 \$ 684.99 Ron Badnar (\$61.25 State Reg. - \$623.74 Hartford Liability Insur.)
c Check #1237 \$ 342.39 Cliff Frank (TV Upgrade and 5-year warranty)
d \$ 20.00
e \$ 0.00
f \$ 0.00
g \$ 0.00

TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS: \$ 3,983.16
Checking: \$ 2,625.08 Includes \$90 for A/V Box and \$224.00 Donations
PayPal: \$ 1,328.08
Cash (DVD) \$ 0.00
Cash (RAFFLE) \$ 30.00

Net Balance All Accounts: \$ 3,983.16 Total All Accounts

Tri-County Woodturners

Meeting Minutes

June 5, 2024

1. **Welcome** – Jeff Langsner opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Rick Donaldson offered an invocation.
2. **Members and Guests** - There were 33 members and guests in attendance.
3. **Treasurer's Report** - Ron Bodnar presented the treasurers report. He reported that we ended the month of May with a total balance of \$4,239.08. More details can be found on our website.
4. **Minutes of last meeting** - posted on website.
5. **Old Business**
 - a. **Hybrid Meetings & AV equipment** –Cliff Frank will lead the AV team, but we still need a couple of volunteers to assist with this. A big thanks was given to Dan Penn for his work over the several years heading up this critical part of our meetings.
 - b. **Turn and Learn** -
 - i. Saturday, June 1st at the Land O'Lakes Library.
 - ii. Saturday June 15th at the Land O'Lakes Library. This session will be from 9 – 3:30 and is exclusively for TCWT members. A signup sheet was passed around.
 - c. **Charity Projects update** – Jeff provided the update. We have received several completed pens. Transonic Laser Engraving, 8609 Land O'Lakes Blvd provided engraving on these pens for free. Merri has passed out 23 beads for beads of courage boxes but has only received 3 completed boxes so far. Please consider completing a box and turning it in for this charitable project.
6. **New Business** –
 - a. **Grant money from FWS.** – The club has received an educational grant from FWS of \$750. This is in consideration of the work put forth in hosting the 2024 Florida Woodturning Symposium in February. Thanks were given to the club representatives who contributed to this effort as well as to all the club members who attended this year.
7. **Safety Officer**- Richard Nannis discussed jointer safety. He discussed the use of hold down and push blocks as well as never placing your hand directly above the spinning cutter head.
8. **Tools, Tips and Techniques** – Jeff showed a morse taper drill bit that can be installed directly in your tailstock. This takes out much of the play (wobble) that is introduced by a drill chuck.

9. **Show and Tell** – There were many different pieces brought in for show and tell by club members. See the website for pictures.

10. **Demonstration** - The demonstrator was Ron Browing showing his method of sharpening a 40-40 grind bowl gouge. He displayed a measuring jig for setting the pocket distance for a One Way pocket arm and where to adjust a Wolverine jig to achieve this. He demonstrated how this grind can be used and its advantages. He then used the gouge to turn a Beads of Courage Box.

11. **Next month's meeting** – Our July meeting will be held July 11th due to the 4th falling on a Wednesday. Jeff Langsner will be doing some woodburning and some coloring of turned vessels.

Tri-County Woodturners Monthly Financial Report

MAY 2024

SUN TRUST ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance:	\$	3,983.16
Checking:	\$	2,839.08
PayPal:	\$	1,419.71
Cash DVD Account:	\$	0.00
Cash Raffle	\$	30.00

<u>Current Month Income:</u>	\$	340.63	
Credit	\$	0.00	
Cash	\$	159.00	Raffle
Cash	\$	0.00	
Cash	\$	0.00	
Cash	\$	0.00	
PayPal	\$	91.63	Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash	\$	90.00	Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash (DVD Rental)	\$	0.00	DVD Rental

<u>Current Month Expenses:</u>	\$	35.00	
a Check #	\$	0.00	
b Check #	\$	35.00	Bank Service Fee for Lost Check
c Check #	\$	0.00	
d	\$	0.00	
e	\$	0.00	
f	\$	0.00	
g	\$	0.00	

