

The Turning Point

The newsletter of the Siouxland Woodturners

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May Meeting...

The May meeting will be **1:00 p.m. Saturday, May 7** at Harrisburg High School. Demo will be on bird houses by John Olson.

President's Message...

Hello fellow Siouxland Woodturners.

I wish to thank everyone that was able to attend the April meeting. As usual, it was a good turn out and an outstanding "show and tell". My thanks to Brad Paulson from Dakota Flooring on the demonstration using Osmo finishes.

Things seem to be shaping up nicely for the Community Education classes. If you've not done so, please help as a mentor and sign-up. We need you! As previously discussed, we will spend an evening with the Clover 4H Club making pens. This is set for May 2nd at 6:30pm at McCrossan's. Please come out to McCrossan's and assist these youngsters in making a pen.

I hope to see you at next month's meeting, May 7th at the Harrisburg High School, where John Olson will do a demo on turning birdhouses. Certainly the right time of year by a very skilled turner! Keep the shavings flying!

Jim "Woody" Collingwood, President

April Meeting Minutes...

Siouxland Woodturners

April 2, 2022 Meeting Minutes

President Jim Collingwood called the April meeting to order at 1:00 PM. There were 39 members and guests (9) in attendance plus 1 via Zoom. Introductions were made and guests welcomed.

<u>Minutes of last meeting</u>: March minutes were approved as written.

<u>Treasurer's report</u>: John S, treasurer, reported a balance of about \$2900. Treasurer' report was approved.

<u>Membership</u>: Corky reported we have 47 paid memberships. David wanted interested members to be made aware of the benefits of club membership such as discounts from companies, etc. Royce is the contact for anyone still needing a club badge. John S can take a photo today for anyone wanting it placed on Club's website:

http://siouxlandwoodturners.org/member_pics2.htm

<u>Education Committee report</u>: Michelle reported that the computer sign-up sheet process is going well. There is a change to the rolling pin class to a 101 class. She invited club members to come turn if the classes are not full as there will be extra lathes to work on. Most classes are full and expectation others will fill as classes are taken. Classes are described and sign-ups are available on line.

<u>Library</u> Rex reported that items donated by Ranah have been cataloged and are available for loan. VCR tapes have not been entered into the library but are still available if you contact Ranah.

<u>Equipment/Purchasing Committee report</u>: Bill reported that all lathes and equipment have been gone through and cleaned, etc. and that the glue order has been delivered. He also reported that the trailer lights have been repaired and everything on the trailer is working as it should be.

Sioux Land Wood Turner Equipment Committee Notes March/April 2022

On Thursday 10 March 2022, Todd Genzlinger came over and checked out the lights on the Club's trailer. It took him no time at all to diagnose that the adaptor from the trailer to the truck was defective. I bought a new adaptor, for about \$15, and the lights work great.

At 1:00 pm on Tuesday 15 March 2022 John Suhreptz, Doug Noteboom, Jim Havard, John Weaver and I (Bill McGinnis) got together at my storage building and worked on our club woodturning equipment. We cleaned up the beds on the lathes, we sharpened the tools that we will need for the wood turning classes in April and May, and we made some modifications to the grinders so we can use both grinders at the same time. It took us about 2 hours to get the 7 lathes and tool boxes that we have in the trailer ready for the wood turning classes.

The glue that we ordered at the March meeting was delivered this month. All glue has been delivered to the members that ordered it. There was no extra glue ordered. The ordering was easy, the company was very cooperative, but there was a slight language barrier. Shipping is expensive.

At 1:00 pm, on 30 March 2022 a group of us got together at John Suhreptz's shop and assembled pens. Members present were John Suhreptz, Doug Noteboom, Corky Miles, Jack Zimmer, John Weaver, Jim Collingwood, Jim Havard, Jeff Albrecht, Cleo Wiederich, and me (Bill McGinnis). It took us about 2 hours to assemble about 150 "M-16" pens for a National Guard Unit that returned home during the pandemic. This unit had about 200 members. We had about 100 pens made up on hand. With what we made we now have 250 pens, more than enough to present to the returning Guard Members. The presentation is scheduled for the weekend 30 April/ 1 May 2022. I have never presented the pens before, is there anyone who would like to help with the presentation?

