

# **Western New York Woodturners Club 1**

## *Newsletter & Minutes of Meeting Held March 02, 2017*

Maryvale High School Wood Shop  
1050 Maryvale Drive  
Cheektowaga, New York 14225

### **43 Regular members present at the start of the meeting.**

The meeting was called to order 7:02 pm by our President Joe Wiesnet. There was one guest present, Rene Antwan (sp.) who was the guest of Dave Cammarano.

### **50/50 Club Drawing:**

The 50/50 Club drawing of \$33.00 was made and awarded to John Walkden, who immediately donated his winnings to the club treasury. Thank you John for your kind generosity!

### **Treasurer's Report by: Norm Kosmerl:**

February 2017 Activity - Balance brought forward: \$3,201.82\*

#### **Deposits:**

50/50 29.00

Dues: 200.00

#### **Expenses:**

NONE

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March 01, 2017 Balance \$ 3,430.82

\*\*\*Please note: I believe there is an error in the beginning balance on this report. At this writing, I am unable to contact Norm Kosmerl. These figures will be justified or corrected in the April Newsletter. (Thank you Mr. Cammarano, we will check it out.)

### **Business Items by Joseph Wiesnet & Members:**

Joe Wiesnet reminded us to bring our dues up to date. We are trying to produce a good accurate address list for our members. If you have not paid your 2017 dues, please forward a check in the amount of \$20.00 to: Mr. Norm Kosmerl, 105 Forestlake Drive Getzville, New York 14068. Your attention to this will be appreciated!

Joe also mentioned that the 2017 Turn-A-Thon is set up for Saturday, May 13, 09:00 hours at Joe's home. He has a capability of 10+ lathes and all Clubs members are welcome to share in the experience. There will be mentors available to help you if necessary. The idea of this is to familiarize turners in turning in front of others so that they will be more comfortable to turn at the Fair. The sessions will be 09:00 to 11:30, lunch 11:30 to 12:30,

and 12:30 to 3:00pm for the afternoon session. Joe would like the morning people to stay for lunch, and the afternoon session participants to come early and have lunch. If you would like to be involved or help him with the lunch and refreshments, please contact Mr. Wiesnet.

If you need information on the Rudi Lopez professional demo on October 14, 2017 it has now been posted on our website by John Lilley. Tickets are available from Mike Gotthelf and Pete Campana.

Pete Campana still is looking for volunteers for the set up and clean up of our meetings. A sign up sheet was passed around. If you can help out please contact Pete.

John Lilley informed us that the website is up to date and working well. John also mentioned that Beth Ireland will do a demo on May 27<sup>th</sup>. The demo will run from 9AM to 4PM at the gym of the Wesleyan Church of Orchard Park; 7295 Ellicott Rd; Orchard Park, NY 14127. Beth has been a professional woodturner for 30 years, and she has done some very interesting work! Here's a link to [Beth's web page](#). Check out her work and mark the date on your calendar! John Lilley, and Jim Meier have tickets for this demo and there is also more information on our Website.

### [Set up/Clean up/Video:](#)

#### **SET UP/CLEAN UP (2)**

March – April

David Day

Dick Radel

#### **VIDEO (1)**

March – April

Mike Gotthelf

Pete Campana stated that he is seeking volunteers to do some club demos. If you are interested, please contact Pete. Demonstrators are still needed for June and forward.

Stuart Wiesmore will not be available for distributing the DVD Library for the next few meetings. Debbie Korwin will handle them in his absence. Thank you Debbie for helping! These DVD's are available to anyone wishing to borrow them.

Eugen Schlaak advised us that the Golden Horseshoe Woodturners Guild of Ontario will be hosting a professional demo given by David /Ellsworth on April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017. For additional information please see their website at **Golden Horseshoe Woodturners Guild or GHWG.ca**

Pepper Weinheimer stated that the Woodcarvers are discussing the addition of a new category this year at their Fair Exhibit for woodturning. There will be two classifications in this group; Functional and Decorative. More on this will follow as the details are worked out.

Frank and Marlene Becker announced that there is a food drive for the homeless Vets of Western New York, and it will be kicking off the same day as the Rudi Lopez demo at the Matt Urban VFW Post. If you would like to donate any canned goods please bring them to the Post on October 14<sup>th</sup>, or you may also bring them into any of our Woodturners meeting and they will be taken to the Post for you.

As a correction to last months newsletter, I was informed that Rich Mialki was given a lifetime membership to our club for his participation as past president. I believe the motion was made by Jim Vasi, and it was seconded by Bree Corbett. Rich, you did a great job moving our club forward. Thank you!

### **Show & Tell Portion:**

The show and tell segment was given by the following members who signed the cards: Mike Gotthelf, Rich Rosa, Gene Renzoni, David Day, Tom Brittain, Ray Bisonette, Bree Corbett, Rich Mialki, Frank Becker, Debbie Korwin, Mark Williams, and Joe Wiesnet.

### **Club Demonstration:**

The club demo was given by Jim Meier on wax finishes. He gave us a lot of information on finishing with this product. Good job, Thanks Jim!

### **Next Meeting/Scheduled Demos:**

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday April 06, 2017 at 7:00 pm in the Maryvale High School Shop. The April demo will be given by Joe Wiesnet and Pete Campana, on lidded boxes with a twist! This should be an interesting one. The May demo will be done by David Day.

We are always looking for members to do demonstrations or give us some ideas for our programs. If you would like to do a demo for us, have any new ideas, or are just interested in learning something specific, mention it to our Vice President Pete Campana, or drop me an e-mail, and I will progress it for you.

On a sad note in closing, I have learned that we have lost another member. Ed Blowers passed away on March 5, 2017. Eddie, who was also a member of the Woodcarvers, helped us out every year with our Fair Exhibit. He will be missed...

Respectfully submitted,  
Joseph A. Mussari  
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