



The Turning Point

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A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

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October Meeting...

October meeting will be at the Harrisburg High School Saturday October 7 at 1:00 p.m. The program will be inside-out turning by Ron Erickson.

President's Message...

As summer ends and our fall season begins, the Siouxland Woodturners have a big, busy schedule. Eight of our members attended the Michigan Woodturning retreat. We learned about coloring, carving, turning, shaping, and texturing. I think it is safe to say that the eight club members who attended the retreat are very excited to share what they learned with our club; which means that everyone can benefit from this retreat while increasing our joy and skill in woodturning.

The challenge for October 7 meeting (I know you're waiting for this) will be pens, which are easily adapted from simple to ornate. I hope to see a wide variety of pens and designs at this meeting. Participation makes it more interesting for everyone, and increases competition.

Ideally, all of you are aware that our Community Ed classes start September 26 at 6 PM. Corky Miles emailed the dates to remember which have all of our community education classes, member classes, and the schedule for the next nine club meetings. Be sure to mark your Woodturning Calendar.

We are still in need of mentors for our community education classes. It would be very helpful if you would volunteer to mentor at least one of these community education classes. A note to remember is that as a mentor you will learn more than the student.

The club demonstration this month will be inside out turning presented by Ron Erickson.

I look forward to our fall season and the new turning techniques we will be learning. Stay sharp and turn safely. I look forward to seeing everyone on October 7th, pen in hand!

John Weaver

September Meeting Minutes...

President John Weaver called the Sept. 9th, 2017 meeting of the Siouxland Woodturners to order at 1:00 PM. Corky moved and Jim seconded to accept the minutes of the August meeting. Motion passed.

Those in attendance introduced themselves – 28 were in attendance.

The treasurer, Jack Zimmel, reported a balance of \$742.08.

Old Business:

Change in August minutes – George Widman....NOT Gene Widman

Community Ed:

Still need instructors and mentors to sign up for the Community Ed classes

The club now has 8 lathes – 6 JETS, 1 Big JET and 1 Black one.

Discussion was held as to the pros and cons of having different kinds of lathes for students to use.

Memberships: Are due and can be paid to Corky. Dues will remain at \$25.00 which will include spouse and children under the age of 18. Current membership is about 40.

Library: Several new items have been added to the library from the Kansas City symposium.

New Business

- If you have a name badge coming please see Royce
- It was suggested that you vote for Rick Baker for AAW
- Sept. 22nd is the Festool Road Show at Stan Houston
- Some discussion was held regarding if the club wanted to bring someone in for a demo or something this year. No decision was made.

Challenge for September – rolling pins

1st Ron Erickson

2nd – John Weaver

3rd – Dale Fisher

Raffle (\$109.00) (pen blanks, sand paper, Hunter Tool, Steady Rest,)

1st - Steve Klooster

2nd – Mike Fargen

3rd – George Widman

4th – Mike Fargen

Looking ahead: CHALLENGES

October - Pens

November - Weed pots

December - Christmas item

August Program – Jim Sample presented the program on finishing

Program for October will be Ron Erickson and his inside/outside hollowing

Corky made a motion and Royce seconded it to adjourn. Motion passed, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted:

Ranah Sample, Secretary

September Board Meeting Minutes...

President John Weaver called the 9-9-17 board meeting of the Siouxland Woodturners to order at 12:00 PM. Corky moved and Roger seconded to accept the minutes of the last board meeting. Motion passed.

The treasurer, Jack Zimmel, reported a balance of \$742.08.

Discussion Items:

Trailer update

Need dust masks for the students

The cheaper ones will be donated

Jack showed the tool chest that goes with each lathe (8)

It was discussed that when the club has the funds the black lathe should be replaced.

The board discussed and felt it is important to have difference lathes for people to use and see.

Raffle items were discussed

Items for challenges were discussed

There was a clarification of by-laws and discussion with the board feeling "keep it simple"

The board's recommendation is to keep the dues at \$25.00 for a family.

The board requested that the secretary send a thank you letter to Craft Supply for the gift certificates they give to the club which are usually used as either raffle or challenge prizes. We have received \$120.00 to this point in time.

Next Board meeting will be January 6, 2018.

Respectfully Submitted:

Ranah Sample, Secretary

Fall Community Ed Classes...

Mentors are needed for the classes this fall. Would like to have 7 mentors per class so each student has a mentor at their lathe. Each class runs from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the Career and Technical Education Academy.

Sept. 26 – Woodturning 101

Sept. 28 – Woodturning 101

Oct. 3 – Wood Platters (instructor is Vern Monson)

Oct. 5 – Duck Calls (instructor is Royce Merritt)

Oct. 10 – Pens (instructor TBD)

Oct. 12 – Wine Stoppers (instructor is John Weaver)

Oct. 17 – Bracelets (instructor is Al Hurd)

Oct. 26 – Green Wood Bowls (instructor TBD)

Please contact John Weaver if you would be able to be a mentor at any of these classes. John Weaver J2weaver@live.com Cell 605-228-1622

September Show and Tell...