McCrossan Boys Ranch banquet was at the Alliance on 30 March 2022. I did not attend, but a friend of mine was out there and said that they had many items to include the wood turned and other items that we made for the auction. Did anyone attend the banquet? I hope it was well attended and the auction was great for them.

Bill McGinnis

Equipment Chairman

Technology Committee report: Nothing new to report

Old Business:

• 4-H demo/contact Heather Hinners. Schedule for a Monday night – April 25 May 2 or 9. Will need mentors for that activity. Please see Woody if you can mentor on the night selected.

New Business:

John Suhreptz discussed the need for buying more pen kits and the need to have some on hand. Doug suggested we be sure to designate the money given to us specifically for pen kits. Motion was made and passed to have Rex order 100 extra tubes and more pen kits. Ron C suggested that 5 or 10 pen kids be put in bag for members to take home and make pens.

The president wished John Olson a happy birthday and sang him a little song. Happy birthday John!

Raffle: total of \$47

Show and Tell: An extensive show and tell was held. Our members are doing some exceptional turning!! Pictures will be in the website and on the face book page.

A sheet of possible demos was passed around. Please contact our president if you could conduct a demo.

<u>Adjournment</u>: Meeting adjourned by voice vote. Next meeting is at Harrisburg High School on May 7, 2022.

Ranah Sample/Bonnie Lynch Co Secretary

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. MENTORS ARE NEEDED. Please step up to the challenge at the May meeting. Sign up to be a mentor at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4FA8AD23AAFFC07-swtcommunity

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	Intro to Woodturning	
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 Zimmel

Harrisburg High School Ag Class Pen Days...

Tuesday and Wednesday April 12-13 Siouxland Woodturners conducted pen turning classes for the Harrisburg High School Ag classes. There were two ninety-minute classes on Tuesday and one on Wednesday with approximately fifteen students per class. All students that wanted to make a pen were able to do so, with some making two pens. There was solid interest in working on the lathes with some students actually searching the internet for lathes and accessories after completing their pens. Let's hope that over the years these students remain interested in woodturning.

April Show and Tell...







