



# *The Turning Point*

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## *February Meeting...*

The February meeting will be **1:00 p.m. Saturday, February 5** at Harrisburg High School. Royce Meritt and David Grant will be doing a demo on sharpening and different sharpening systems.

## *President's Message...*

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Hello all. The good news is that we are a little closer to Spring. Thanks to everyone that was able to attend the January meeting. If you were unable to attend, you missed a superb presentation by John Olson and Doug Noteboom on marbling.

By the time you read this and we have our next meeting, Stan Houston Days will be upon us. It is set for February 17-19th. Once again, we have been asked to be present and do some turning. We will have a few more details at the February meeting.

Looking to the future, we will line up demos for the rest of the year at the February meeting. Please think of topics you would enjoy seeing demonstrations on and please share your knowledge and experience with others by doing a demo at a meeting.

McCrossan Boys Ranch will be having their annual silent auction fundraiser on March 31. Please make an item for them to sell at the auction for their fundraiser. The items will be gathered at the March meeting and transported out to their facility. Please include a note indicating type of wood, your name, and suggested price.

Don't miss our next meeting which will be held on February 5th at the Harrisburg High School. Royce Meritt and David Grant will be doing a demo on sharpening and different sharpening systems.

Thoughts and prayers to both John Weaver and Corky Miles in their recovery and rehab from recent surgeries.

See you February 5. Stay safe, healthy and keep the shavings flying!

Jim "Woody" Collingwood, President

## **January Meeting Minutes...**

### **Siouxland Woodturners**

January 8, 2022 Meeting Minutes

The January meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM by President Jim Collingwood. There were 28 turners attending (2 via Zoom) and 3 guests. Introductions were made and guests welcomed. We extend our best wishes to John Weaver for a speedy recovery.

**Minutes of last meeting:** December minutes were approved as presented.

**Treasurer's report:** John S reported that there is \$2625.20 in the treasury.

**Education Committee report:** Doug and Michelle have submitted all information to the school for Spring adult education classes. Mentors will be needed and sign-up will

occur in the near future. The classes will be held at McCrossan Boys Ranch, once again. Classes/instructors are:

- Tuesday, April 19 Intro to Woodturning Royce Meritt
- Thursday, April 21 Intro to Woodturning Royce Meritt
- Tuesday, April 26 Easter Eggs / Marbling Al Hird & John Olson
- Thursday, April 28 Rolling Pins John Weaver
- Tuesday, May 3 Small Wood Bowls Doug Noteboom
- Thursday, May 5 Rings / Bangles / Jewelry David Grant
- Tuesday, May 10 Small Wood Vase/Hollowing Jeff Albrecht
- Thursday, May 12 Wood or Epoxy Pens Jack Zimmer

**Membership Committee report:** Dues for 2022 remain at \$25. Royce will make badges for any new members that put their name on the list being passed around. John S can take photos of any members who have not done so yet—they will be placed on our Club’s website: [http://siouxlandwoodturners.org/member\\_pics2.htm](http://siouxlandwoodturners.org/member_pics2.htm)

**Equipment/Purchasing Committee report:** Bill reported that sandpaper and finishing supplies are running low. It was suggested to check with vendors at the Stan Houston Show – they might have free samples available. Dennis said that the trailer rental company where we bought the Club’s cargo trailer from does not foresee having any used ones for sale this year since they cannot obtain new ones for replacement. If they do eventually have a used one available, they will let Dennis know. Gene noted that on a recent online auction, a tandem axle 7 x 14 trailer sold for \$6500.

**Library report:** No report.

**Technology Committee report:** Gene showed the Club’s new equipment: a Dell laptop with Windows 11, a tripod with wheels for mounting/moving a camera, and a GoPro camera. We now have a monitor, switcher, laptop, camera on tripod (for view from end of lathe), overhead camera (for a top-down view). He explained what capabilities we now have with these additions: picture in picture, magnification, recording option.

