



The Turning Point

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September Meeting and activities:

The September meeting will be at the school on Saturday, September 7, 2024 at 10:00 AM starting with open turning, a closed business meeting at noon, show and tell at 1:45, and tool sharpening/lathe prep at 2:00. See the president's message below for more details.

President's Message...

Woodturners,

There's a lot of information to share this month. I'm trying to get out ahead of things emailing this before the newsletter is published. You may receive follow up emails as more information becomes available.

The interview with reporter Don Jorgensen from Keloland was today. We displayed a full table of miscellaneous woodturnings, full table of wig stands and table with about 100 Military M16 Pens. John Weaver, Bill McGinnis and I gave interviews. Royce is scheduled to supplement the interviews with a demonstration on Friday. Things went very well! This interview is to air in about two weeks.

After the interview, John Weaver and I delivered 28 wig stands to Avera. I am proud that we have donated 138 this year.

The August Wood Expo is fast approaching as is the September Augustana Tree Auction. You'll receive additional information about these events when we receive it.

NOTICE. Starting September 7, 2024, we will follow a new meeting format as follows:

1. 10:00 a.m. to Noon Lathes Out/Social Time/Raffle/Show and Tell

Camaraderie is one of our strongest assets. People may simply drink coffee and talk woodturning at this time. This is also an open turn time. Less experienced turners can come with questions or projects seeking assistance. Mentors could devise topics and lead small groups. Members could collaborate on a project. Admittedly, the format needs to be developed but it is a great opportunity to show what we're about.

2. Noon to 1:00p.m. Business meeting

We are growing. We are incorporating as a board ran 501(c)(3). Our 10am meeting time now provides a social outlet that some may have found during our business meetings. Therefore, I am streamlining our decision-making process given the authority granted to me in our Bylaws.

Our business meetings from September through December will be closed to our general members. The meetings will be attended only by our board of directors. The meeting will not convene and will be adjourned if general members attend. General members can voice their opinions by voting for board members and voicing opinions to them in the future.

Board members must notify the President of all topics and expenditures prior to any meeting on such issue. Any matter raised without reasonable notice to the President will be tabled until a later meeting.

If a board member is unable to attend a meeting, they must find another Board Member to provide their report and give the President advance notice of the topics and expenditures for discussion. Emergencies excepted, please handle what you've agreed to handle.

3. 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Demonstration

There is no demonstration scheduled for September 7th. Instead, we will use this time to sharpen and organize our tools for the upcoming Community Education classes. We will need at least three people to sharpen tools. We will need at least another five or more to itemize and organize the toolboxes.

Thank you.

Aaron Salberg

President of the SWT

August Meeting Minutes...

Siouxland Woodturners August 3, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 1:00 PM by President Aaron Salberg. 37 Members and guests were present and introduced themselves. A quorum was determined and reported by the secretary.

It was moved by John Olson, seconded by Bill McGinnis and passed by voice vote to accept the minutes from the June meeting as published in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report (Mike Dimock)

Jack Zimmer for Mike Dimock, treasurer, who was unable to attend the meeting, presented a review of the Treasurer's report. An ending balance of \$2810.97 was reported with one outstanding bill of \$67.00 yet to be paid. It was moved and seconded that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. The motion was passed by voice vote.

Committee Reports

Wood turning Expo – August 17 (10-7)-18 (10-5) at convention center (WoodcraftsExpo.com)

10 X 10 booth donated to the club. Need 2 demos ...one Saturday @1:00 and one on Sunday @12:30

Set up will be Friday...we will need table and chairs

We can sell things if desired

\$50.00 fee for electricity

We will receive 3 passes for the 2 days and cost is \$5.00/pass for additional passes, Do not need a pass to set up

Must clean up after ourselves

John Weaver will bring the trailer

Michele – sign up

Rex – has the information

Equipment (Bill McGinnis) – Bill reported that we need to clean and sharpen tools as part of our September meeting. He also reported that there are some parting tools that need to be purchased (the money has already been allocated for this purchase). Brass filings are available to anyone who wants them.

Old Business

New Business

Aaron presented information regarding a change of structure for club meetings and a suggestion for changing our status to a 501 C3.

Comments have been received by members that we are a "turning club" and not a "business club". Thus this was presented.

- On the 1st Saturday of each month at the Harrisburg shop if we adopt this procedure....

