

The Hardwood Herald

January 2009

The newsletter of the Florida West Coast Woodworkers Club, Inc.
An organization of men and women who are devoted to increasing their skills in woodworking.



There were 33 at the Christmas Party held at the Orange Acres clubhouse on Dec 11th.

President's Message

I hope all of you had a joyous holiday season with family and friends. Thirty-three club members and their guests attended our annual Christmas Party on December 11. Everyone brought delicious side dishes and desserts to share with the group. Members donated bowls, boxes, frames, puzzles, pens, toys, and other shop-made items showcasing the woodworking talent of the club. Some of these items were given as gifts to guests and the rest auctioned with proceeds going to the Club. All members present also received door prizes.

Officers for 2009 elected at the party were Bob Eslinger, president; Brian Timmons, vice-president; John Slezak, past president; Adam Ross, secretary; and John Philips, treasurer.

Our thanks to these individuals, 2008 board members which include Todd Estabrook and Floyd Yoder, Hardwood Herald editor Bill Cowan, and webmaster Gene Mathes for their dedicated service to the club. We are especially grateful to Gene for hosting our Christmas Party at Orange Acres Clubhouse and look forward to returning there next year. In the meantime, here's hoping that everyone has a Happy New Year making sawdust and sharing the results with the club.

Bob Eslinger
President



Dec 11th Christmas Story in Pictures





Former club member W.H. Powers has donated an assortment of wood to the club that will be auctioned to members at the January 19 shop meet at Denny Wetter's shop. There is an 8' mahogany plank and about 14 board feet of birds-eye maple (see photos). The rest is short pieces of many different species that would be great for turning or scroll work. The pieces with blue paint are rosewood. The largest measures 5" X 10" X 20". There are also pieces of Lignum Vitae (Ironwood), Box Elder, Walnut Veneer, Bishop Wood, Red Mahoe, Silver Oak, Catalpa, Orange, Camphor, Osage Orange, Button Wood, Bottle Brush, Black Mangrove, Cedar, Peach, Japanese Elm, Poison Ivy, Cherry, and Walnut.

Club Activities

Wood Club Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at WoodCraft's Store, 4456 Bee Ridge Road, Sarasota, FL. Social time 6:30, meeting starts at 7pm. Guests are welcome.

Turners Meetings

Shop Meets are held on the second Monday following the regular club meet. They are informal gatherings to inspect (snoop) at a member's shop. Each month is a different location. The size of the host's shop - big or small - doesn't matter. Snacks or cookies and sodas are provided. Maps to these locations are available at the club website:

www.floridawoodworkers.com

Schedule of Events



Jan 2009 Events

Jan 8th Thursday – Main Meeting at Wood Crafts
Larry Simmons will present "Cabinetmaking"
Jan 12th Monday – Turners Meet
Jan 19th Monday – Shop Meet at Denny Wetter's

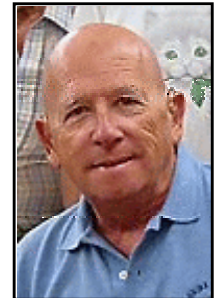
Feb Events

Feb 12th Thursday – Main Meeting at Wood Crafts
Feb 16th Monday – Turners Meet at WoodCraft's
Feb 23rd Monday – Shop Meet TBA



Got something to sell or looking for something to buy?

Contact Gene Mathes,
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to place a Classified Ad
on our website.



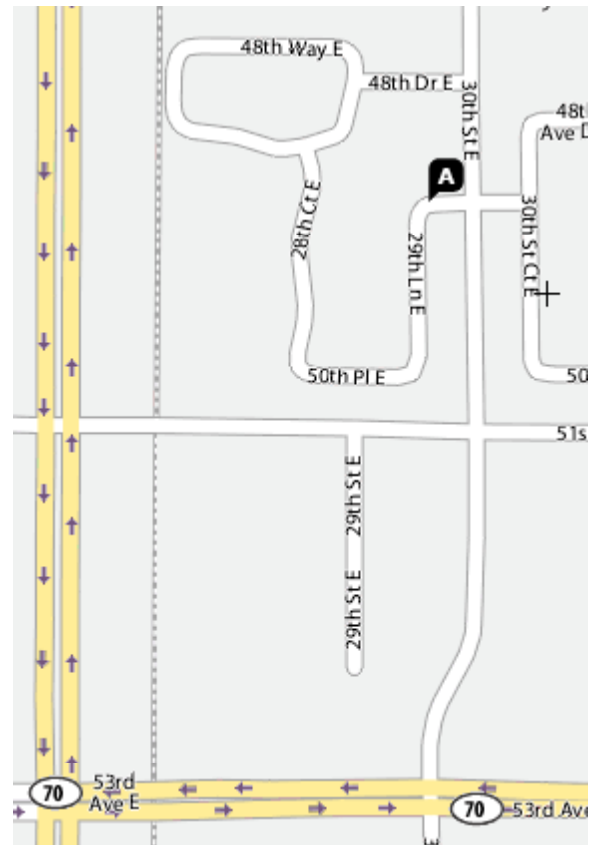
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Directions Shop meeting at Denny Wetter's

Denny Wetter's Shop Meet
4910 29th Lane East, Bradenton, FL
Shop Meet
January 19, 2009 at 7 pm.

**From 53rd Ave (or State Rd 70) in
Bradenton near the Walmart, go North on
30th St E, then left on 29th Ln E.**

*****Voila'*****



The Florida West Coast Woodworkers Club, Inc.

Membership Application

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Name: _____ Spouse's Name: _____ Your Birth Month: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Telephone Number: (____) _____ E-mail Address: _____

Occupation: (Present) _____ (Former) _____

Woodworking Experience: Beginner _____ Intermediate _____ Advanced _____

Mail Dues to: Florida West Coast Woodworkers Club, Inc.

% John Philips

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Dues are \$25 per year for single membership or \$30 per year for family membership.

This club is an organization of men and women who are devoted to increasing their skills in woodworking. If you have a desire to meet and talk to other woodworkers with experience at all levels, you are invited to attend these meetings. You will experience the common bond of friendship, the sharing of ideas and gain knowledge. These are precious tools that never wear out. We encourage you to experience the pleasure and satisfaction of adding these tools to your present skills. Meetings generally include a program that is of interest to all, including a guest speaker as well as a show and tell segment of our member's projects. Announcements of special interest to our hobby are welcomed and encouraged.

The monthly meeting is held at WoodCraft's Store, 4456 Bee Ridge Road, Sarasota, FL.
(From the Bee Ridge exit on I-75, go west on Bee Ridge and turn left into the shopping Plaza just before McIntosh Rd.)



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