



The Turning Point

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

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March Meeting...

The March meeting will be at the Harrisburg High School, Saturday March 4, 2023, beginning at 1:00 PM.

President's Message...

Oh boy, MORE SNOW!!!

By the time you read this, the annual Stan Houston Woodworking and Tool Show will be in the books. We had a great turnout of members to assist with demos and spread the word about the Siouxland Woodturners. Thanks to everyone who helped out!

It's now time to turn our attention to the upcoming slate of Community Education classes. In my opinion, this is likely the most important activity we do as a club. There's still plenty of room for you to sign up to assist, either as an instructor or as a mentor. These classes really are a lot of fun and every time I've helped with a class, I've learned as much, if not more, than the students. Please consider signing up to help.

Speaking of Community Ed...after the March business meeting we will be spending time inventorying and organizing the trailer, tool boxes, etc. in preparation for the community ed classes. This is a big job and we will take all of the help we can get. This will include sharpening the tools. Since we will have several sharpening stations going, if you have a tool or two of your own that you'd like some help sharpening, bring them along. Someone will be happy to help you out.

Looking ahead, according to my records, we don't have a demo or activity planned for the April meeting. Be thinking about that and come to the March meeting with some suggestions.

That's all for now. THINK SPRING!!! Until next month... ***Keep the inside smaller than the outside!***

Royce

February Meeting Minutes...

President Royce Meritt called the February 2023 meeting to order at 1:00 PM. There were 27 turners and one guest in attendance. Introductions were made and guest welcomed. A birthday card with all signatures was present to Secretary Ranah Sample for her 80th birthday.

Minutes of last meeting: Minutes were published and thus not read. John Olson made a motion to accept the January minutes and John Weaver seconded the motion. The motion was passed by voice vote of members present.

Treasurer's report: Treasurer reported a balance of \$6052/58. There are some expenditures pending. Motion made by John Olson and seconded by Bill McGinnis to accept the treasurer's report. The motion was passed by voice vote of members present.

Membership: Corky reported memberships can be paid to him. Royce is the contact for anyone still needing a club badge. Using magnets behind the badges was discussed. John made a motion that we should buy magnets to attach the badges and Corky seconded it. Mike Dimick volunteered to find and buy them. Motion passed by voice vote

Education Committee report

Please sign up on the computer program if you can mentor for a class. John Weaver asked the members to “please be a mentor”. We need a mentor for every student and it is not a hard task. The catalogs for the classes have been printed and sent out.

It may be necessary that badges are required to get into the school. They can be obtained at the school. We have one more meeting before classes begin.

Library- Nothing new to report.

Equipment- \$400.00 has previously been approved to buy needed items for the toolboxes and lathes. Items purchased are a tumbling machine, 4 parting tools, chuck jaws, 3 Nova chuck keys and will purchase Allen wrenches for the Nova II

Technology – Nothing new to report.

Stan Houston – Friday Feb 17 (8:00-5:00) and Saturday Feb. 18 (8-4)

Stan Houston will set up one big lathe. We will need to use a couple of our lathes.

There was some discussion about having a professional turner available those days. Fred suggested we start working on that aspect earlier so we have time to perhaps put together a workshop or something similar.

Old Business:

Newsletter editor...Rex Pommier has volunteered to be newsletter editor and did the January newsletter. The club members thanked Rex.

AAW update of officers. Gene has helped Royce find the place on the website. There is still discussion of the need for officers to be AAW members.

John Olson made a motion that we eliminate the mandated AAW membership requirement in our by-laws. Ron Prusa seconded the motion and club members voted by voice vote to accept the motion.

Note – club sponsored activities are covered by the AAW liability.

The question was raised “Do we require bonding of the treasurer,” Answer - no

Military Pens- Bill reported that 80 pens were presented to the disabled at the VA hospital. They were very grateful for the gifts. A letter was presented by Bill McGinnis thanking our club for the work with the Military pens and those pens presented to the Veterans Christmas party.

Bill reported that 60 pen kits are left and we need to order more. John Olson moved that we order 400 with 20 extra mechanisms. Corky Miles seconded the motion and club passed the motion by voice vote.

New Business:

Stan Houston – Friday and Saturday...February 10/11.

