



The Turning Point

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May Meeting...

The May meeting will be at the Harrisburg High School, Saturday May 6, 2023, beginning at 1:00 PM.

President’s Message...

Perhaps the weather has turned the corner. I’m sure we can expect some more cool days, and maybe a dusting of snow yet but, I’m hopeful things are looking up!

The Community Ed classes are well under way and going great, as always, thanks to awesome instructors and mentors, not to mention willing students. There’s usually room for another mentor or two so keep your eyes on those signup sheets. By now, most of you have heard about our need to find a new location for these classes. Thanks to the diligent work of Michelle, we found a new home at Lincoln High School in Sioux Falls. It’s a nice facility and should work out well.

FYI, in case you're wondering (and so that you don't have to ask), I have gotten a start on my latest "wood-strip" fly rod. My plan is to chronicle each step in the process as I go along so that I can walk you through the process. Making these rods really isn't difficult. The planning takes more time than the actual construction. I'll keep you posted.

Next month, we hope to start our series of monthly challenges. We have a nice list of potential projects that we will discuss at our next meeting. Our plan is to make these challenges something anyone can do, regardless of your degree of woodturning experience. I'm looking forward to it and hope you are as well. Should be fun!

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

Royce

April Meeting Minutes...

President Royce Meritt called the April 2023 meeting to order at 1:00 PM. There were 30 turners and guests in attendance. Introductions were made and guests welcomed.

Minutes of last meeting: Minutes were published in the newsletter and thus not read. Motion made and seconded to accept the March minutes as posted in the newsletter. The motion was passed by voice vote of members present.

Treasurer's report: The treasurer reported a balance of \$5881.20. Motion made and seconded 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. The current paid memberships are 43. Royce is the contact for anyone still needing a club badge. The magnets are here for the name badges if anyone would like one.

Education Committee report

Please sign up on the computer program if you can mentor for a class. Lots of mentors are needed. Michele Bierstedt reported that the 101 classes are filled @ 8. An overflow class will be held this afternoon with Royce as the teacher. Michele asked members to contact her if they have any ideas for a class.

Library- Nothing new to report

Equipment- The inventory of our tools was completed at the last meeting. Bill requested that he be allowed \$100.00 to complete the equipment needed for the tool boxes (small items such as calipers and Allen wrenches)

The motion was made, seconded and passed by voice vote to allow \$100.00 for these purchases that Bill will make.

Technology – Gene reported that the 101 class will be recorded today and will be available on YouTube.

OLD BUSINESS

By-law revision

The by-law revision passed at the last meeting will need to be eliminated to return to the previous by-laws as AAW does require that officers need to be AAW members.

Military Pens- Rex reported that he has received the pen kits and they are packaged in bags of 5 that can be picked up from him to take home to complete.

NEW BUSINESS

A committee was established to explore locating a turner for the club, etc. about the time of the Stan Houston Show. Committee members are as follows:

Gene, Doug, Royce, Woody, Fred (Stan Houston) with input from the Powermatic/Jet rep.

Scholarship (as reported in March minutes)..... -Rex reported that he has received \$40.00 from a person who got magazines that were given to the club for a scholarship. After some discussion Greg Eastman made a motion and was seconded by Corky Miles that students taking the 101 class would each receive an opportunity to win the \$40.00 by a random drawing. Money to be used by winner in a future Community Ed class. Passed by voice vote.

The motion was made, seconded and passed by voice vote to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ranah Sample, Secretary

Following the adjournment of the meeting....

Raffle

Show and Tell (the students for the 101 class were invited into the meeting room for show and tell.

Following the meeting a 101 class was given in the shop for the “overflow” students that could not get into a 101 class previously. This was well attended.

Several items are available for sale...

Doug – good, small lathe for \$50

Jack – lathe for sale

Program/Demo:

The program/demo for April was a 101 class for new turners who couldn’t get into the Community Ed 101 classes. There should be some positions for club members as well.

The May demo will be on pressure pots, hosted by Royce and John Olson.

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

April Show and Tell







122 pieces in urn









April 101 Class at HHS

