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**SUNCOAST WOODCARVERS MEETING
MINUTES**

November 19, 2013

Seminole Recreation Center

The meeting was called to order at 10 AM by President Bill Briggs during Tuesday morning Workshop. The minutes of the October meeting were approved, as was the Treasurer's Report, read by Treasurer Greta Murphy.

OLD BUSINESS

Show Chairman Joe Lutz spoke about the status of actions relating to the Annual Woodcarving Show in January. Joe noted the Rec. Center Director, Becky Gunter, had confirmed the January 18-19 dates, and that tables and chairs will again be provided by the Rec. Center. To assist in determining the number of tables necessary, Joe asked that those who plan to display and/or compete in the Show indicate their needs to Greta Murphy as soon as practical. The price of table rental remains at \$12. Joe said that we used 112 tables last year. John Roush reported that only one vendor had returned the contract package sent out with intent to participate.

Joe said the Judge for the Competition will be John Broughton from Cincinnati, who has worked our Show before and has written articles in Chip Chats on the history of the club and magazine.

Relating to advertising, it is intended that paid ads are to be placed in the Tampa Bay Times, the free papers such as the Seminole Beacon, and the monthly booklet of ads which are distributed to the trailer parks. Flyers will also be available for posting on any bulletin board. Ed Livingston has also written letters to magazines and tool and equipment vendors requesting donations for drawings. Further discussion noted that John Roush would again lead the registration of carvings for both the Judged Competition and People's Choice.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill Briggs shared information on the upcoming Florida Woodcarver's Roundup on February 4-7, 2014 at the Long Center in Clearwater. See Bill for more info or go to their website:

<http://webspaces.webring.com/people/qj/jeodea/>

Pre-registration for classes began on November 3. The forms are available on the website.

He also mentioned the opening of Trees & Traditions, an annual Heritage Village presentation on Saturday, December 7, 2013. Club members will show and demonstrate carvings in the Demonstration Shed. The decorated Village will be open from 10 AM to 4 PM. If you would like to join us, see Bill Dewald.

For more info, see their website:

<http://www.pinellascounty.org/heritage/>

Suggested donation \$2 per person (13 years and older) The Pinellas County Historical Society sponsors this Heritage Village open house with refreshments, children's activities and crafts, holiday music, tours and a special visit from Santa Claus. Guests can also find one-of-a-kind holiday gifts at the Beach Cottage Gift Shop.



2014 DUES

2014 Club Membership Dues are being collected by Bill Dewald. **2014 dues must be paid in order to participate in the January, 2014 Woodcarving Show. You will need to show your 2014 membership card in order to register for the Show.**

The dues are \$15.00 and can be paid to him at Workshop or by mail. Checks should be made out to Suncoast Woodcarvers. Please don't send cash through the mail.

The address for mailing dues checks is:

Bill Dewald
9555 Commodore Dr.
Seminole, FL 33776.

MISC. NOTES

The next meeting will be on December 10, 2013 during Workshop on Tuesday morning.

Workshops occur every Tuesday throughout the year from 8:30-11:00 AM in the Craft Room at the Seminole Recreation Center, except when the Rec. Center is closed for holidays or special events.

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.

Nick Stella made a plea to bring items for showing in the Club Display Case for the Rec Center Lobby.

The meeting was adjourned.

Bill Dewald, Secretary