- Need to bring extra extension cords
- Can sell items but go outside to collect the money
- They will provide a big lathe and we will provide 3 smaller lathes
- Sign up sheet available for who intends to turn and who can help in the area.
- Bring and display the Big Bowl outside the door

Recommended to look at the Learning Portals on the AAW website (good stuff)

March 4th meeting is designated to inventory all our equipment in the trailers. Please come and help (big job). Tools need to be sharpened and member may get help with their own sharpening

Group order of CA glue – sign up sheet

Upcoming Events

- AAW Symposium in Kentucky – June 1-4
- Woodturners Worldwide Online Symposium 2023 – February 24-26 \$79.00 with coupon code..."CraftSupplies"

Show and Tell: A nice show and tell of items club members have made: Pictures will be posted in the newsletter and on the Facebook page.

Adjournment: John Olson moved that the meeting be adjourned and Mike Dimick seconded it. Passed by voice vote (1:50 PM)

Respectfully Submitted,
Ranah Sample/Bonnie Lynch , Co Secretaries

Items for Sale:

- Wood in pickup by door—10-12 X 4' – Cedar Cutoffs – help yourselves

Raffle of some nice items

Show and tell – pictures in newsletter and on face book page

Prior to and after the meeting members worked on the pens for the military.



Program/Demo:

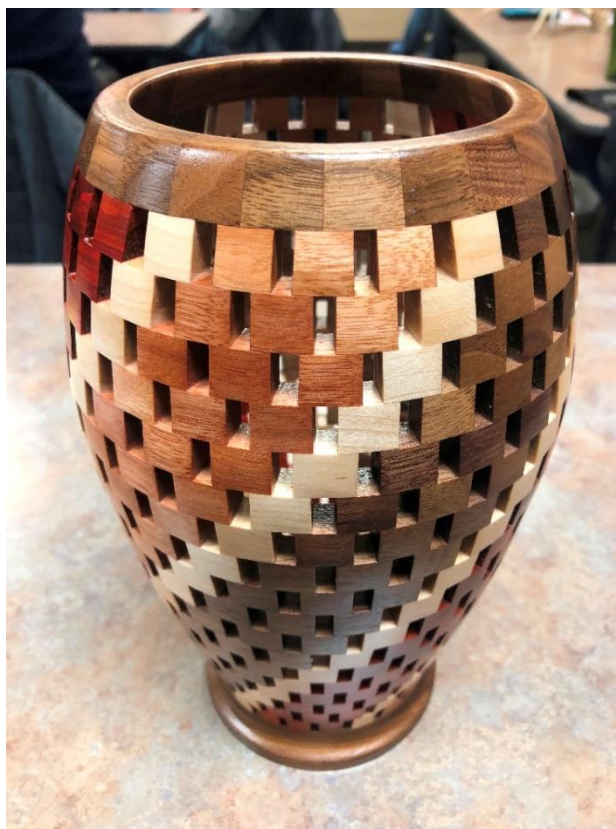
The program/demo for March is prepping the lathes and equipment for the Continuing Education classes.

Spring Community Ed Classes

Listed below are the upcoming Spring 2023 Community Education Classes

- Woodturning 101 Apr 11 Tue \$35
- Woodturning 101 Apr 13 Thu \$35
- Woodturning w/Carbide Tools 201 Apr 18 Tue \$35
- Shallow Bowls-Intermediate Apr 20 Thu \$40
- Pens-Intermediate Apr 25 Tue \$40
- Clocks-Intermediate Apr 27 Thu \$45
- Tea Light Candle-Intermediate May 2 Tue \$40
- Kitchen Tools May 4 Thu \$45

February Show and Tell









Stan Houston event





December 30, 2022

Siouxland Woodturners
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Greetings:

The Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Arthur H. Muchow Chapter No. 1, Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter No. 5355, and Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter No. 959 would like to express our sincere gratitude to the Siouxland Woodturners for the donation of handcrafted pens to benefit Veterans served by the Annual VA Patients Christmas Party on Christmas Day. The VA patients really enjoyed the handcrafted pens.

Through your support we can continue DAV's mission of *"KEEPING OUR PROMISE TO AMERICA'S VETERANS."*

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Tim Walsh, Commander

Jonathon Tilk, Jr., Commander

Terry "Hawk" Mayer, Commander