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December 6, 2011 Meeting - **HOLIDAY PARTY !**



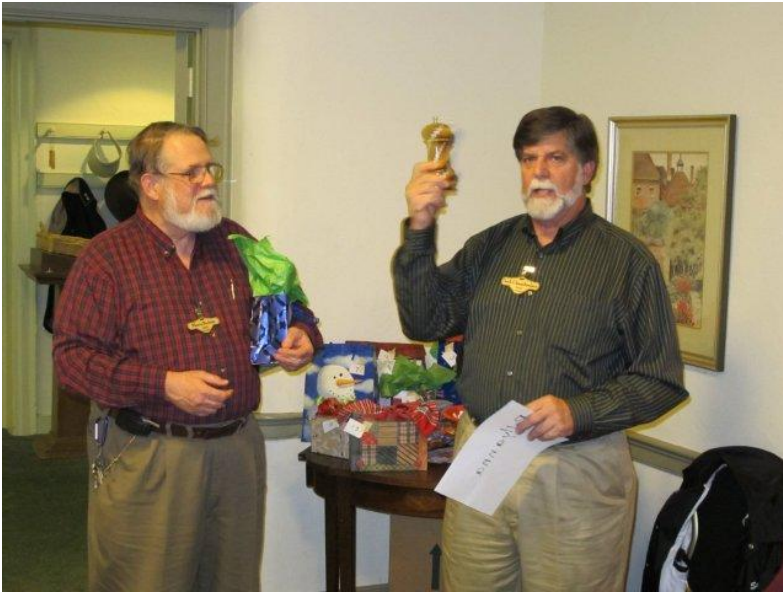
President Phil welcomed all in attendance, about 50 total with quite a few “significant others.” The party was held in the D’Olier Room of the Moorestown Friends School, which proved to be an excellent venue, spacious and well equipped. As has been his custom at the annual parties, Phil took us on a trip down “Memory Lane,” highlighting the successful events, demonstrators and meetings over the past year. He went on to thank all the individuals who contribute to the club’s activities in many important ways, including the club Officers and coordinators of special projects, and very importantly, the food committee who provided such a scrumptious feast for us.



And of course the group extended its thanks to Phil for all his hard work as President over the year. Our club has grown significantly and become quite a success story, thanks in large part to Phil’s efforts and generosity.

Pollyanna Exchange- this year we had 17 entries, which made it quite interesting and enjoyable for all. The variety of gifts included pens, bowls, ornaments, turned alabaster, segmented work, wall hangings and much more. A few pictures are included here, with more to see at Jeff’s web site.



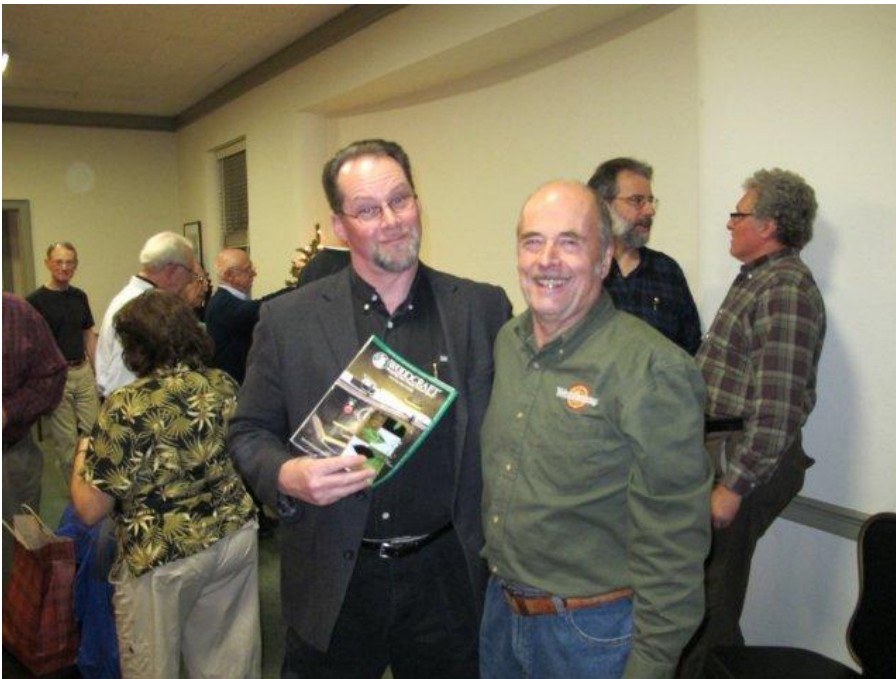


Silent Auction - Another event during the party was a silent auction, featuring a nice variety of donated tools and materials, including a chain saw from Anthony Christaldi. (As I heard Ina say, “You can’t have too many chain saws!”) This auction generated a lot of interest and raised a bundle for the club treasury. Thanks to everyone who participated.



Door Prize raffle-

The lucky winner this year of a \$100 gift certificate to Woodcraft was Mark Allen, congrats Mark !
Do you think he'll buy some specialized alabaster tools ????



Show and Tell Session –



The Show and Tell session concluded the evening's festivities, with Robert Jay starting off with his "Hollow Dolly" piece, followed by Steve Leichner's cherry burl platter, Andy DiPietro's 3 sand blasted and dyed hollow forms, Anthony's elaborate candle holders,



And last but not least Phil's bracelets and jewelry work, pictured above.

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Upcoming Events

January 10, 2012 – that's right, it's 2012 ! Next regular club meeting, featuring a micro symposium.

Note: we are still looking for 2 more volunteers to demonstrate at this symposium.

January 17 – next open house at Phil Hauser's shop

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Treasurer's Report - none this month



Library Report – Librarian Jeff Kieserman has begun to organize a database of our library holdings, anyone with ideas or an urge to help should contact him.

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As always,

Thanks to Jeff for the photos, and for more check out his photography site,
<http://jschnell1203.posterous.com/>

Remember, **SAFETY FIRST**. We will strive to emphasize this message at each meeting, and if you have a particular safety topic of concern please feel free to bring it up for discussion.

Have a wonderful holiday season, see you all next year !!!