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### *Minutes of the November 21, 2013 meeting*

Wayne opened the meeting with about 3 dozen people present and at least one visitor.



Bob Hopkins reported that there was \$2,204.52 in the club treasury and he is accepting dues for next year. *Dues* - \$25 for members (read newsletter on website), \$30 for members who get their newsletter by way of the post office. Mail your dues to: Bob Hopkins, 48 Tilbury Dr, Bristol, RI 02809

Wayne announced that there was room for 4 people in David Ellsworth's woodturning course and there may be room for 2-3 people later on. Nigel Howe strongly recommended taking advantage of any opportunity to learn from David Ellsworth.

**Rick Souza's "estate"** – Wayne brought in more wood and tools from the estate for sale and delivery to those who had ordered material. There are still more wood and woodturning tools available which ought to be listed for sale in the next month, or so. There are also woodcarving tools to be listed in the near (?) future.



Woodturning tools sold for \$15 each



Assorted calipers sold for \$5 each



Wood blanks sold for \$5-10 per bundle

**Pen project** – Gene Amaral reported that we have almost 100 pens assembled with a 14 kits left to put together. The pens will be distributed later this year.

Elections – Tony Scuncio will set up a committee to put up a slate of club officers for next years. The club will pay the AAW dues for any officer who wants it. The committee will report on possible nominees for club officers and others who would volunteer to help club activities next month.

Gene Amaral prepared a list of club members who approved giving out their email addresses in return for a discount from selected woodturning suppliers. The first supplier is <http://www.hartvilletool.com/>

There was a brief discussion on how to stabilize wood. Suggestions: soaking the wood in CA, immersing it in Epoxy and pulling a vacuum to force the Epoxy into the wood, using GitRot .Woodcraft sells a number of items for this purpose <http://www.woodcraft.com/search2/search.aspx?query=stabilizing%20wood>

## Show and Tell



Nigel Howe brought in a pair of Crotch Natural Edge bowls – The left one is from an Elm tree and the right one is from an Ash tree that was dyed blue to highlight the “feather” and sanded back.



David Hanssen brought in a pair of Dreidels – the letters are from a set of iron-on letters.



Paul Tavares made this segmented bowl using Tiger Maple, Bloodwood, and Green Acrylic pen blanks



Earl Randall made a “yarn” bowl using Maple and Mahogany



Charles Hockenson made this box out of Apple wood and Walnut which warped slightly after completion.

## Demonstration

Jim Leatherwood demonstrated the making of birdhouse ornaments



Jim Leatherwood outlining the steps to take to make an ornament



Turning the ornament body out of Ambrosia Maple



Finished ornament with a Walnut top was given to the club.

Jim supplied an illustrated handout (available on club website) detailing the steps in making a birdhouse ornament. He prefers to use Ambrosia Maple for the body and Walnut for the top. When done he uses an awl to make a small hole to accept a #56 drill to mount a modified fish hook for hanging the ornament.

Some of Jim Leatherwoods ornaments and stands



## Next Month Meeting -7 PM, December 19, 2013

Bud Peck will demonstrate woodcarving

### Coming events

Warren Carpenter will visit the MSSW club in Abington the weekend of April 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> in 2014. He will present a demo on crotch work.

*Oceanwoodturners group on Yahoo* : Our club has its own group on Yahoo that we use to exchange information, ask questions, and sometimes to distribute the newsletter. Membership to the Yahoo Group is NOT automatic upon joining the club - becoming a member of the Yahoo Group requires one to either request membership online from the group site (<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/OceanWoodturners/>) or to send an email to Jeff Mee at [jmee@hotmail.com](mailto:jmee@hotmail.com)