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We will meet the 2nd Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm at IRSC –3209 Virginia Ave. Bldg. Y, Room 125— Southside of Campus. Then the Saturday 9 days later than meeting same location @ 9:00 AM

December 2023

Hello fellow Turners,

This year has gone by in a flash. This month of December snuck up on us and here it is almost meeting date, which is the 14th. We will have to select officers for the next year and discuss several things that were brought up in the Board meeting.

We started the Heathcote Garden of Lights which started on November 25th. A lot of members came out to help and turn the tops and sell their wares. It had been decided by the Board that we would no longer do the Raffle and instead we put out a donation jar, as it has turned out it is much better than the Raffle.

Thursday's meeting will be a business meeting, but still bring your Show & Tell items.

Looking forward to seeing you all.

Bob



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TWC Board Meeting Minutes
December 1, 2023

Attendees: Bob Haarer, Bob Ashley, Ron Augustyne, John Hart, Steve Lasher, Ed Staviosh, Chuck Johansen and Jack Shelton

A meeting of the Board was convened at Jack's at 3:00.

· The annual Election of club officers was discussed and will be held in December at the General Meeting. Bob Haarer asked that he be permitted to stand down from the office of President but wished to remain on the board. Chuck Johansen announced that he would not stand for reelection and Ron Augustyne will not seek reelection. The candidates are:

Pres - Bob Ashley
1ST VP TBD
2ND VP Ed Stavish
Tresurer Steve Lasher
Sectetary John Hart
At Large Bob Haarer
At Large TBD

- Responsibilities of the club officers and role of the Board were reviewed and are in compliance with the By-Laws.
 - Website maintenance was discussed. There is a need to update and keep current the website. It was agreed that a new webmaster is needed and the Board will seek a suitable candidate among the membership.
 - A calendar of events for 2024 will be developed by the incoming 2nd VP, Ed Stavish, with input from Jack and Bob Ashley. A draft will be circulated to the board members for review prior to the December meeting. The calendar is envisioned to include subjects for club demos, hands-on sessions, club challenges, awards, classes and other activities that the TCWG will participate in during the upcoming year. The calendar will be presented at the December General meeting.
- Bob Ashley discussed his preference to use the Thursday meeting for club business and show-n-tell, leaving demonstrations to the Saturday meetings. The board discussed adherence to by-law requirement for approval by general membership for expenditures over \$100. It has been apparent that the limit of \$100 is restrictive for purchases that have an urgent timeline, like repair parts for equipment. It was agreed to present a motion to the general membership that the Board be permitted to approve up to \$200 for urgent needs and to then inform the membership of such action at the next general meeting.
- Because there have been several membership rosters kept by different Board members, It was agreed that, in accordance with By Laws, the Treasurer will keep the master membership roster with an indication of current dues-paying members. He will forward a copy of that roster to the Secretary for retention in club files. It was agreed that other individuals who wish to be included in club emails will be added to the list and shared with the newsletter publisher. There was a discussion about the need for maintaining the list as a confidential document that would not be generally distributed and that addressee in email should be listed on the BCC addressee line.
 - Bob Ashley said he would prepare a comprehensive inventory of club equipment to pass along to the incoming 1st VP. Jack has generously donated his trailer to the club. The club will assume responsibility for licensing and maintenance.

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Steve reviewed the current status of Club funds, The current balance of accounts is \$1,795.99. The club has ceased any raffles but has instituted an option for receiving donations. The recent Heathcote donations were \$154 including some credit card transactions which involve transaction fees. He then highlighted the major fixed expenses for the club: \$833.00 for Insurance, \$143.00 for webhosting of the club website and \$600 for rent to IRSC. The total for these fixed expenses is \$1,576. The club currently has 40 paying members that can be expected to pay a total of \$1,200 in dues for next year, leaving a gap between the dues and fixed expenses. While the donations will help bridge the gap, they are not a reliable source of funds. Additionally, there are other discretionary expenses that the club has incurred over the past – wood for tops, maintenance for club lathes, tool purchases for the club lathes, food for the family meal and meeting, etc. There was discussion that the club may raise the annual membership fee to more reliably meet the needs.

- Bob Ashley suggested that the newsletter include a monthly feature that profiled new or existing club members. Such an article would be totally voluntary for the member being spotlighted.
- The board discussed how the club could get community exposure for its events and activities. No conclusion or action plan was the result of the discussion.

The Board adjourned at 4:05.

***TWC Meeting Minutes
December 14, 2023***

Meeting started at 7:05 with a Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of visitors – Jim Kenyon

Bob Haarer gave the Treasurer's report. Current balance is \$2,579.94 including donations received at Heathcote totaling \$899.15. The donations exceed the revenue that the now discontinued raffles.

Bob reminded the club that on Thursday December 21 Heathcote will host a special event for individuals with a disability and that the club will participate from 5:30 to 7:30.

Bob Ashley suggested that club members turn tops prior to attending Heathcote to speed the process. Blanks would be available after the meeting.

