June 10, 2018 Souther New England Scrollers meeting notes

Eleven (11) people attended the meeting.

Maurille was not able to attend the meeting due to a death in his family, and so his Christmas ornament demonstration has been rescheduled to October.

Murray gave the club a summary of the activities at the Northeast Ohio scroll saw event. Steve Good had a booth at the event, and Murray had the opportunity to visit with him and get his picture taken with Steve. Murray's demo was making wooden boxes, and had 5 people each day at his seminar. He also had the opportunity to try the Pegas blades, and was impressed with the results. He also attended the dinner where he got to visit with Steve Good and others. He also received a first prize in his division in the scroll saw contest with his fairy cut from corian. He also received a few free blades from Pegas, along with a Pegas baseball cap and apron. Worth the trip Murray!

I gave an overview of the 2 seminars I attended on Friday morning. Both the pyrography and intarsia seminars were good and contained a lot of useful information. I was very impressed by the pyrography projects that the instructor, Charles Poley Jr., had completed. They were large, and several potions of each project were painted. The intarsia seminar included a very useful handout that had a good beginner pattern on the last page.

I gave a summary of the research I had done comparing the specification on the Flying Dutchman and Pegas blades. I have ordered a few of the Pegas blades, and will give some feedback on the results of cutting with them at the next meeting.

Max said that the club website gallery has changed, and video clips from our meetings will need to be posted on You Tube. The free website program level that we currently have does not allow enough room to post video clips. Max will start taking videos of the Show & Tell portion of our next meeting, and will post them on You Tube.

Show & Tell:

I brought in a bass (fish) ornament (3" diameter) that was reduced from a 6" plaque pattern that I had. I brought up a couple of things to keep in mind if you reduce a pattern,

Max brought in a toy tractor trailer puzzle the he had engraved lettering with his laser. He talked about how he had to accomplish this task and cut out the puzzle pattern.

Dave M. brought in a corner shelf that he cut from a 1950s magazine.

Gene M. brought in an accordion plaque (containing a clock) that he had cut using only a picture he found in a magazine as reference material. Don't challenge Gene by saying "I bet you can't build that"!

John W. brought in a candelabra made from Osage Orange that held 5 candles.

Terri brought in some more "critters" that included moose, dog, and sloth.

Murray brought in a sample of the wooden boxes he demonstrated at the Ohio show, and the corian fairy that won in his division of the contest.

Max will post pictures on the club website.

Many thanks to all who attended and participated in the meeting; it was great fun for everyone. Special thanks to Amy & Jeff S. for driving all the way down from Keene, NH!

The next meeting is August 12. Hope to see many of your there!