

**Wood Turners of Polk County
February 8, 2024
Meeting Minutes**

Mike Linkswiler called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance at 6:30 PM at the Bartow Civic Center. There were about 26 in attendance.

Ted gave the treasurers report - \$ 3,384 on hand at the start of the meeting. 1 Person paid their 2024 dues. The raffle for the Woodcraft gift card brought in \$74. Steve Chaney won it.

Ken Brownlee brought in some wood that he had for sale, along with Jeff Futch (Central Florida Live Edge – web: Slabs–wood-slab.com). Some really nice wood. Steve Chaney also brought in some free wood.

Mike noted the upcoming events –Florida Wood turning Symposium and the Florida State Fair in February 2024, and the Wood Show in Tampa Feb 8-10. Steve noted that several members won prizes at the Fair.

Show and Tell: See photos for details – Nice work.

Mike Linkswiler	Camphor bowl, 2 hollow forms, 2 multi axis vases
John Kriplean	2 small bowls with scoops, a multi axis vases, and 4 sided bowl
Bruce Woody	2 pens
Jesse Dearie	Blue Acrylic pen
Gerald Avery	Pen with hearts, and a heart shaped NE bowl
Lee Justice	3 live oak NE vases – one with glass insert
Herald Mertz	Segmented redwood vase
John Henry	Hollow form
John Dearie	Camphor bowl
Stephen Cheney	Rolling pen, bowl and pens

In addition, 12 members brought in their Project 24 3 point Bowl/box. See photo below.

Demonstration

Ted Smith demonstrated various ways to mount and turn bowls without using a scroll chuck. He showed screw chuck, and face plate with a waste block. The waste block can be glued on with directly to the bowl bottom, or with a piece of paper to make removal easier. In the demo, the paper did not hold, and he later found that the wood moisture content was about 20% - way too wet to use this method.

The club meeting ended about 8:30 pm.
Ted Smith, Sec.



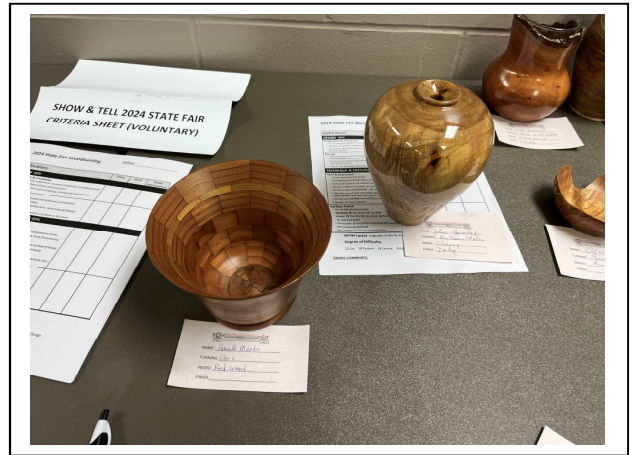
Bruce Woody (pens) & John Kriplean



Mike Linkswiler



Lee Justice & Gerald Avery



Herald Mertz & John Henry



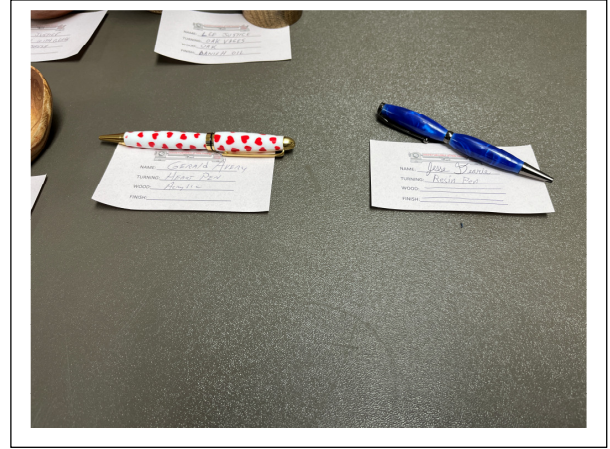
John Dearie



Steve Cheney



Project 24



Jesse Dearie – blue pen