



The Turning Point

The newsletter of the Siouxland Woodturners
Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

August 2011

From the President...

Thank you to Royce for demonstrating some sharpening techniques at our August meeting. Royce also helped some members sharpen tools they brought to the meeting.

September is here, and we will be meeting at Dan Humburg's shop in Brookings. Dan plans to show us how to make a hook tool. We also have two new gouges we need to make handles for. If you have a tool you would like to modify, bring it along.

Thank you to all the members who shared some of their experiences from the symposium, and special thanks to Corky Miles for making a copy of the disc with his photos for the club library.

For the show and tell club challenge, bring a piece made from wood you got at Frank's in July or a piece based on something you saw at the symposium.

We are collecting ornaments for the Festival of trees display so if we do not have any of yours yet please get started. We will be decorating the tree at the November meeting.

We left the meeting topic for October open so if there is something you want us to try, let me know. If any of you snowbirds want to demo before you leave, this is your chance.

HOPE TO SEE YOU AT DANS.

Sue Smith, President

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Upcoming Meeting Notes

Saturday, September 10, 2011

Dan Humburg's Shop

Tool Making

The Humburg home and shop are located 1 1/4 miles north of Brookings in Sunnyview Inc. The address number on the blue sign at the mailbox is 3308. The shop is in the back yard and you can drive back there by taking the gravel along the north side of the lot and continuing onto the grass when the gravel ends. See the map below to get from the interstate to Sunnyview. If you have trouble finding the place call Dan at (605) 693-3761 or cell (605) 651-0012.



In other News...

We need ornaments!!

If you are an ornament turner, or have always wanted to try turning ornaments, we need your talents. We will, again be donating a Christmas tree to the Sioux Falls Festival of Trees event. Last year our tree received the “*People’s Choice Award*” so we have set the bar pretty high. If you have ornaments you would like to donate to the cause please bring them to an upcoming meeting. We will be decorating the tree at the November meeting. For those of you who do not turn ornaments we will also need some “gifts” for under the tree. Anything from pens to bowls to candlesticks would be appreciated.

50 State Tree Project

Our project of turning an object from the wood of each of the 50 official state trees is ongoing. At an upcoming meeting feel free to take a piece of this wood with you and turn something. If you have contacts in other states please talk to Royce about what states from which we still need wood. Perhaps you can help us out by locating a piece of wood we do not have.

Contact info and name badges

Be sure to check with membership chairman Ron Seim to be sure your contact information is correct and up to date. Also, if you have not received your engraved name badge let Ron know and we will get that taken care of.

Classified Ads

Did you know we have a classified ads section on our club web site? If you are looking for something, or have something to sell, trade, give away, etc. let our webmaster, Corky Miles know and he will get it posted for you.

At the August Meeting...

Show and Tell items at the August meeting.



Socializing after the business meeting.



Minutes from the August meeting

Siouxland Woodturners
August 2011 Minutes

- Call meeting to order
- Introductions
- Approve previous minutes
- Approve treasurer's report \$1500.08
- Upcoming Events
 - Rocky Mountain Woodturning Symposium Sept. 10-11, 2011 in Loveland, CO
 - Yellowstone Woodturners Symposium Oct. 1-2, 2011 in Billings, MT
 - AAW national Symposium- June 24-26, 2011 in St. Paul

Old Business

1. The continuing update of contact info and name badges was discussed.
2. We are continuing to acquire various woods for our "50 State Tree" project.
 - a. Members are encouraged to take a piece of this wood home with them to turn an object for this ongoing project.
 - b. If you are able to get one or more of the species we are missing please contact Royce.
3. Festival of Trees
 - a. Gala event- November 18
 - b. Public event- November 19
 - c. Deliver tree by November 17 at 6:00 PM
 - d. Event is at Avera's Prairie Center
 - e. Members are reminded to bring their ornaments and other "gifts" to an upcoming meeting. Tree will be decorated at the Nov. meeting.
4. The lathe stand we are receiving from the Jet rep. has been ordered and should be in use at the October meeting.

New Business

1. A slide show of the pictures Corky took at the AAW symposium was played for the members.
 2. Sue discussed the letter received from AAW with information about various publications from the symposium available for purchase
 3. Sue reported that she purchase the "Turning 25" entry by the Lake Superior Woodturners at the symposium.
 4. Sue reported that AAW members can receive a 20% discount at Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts in Tennessee along with information about various other woodturning schools.
 5. Discussion was held concerning the AAW's renewed interest in safety following recent reports of woodturning accidents and injuries.
 - a. Was decided that as a club we need to be setting a better example for each other and the public at our meetings by wearing face shields and dust masks when appropriate.
 - b. Motion was made and seconded for the club to purchase 2 or 3 face shields and a box of dust amsks for use at meetings. Motion carried.
 6. AAW membership is now a 12 month membership instead of the previous calendar year membership.
 7. Several members presented items for Show and Tell. Of particular interest were items turned from the wood cut up and distributed at the May and July meetings. These items qualified the turner for the "Demonstration Challenge" drawing. Members have until the September meeting to bring items turned from this wood to be entered in the drawing.
- After adjournment of the business meeting a round table discussion of the AAW Symposium was held. Members then spent time socializing and working on sharpening techniques.