**Old Business:**

- Bill thanked the Club for providing military pens on Christmas for the veterans at the VA. Once again, they were a real hit with our vets. A letter of gratitude was sent and signed by the commanders of the local chapters of the DAV, the Vietnam Veterans of America and the Military Order of the Purple Heart. Thanks to Bill for representing our Club.
- Stan Houston Show is February 17-19, 2022. Woody and Doug will find out if a professional turner is scheduled, and gather other show information. Club

members are welcome to display and sell items at the show—any woodworking item is welcome. The Club will again sell pens (we have about 70 remaining) and the collected money will then be used to purchase additional kits for this ongoing project.

- Jeff A brought a new Club banner, made by a company in Brookings—very nicely done. Motion made and passed to reimburse Jeff for cost of banner.
- Doug will check on possibility of finding permanent Club shop/meeting location (Josh).

### **New Business:**

- Mike Dimick brought up the possibility of making ornaments for Christmas trees at his church, First Congregational. The church decorates three trees that are on display throughout the Advent season and are prominent during their weekly videoed services. The Club would be credited, giving us more exposure to the public. The ornaments would be hung during the 2022 season and would be returned to the turners. There was interest so Mike will get specifics and report back at a later date. FYI—Mike showed a snowman turning he entered in Alan Stratton's 2021 Christmas Ornament Challenge where he was one of three recognized in the Novice division. Congrats, Mike!
- Members were asked to bring ideas to the next meeting so a Demo schedule can be set for the 2022 meetings.
- Jack received a letter from McCrossan Boys Ranch seeking donations for their annual Silent Auction fundraiser being held March 31<sup>st</sup>. Any turned item or woodworking item would be appreciated. Please bring to March meeting and provide your name and a suggested value. John O was volunteered to be in charge of this. Members are encouraged to donate since McCrossan has been so good to our Club, allowing us to use their shop for our classes.

**Raffle:** Four items were raffled off for a total of \$41: two work aprons, a texturing tool, and a long wood blank.

### **Show and Tell:**

- Woody: large bowl with salad tongs; sassafras bowl dyed blue; small textured bowl
- John O: whiskey jug turned from segmented rings, with a turned burl cork; bowl from a board
- Doug: large bowl with epoxy-filled cracks
- Jack: small hinged boxes with Rose engine effects
- David: small turned pine trees; bowl made using shou sugi ban process (an ancient Japanese technique for waterproofing and preserving wood)

- Jeff A: lighthouse (with light) mounted on maple burl “island”; totem pole with Dodo bird on top
- Gene: components of a Sam Maloof chair (a project Jim Sample started that Gene is finishing)

**Items for Sale/Share/Wanted:**

- Rex: Penn State 1½ hp dust collector - price TBD (call for info)
- Doug: Performax sander - \$400
- Doug: Rockwell 13” planer - \$500
- John S: aluminum tool handles--7” handle for \$12, 12” for \$14, 16” for \$16 (all proceeds donated to Club)
- Doug: beetle kill pine
- Al: needs old sawblades (to cut up and make knives out of)

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 2:23. Next meeting is at Harrisburg High School on February 5<sup>th</sup>. Demonstration TBD (possibly sharpening w/Royce and David or segmenting w/Corky).

**Demonstration:** John O and Doug -- marbling using water and oil-based spray paint.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Bonnie Lynch & Ranah Sample  
Secretaries

