



The Turning Point

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September Meeting...

The September meeting will be **6:30 P.M. THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 9 at McCROSSAN BOYS RANCH.** We will set things up for the upcoming Comm Ed classes. Woody will do a demonstration of bowl texturing. Please come if you can. Many hands make light work of setting everything up.

President’s Message...

As summer is rapidly winding down we need to look forward to our fall season. With this changing of the seasons comes our next session of Community Ed classes. First class is scheduled for September 14 at McCrossan Boys Ranch. Please help make these classes a success by volunteering either as a mentor or an instructor. One of the feedback comments from previous classes was “It was a great experience as there were mentors for each participant”. Again please volunteer and help be part of the success of our club.

We will be holding our monthly meeting at McCrossan Ranch shop on Sept.9 at 6:30 pm. We will be setting up for the CE classes and Woody will be demonstrating bowl texturing. I hope to see you there.

There are several of our members headed for SWAT (South West Area Turners symposium) in Texas August 27-29. Hopefully the folks attending will bring back some of the newest ideas in the woodturning world. Attendees should be able to demonstrate at future meetings.

Also going forward please take a moment to create/turn a Christmas ornament for the "As Wood Turns". For the club that submits the most ornaments Alan Stratton will provide an online class to the club. I believe that Larry Jurgens has some resin ideas. Ron Prusa also has some unique ornaments that he has created in the past. Please take a moment and put those creative brains to work and see what we can come up with. Perhaps we can have our own ornament challenge with the winner to receive?????. I will come up with something.... maybe some homemade maple syrup, jellies, canned salmon. Merry Christmas!

Jeff Albrecht, President

August Meeting Minutes...

Siouxland Woodturners August 7th, 2021 Meeting Minutes

The August meeting at Harrisburg High School was called to order at 1:04 by President Jeff Albrecht. There were 19 turners attending. Introductions were made.

Minutes of last meeting: June minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurer's report: Jack reported that there is approximately \$2400 in the treasury. Some kits for the Fall classes were purchased.

Education Committee report: John W has arranged for Fall classes to be held at McCrossan Boys Ranch (building 8). A key to the shop building has been provided for our use once again. Fall classes will include four Woodturning 101 classes (on 9/14, 9/16, 9/21 and 9/23). Thereafter, a Duck Call class, a Natural Edge Bowl class, a Kitchen Gadgets class (pizza cutter, ice cream scoop, honey dipper, rolling pin, etc.), and an

Office Gadgets class (pens, letter opener, magnifying glass, smartphone holder) will be held. Classes are on each Tuesday and Thursday for a four-week period. John is working on plans for scheduling of class mentors.

There may be classes/turning time available (maybe on a weeknight at the Ranch) for Club members during the Sept 14-Oct 7 timeframe. We would just have to let the Ranch know.

Motion made and passed to hold next meeting at McCrossan Boys Ranch, Sept 9th at 6:30 PM.

Membership Committee report: No report. If you have paid your dues and need a name badge, let Royce know. If you need a replacement name badge, please see Royce.

Equipment/Purchasing Committee report: We have everything needed for classes. Each student will have everything they need at each lathe station.

Library report: No report. Rex is assisting Steve.

Technology Committee report: No report.

Old Business:

The SWAT Symposium in Waco TX is scheduled for August 27-29. As of August 1, the convention center where it will be held is fully open. Doug has room for one person if you need a ride.

The Downtown Sioux Falls Art Festival is on September 11th.

New Business:

Royce announced an Art Festival scheduled for August 21 in Pearson IA. The organizer would like new vendors and the cost is \$15/booth. 500 – 1000 people are expected to attend.

Dennis has two older Delta mini-lathes that he has reconditioned and will be giving away (to a beginning woodturner, perhaps) in the near future.
Stan Houston has someone who has an older Powermatic lathe and a 5 gal. pressure tank available to buy (John Weaver is interested)

Al Hurd is in England...his mother passed away.

Jim Collingwood's mother is not doing well.

An ornament challenge due November 30th can be located on "As Wood Turns" website

Ranah will check to see if she can find a card for the person who had burls at the Brookings Art Festival—The Wooden Door(?)--he was from Minnesota

Raffle: The raffle collected money for chances at several items:

Pickled Asparagus: Doug

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Burl: John W

Slide: Jeff W

Show and Tell:

Jack: Bowl, textured and dyed

John W: hackberry bowl with "heavy" bottom

Dennis: twig pot and locust (?) bowl

Royce: octagon mug and round mug

John O: cottonwood bowls (one punky blank yielded material for three bowls; voids filled with epoxy); Also a segmented football made from gunstock material (very nice with white effects/laces)

Doug: rolling pin; cherry bowl; bowl with cutting board finish; lighthouse pepper mill grinder (from kit)

Items to Share: Doug has walnut in back of his pickup to share. Also, he has anchor seal (\$12) and methanol (\$5).

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 2:08. Next meeting is at McCrossan Ranch Shop on Sept 9, 6:30 pm. We will be unloading the trailer and setting up lathes/checking equipment for the classes. Next month's demo will have Woody doing bowl texturing (not for certain, at this time).

Suggested websites:

<https://www.thewoodendoerr.com/>. Turnings with unique embellishments.
<https://www.aswoodturns.com/challenges/>. Club ornament challenge: most entries from one club will get free demo

Respectfully Submitted,
Bonnie Lynch and Ranah Sample
Secretaries

Community Ed Classes...

All classes are held at McCrossan Boys Ranch, 47135 260 St, Sioux Falls. That is just north of I-90 on Marion Road, east side of the road. All classes run from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday	September 14	Woodturning 101
Thursday	September 16	Woodturning 101
Tuesday	September 21	Woodturning 101
Thursday	September 23	Woodturning 101
Tuesday	September 28	Kitchen Gadgets
Thursday	September 30	Office Gadgets
Tuesday	October 5	Duck Calls
Thursday	October 7	Natural Edge Green Wood Bowl

Please consider serving as a mentor at one or more of the classes. Each class has an instructor and we need one mentor for each of the eight students in the class. You just need to offer support to the students as they work on their projects. Please let John Weaver know of the dates you would like to help. John's cell number is 605-228-1622 and his email is j2weaver@live.com. PLEASE COORDINATE WITH JOHN as last year we had classes that did not have enough mentors and others that had more than were needed. We want to avoid that situation for the fall classes.

Setup for the classes will be done during the September 9, 6:30 p.m. meeting at the ranch. After the last class on October 7 we will load everything back into the trailer so help in addition to the mentors would be great around 8:30 that night.

August Demo by Royce Meritt on Duck / Goose Calls...







August Show and Tell...







July Picnic Pictures...