<u>TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS:</u>	\$	3,983.16	
Checking:	\$	2,839.00	Includes \$90 for A/V Box and \$224.00 Donations
PayPal:	\$	1,419.71	
Cash (DVD)	\$	0.00	
Cash (RAFFLE)	\$	30.00	

Net Balance All Accounts: \$ 4,239.08 Total All Accounts

Tri-County Woodturners

Meeting Minutes

July 10, 2024

1. **Welcome** – Jim Henderson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and then offered an invocation.
2. **Members and Guests** - There were 32 members and guests in attendance.
3. **Treasurer's Report** - Ron Bodnar presented the treasurers report. He reported that we ended the month of May with a total balance of \$4,629.23. More details can be found on our website.
4. **Minutes of last meeting** - posted on website.
5. **Old Business**
 - a. **AV Box and Equipment** – We are done, the AV box is complete. Thanks to Philip Passantino for his generous donation of both time and money towards the completion of the box. We still need a couple of volunteers to assist with this monthly for operation (only 4 buttons) and setup and breakdown.
 - b. **Turn and Learn** -
 - i. Saturday, June 6th was held at the Land O'Lakes Library.
 - ii. Saturday June 20th at the Land O'Lakes Library. This session will be from 9 – 3:30 and is exclusively for TCWT members. A signup sheet was passed around.
 - c. **Charity Projects update** – Merri provided the update.
 - i. A special thank you was given in person by one of the Judicial Circuit Veterans Treatment staff for the 17 VTC engraved pens. We have some more pens ready to engrave and are hoping for more to be turned and submitted to this project.
 - ii. We have received a few beads of courage boxes, but the number of beads passed out far exceeds the quantity turned in. Please consider completing a box and turning it in for this charitable project.
6. **New Business** –
 - a. **Raffel coordinator needed.** Matt has asked to step down after serving in this position for over 5 years. Please consider taking this position on. The proceeds from the raffle are an important part of the club's income that helps bring in outside demonstrators. Most of our members like the opportunity to get "free" wood that made up most of the raffle prizes.

7. **Show and Tell** – Steve Hood reviewed and talked about the items brought in. Several of our newest turners brought items that they made at the Land O'Lakes Library workshop. See the website for pictures.
8. **Demonstration** - The demonstrator was our own Jeff Langsner. The presentation was on texturing with a wood burner and subsequent coloring of your turned items. He discussed his tools and how he makes his own burning tips. As part of the demonstration, he relief burned some images achieving varying surface depths and textures. Jeff finished with how he applies color using a dry brush technique and working with many layers of color to achieve his desired finish color and look.
9. **Next month's meeting** – Our August meeting will be held on August 7th. Art Worth will be doing a double axis lidded box.

Tri-County Woodturners Monthly Financial Report

JUNE 2024

SUN TRUST ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance:	\$	4,239.08
Checking:	\$	3,199.72
PayPal:	\$	1,419.71
Cash DVD Account:	\$	0.00
Cash Raffle	\$	10.00

<u>Current Month Income:</u>	\$	915.00	
Credit	\$	0.00	
Cash	\$	55.00	Raffle
Cash	\$	0.00	
Cash	\$	750.00	FWS Grant
Cash	\$	20.00	Donations
PayPal	\$	0.00	Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash	\$	90.00	Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash (DVD Rental)	\$	0.00	DVD Rental

<u>Current Month Expenses:</u>	\$	574.36	
a	\$	0.00	
b	\$	20.00	Meeting Refreshments
c Check #1242	\$	74.27	Go Daddy
d Check #1243	\$	250.00	Demo
e Check #1244	\$	230.09	AV Equipment
f	\$	0.00	
g	\$	0.00	

<u>TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS:</u>	\$	4,629.43	
Checking:	\$	3,199.72	Includes \$90 for A/V Box and \$224.00 Donations
PayPal:	\$	1,419.71	
Cash (DVD)	\$	0.00	
Cash (RAFFLE)	\$	10.00	

