



# Sawdust and Shavings

## Dakota Woodturners Newsletter

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### The Prez Sez

Prez Sez January 2023

Happy New Year! I hope that everyone had a relaxing time over the holidays with family and friends. I'm writing this just after the second large snowstorm of the year. Hopefully this does not get to be a trend that carries over into the new year. If it does then at least I know my flowers and yard will have adequate moisture when (if) spring decides to take over. Until then, I will use the extra time to work in the shop on a variety of projects.

You should have had time to take a look at the WoodTurners Wonders website (<https://woodturnerswonders.com/>). We are planning to finalize our order at the January meeting. If you did not see previous emails it was confirmed that we are able to order any items from the website. As a group they will ship for free to one location. There may be shipping charges on grinders unless we order a bunch of them, then they would ship them for free on a pallet. I did not ask how many we needed to order to get free shipping for the grinders as well. There is also a discount for a pair of CBN wheels is you are ordering those.

This year we are returning to the typical Spring Symposium. For those members that have not

#### KEY DATES COMING UP:

DWT General Meeting: January 14  
Club Christmas Party: Jan 21, 2023

participated in our usual Spring Symposium I'd like to explain how it works. The symposium is typically in April. We have three turners that will guide you through three different types of projects/turnings. Usually two of the turners are professional turners from outside of DWT and one turner is a local turner. We start on Saturday morning and participants are divided into three different groups. After the first three and a half hour session we have lunch and then we rotate presenters. The participants stay in their original location and group but we move the presenter so Saturday afternoon you are getting your second project. We finish the day around 4pm on Saturday. Sunday morning you get your third project. Again, you stay in the same place and we break for lunch around noon. When you return from lunch the three presenters will each do a demo. There is no hands-on at this time, it is a demonstration of a project from the presenters. We typically clean up around 3pm and our day is complete. Group sizes are limited to about 10-12 in a group. When it comes time to register, please don't hesitate to sign up.

Remember, practice, practice, practice...

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## **General Meeting Minutes – Dec 10, 2022**

Meeting called to order at 9:05 a.m.

There was one guest – Mark VanHout

Stan Zalumskis made a motion to approve the minutes as published, second by Kleber Hadsell. Motion passed.

Treasurer gave a report.

Old Business:

Dues – Dues for 2023 are due and you can give your money to Spud and coordinate with Stan to get your name tag stickers updated.

Nomination Committee – the committee found people to run for each of three open positions on the board. The slate presented was Mike Orgaard – Member at Large, Todd Richardson – Secretary and Steve Wolf for Treasurer.

There were no additional nominations or volunteers from the floor. Steve Hamar moved to cease nominations and vote on the slate as presented. Jim Papachek seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Mark Kielpinski thanked the out going officers for their service – Spud Gruman and Denise Johnson. (Mike Orgaard ran for another term as Member at Large and was re-elected).

Traveling Exhibit – Becky Warren has one item collected so far. Mark Kielpinski stated he had 3 additional items for her today. The items collected will be put on display at various venues once there are enough to display, such as the library, nursing homes, etc. The artists info and club info will also be part of the displays. The items are not permanently donated to display and can be retrieved and/or replaced with new items at any point.

Christmas party – we may need to revise the location or date of the party. The final decision will be made at the January meeting.

New Business:

CBN wheels – a discussion was held on the need to replace the club's wheels for safety reasons. There was additional discussion regarding recommended grits and types of

wheels. Consensus seemed to lean toward 180 grit being the best option. There is a special on wheels that could result in 20% of the order back to the club is a \$1,500 minimum order is placed. Mark will get more information and present it at a later date.

Grant – United Tribes (UTTC) and the Career Academy have partnered to use a grant obtained by the Career Academy to serve underprivileged populations. They are planning a 1 day event with a morning session and an afternoon session on February 4<sup>th</sup>. There will be 8-12 kids at each session and they will each turn a pen and a top. Our club will be paid for providing mentors to help with this event. The club will use pen kits from the Freedom pen supplies to use at the event and will replace the supply when needed.

