



**SOUTH FLORIDA WOODTURNERS GUILD**  
**A CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF WOODTURNERS**  
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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:**

It's hard to believe that the first month of the New Year has passed. A lot has happened and even more is to come in the very near future. The Fruit and Spice Park show was rained out on Saturday and we didn't even get a chance to unwrap and display our woodwork. Sunday was freezing cold however, we managed to sell more than \$500.00. In spite of the cold weather we still had a great time. Thank you to all the members who helped to make this event possible.

A few of us attended the Florida Symposium in Eustis, Florida. They had a much better outcome than they expected. All the sessions filled to capacity (standing room only, in some cases not even that). All I can say is that anyone who missed it should definitely try to attend next year... So, save up.

We are planning a workshop February. There is also talk of bringing a professional turner, Charlie Shrum, for a 2-3 day workshop in March. In April we will be having our annual BBQ. **Please check your calendar(s)** before this week's meeting so that you are aware of any date(s) that you will/may not available on and may have a discrepancy with.

See you all at the next meeting,  
Jay

**GUESTS:** Kevin Whalin, Allen Criado

**ATTENDANCE:** 31

**BRING BACK TICKETS:** 16

Joe Roig wins bring back, hollow vessel, turning from Waldo Collins – it was Waldo's first! 😊

**OLD BUSINESS: DUES - PAY THEM!**

Joining AAW: it has many great benefits. We would like to be the first club with 100% of its members with AAW membership. <http://www.woodturner.org/>

Projector for meeting: everyone enjoyed being able to watch the demo on the back screen and thought it was good to have. A light bulb for the lathe would be appropriate at the next meeting so the over head lights can be turned off.

Mentoring: Feel free to ask around for help. Most members are willing to help others with information that can be given over the phone or even hands-on, should anyone need help. **ASK AND YOU SHALL RECEIVE!**

\*Jeff Price would like to thank Joe Self, again, for helping him fix his lathe, which had a frozen "floating" pulley that limited it to a single speed. In short: WD-40 fixes EVERYTHING... (for more info on Woodtech lathe pulley systems contact Jeff, he is now an expert in that field).

## NEW BUSINESS:

Jay's introduction. Spoke about the Food & Spice park event. Location in the park is a little bit west from where we were last year (past year location). Please come in through 248 street. Park inside the property or on the street or wherever possible and allowed.

Ed will bring the trailer to set up. Gary volunteered to set up. Please remember to please show what customers want regardless if it belongs to someone else when you are in the sales tent. It's better to sell something that's not yours than not sell anything at all.

Would like to find a new location to store the guild's equipment and perhaps have meetings there, as well. In return the guild would have members volunteer and teach the community about wood turning. Jay suggested to check with Miami-Dade College since they have adult night classes.

He will contact them and provide information at the next meeting.

Would like to have everyone consider whether or not we should start having BBQs/picnics more than once a year.

Is interested in any information anyone may have regarding entering different shows for different organizations on holidays or any other community festivals. David G. has volunteered to look into it.

Would like to introduce a project assignment to the SFWTG. It basically consists of assigning members to turn something different each month so they can practice turning new things and remove themselves from their comfort zone while being able to compare their work, ideas and imagination, with the other members, all while working on the same project.

**Brian:** Fall art district. Next show not in March, as previously mentioned, it's in April. Every quarter the 10 galleries have a show. They were interested in the guild being involved in the show for a 25% commission. Pieces must be dropped off a week before the showing and shelving must be brought it to showcase the pieces. It would be ideal to have a few people there to be able to give info about the pieces. There's a mini bus that will be taking people

from gallery to gallery so no one has to drive from place to place. The galleries are north of The Falls shopping area. Voting for participation in this event resulted in 10 people being interested. Seems like there's enough participation to look into being part of April's event.

**Ana:** Suggestion for new guild shirts were spoken about. Most everyone agreed that they would be interested in purchasing new shirts. The logo is likely not going to change, per member vote. Knowing what the cost of the shirt is will determine the outcome of the order. It was suggested that PATCHES of the logo be bought and selling them to the members so they can sew them onto anything could be another option. Ana will find out about cost and advise.

Helen suggested to include an order form with the newsletter. Ana will create one.

**David F.:** **BAD NEWS:** got broken into at the farm. Portable power tools and organized satchels are all missing. They took the Bonnie Klein lathe on a single plank of cedar on a harbor freight motor. Fly rods and reels. Please keep him in the loop if anyone knows or hears about someone selling the above.

**GOOD NEWS:** Steve Huff Mullet Rapper is a bi-weekly newspaper, that we were mentioned in. They saw someone turning MAHO at The Ramble and wrote about it.