Net Balance All Accounts: \$ 4,629.43 Total All Accounts

Tri-County Woodturners

Meeting Minutes

August 7, 2024

1. Welcome – Jeff Langsner opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and then Jim Henderson offered an invocation.
2. Sign-In sheets for meeting attendance and the August 24th Turn & Learn were passed around.
3. New Members and Guests - There were 33 members and 2 guests in attendance.
4. Treasurer's Report - Ron Bodnar presented the treasurer's report. He reported that we ended the month of July with a total balance of \$4,518.32. More details can be found on our website.
5. Minutes of last meeting - posted on website.
6. Old Business
 - a. Turn and Learn - Saturday, August 3rd was held at the Land O'Lakes Library for library members. Saturday August 24th at the Land O'Lakes Library. This session will be from 9 – 3:30 and is exclusively for TCWT members. A signup sheet was passed around.
 - b. Charity Projects update – Anita reported for Merri that we still need more pens and beads of courage boxes.
 - c. Raffle Tickets – Free trip to the 2025 AAW Symposium and \$1500 in Visa gift cards. Consider purchasing and selling some to your friends. All proceeds go to the club. See Ron Bodnar for tickets.
7. New Business –
 - a. Registration for the February 14,15,16 FWS will open August 8th. Prices have not changed from last year. There is a discount if you register before December 31st.
8. Safety – Richard Nannis reviewed the hazards of using super glue and the precautions needed to use it safely.
9. Tool, Tips, and Techniques – Steve Hood showed some non-powered hand sanders made from PVC (also called inertia sanders) and demonstrated their use. Plans to build them are posted on the club website.
10. Show and Tell – Mark Neinstadt reviewed and talked about the items brought in.
11. Buy and Sell – Art Worth had a sharpening system for sale. Cliff Frank had some new sand bags to give away for use to weigh down your lathe. Steve Hood had a Ringmaster for sale.
12. There was a 10 minute break followed by the Wood Raffle.
13. Our demonstrator was Art Worth. He demonstrated how to turn a 2-axis lidded box. Directions for that are posted on the club website. Next month Rick Donaldson will give a tutorial on turning tool handles that can be used to interchange multiple tools.

Tri-County Woodturners Monthly Financial Report

JULY 2024

SUN TRUST ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance: \$ 4,629.43
Checking: \$ 3,088.61
PayPal: \$ 1,419.71
Cash DVD Account: \$ 0.00
Cash Raffle \$ 10.00

Current Month Income: \$ 337.00

Credit \$ 0.00
Cash \$ 92.00 Raffle
Cash \$ 200.00 Special Raffle
Cash \$ 0.00 FWS Grant
Cash \$ 15.00 Donations
PayPal \$ 0.00 Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash \$ 30.00 Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash (DVD Rental) \$ 0.00 DVD Rental

Current Month Expenses: \$ 448.11

a \$ 0.00
b \$ 10.00 Meeting Refreshments
c Check #1246 \$ 32.07 Equipment Maintenance
d Check # \$ 0.00 Demo
e Check #1245 \$ 386.04 AV Equipment
f \$ 0.00
g \$ 0.00

TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS: \$ 4,518.32

Checking: \$ 3,088.61 Includes \$349.00 in Donations
PayPal: \$ 1,419.71
Cash (DVD) \$ 0.00
Cash (RAFFLE) \$ 10.00