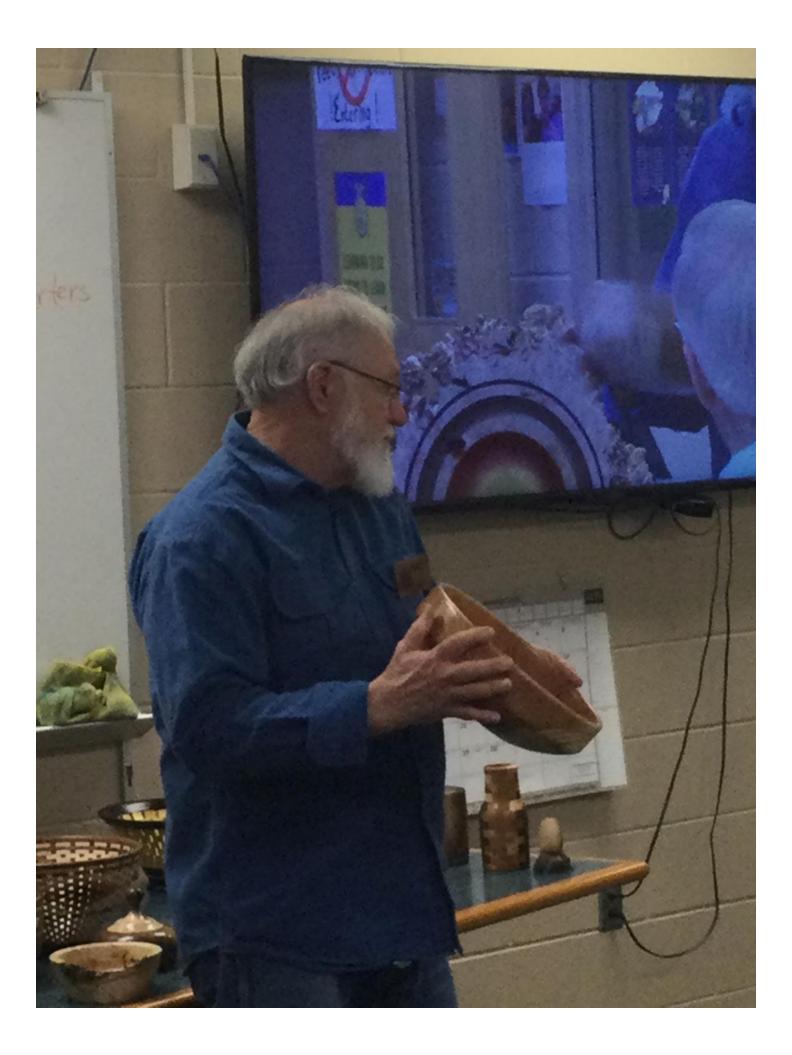




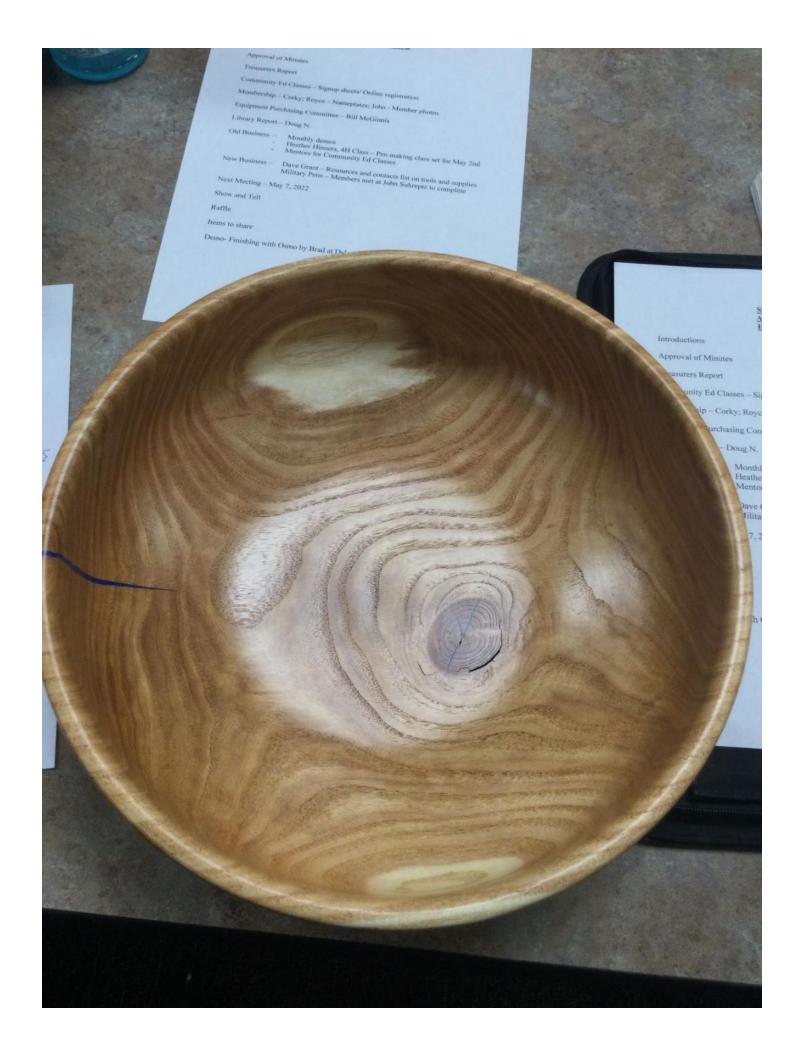


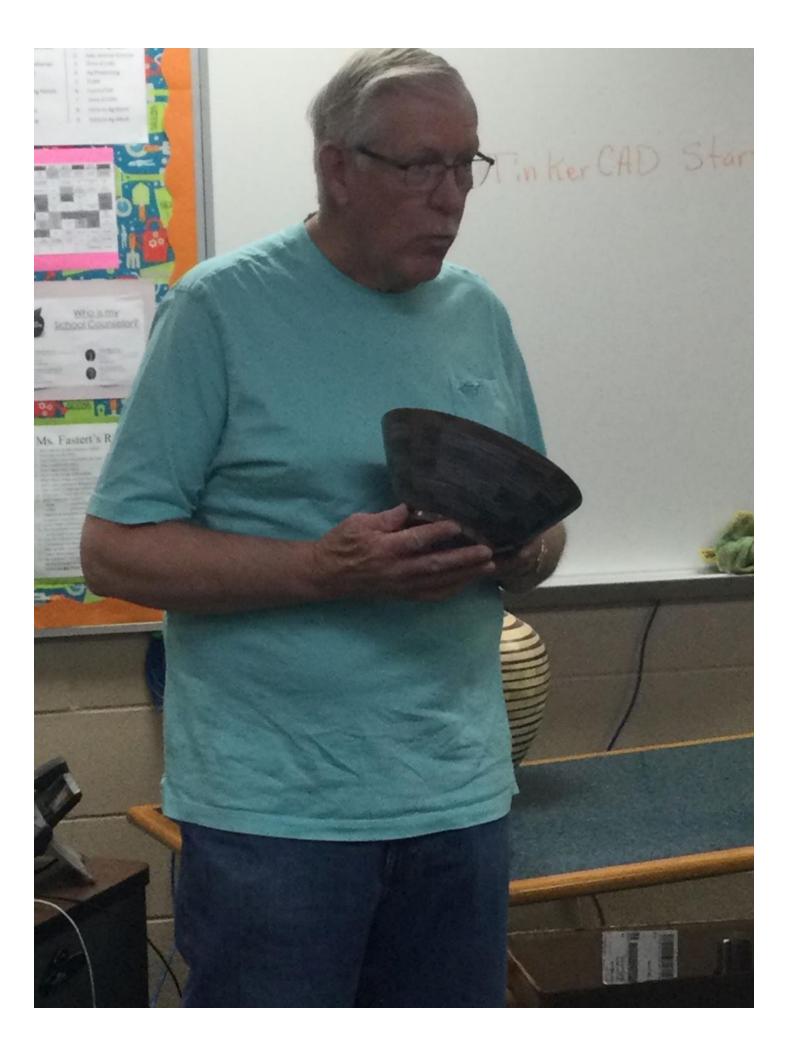






