



# The Turning Point

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

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## **January Meeting.**

The January meeting will be at the Harrisburg High School on Saturday, January 6, 2024, beginning at 1:00 PM. For newbies, go all the way around the west and north sides of the school to the northeast corner of the building. The meeting is in the wood shop. Follow the trail of sawdust. This will be back to a normal meeting, try to keep it under an hour, then demo time.

## **President (Elect)’s Message...**

Dear Friends and Woodturning Enthusiasts,

The last month has been an incredibly rewarding experience. You have graciously invited me into your homes and shops. You have selflessly given me your time and guidance. It was an honor to help distribute our Military Pens at the DAV Ceremony. As you know, there is a tremendous feeling in being helpful and being useful.

I'm proud to announce that we have completed the Siouxland Woodturners' 2024 Agenda. Setting out 12 months of our schedule in advance is intended to help lock in our own schedules. It will help us to plan for the inevitable contingencies. It will allow us to collaborate to improve upon what is already there. The agenda provides for new opportunities for the less experienced woodturner to learn and for everyone to participate as mentors in our community education classes.

We are also trying an Interactive Remote Demonstration ("IRD") in June. It's paid for by a generous sponsor. Doing more of these could help relieve those members that have done more than their share of demonstrations. The IRDs could be a way for our entire club to gain knowledge from outside sources. If it's successful, we can look for additional sponsors.

A great thank you goes out to the 2024 demonstrators and all those that have helped me put together this agenda. We improve the odds of success when we expect and aim for it.

Wishing you a good and successful 2024.

Aaron Salberg

President Elect

## **December Meeting Minutes...**

### **Siouxland Woodturners** DECEMBER 2, 2023 Meeting Minutes

There was no official meeting in December. The day started with "eavesdropping" on a meeting by a turning club out of the Twin Cities, including a demo of a lidded box by Michael Hunter, owner of Hunter Tools. After the demo, it was out to the shop to play on the lathes that had been set up. As part of this, Doug Noteboom showed how to turn a 2-sided trivet using an offset turning technique.

Note from Rex, just bringing this forward as I don't know if this was finalized.

#### **Nick Cook presentation**

Can spend a day with us. Feb. 18., the day after Stan Houston

\$650.00 + travel

We can provide lunch

## **Program/Demo:**

January demo will be Jim Collingwood – Embellishing Your Work (coloring, texturing, carving etc...)

Challenge is anything textured.

## **Spring 2024 Community Ed Classes**

According to the minutes, all spring classes are full. Mentors are still needed for classes. Unless things change, they will be held at Lincoln High as they have been. See Michelle for signing up to be a mentor or teacher.

04/04/2024 6:00pm-8:30pm Thursday 101 class  
04/11/2024 6:00pm-8:30pm Thursday 101 class  
04/16/2024 6:00pm-8:30pm Tuesday 101 class  
04/18/2024 6:00pm-8:30pm Thursday Pens  
04/23/2024 6:00pm-8:30pm Tuesday Salad bowls  
04/25/2024 6:00pm-8:30pm Thursday Weed pots

## **2024 officers and committee leads**



**Aaron Salberg – president**



**Royce Meritt – vice president**



**Ranah Sample and John Olson, co-secretaries**



**Bill McGinnis – equipment**

**Jim Collingwood - raffles**





**Gene Wubben – technology**

**John Weaver - membership**



**Michelle Biersted – community ed**   **Mike Dimock - treasurer**



Rex Pommier – newsletter and library

**December Show and Tell**







**December demo – including a finished project Doug showed last month.**