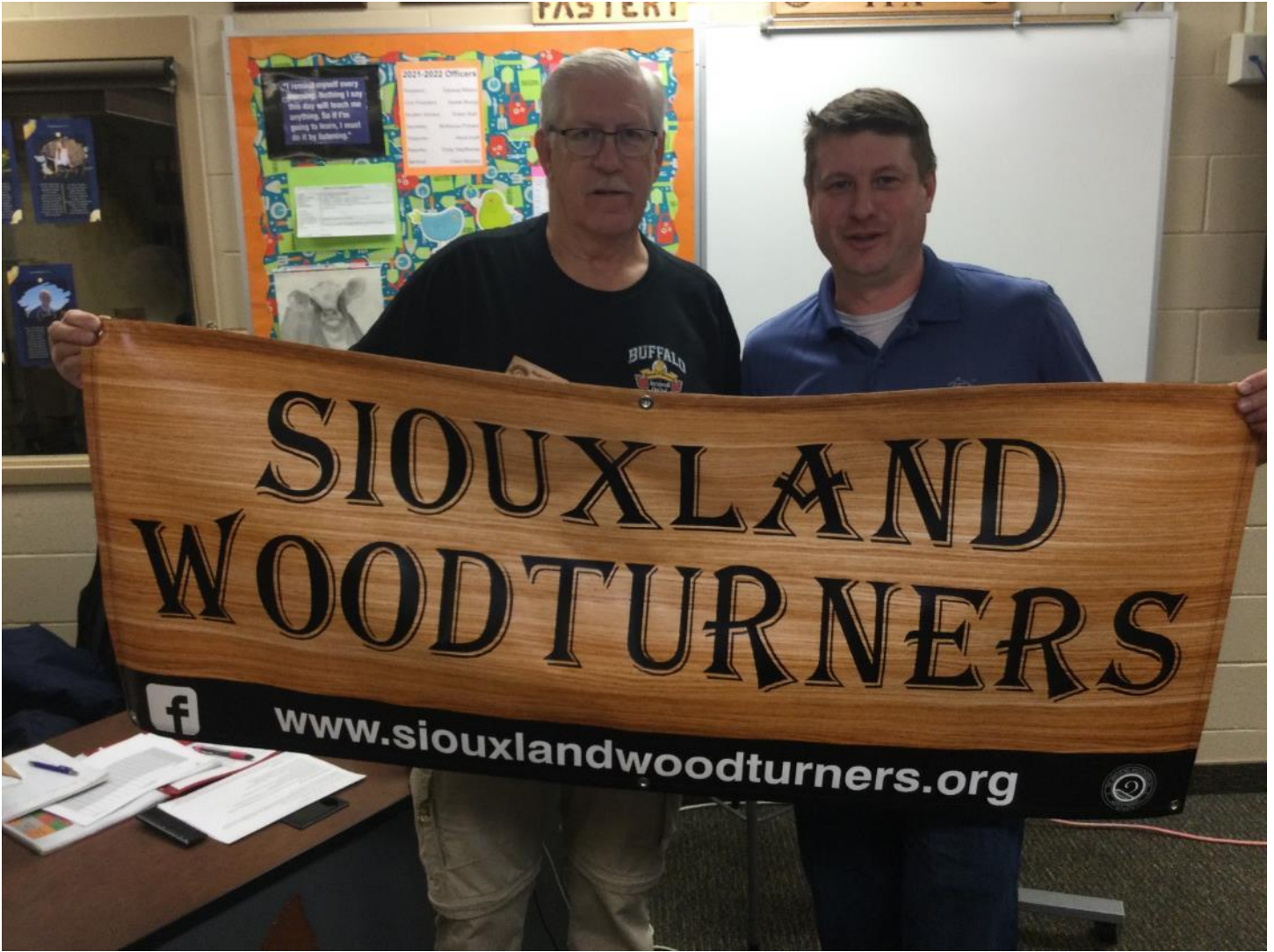
**Community Ed Classes...**

The spring semester of the Comm Ed classes have been set. There will be eight classes in April and May 2022. All classes will be held at McCrossan Boys Ranch.

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**New Club Banner...**



The new banner will be on display at the Stan Houston Woodworking Show Friday and Saturday February 18 and 19.

**December Show-and-Tell...**























The five symbols that make up the FFA emblem represent five vital aspects of the organization. Together with the words "Agricultural Education" and the letters "FFA," they tell the story of the organization's history, mission and vision.

