

# DECEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

## PEOPLE STUFF

### A TREAT FOR BOTH THE EYES AND THE EARS Fun Time for Ukulele Bill (and Connie) Riedel



If you have been around the shop you have seen the work being done by club member **Bill Riedel**. He makes ukuleles. Beautiful ukuleles. All sizes and shapes of ukuleles. So good are they, in fact, that Bill was invited to display two of his creations at the International Ukulele Festival in Honolulu, Hawaii - quite an honor! Both instruments were played by the best players in the world and received rave reviews.

Bill and Connie (who usually plays Bill's creations) left their mark in another way, taking along several SCW wood-working club T-shirts as gifts for these same world class players. Our club is now famous around the world! Also, Bill is donating a ukulele to the club to be drawn at the Holiday Party. Well done Bill and Connie.



Shop member **Bob Cordelli** placed third at the recent contest for trays sponsored by Woodworkers Source. The competition was open to anyone and had 169 entries. Quite an accomplishment!

**SEEN BELOW ARE FINE EXAMPLES OF SOME OF THE WELL-KNOWN, RETURNING SNOWBIRDS THAT FREQUENT THE WOODSHOP IN WINTER**



**Linda**



**Tom**



**Chuck**

## PASSING ON SKILLS AND LEARNING IS A TRADITION IN THE CLUB



**Tom Jones** started working in the wood shop three years ago. Tom is a retired police officer from Ohio. He gravitated to long time member Don Schneider who agreed to assist him in learning “Intarsia”. Intarsia is a delicate art of using small pieces of wood to make a picture. Each detail is represented by a different color wood; no dyes or stains are used. Tom recently completed “The Crucifix” which will eventually hang in his church.

### WE REALLY DO WANT TO KNOW....

From time to time Wood Workers Club members are honored with accomplishments or win an award e.g. Bob Cordelli and Bill Riedel, above. The editors of the club newsletter would like to post that information here and elsewhere. Please notify Rosemary ([rjabrami@gmail.com](mailto:rjabrami@gmail.com)) or Jim ([majorjim439@gmail.com](mailto:majorjim439@gmail.com)) and the information will be shared for the club to know.

## **THINGS THAT ARE GOING TO HAPPEN**

### **TOY DISTRIBUTION AT 9:00 AM ON DECEMBER 5TH**



The toy team gets down to business. Again this year we will host 75 kindergarten age children at the club. They come prepared to sing - as shown in this picture from last year -



and bring some holiday cheer to those present. Max Thompson has put the details together very well, and has a hand-made, one-of-a-kind toy for each child. Any excess toys will be distributed to area children through The Salvation Army.

### **DECEMBER GENERAL MEETING**

See you at the Lecture Hall on December 6 at 1 pm. Always important things happening in the club and you don't want to miss out on knowing about them.

## **HOLIDAY PARTY WILL BE HELD ON DEC 9 AT 6 PM AT PALM RIDGE**

This function is always a sellout and at \$20 per person it's a bargain! Get your tickets at the tool-crib and don't miss the fun, food and prizes.

Menu is a buffet featuring Turkey and Beef Bourguignon, salad, red potatoes and green beans. Also planned are a dessert table, and beverages of all types.

There will be two raffles, the first of high quality items, the second of items made at the shop.

## **BELL RINGING FOR THE SALVATION ARMY**

Again this year the club undertakes a bell-ringing day at Fry's Market on December 15. Shifts are only two hours long so see Marshall Adams to sign up and have a "Ring-a-Ding" time volunteering for this most worthwhile cause.

## **THINGS THAT HAVE ALREADY HAPPENED** **NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> HAPPY HOUR**

Over one hundred members and guests came to the November 8th Happy Hour held at Kuentz Courtyard. Music was provided by "Corpulent Cacophony" (Vice President Ken Brydon) singing hits and other songs for the appreciative group. A nice time of fellowship and enjoying the weather!



## **SUN CITY WEST CRAFT FAIR**

The club had fifteen members selling and overall brought in almost \$8,000.



## **PRACTICAL TRAINING**

Thirty members enjoyed an extensive session on how to sharpen lathe tools given by Cal Vander Kooi, a well-known wood turner in the Southwest. Club Director Dave French made the arrangements and acted as host for the event. There are additional classes in the works for the club.

## **GENERAL USEFUL GUFF**

### **REMEMBER THAT SHOP HOURS ARE**

Monday - Thursday:	6 am - 6 pm (Three shifts)
Friday - Saturday:	8 am - 4pm (Two shifts)
Sunday:	Noon - 4 pm

Extended hours means that the need for monitors is extended as well. Please step up to do your part, so that the shop is covered and remains a safe place for us to spend time.

## **THE WEB BASED MONITORING SYSTEM IS UP AND RUNNING.**

If you have signed up, you know how it works: you get a date, can do it from your cell phone, home, or your summer home, you even get an email confirmation the day before. Check it out at [www.scwoodshop.com](http://www.scwoodshop.com) and by clicking on the monitoring link.

## **EQUIPMENT FOR SALE**

The Wood Working Club Board voted to auction off two lathes currently in use in the shop. Watch for more information and announcements of the sealed bid process, which will be coming via email.

Meanwhile, if you know of someone wanting a Vega lathe (\$250 minimum bid) or one of the green lathes (\$100 minimum bid), please give that person a heads-up.