



## Western New York Woodturners Club 1

Newsletter & Minutes of Meeting Held 07/06/23

### HELD IN PERSON AT MARYVALE HIGH SCHOOL

- Rick Rosa, President, called the meeting to order with 24 members and three guests present
- Kathy Nowicki, Treasurer & Secretary
  - I will not be able to attend the August meeting and need a volunteer to take notes for me, please
  - Please pay your dues if you haven't already – bring to a meeting or mail to Kathy Nowicki
    - \$20 – make the check payable to “Western New York Woodturners Club 1”
  - Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance:				\$1,877.37
Deposits:				
50/50	25.00			
Dues: Scott	20.00	45.00		\$1,922.37
Withdrawals:				
Check #416 to Maryvale School for yearly rent	450.00			
Bank Statement from February did not match checkbook (when I took over as Treasurer)	17.50	467.50		
Ending Balance				\$1,454.87

- 2023 Fair
  - There will be a second Make-A-Wish workshop held at Buffalo Woodturning Products on Friday, July 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 to make products for the Fair – last month they made a number of rolling pins and kitchen utensils in under 4 hours and new skills were learned!
  - Fair Inventory – we are behind on Fair stock this year – need bigger items such as 10” or larger bowls and big-ticket items
  - We have plenty of free wood available at Buffalo Woodturning Products to make items for the Fair – many thanks to our generous donators of the wood! There are a lot of curly maple, black walnut and cherry crotches available
  - Sign up to work the Fair – sign-ups are slow right now – we need workers!
    - Four-hour shifts, and Fair Admission and Parking is free (Pepper Weinheimer provides the passes)
    - Spouses, family, and friends are also welcome to sign up!
      - On the Members section of our webpage – contact Bob Staelens if you have issues signing up online
    - Types of workers at the Fair:
      - Demonstrators – in a tent outside of the building and your turn whatever items you wish and possibly talk to customers – some even buy items right off the lathe, and past Make-A-Wish recipients have stopped by to tell their story!
      - Sales – inside an air-conditioned building with a bathroom next door!
    - Last year we raised \$37,000 for Make-A-Wish – remember that all proceeds go directly to Make-A-Wish – the clubs donate their products and time!
    - August 9<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>
  - Enter a hand-made item into the Fair competition!
    - Go to [www.ECFair.com](http://www.ECFair.com), click on Competitions and then Woodcarving (woodturning items are entered under Woodcarving to enter)
    - The top three winners receive \$50, \$30, and \$20
    - All entrants receive three free admissions to the Fair
- Denise Oliansky is moving out of state so she will be selling her tools and having a yard sale this month – watch for more information on Groupworks
- Mark Russell donated a case of bourbon-aged maple syrup to the club treasury so we could sell it and help cover the costs of a new computer, software, etc. Thanks, Mark!



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- Show-and-Tell
  - The following members showed us items they've worked on:
    - Brian Effinger
    - Gene Renzoni
    - Gary Jones
    - Bob Staelens
    - David Hall
    - Norm Kosmerl
    - Rick Mialki
    - Leon Nowicki
    - Guest Terry Collins
- The 50/50 drawing was won by Kathy Nowicki \$30 – I guess I am making up for never winning in years and years!
- Demos:
  - Joe Wiesnet did a demonstration on how to turn a scoop
  - Thank you, Joe!!
  - Future demos:
    - We need demonstrations – if you have something you want to see or share, please contact Joe or Rick!
- Notes:
  - Outreach to schools
    - We need members to let Rick Rosa or Joe Wiesnet know of any contacts they have in high schools so we can reach out to them to propose our Woodturning mentorship
- The August 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting and pizza party will be held at Maryvale High School at 7 pm and possibly via Zoom.
  - Please bring your donated Fair items to the meeting
  - The link I sent out for February's meeting will also work for the next few months.

*Kathy Nowicki,*  
Secretary, Treasurer