Net Balance All Accounts: \$ 4,518.32 Total All Accounts

Tri-County Woodturners

Meeting Minutes

September 4, 2024

1. **Welcome** – Jeff Langsner opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Jim Henderson offered an invocation.
2. **Members and Guests** - There were 32 members and guests in attendance.
3. **Treasurer's Report** - Ron Bodnar was not present to offer a treasurer's report. A current report can be found on our website.
4. **Minutes of last meeting** - posted on website.
5. **Old Business**
 - a. **Turn and Learn** -
 - i. Saturday, Sept 14th will be held at the Land O'Lakes Library. Signup on the library website, the project will be lighthouses.
 - ii. Saturday Sept 21st at the Land O'Lakes Library. This session will be from 9 – 3:30 and is exclusively for TCWT members. A signup sheet was passed around.
 - b. **Charity Projects update** – Anita provided an update.
 - i. A certificate of appreciation was given to the club on behalf of the Judicial Circuit Court. We have some more pens ready to engrave and are looking for more to be submitted soon. Anita pointed out the laser engraving works best is there is a uniform diameter on the pen to receive the lettering.
 - ii. We have received a few beads of courage boxes, but the number of beads passed out far exceeds the quantity turned in. Please consider completing a box and turning it in for this charitable project.
 - c. **Raffle Tickets** - Rick Donaldson reported that our club's sales of the raffle tickets for our club fundraiser have been much slower than other clubs. Most sales have been to club members. Remember that the \$1,500 gift card prize should appeal to almost everyone you know. Please consider taking 10 to 15 tickets home with you to offer to your friends, family and neighbors. Almost everyone will donate \$5 or \$10 to a charity, particularly with the possibility of winning the prize.
6. **New Business** –
 - a. **Library Update** - Victoria let the club know that Bill, the library employee that served in the foundry had passed away. She informed the club of the open position and some of position's responsibilities. This is a full-time job with the county and includes benefits.

- b. **Volunteers Needed** Volunteers are needed to chair and support the TCWT Christmas party that is scheduled to be held on Dec 4th.

 - c. **FWS** Registration is open for Florida Woodturning Symposium 2025. Go to Floridawoodturningsymposium.com to register. Prices are the same as last year and discounted until December 31st.
7. **Show and Tell** – Art Worth reviewed and talked about the items brought in. See the website for pictures.
8. **Demonstration** - The demonstrator was our own Rick Donaldson. He discussed and demonstrated making a convertible tool handle using a threaded brass plumbing fitting. The handle then accepts 1/2" diameter tools. He showed how to turn this with 3 lobes (offset turning) to help keep the tool from rolling off your workstation. He also showed and used several homemade tools as part of his presentation.
9. **Next month's meeting** – Our October meeting will be held on Wednesday October 2nd. Steve Hood and Rick Donaldson will be discussing woodturning for the Florida State Fair. They will talk about the divisions and categories you may enter and the judging criteria that are used. They will show various items and talk about how to improve your chances of success. Please bring some of your turned items to include in the discussion. Items brought in will be kept anonymous and blue tape will be provided to cover up any names already on your pieces. Last year we had several club members enter items in the fair and receive awards.

Tri-County Woodturners Monthly Financial Report

AUGUST 2024

SUN TRUST ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance: \$ 4,518.32
Checking: \$ 3,243.61
PayPal: \$ 1,448.62
Cash DVD Account: \$ 0.00
Cash Raffle \$ 30.00

Current Month Income: \$ 203.91

Credit \$ 0.00
Cash \$ 85.00 Raffle
Cash \$ 90.00 Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash \$ 0.00 FWS Grant
Cash \$ 0.00 Donations
PayPal \$ 28.91 Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash \$ 0.00
Cash (DVD Rental) \$ 0.00 DVD Rental

Current Month Expenses: \$ 40.00

a \$ 20.00 Cash for Raffle Exchange
b \$ 20.00 Meeting Refreshments
c Check # \$ 0.00
d Check # \$ 0.00 Demo
e Check # \$ 0.00 AV Equipment
f \$ 0.00
g \$ 0.00

TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS: \$ 4,722.23

Checking: \$ 3,243.61 Includes \$349.00 in Donations
PayPal: \$ 1,448.62
Cash (DVD) \$ 0.00
Cash (RAFFLE) \$ 30.00

