

HISTORY OF THE FORMATION OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA WOODTURNERS ASSOCIATION

The Club was formed by the following: Jim Beaman, Art Zirnheld, George Lewis, Bob Willman, Richard Anderson, Lynne Yamaguchi, Wally Dickerman, and Sam Scalzo.

After many, many meetings the following agreed to hold offices. Jim Beaman – President, George Lewis – Vice President, Dick Anderson – Secretary, Sam Scalzo – Treasurer, and board members were Bob Willman, Wally Dickerman, Lynne Yamaguchi, and Art Zirnheld.

The first meeting was held January 15, 2005 at Raytheon, the former Hughes Aircraft Plant. The club met as guests of the Woodchippers of Raytheon.

At the first meeting 65 people signed up to become members. It has grown from that to 80 plus. The first officers elected were the original officers that formed the club. Lynne Yamaguchi became the club's first web-master. Lynne did an outstanding job in setting up the club web site.

The club was honored to have the president of AAW – Phil Brennon at the February 15, 2005 meeting. Phil has been very active in promoting chapter development throughout the country and had a personal role in helping start three Arizona chapters.

SAZWA is a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW), an international, nonprofit organization dedicated to the advancement of woodturning. Like SAZWA, AAW is open to anyone who has an interest in woodworking. Members of AAW include all levels of woodturners, as well as institutions, other people interested in our craft. Membership in AAW connects you with a worldwide community of others interested in woodturning and includes a subscription to AMERICAN WOODTURNER (“The most informative and widely read woodturning publication in the world.

Dues were set at \$25.00 per year with a one time additional fee of \$10.00 which was for a name badge. Family membership dues were set as \$35.00 a year. Any member 18 years of age or younger shall be exempt from paying annual dues.

The meetings are to be held on the second Saturday of each month.

SAZWA CLUB OFFICERS

2006

President	Sam Scalzo
V. P.	George Lewis
Trea.	David Widup
Secy.	Jim Porter
Member @ Large	Wally Dickerman
Member @ Large	Richard Anderson
Membership Chair	Chuck Margeson
Past Pre.	Jim Beaman
Webmaster	Mark Applegate

2007

President	Sam Scalzo
V. P.	George Lewis
Trea.	Bob Willman
Secy.	Doug Kasin
Member @ Large	Wally Dickerman
Membership Chair	Chuck Margeson
Webmaster	Mark Applegate

2008

President	Jim Beaman
V. P.	Bob Willman
Trea.	Stephen Pustenlnik
Secy.	Doug Kasin
Member @ Large	Wally Dickerman
Member @ Large	Bobby Spellman
Membership Chair	Chuck Margeson
Past Pre.	Sam Scalzo
Webmaster	Mark Applegate

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2009

President	Sam Scalzo
V. P.	Jim Beaman
Trea.	Stephen Pustenlnik
Secy.	Paul Swasne
Member @ Large	Wally Dickerman
Member @ Large	Dennis Minikel
Membership Chair	George Lewis
Webmaster	Mark Applegate

2010

President	Sam Scalzo
V. P.	Jim Beaman
Trea.	Stephen Pustenlnik
Secy.	Paul Swasne
Member @ Large	Wally Dickerman
Member @ Large	Dennis Minikel
Membership Chair	George Lewis
Webmaster	Mark Applegate

2011

President	Mike Phillips
V. P.	Paul Swasne
Trea.	Stephen Pustenlnik
Secy.	Martha Garcia
Member @ Large	Wally Dickerman
Member @ Large	Beau Alexander
Membership Chair	George Lewis
Past Pre.	Sam Scalzo
Webmaster	Mark Applegate

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2012

President

Sam Scalzo

V. P.

Beau Alexander

Trea.

Stephen Pustenlnik

Secy.

Philip Milks

Member @ Large

Paul Swasne

Member @ Large

Jim Keown

Membership Chair

Chuck Margeson

Past Pre.

Mike Phillips

Webmaster

Don Johnson