- 10:00 Am - 12:00 Pm – lathes be set up and members/guest be allowed (with mentors) to turn a project or to learn to turn.
- 12:00 - Business meeting to include a raffle and show and tell
- 1:00 – Demo

Discussion items.

If a 501 C3 is obtained. (Currently a C4)

- The board and not the members run the business and decisions of the club
- Grant moneys are more available for a 501C3
- An annual report of all committee heads is required
- IRS requires a short form
- The treasurer will have more responsibility

After much discussion John Olson made a motion to pursue a 501 C3 and change the order of our meeting agenda to start in September and be permanent. Jeff Albrecht seconded the motion and it was passed by voice vote.

*Aaron will assume the leadership in obtaining a 501C3

KELO interview – Aaron – Tuesday at 1:30

Wig Stands –Club members continue to make wig stands

Motion made and seconded for adjournment at 2:00 PM, passed by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Ranah Sample, Secretary

Challenge for August – Wall art – Gene Wubben (off-center turning)

(Show and Tell) – pictures in newsletter, facebook and on the website

Raffle - \$77.00

Demo – Jeff Albrecht - Staves

Challenge for September – something “thin”

***There is no demo scheduled for September but we need to clean and sharpen the tools in the tool boxes.**

Program/Demo for September:

None – the time will be spent prepping the lathes and tool boxes for the upcoming fall classes as well as sharpening tools for these classes. As a reminder, these classes are the club's primary fundraising activity for the year.

Fall 2024 Community Ed Classes

Michelle reported that our education classes start in October.

Classes are as follows:

101 (1,3,8)

Calls (10)

Platters (15)

Xmas/ornaments (17)

10 students maximum for each class.

It's not too early to think about being a teacher or mentor for these classes.

Woodcrafts expo August 17-18

We get 3 passes with our booth. A total of 10 people have expressed interest in helping at the booth, either setup/teardown, demonstrating or being at the booth. I will be heading to the convention center Friday early afternoon to purchase the additional 7 passes. We need to figure out how to get the passes to the people who have asked for them. Will the club pay for the passes (\$5 each) or should individuals pay for their own? I will take the signed contract with me to the CC.

As of this point, we are in booth #20 according to the expo, which is booth 17 on the map that was supplied earlier. This is due to other exhibitors getting double booths.

The booth will have an 8 foot back drop and 3 foot side curtains.

We are welcome to sell our products at the show. We will be required to turn in a sales tax form after the show is over whether any sales are made or not. Sales tax is 7.7%. Does each person who sells something need to send in the tax or should we pool any tax monies and submit it at one time? Deadline to turn in a form and any collected tax is September 20, 2024.

One of the forms I have says the booth includes an 8 foot table with cover and 2 chairs. Between John Weaver and myself we will provide additional tables as we have room. Michelle has procured additional table covers.

The CC rules state no outside food or beverage allowed.

Setup is Friday 8-8. We can use the back loading dock to get the lathe in.

Show hours are 10-7 Sat and 10-5 Sun. They want somebody at the booth at least 20 minutes before the doors open.

Here are the names I have for passes:

Michelle Bierstedt, Aaron Salberg, Al Hird, Gene Wubben, Greg Eastman, Dennis White, Brad Hakeman, John Weaver, Rex Pommier, Al Warnock.

August challenge – wall art.

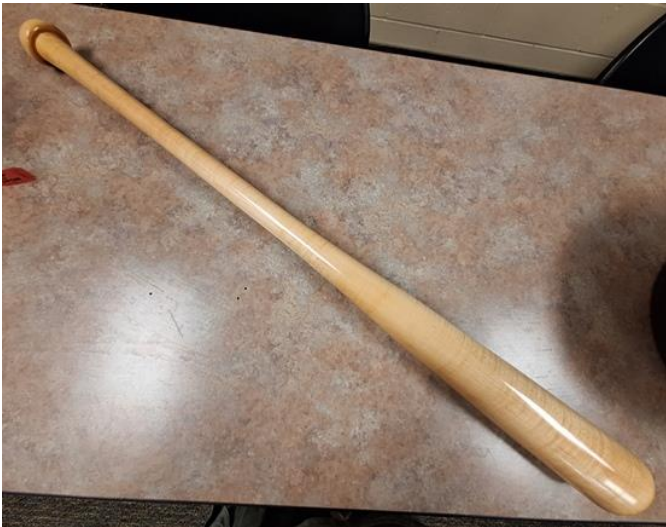




Winner Gene Wubben

August Show and Tell









More wig stands



