



The Gulf Breeze Turner

April

2014

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President's Message

April is the beginning of spring as well as joyous holidays "Passover" & "Easter" coming into view within this month. Spring is a time of renewal to our commitment as WoodTurners to strive for increasing our presences within our community at large.

Last general meeting of March 2014, we were the guests of Mrs. Arlene Roth who is the director of the Boroughs Home, a City of Fort Myers touring attraction a residence of an earlier year. I want to say thank you to all who were able to participate in the tour of this home and all of its nuances including our open chat and conversations as to how best to service this structure with our woodturning skills and knowledge.

It is my understanding from Mr. John Gerald that our open workshop weekend sessions which we are holding on the third Saturday of each month are in fact producing positive results we have members enjoying the fellowship of other members. Instruction from more experienced Woodturners are being given to those just for the asking – and this interaction appears to be working. This past turning Saturday it was reported to me that we had six (6) members show up for the turning session and this time it ran from 09:00am through until 04:00pm in the afternoon. If you have and questions or requests, please be so kind as to let me know.

In closing, please know that our club is growing and our commitment to our community is very strong. I thank each and every one of you for your time, effort and resources you grace "WoodTurners of Southwest Florida" with each time you participate in our club functions and fellowship gatherings. Once again, it is my pleasure to serve each and every member.

Sincerely,

Richard Alan Welch, President, Woodturners of Southwest Florida, Inc. 239-565-6954

Board of Director's Meeting

Wednesday, April 9, 2014

(6:00 PM) at Panera Bread, 1830 NE Pine Island Rd., Cape Coral. All are welcome to attend and join us in planning your club's future. Next: May 21, June 18, July 16, Aug. 13, Sep. 24, Oct. 22, Nov. 19, 2014 (No Dec.)

Saturday Riverside

Community Center Workshop

April 19, 2014 will be the next weekend workshop at Riverside Community Center, 3061 E. Riverside Dr., Fort Myers. (9:00 AM to 2:00 PM) - Next: May 17, June 21, July 19, Aug. 16, Sep. 20, Oct. 18, Nov. 15, 2014

March's Meeting



Mar. 4, 2014 - Special Meeting at the "Burroughs Home", 2505 First St., 33901; at 5:00 PM (Langford Kingston Home Parking Lot) for a tour, our general meeting & presentation on "Burroughs Home" needs.

We were guests of "Uncommon Friends Foundation" who have taken over the day to day operations of the home. Thanks Arlene Roth for the special tour.

We are going to try to help them with the vertical portions of the handrails and guardrails for the home (see them in the photos above). Many to be replaced.

Open Shop at Riverside Community Center



We had six people at the open workshop and all were very active. Two new turners (one joined that day- Beth Hilton) were busy trying there luck with turning. They worked me until 4:00 PM and we had to leave. We all had a great time.

For Sale:

Let us know if you have anything for sale for woodworking and we will put in the newsletter. Don't forget this also goes on our website.

Membership Dues Now \$35.00--Starts Jan. 1,2014

General Meeting Calendar:

April 1, 2014 is going to be a demo on safety and sharpening of a chain saw. Roger Christy is going to show us how it should be done and the safety reasons why. We all need to be careful with this equipment.

May 6, 2014 -- TBA
 June 3, 2014 - TBA
 July 1, 2014 - TBA
 Aug. 5, 2014 - TBA

Sep. 2, 2014 - TBA
 Oct. 7, 2014 - TBA
 Nov. 4, 2014 - TBA
 Dec. 3, 2014 -
 Holiday Party

Please Remember:

- General Meetings: 1st **Tuesday** of each Month 6:30PM (**6:00 PM and help set-up**).
 Riverside Community Center, 3061 E. Riverside Drive, Ft. Myers, FL

Website: www.swflwoodturners.org