

Sawdust and Shavings Dakota Woodturners Newsletter

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AAW Chapter #115



The Prez Sez

Greetings and Happy New Year!

I'd like to start by thanking Kirk Maize for guiding us through the past two years. There were many obstacles (like the pandemic thing) but he was able to guide us through them.

Welcome new board members. Thank you Ron Day for accepting the position of Vice President and Kleber for continuing as a member at large. I'd also like to thank Denise, Spud and Mike for the wonderful job they did this past year!

New members (and current members), if there is something you'd like to see a demonstration of or something you need help with, ask. I have found the DWT members to be extremely generous with time and knowledge. Please use this huge amount of experience to help you with your woodturning. Remember to practice, practice, practice.

John and Ron will be meeting with the Career Academy instructors this week and will let us know the schedule for this semester at the meeting. Please consider helping, even if it's for a few days.

I am in the process of digitizing all of the old newsletters. Thanks to Weldee Baetsch and Louis Pittman for the wonderful time capsule chronicling our clubs past. These will be located on our website (www.dakotawoodturners.com) under KEY DATES COMING UP: DWT Christmas Party: Jan 8 DWT General Meeting: Jan 8 E-Board Meeting: Jan 11 Spring Symposium: Apr 23, 24, 25

Members>Newsletters. Take a look back at some of the early newsletters.

There will be a new section within the newsletter called "My 2ϕ ". It will be a spot where we will feature someone's comments about a particular woodturning product or woodturning process. If you have a product or process to talk about, contact me and give us your 2ϕ on the subject.

I'd like to talk about the Presidents Challenge. This is an opportunity for you to practice what we demonstrated or featured at our meeting. For the Presidents Challenge I will provide a prize for those that participate that month. To be eligible for the end of year Grand Prize you need to complete 8 challenges throughout the year. I'll keep a chart and if you miss a meeting there will be a way to make up for that month.

Start thinking about creating a turning for our annual raffle. It's easier to start early and get done than to work against a deadline.

If you haven't thought about the DWT Christmas party on January 8th at Steve Hamar's house, please do. It's a great way to meet the other members, relax and have some fun. Let Steve or Mark know if you're interested.

Practice, practice, practice... mk

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<u>General meeting minutes – December 11, 2021</u> called to order at 9:03 a.m.

There were 4 guests/new members in attendance.

Election of Officers – John Warren presented a slate of officers for elections of Mark Kielpinski for President, Ron Day for Vice President and Kleber Hadsell for Member at Large from the Nominating Committee. There were no other nominations from the floor. Becky Warren moved that the group accept the slate of officers presented by the nominating committee. Steve Hamar seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Old Business:

Grant - The group was reminded that the \$5,000 grant must be spent and documentation presented by Feb. 2, 2022 for reimbursement. John Warren has been shopping and reviewed some of the items purchased for the club so far. Acme – Kirk thanked everyone for all the help at this event. Ron proposed that we explore doing more formal demonstrations in the future such as turning a bowl from 9-10 and 1-2, etc. The demos can be promoted more and not as dependent on foot traffic. The location this year was not ideal and has already been discussed with Acme. The Jet representative sent us a set of tools for helping out with an ad at Amce. Career Academy – Members have helped two weeks and have received great feedback. They will need help for a class next week. See John or Ron to get the volunteer form to complete if you haven't done so before. Women in Turning (WIT) – Denise Johnson said they had 5 women turn Snowmen on Nov. 28th at Steve Hamar's. Some turned table top snowmen and one turned an icicle style. Discussion was held and the group will be moving to the Career Academy on a Thursday from 6-9 p.m. Steve Hamar made several riser for the ladies to use when turning and offered them to the group to use at the new location. The ladies of WIT are very thankful to Steve for the use of his shop and help and to the other

men in the group who have been mentors for turning.

<u>Freedom Pens</u> – Dolly Erickson told us that we did not donate pens this year but wants to resume the donations this coming year. She reviewed the members who have checked out pens that have not returned them yet. She also brought 40 pens to the meeting to be checked out. The pens need to be returned before November 2022.

Shirt order – Dolly also stated she needs a couple more orders for t-shirts that was started a couple of years ago. She modeled one of the shirts from a previous order. See her if you are interested in ordering.

<u>Library</u> – Dolly brought some items to the meeting. She will bring things each month and you can contact her to get other items from the library. There are no fees or return date for the items. Place your name on the yellow check out card and give the card to Dolly.

<u>Educational grants –</u> Stan Zamulskis reminded everyone that there are 3 grants available and only one application has been received so far. The deadline is Dec. 31, 2021. There are paper copies of the application or you can find one on our website too.

