



B.W.C Brandon Wood Working Club

July 2011 Newsletter

Greetings Fellow Woodworkers,
President Bruce Woody opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

We had three guests, Bill Schroeder, Bill Coccia and Carl Hansen, all from The Toy Makers in New Port Richey. They also put on our program.

New Members

We added no new members this month and are at 33 paid members.

Library Report

Terry reported that Frank finally brought in the video of Andrew Gibson's Hand Planing demo. 😊

Treasurer's Report

Brady gave the Treasurer's Report and we have a total of 32 paid members to date.

Beginning balance	\$820.54
Income	
50/50	17.50
Donation from 50/50	17.00

	34.50
Expenses	
Refreshments	15.00
Rent	20.00
Gift card	10.00
Donation to Toymakers	67.00

	112.00
Ending Balance	\$743.04

Toy Report

Chuck had no new report, but he had his board display of available wheels. We have a lot of wheels!

News Letter

Nothing has changed with the Newsletter.

50/50

Art sold 35 50/50 tickets tonight, and the drawing was won by Jim Williams. Jim donated the \$17.50 to our guests, The Toy Makers. Nice! 😊

Old Business

Bruce said we were going to have our Holiday Party in a facility near Brandon Hospital. They had what we needed to hold our Pot Luck dinner and Chinese Gift Auction.

Bruce also reported that the idea of the BWC building a Handicapped Access Ramp for the Women's Club was a "dead deal". The cost would be between \$30,000 and \$40,000 and was beyond the scope of either organization's resources. The Women's Club is a Historic Building and they are looking at upgrading and retro-fitting the existing ramp at the rear of the building.

New Business

Bruce told the Club that George Dinsmore was going to begin a turning class on 7/23 through HCC. It would meet for six Saturdays from 9:00 AM to Noon. The cost was \$75.00

T-Shirts

The T-shirts were distributed and there are only a few members who were not present to get theirs. After reserving those, there are still a few XLs available if someone wants or needs another! \$12.00 Each.

Fair Report

Art attended the preliminary meeting that was held at 10:30 Saturday, June 18. He said the meeting was very well attended and very productive. The categories for entries in the woodworking/furniture areas are wide and varied and no one should have a problem finding some area in which to compete!

Art also reported that, due to difficulty administering and a limited budget, there was no way the Fair could hold a "Peoples' Choice Award". Maybe next year!

Refreshments

John Shelton, again, provided a great selection of goodies for the break – thanks, again, John!

Program

The Toy Makers from New Port Richey put on our program for July. They have been making toys since 1982 and have produced over 250,000 toys. They have 25 members during the summer and over 90 during Snowbird season and will make over 18,000 toys this year. They will use

over 72,000 wheels and make each of their toy patterns in cuttings of 50 to 100. When they make a delivery to one of their "clients", it is a box of 75 different toys – no two alike! They use only certified safe paint and do not use donated paint. Much of their material is donated and the space for their shop, which is open 3 days a week, is also donated.

They are a 501-3C organization and receive no grants, they raise their funds one dollar at a time and our three guests estimate that 30% of their time is devoted to fund raising.

Their target audience is 2 – 7 year old children, boys and girls and they donate to over 16 facilities from Ronal McDonald House to St Joseph Children's Hospital. They have created many smiles over the years and their work is always well appreciated by families and care givers! BWC donated \$50.00 to their fund to go along with Jim Williams' donation of the 50/50 prize.

If you would like to check them out, their web site is:

<http://www.thetoymakers.org/index.htm>

Thanks to Bill Brocksmith, the August program will be a presentation of the relative levels of effectiveness of screw guns, nailers and other automatic tools, both corded and battery operated.

September's program will be the 2x4 contest. Bruce will have rules at the meeting.

Buy, Sell and Trade

Art Falcone is still selling his Jet 10 cabinet table saw with an Exacta fence. Although he is out of town and will miss the August meeting, I believe he will still entertain offers!

I believe Tim still has some wood, primarily Maple, which he would like to part with!

Website:

<http://www.brandonwoodworking.com>

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Show and Tell

We had **THREE** participants in Show and Tell, Tim Humberson, Bill Brocksmith and Lloyd Hart. Bill won the drawing for the second month in a row. After my impassioned pleas for wider participation last month, we went for SEVEN to THREE! That's why I never ran for office!

Show-N-Tell Pictures

Do to unknown evil forces; the pictures from the July meeting are unavailable.

The only ones I have are these of Bill Brocksmith's Matching Bookcases that he sent me via email. The others were unloaded on a disc drive that I reorganized and apparently had not copied the latest upload. If I am able to find them in the future, I will get them to Bill so they can be added to the web site.



Bookcase One



Bookcase Two
As you can see they Match!