



The Turning Point

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

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October Meeting...

The October meeting will be at the Harrisburg High School on October 6, 2018 beginning at 1:00 a.m.

President's Message...

By the time you read this the latest round of community ed. classes will be pretty well wrapped up. Thanks to everyone who helped out. The classes were, by all accounts, a big success again. The students seemed to enjoy themselves and learned quite a bit. There will be another round of classes in the spring. Don't be bashful about signing up to help. You need not consider yourself an expert to be a valuable mentor. You might even learn something yourself. I know I've said it before, but it is worth repeating; I think these classes are the most important thing we do as a club. Introducing others to the art of woodturning is a great thing.

Speaking of volunteering, looking ahead, the November meeting will be the time when we elect our slate of officers, appoint chairs to various committees and that sort of thing. I hope everyone gives at least some consideration to serving our club in some capacity. It really isn't that difficult or time consuming. I assure you that you have more to offer our members than you might think. We can all learn something from each other.

Lastly, be brushing up on your inside-out turning skills. We have the inside-out challenge coming up. If you've never tried this technique now is a perfect time to give it a go. It really is fun and challenging.

Until next time, remember...

DON'T LET THE INSIDE DIAMETER EXCEED THE OUTSIDE DIAMETER!

Royce Meritt

September Meeting Minutes...

Vice-President John Olson called the meeting to order at 1 pm. 24 members were present and introduced themselves.

A motion was made by Ron Seim and seconded by Ron Christensen to approve the minutes of the August meeting. Motion was passed with a voice vote.

The treasurer reported that nine safety drives were purchased for \$194.88 leaving a balance of \$331.51.

Library reported no changes in contents of library.

Membership reported 48 paid members for 2018.

Old Business

Community Ed reported that a list of classes is posted on the website and additional mentors are needed. If you can help, please show up on the scheduled days.

Jack Z. and John W. met with the Ind. Arts Teacher at Brandon High School. At this time their dust collector is inoperable and they are not ready to do woodturning.

Submission of an article regarding Siouxland Woodturners to the AAW was briefly discussed. Jack Zimmer is working with Tom at Western Printing on getting it put together.

Omaha Woodturners/Great Plains Woodturners (Lincoln) Symposium

- Nov. 3; 9:00-4:00

New Business

Looking ahead

- October meeting – Goblets (R. Erickson)
- November 10th meeting (Note the date change) The inside/out challenge
- Election time (be thinking of an office you would like to hold)
- December meeting; in the past has been a working meeting, no business meeting.

Signatures were collected for a sympathy card to be sent to Emma Vasek on the passing of Ed Vasek.

At this time we are not planning on participating at Sticks and Steel this fall

Items wanted or for sale

Dennis Nibbelink has a Shopsmith – biscuit jointer attachment that he would like to give away. Contact him if interested.

Turning Tips and Techniques

Vern Monson recommended drawing a pattern on paper to assist in inside/out turning.

Corky Miles showed how he chucks up birdhouse and angel ornaments. He also had website links for information on inside/out, birdhouse, and angel ornaments that he emailed to the group.

Show and Tell

Frank Denton, Vern Monson, Corky Miles, Robert Todd and Dennis Nibbeling showed a few pieces

A motion was made by Ron P. and seconded by Ron C. to adjourn. Passed by voice vote.