New Business:

Dues are due by the end of December – pay Spud

<u>Spring Symposium –</u> Mark Kielpinski said they will be bringing in one person to present – John Beaver from California. The symposium will be April 23-25, 2022. The presenter will demo all day Saturday, then Sunday and possibly Monday will be hands on opportunities. He will be doing a ribbed bowl and the project is <u>not</u> geared to beginner turners.

Ron Day indicated that they will need to know if the group wants them to plan a spring 2023 symposium using the old format.

<u>Christmas party</u> – will be at Steve Hamar's on January 8th starting at 5:00. Supper will be at 6:00. The Woodhouse will be catering the main meal. Members should bring appetizers or desserts. Cost is \$20 per person attending. Bring a gift if you want to participate in the voluntary gift exchange.

<u>Doughnuts –</u> members are reminded that the club does not fund the cost of the doughnuts and members should donate when participating in the coffee and/or doughnuts. Denise Johnson will bring doughnuts in January. Raffle – Becky Warren motioned to have a raffle in 2022. Steve Hamar seconded the motion and the motion passed.

<u>Mystery prize</u> the winner was Steve Hamar President's Challenge – the winner was Alan Welte

Year End President's Challenge – the winner was Alan Welte (again!)

Louis Pittman brought some items for sale and others for club donations.

Steve Hamar has anchor seal available for sale.

The club gave a big thank you to Kirk Maize for leading us during the past two years.

Show and Share -

Kirk Maize - elm bowls

Kleber Hadsell – black ash burl with resin fillers Dave Malarkey – peppermill and salt shaker George Scholl – bowls of various woods

Mike Orgaard – mesquite burl, salt & pepper shakers and cross branch lidded box

Guy Otteson – segmented insulated tumbler Alan Welte – willow burl bowl and cedar shallow bowl

Jerry Duppong – Mugo pine vase

Rebecca & Mark Kielpinski – zentangle eggs and spheres with pops of color

Wayne Peterson - tall vase

Sam Fears - pine urn with elm lid

John Warren – white oak large bowl

Bill Baer – lidded box and ice cream scoop

Dale Sauer brought in tops.

Meeting adjourned 10:28 a.m.

Demonstration following meeting was finishing the rough turned bowl from two months ago.







MY 2 Cents: (Mark Kielpinski)

Woodburners

I'd like to talk a bit about my experience with woodburners. Since I have been off my feet the last six months I have spent more time sitting and embellishing on items that I have made. The main tool I've been using is a variable temperature woodturner. There are two types of woodturners. The solder type pen and the variable temperature unit. Variable temperature brands include Razertip, Colwood and Nibsburner. With the variable temp units you also have fixed tip pens and interchangeable tip pens. The fixed tip pens are just that, the tip is soldered onto the end of the pen and is permanent. The interchangeable tip pens have one main pen and you switch out the tips for the burning task. There are advantages and disadvantages to each type of pen. I chose the fixed tip pens when I started. I can easily unplug a pen from the unit and plug in a different pen and it is ready almost instantly. I started with three basic pen types, a skew (knife-like), a writing tip (blunt bent wire) and a spoon shader (other). The different pens can be expensive (disadvantage) but I've collected a ton of them. I also have different types of pens and the adapters that allow them to be used with various burning units. I currently use the woodburner to create Zentangle patterns on wooden spheres or wooden eggs. The assortment of pens that I have allow me to create different burned marks or shadings on the items I'm creating quickly. Speed is not a concern for me right now. An egg will take from three to five hours to create. A sphere from five to eight hours. What I appreciate about the various fixed tip pens is that they provide different burning profiles and are quick and safe to switch allowing me to focus on the item I am creating. When I finish the egg, sphere or bowl, I am amazed at how well the tools create an eclectic illusion of patterns and shading to enhance the one of a kind item. If you'd like to know more about enhancing your turnings with woodburning, just ask, I'd be happy to share what I know with you.



(Zentangle Sphere)

For Sale:

Delta Industrial 46-460 12-1/2-Inch Variable-Speed Midi Lathe, with Stand \$600. Includes extra tool rests, NOVA chuck, faceplate, and live center.

Works great, I just upgraded to a Powermatic 3520B

Contact Dave Malarkey: 701-226-5633

More Information: 1 hp max, 1,725 rpm motor Large 12-1/2-inch swing capacity provides the largest capacity in its class. Drive spindle: 1 inch -8 RH TPI thread Electronic variable Speed with three-pulley speed ranges provide the required speeds needed to turn a project without changing belt position Forward and Reversing function allows the turner to achieve a superior finish.