Net Balance All Accounts: \$ 4,722.23 Total All Accounts

Tri-County Woodturners

Meeting Minutes

October 2, 2024

1. **Welcome** – Jeff Langsner opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Jim Henderson offered an invocation.
2. **Members and Guests** - There were 27 members and guests in attendance.
3. **Treasurer's Report** - Ron Bodnar was not present to offer a full treasurer's report. The current full report can be found on our website. Jeff reported that our ending balance was approximately \$4,792.00
4. **Minutes of last meeting** - posted on website.
5. **Old Business**
 - a. **Turn and Learn** -
 - i. Saturday, Sept 12th for club members will be held at Steve Hood's shop. (This was later changed to October 19th due to hurricane Milton.) A signup sheet was passed around.
 - ii. Learn and turn for the Library is cancelled for this month
 - b. **Charity Projects update** – Merri provided an update.
 - i. We are continuing to accept pens to be given to the Judicial Circuit Court. We have some more pens ready to engrave and are looking for more to be submitted soon.
 - ii. We will continue the Beads of Courage Boxes into 2025. Please consider completing a box and turning it in for this charitable project.
 - c. **Raffle Tickets** - Rick Donaldson again reported that our club's sales of the raffle tickets for our club fund raiser have been much slower than other clubs. There was a large number of tickets purchased at this meeting. Please consider taking 10 to 15 tickets home with you to offer to your friends, family and neighbors. Almost everyone will donate \$5 or \$10 to a charity, particularly with the possibility of winning the prize. Remember that the \$1,500 gift card prize should appeal to almost everyone you know. All tickets and monies must be turned in at the November meeting or to Rick Donaldson by Thanksgiving with special arrangements. The drawing will be held on December 1st.
6. **New Business** –
 - a. **Volunteers Needed** Volunteers are needed to chair and support the TCWT Christmas party that is scheduled to be held on Dec 4th.

- b. **FWS** - Registration is open for Florida Woodturning Symposium 2025. Go to <http://FloridaWoodTurningSymposium.com> to register. Prices are the same as last year and discounted until December 31st.
 - c. **FWS Raffle Tickets** - Jeff read the list of items in the FWS raffle. Tickets are available. The suggested donation is \$10
 - d. **2x4 Competition** - The November meeting will include the judging of a 2x4 competition. Please bring your entries to the meeting on November 9th. Your entry must be made from a typical 2x4 like you might purchase from a building supply store. Let your imagination run wild. We will have two gift card prizes. One each for the best entry in Novice and Advanced divisions.
7. **Safety** - Richard Nannis had a presentation on safely using a microwave for drying turned wood items.
8. **Show and Tell** – Art Worth reviewed and talked about the items brought in. See the website for pictures.
9. **Demonstration** - The demonstration this month was a panel discussion on wood turning competition at the Florida State Fair by Art Worth, Steve Hood and Rick Donaldson. They talked about the divisions and categories you may enter. The presentation included all the details on why, who, what, when and how to enter your items in the fair. They then showed turned items that they and club members brought in and discussed what the judges look for in your entries. Both Art and Steve have served as judges in the past. There were many good questions from the audience about judging details. Club members of all skill levels are encouraged to enter items this year.
10. **Next month's meeting** – Our November meeting will be held on Wednesday November 13th. Please note that this is the second Wednesday of November as the Lutz building is not available on November 6th. Steve Hood will be our demonstrator showing 5 designs for turning a 3-corner bowl from a cube.

Tri-County Woodturners Monthly Financial Report

SEPTEMBER 2024

SUN TRUST ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance:	\$	4,722.23	
Checking:	\$	3,313.61	
PayPal:	\$	1,448.62	
Cash DVD Account:	\$	0.00	
Cash Raffle	\$	30.00	
<u>Current Month Income:</u>	\$	90.00	
Credit	\$	0.00	
Cash	\$	90.00	Raffle
Cash	\$	0.00	Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash	\$	0.00	FWS Grant
Cash	\$	0.00	Donations
PayPal	\$	0.00	Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash	\$	0.00	
Cash (DVD Rental)	\$	0.00	DVD Rental
<u>Current Month Expenses:</u>	\$	20.00	
a	\$	0.00	Cash for Raffle Exchange
b	\$	20.00	Meeting Refreshments
c Check #	\$	0.00	
d Check #	\$	0.00	Demo
e Check #	\$	0.00	AV Equipment
f	\$	0.00	
g	\$	0.00	
<u>TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS:</u>	\$	4,792.23	
Checking:	\$	3,313.61	Includes \$349.00 in Donations
PayPal:	\$	1,448.62	
Cash (DVD)	\$	0.00	
Cash (RAFFLE)	\$	30.00	

