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**SUNCOAST WOODCARVERS MEETING  
MINUTES**

**January 8, 2013**

**Seminole Recreation Center**

The meeting was opened by Secretary Bill Dewald, substituting for President Bill Briggs. The minutes of the last meeting were accepted. Treasurer Greta Murphy passed around and summarized her report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Show Chairman Joe Lutz provided guidance on the events relating to the Show. Setup by the Rec. Center personnel is new this Show. Friday's events included registration of carvings for Competition and People's Choice from 9 AM to 5 PM, explained by John Roush. Richard Hugel took photos of all entries. Joe asked for volunteers to decorate the tables. The schedule of events and the ticket discount program were discussed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Joe noted that the date for submitting carving to the State Fair Competition has been extended for those who signed up by December 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Club demonstration date is February 14<sup>th</sup>. See Joe Lutz for further details.

It was announced that long-time member Jack Borres passed away.

Richard Hugel visited Club Librarian Glenn Fry, who is improving, but is still confined to bed.

**SHOW AND TELL**

Greta Murphy showed a cypress tree, the second and also the first.

Ron Singerman showed and described his finishing technique for natural wood. It is a multiple material process. Techniques for basswood, butternut, and catalpa were described. He described the special problems of cottonwood bark and an anecdote on acquiring a pickup truck load of bark at a park in South Dakota.

Carl Smith showed a standing bear and described a process for using sawdust to simulate ground conditions on the surface of a carving base.

Walt Walsek showed a large stained basswood Japanese koi fish. The surface splash was two part epoxy floated on water and arranged to its likeness.

Don McKerrow described the making of an intarsia to be mounted over a door frame.

Karl Allison showed Scandinavian flat-plane carvings of Carl Trygg, which were circulated

among the members. They were from the early 1900s.

The meeting was adjourned.

### **2013 ANNUAL SHOW NOTES**

#### **Friday, January 18, 2013**

Registration was conducted from 9AM to 5PM. Dues and table rentals were collected. The entries were photographed and held prior to decorated table availability. The gym was being refinished, so the exercise class was diverted to the All Purpose Room. Table setup and decoration was delayed until after 11AM. Following that, members with tables were able to set up their displays, and registered and photographed carvings were placed on the Judged Competition and People's Choice tables. The rooms were locked for the night.

#### **Saturday, January 19, 2013**

No carvings were registered in the late time windows, and judging started at about 8:30 AM. Competing carvings were grouped to simplify judging. The Judged Competition was completed and Best-of-Level selected, then Best-of-Show. The doors were opened to visitors at 10AM and remained open until 4PM. Numbered tickets were issued to paid admissions, and tickets were drawn hourly and the number posted for door prizes. Ballots for People's Choice were also provided. Tickets were sold for the Friendship Cane, and some donated items not included in door prize drawings. The doors were locked for the night.

#### **Sunday, January 20, 2013**

Doors were opened at 10AM. Admissions were slow in the morning and picked up after the lunch hour. Ticket sales slumped after about 3PM and admissions were stopped. Those items for which special tickets were sold were awarded and the results of the People's Choice voting were announced. Members of the Tampa affiliate closed up early and left because of a death in the family of one of the members

participating. Members removed the decorations which are saved and stored in the trailer.

## **JUDGED COMPETITION BEST OF SHOW and WINNER-OPEN**



**Elephant Head  
Walt Walsek**

### **WINNER-ADVANCED**



**Purple Finch  
June Longe**

**WINNER-INTERMEDIATE**



**Cross in Hand  
Richard Gage**

**WINNER-NOVICE**



**Civil War Soldier  
Bill Nunez**

**MISC. NOTES**

Thanks to everyone who helped with and participated in the Show.

The next Business meeting is on Tuesday, February 12, 2013 at the Seminole Rec. Center at 7 PM.

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A variety of information is available from our Club Website at

<http://suncoastwoodcarvers.com/index.htm>

Contact Webmaster Richard Samay with comments or corrections via the link on the website.

Bill Dewald, Secretary

As we go to press, further details on the competitions are not yet available. They will be reported in a future issue of CHIPS.