Cross-section of an ear of corn represents "Unity"

Rising sun signifies "Progress"

Plow signifies "Labor and Tillage of the Soil"

Eagle symbolizes "Freedom"

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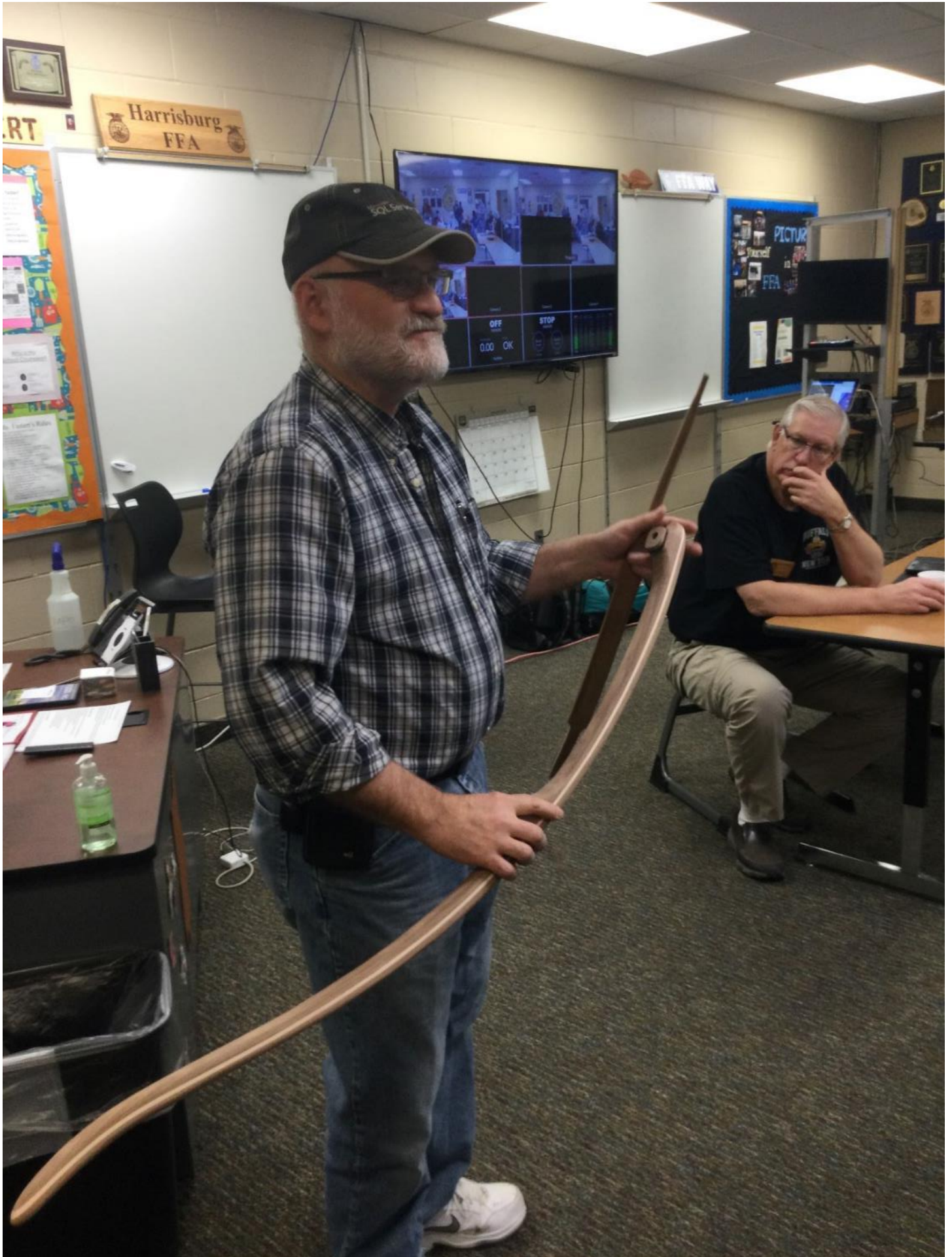




















**December Marbling Demo...**