Net Balance All Accounts: \$ 4,792.23 Total All Accounts

Tri-County Woodturners

Meeting Minutes

Nov 13th 2024

1. **Welcome**; Jeff Langsner called the meeting to order and Jim Henderson offered an invocation.
2. **Sign-in Sheets**, Turn & Learn and Christmas Party sign-up sheets were passed around.
3. **Attendance**: There were 42 members and guests present.
4. **Treasurer's Report**: Ron Bodner gave the treasurer's report. We finished the month of October with a total balance of \$4,693.69. More details can be found on the club website.
5. **Minutes of last meeting**: posted on our website.
6. **Old Business**
 - a. Turn & Learn;
 - i. Land O'Lakes Library was held on Saturday November 9th. Students turned penguins and a few of them were on the show and tell table
 - ii. The club turn & learn will be held at Steve Hood's shop on November 16th.
7. **FWS update**: Rick Donaldson talked about registrations for FWS encouraging everyone to register before December 30th to get the discounted price.
8. **Raffle Tickets**:
 - a. Last call for purchasing a ticket to the three-club fund raiser that has a \$1,500 gift card and admission to 2025 AAW national symposium as the prize. The drawing will be on Dec 1st. The winner will be contacted directly and announced at our Dec meeting.
 - b. Raffle tickets for a free 2025 FWS registration were offered at \$5 each. These will also be available at our December meeting. The winning ticket will be drawn at the December Christmas Party Dec 4th.
9. **New Business**:
 - a. A call was made for volunteers to help with the TCWT Christmas Party to be held on December 4th.
 - b. Election of Officers for 2025
 - i. Nominations are
 1. Jeff Langsner, President
 2. Jim Henderson, Vice President
 3. Rick Donaldson, Secretary
 4. Jim McLoone, Treasurer
 5. Ron Bodnar, Board Member in place of past President
 - ii. A call for more nominations from the floor was held, none were offered.
 - iii. It was moved and seconded by the floor to vote on the proposed slate of officers

- iv. The above slate of officers was approved by verbal vote of all members in attendance.

- 10. **Show and Tell:** Art Worth reviewed both Show and Tell categories listed below.
 - a. 2x4 Challenge: there were two divisions for club entries of items made from a construction grade 2x4, Novice and Advanced. There were many excellent items in each division and entrants were encouraged to enter these same items in the Florida State Fair. Congratulations to all for their creative work. Photos can be seen on the club website.
 - b. Winners receiving Woodcraft gift cards were
 - i. Novice: Gloria Foster
 - ii. Advanced: Cliff Frank
- 11. **Demonstration:** The demonstrator was Steve Hood showing 5 versions of a three-corner bowl from a cube. There are many photographs of his demonstration on the club website.
- 12. **Next meeting:** The next meeting will be our Club Christmas Party on December 4th at 6 PM.

Tri-County Woodturners Monthly Financial Report

OCTOBER 2024

SUN TRUST ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance:	\$	4,792.23	
Checking:	\$	3,215.07	
PayPal:	\$	1,448.62	
Cash DVD Account:	\$	0.00	
Cash Raffle	\$	30.00	
<u>Current Month Income:</u>	\$	30.00	
Credit	\$	0.00	
Cash	\$	30.00	Raffle
Cash	\$	0.00	Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash	\$	0.00	FWS Grant
Cash	\$	0.00	Donations
PayPal	\$	0.00	Membership Dues and Donations 2024
Cash	\$	0.00	
Cash (DVD Rental)	\$	0.00	DVD Rental
<u>Current Month Expenses:</u>	\$	128.54	
a	\$	0.00	Cash for Raffle Exchange
b Check #1247	\$	128.54	A/V EQUIPMENT
c Check #	\$	0.00	
d Check #	\$	0.00	Demo
e Check #	\$	0.00	AV Equipment
f	\$	0.00	
g	\$	0.00	
<u>TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS:</u>	\$	4,693.69	
Checking:	\$	3,215.07	Includes \$349.00 in Donations
PayPal:	\$	1,448.62	
Cash (DVD)	\$	0.00	
Cash (RAFFLE)	\$	30.00	

Net Balance All Accounts: \$ 4,693.69 Total All Accounts