

CHAPEL HILL NEWS

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Meeting Notes**Program****Bob Verne**

Woodturning

Thanks

To Max & Trish who shared humor and reflections this evening:

Life Membership Game

No one won the game this evening. The balance carries forward to our next game.

Special Guests**Morrow Toomey**

and her mother,

Daniella Lammers

Welcome back Jane Stout for the winter

Woodturning

**Bob Verne**

Our program this evening was Bob Verne sharing his love of woodturning with us. He explained that in woodturning, the tool is usually held still while the wood turns on a lathe or spindle. It clearly is intricate work and his results are amazing.

Bob brought numerous pieces he has created including wine stoppers, ornaments, bowls, and more. Each one is unique and displays his skill and artistic eye.

Some items have been made from trees in his own yard. He also gets wood from other craftsmen.

While Bob does woodturning primarily as a hobby, he does sell some pieces. Get in touch if you are looking for a very special and unique gift.

For more information check these web sites:

www.woodturner.org

www.woodturnersguild.com



Rolling Pin multiple woods



Multi-axis Lidded Box



Ornament with sea urchin



Zebrawood Lazy-Susan

**Special Guest
MORROW TOOMEY, A TEEN CANCER SURVIVOR**

Trish invited Morrow and her mother, Daniella Lammers, as guests this evening and what a blessing it was to hear Morrow tell of her experience. While it was a shock when her cancer was discovered, she has completed her treatments and is in remission. Going through treatment was painful and scary, but she shows tremendous courage and strength. She now is focused on doing things for others and is in a support group through UNC Hospital. Morrow managed to complete this past school year on time with a tutor in spite of missing about 3 months.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



- We sent a donation of \$275 to The Boys and Girls Homes to help sponsor Christmas for the children.
- The M-Powerhouse Symposium at Orange High School was successful with over 50 teens attending for music, inspirational speakers, and pizza. It was a good opportunity to promote optimism along with violence prevention for teens. Our contribution helped provide this event.
- Beth reported that Gallop and Gorge had more runners and more Optimist volunteers than ever before.
- Our crock pot dinner for Ronald McDonald House (organized by Beth) went very well and fed over 30 residents.
- Trish, Bob, and Marge presented our donations this week at Duke Children's Hospital. They are very appreciative for the surgery dolls, doctor kits, books, CDs, pillowcases and \$\$\$\$.
- Phyllis brought 5 more doctor kits, thanks to the generous discount that K-Mart is providing and will continue attempting to make 10 per month available as we planned in our budget for this year.
- The Octagon officers were installed this week with dinner at Jim's Famous BBQ. The club currently has 30 members.
- Jim Casey's surgery has been completed and he is home for rest and recuperation. Send cards for Jim to 2454 Sedgefield Drive, Chapel Hill, NC 27514 ... no visitors just yet. We sent flowers and cards.

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 8	Program: Anita Lynch 'The 10 Best Travel Websites'
December 11	Holiday Celebration at Stout home 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm
December 15	Board Meeting
December 22	No meeting
December 29	No meeting
January 5	First Wednesday
January 12	Program: Paul Martin, Durham Sheriff Department
January 19	Board Meeting
January 26	Program: TBD (contact Marge)

Optimist of the Month



September
Beth—for a
GREAT
banquet



October
Phyllis—for
transition to
new year

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