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**SUNCOAST WOODCARVERS MEETING
MINUTES**

May 8, 2012

Seminole Recreation Center

President Bill Briggs opened the meeting and promptly obtained agreement with the minutes of the last meeting. Treasurer Greta Murphy read her report for March and April. The report was accepted.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill noted that we are the new owner of Vice President Alan Anderson's trailer, which is currently sitting in Bill's driveway. Alan decided not to tow it to Connecticut when he left for his new homesite this afternoon.

Demonstrations are on Bill's mind for Club use. He is trying to get Sue Walters and/or Bob Stadlander for a 2 day class. He's also thinking about demonstrations at the next Show, on a long term basis.

SHOW AND TELL

Nick Stella showed a carved cane of basswood, where the wood spirit was carved by Glenn Fry and Nick did the decorative chip carving on the remainder of the cane.



He also showed a 2-tiered jewelry box with decorative leaf carvings.



The technique is called a positive image, where the background is carved away, leaving the subject prominent at the surface. Attractive. The finish was Minwax light walnut wax followed by Minwax paste wax and buffing. The pieces were circulated.

Somehow, the subject of carved golf shoes came up. Jack Stewart had the pattern. Karl Allison, who carved a pair noted that he got close to finished but his wife made him recarve the golf ball that he had 274 dimples in.

After a few unrelated comments, the shortest meeting of the year was adjourned. Have a good summer. See you at the next Business Meeting in September. We'll send out a reminder in August. Tuesday morning Workshops continue throughout the year.

MISC. NOTES

Our Vice President, Alan Anderson has moved to Connecticut. We wish him well and thank him for his participation in Club activities in the last few years.



The position of Club Vice President is still vacant. If anyone is interested in filling that position, which automatically converts to Club President in 2013, please let us know.



If you have any changes in your contact information (street address, email address, or phone number), please call Bill Dewald at 727-595-7542 or send updates by email to: suncoast_woodcarvers@comcast.net

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.

Thanks to Richard Samay, Bill Briggs, and Bob Ingersoll for the photos included in this edition of CHIPS.

Bill Dewald, Secretary