Bob Haarer then reviewed the subjects of the December Board meeting. First subject was the slate of officers to be elected. Candidates were: President – Bob Ashley, 1st VP – Ron Augustyne, 2nd VP for Programs – Ed Stavish, Treasurer – Steve Lasher, Secretary – John Hart, Board members at large – Bob Haarer and Conrad Stegner who has been appointed Webmaster. The entire slate was elected by show of hands.

Bob Haarer announced that in January, the club will be presented with the calendar of events for 2024.

He then reported that the Board discussed and recommended that the Bylaws be amended to allow expenditures requiring general membership permission be raised from \$100 to \$200. Jack made the motion which was seconded and by show of hands was approved.

Bob Ashley announced that he would conduct an inventory of club owned equipment and supplies to turn over to the new 1st VP.

It was noted that Jack has donated his trailer to the club which will now be responsible for licensing and maintenance.

Bob Ashley announced that in his role as new President, he plans to write a brief "spotlight" of a member of the club each month in the Newsletter. This will be done with the permission of the member in the "spotlight". The president's letter will include the subject of any demos and hands-on sessions for that month as well.

The club then conducted an auction of tools that were from Lou Dial's shop. Close to \$450 was collected and will be given to Lou's widow.

Bob Haarer announced that Dues are due in January. Each member is requested to fill out a form with address, email and AAW number to ensure that the club roster is up to date. A form will be included in the January newsletter. Payment of dues may be in cash, check or by credit card.

It was noted that the weather forecast looked like conditions would be bad for the Heathcote Garden of Lights and that the club would be notified by e-mail if it was cancelled or not.

Show and tell was enjoyed by all and the meeting adjourned at 8:35.

Attendees: 21

TWC Membership Application

Treasure Coast Woodturners Guild Membership Application

Name _____ Date _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Phone # _____

AAW member # _____

\$30 membership fee Cash, Check, or Credit Card

JACK SHELTON
BOW
MAPLE



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KATY BERKOWITZ
BOWL
COLORED M&M BOWL



KATY BERKOWITZ
VASE
MAHOGANY



STEVE TRACY
ANNIVERSARY BOWL
HOLLY



STEVE TRACY
VASE
AUSTRALIAN PINE



STEVE TRACY
SNOWMAN
POPLAR



FRED DAVIS
BOWL
RED MAHOE



HAROLD REHEIS
BOWL
NORFOLK PINE



JOHN HART
BOWL
EASTERN RED CEDAR



WYATT HUGGINS
ROCKING MOCKING DUCK
CAROLINA FAT LIGHTER
FLORIDA SLASH PINE



KEN KIRKBRIDE
ROLLING PIN
MAPLE/PANDULK



BARBARA BEST
VASE
DRIFTWOOD & RESIN



BARBARA BEST
BOWL
MONKEY POD



KEN KIRKBRIDE
BOWL
ROSEWOOD



KEN KIRKBRIDE
FRUIT BOWL
WALNUT



KEN KIRKBRIDE
VASE
SAPODILLO



KEN KIRKBRIDE
CHRISTMAS TREES
SWEET GUM



KEN KIRKBRIDE
FRUIT BOWL
ROSEWOOD



Jimmie Porter, of Palm City, makes wooden toy spinning tops for the kids during the annual Garden of Lights at Heathcote Botanical Gardens on Saturday, Nov. 25, 2023, at 210 Savannah Road in Fort Pierce. The event continues every Friday and Saturday from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. through the end of December. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for members, \$3 ages 6-12, free for children 5 and younger.



Bob Ashley, of Fort Pierce, puts the finishing touches on a wooden spinning top during the annual Garden of Lights at Heathcote Botanical Gardens on Saturday, Nov. 25, 2023, at 210 Savannah Road in Fort Pierce. The event continues every Friday and Saturday from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. through the end of December. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for members, \$3 ages 6-12, free for children 5 and younger.

DECEMBER 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 <i>Heathcote</i> <i>Garden of Lights</i> 5:30 PM	2 <i>Heathcote</i> <i>Garden of Lights</i> 5:30 PM
3	4	5	6	7	8 <i>Heathcote</i> <i>Garden of Lights</i> 5:30 PM	9 <i>Heathcote</i> <i>Garden of Lights</i> 5:30 PM
10	11	12	13	14	15 <i>Heathcote</i> <i>Garden of Lights</i> 5:30 PM	16 <i>Heathcote</i> <i>Garden of Lights</i> 5:30 PM
17	18	19	20	21 <i>Special Event</i> <i>Heathcote</i> 5:00 to 7:30 PM	22 <i>Heathcote</i> <i>Garden of Lights</i> 5:30 PM	23 <i>Heathcote</i> <i>Garden of Lights</i> 5:30 PM
24	25	26	27	28	29 <i>Heathcote</i> <i>Garden of Lights</i> 5:30 PM	30 <i>Heathcote</i> <i>Garden of Lights</i> 5:30 PM
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JANUARY 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Meeting @ IRSC @ 7:00 PM	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 Meeting @ IRSC @ 9:00 AM
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			



Don't forget to join the AAW, click on the following link: [AAW Registration](#)

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