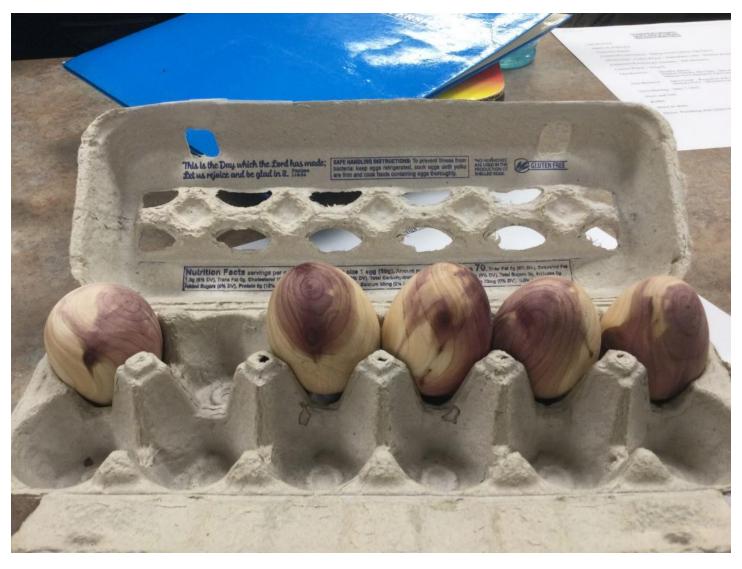














March Demo by Brad Paulson...





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