Skills USA – North Dakota is the second state to offer this program. This is a kids club of turners where the kids pick the projects and mentors guide them.

Spring academy classes will run late January to early March. Dates will be announced then set.

Capital Great Hall demonstration – February 2<sup>nd</sup> we will be demonstrating at the Capital. Items for display will be needed and people to help. A sign-up sheet will be at the January meeting.

Women in Turning (WIT) – meeting after today's meeting to finish their turned ornaments. The next meeting will be the third Thursday in February.

Peggy Rask sent photos of the memorial display for Cliff Rime that was on display at the Dickens festival in Garrison. The photos will be sent to Kleber to include in the newsletter.

Educational grants – members were reminded to apply for the 3 grants of \$500 available for 2023. The grants can be used to attend wood turning events (i.e. Louisville national event or Rocky Mountain symposium) or to pursue advanced skills. Upon completion of a presentation to our group, the grant will be given to the awardees.

John Warren made a motion to allow Bill Baer's 2022 educational grant to be used in 2023. A second was made by Stan Zalumskis and the motion passed.

The Mystery prize was won by George Scholl, who received a birdhouse kit and wood and a bottle stopper kit. Conversation regarding bird houses recommended that people check out the Audobon Society's site for particular requirements based on the type of bird you are trying to attract. ND Game & Fish site may also have information on it.

The President's Challenge year end winner was Steve Hamar, who received an assortment of wood and other items. Mark indicated the January President's challenge will be an AAW challenge where you make a project from an AAW magazine and bring it in to share.

Steve Hamar has anchor seal for sale. Weldee brought in magazines for free and some apple pen blanks.

Conversation was held regarding various galleries where members have seen or displayed wood items, including a gallery attached to Mayo Clinic with turned art from all over the world and Capital Gallery here in town. Today's demonstration will be Mark Kielpinski on texturing turned items and Rebecca Kielpinski on air brushing.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Ron Day, seconded by George Scholl. Meeting adjourned at 10:34 a.m.



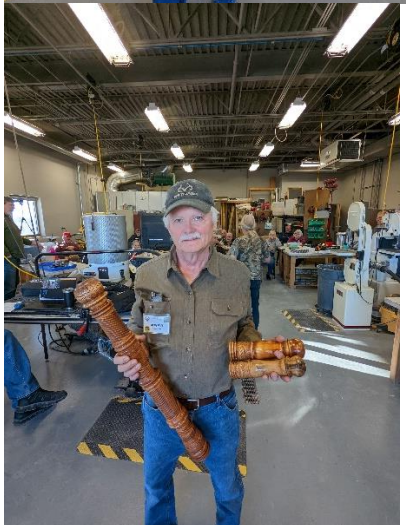
### *W.I.T.*

### *Women In Turning*

Next meeting is scheduled for Feb 23. Stay tuned for specifics.

Show & Share Saturday Dec 10 Pics:





## DWT January 2023 - My 2¢

It's a new year and usually about this time we are reminded about making a New Years' Resolution. Well, those have never really worked out for me so what I like to do is a Challenge. I'm going to challenge myself to learn how to do segmented turning. Just the basics though. I already have some knowledge on woodburning, zentangles and spheres. Just sticking to those could keep me busy for a long time. I want to be able to cut the pieces for a ring so that there is little sanding or correction needed. From what I have read, this requires a cutting sled to cut the pieces. The two main sleds I've seen are the zero clearance and the wedge sled. There seem to be a lot of resources at

<https://segmentedwoodturners.org/>. I know that there are some exceptional segmented turners in DWT. I'm looking for some advice. I'm sure that there are some others in the club that would want to hear this knowledge as well. What do I need to do to become a segmented turner?

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Remembering Cliff:



Some of the local businesses and organizations that support DWT via discounts, donations, places to meet etc.