Thompson lathe GLACIER TOOLS are out of business and he's producing tools equal to their products. A bowl gouge was donated and is it going to be raffled off at next month's meeting. David is working with him on other projects and is going to see if he can get other items but no promise.

\$3 a ticket or 4 for \$10 **Don't forget your CASH!**

Most people/company's will donate tools or other items in order to raise money for the guild. All you have to do is ask and most will say yes.

**Gary:** Hartsville tools will give a discount to the members and give back money to the guild.

**Joe Roig:** Miami Woodworker's Guild will be meeting this coming Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at Shell's Lumber.

**Don:** Discounts with Woodcraft: \$5 off \$50 purchase or \$10 off \$100 purchase. They give you a 10% rebate coupon off your total purchases, about every quarter. Ana claimed that you have to be a member of the Gold Coast guild but Gary will speak to them to see if they can extend the same offer to the SFWTG.

Would like to have more workshops and would like to have more volunteers to have them host the workshops so we can give Waldo a break. Waldo makes mention that he does not mind having it there.

**DEMO:** *Bob Hazel – uses different techniques of polishings & finishings.*

**step-by-step:** sands down your turning to 400 and then use steel wool. Bob usually buffs his pieces first and then puts the finish with the Beal buffing system. The Beal Buffing system comes with 3 different pads. Bob puts it onto a spigot chuck. Uses EEE first on a linen pad. Buffs the piece for about a minute with the pad after putting some wax on the linen. Moved on to buffing it with White Diamond pad (it's a combination of linen/cotton). Put white diamond compound on the pad and then buffs the piece for another minute. Put some Carnuba Wax on cotton flannel and buff the piece for another minute or so.

If you're using a tight wood a coat of ½ lacquer thinner and ½ sanding sealer is rubbed on to the piece. Make sure piece is dry before applying mineral spirits with sanding paper. (if just using sanding sealer when you wet sand use 400 grit. If using ½ & ½ use 600 grit). Then rub it a bit with Bounty. Do a couple more coats of ½ and ½ once the piece is pretty dry. Spray some semi-gloss Deft lacquer; Wet sand with 600; wipe it with a piece of Bounty. Keep putting lacquer on and wet sanding until you get the finish you want. Bob went up to 2000. When Bob was finished with his piece "it shined like a diamond in..."

For more info on this please go to:

[www.tcwoodturners.org](http://www.tcwoodturners.org)

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

Beginning Balance 12/31/2009 - \$2347.03

### Revenues---

Fairchild Ramble	\$10,053.00
Fruit and Spice Park Sales	\$746.40
Dues collection	\$130.00
Total Revenues	\$10929.40

### Expenses

Fairchild 30% return	\$3,015.90
Member payment for sales - FTG	\$7,037.10
Member payment for sales -F&S P	\$665.65
Total Expenses	\$10718.65

**Ending Balance (01-30-2010) \$2557.78**

**\*Note** - The fruit and spice affair was a washout the first day and sales were slow the second day - the guild made a total of \$80.75.

Fairchild revenues and outflows are a wash as we take in money and pay out to members and the 30% fee for Fairchild for the venue, tents, advertising, etc. There is no income for the guild for this show.

## INSTANT GALLERY:

**David G:** 2 bowls unknown wood, deft finish

**Jay:** Avocado bowl with walnut oil inside and carving on the outside with a lacquer and Beale system finish; Spalted Ficus vase with piercings finished with lacquer and shine with carnuba wax; Ficus vase with piecing. Strengthen it on the inside since it's a bit too thin in some area. Lacquer finish with Beale polishing.

**Joe Roig:** DC pine bowl, poly, tung oil & mineral spirits (equal parts). 600 grit with mineral spirits; NIP big flat bowl; black mangrove heart wood small bowl with its sap wood lid, which warped.

**Joe Dion:** Tropical Almond flat bowl; finished with walnut oil and beeswax; 2 ikebana carnuba wax salad bowls and 4 mini bowls; 2 albizia bowls; 8 red mahogany coasters. Finished all with carnuba wax trivet/cheese platter made from 2 glued pieces of red mahogany with grooves; 3 round wild tamarind boxes.

*Jeff:* Mahogany box;

*James:* Jacarando burl hollow form with top and finial

*Bob H.:* Dade county pine hollow form with lid and curved finial; Ikebana made from a solid piece of palm.

### **FEBRUARY's DEMO:**

David Freundlich will be doing a demo on making and using a pin chuck and jig for the one way tailstock.

### **MISCELLANEOUS CORNER:**

*FOR SALE:*

*FOR GIVE-AWAY:*

Ana – microwave oven (it works). If you'd like it, please email or call me and i will bring it on Thursday.

*INFO on WOOD:*

### **2010 SFWG Board Members:**

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### **NEXT MEETING: Thursday, Feb. 7**

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**\*\*sorry for any spelling errors, and omissions\*\***