



Sawdust and Shavings

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Prez Sez

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We wrapped up our summer events and are now into our fall schedule with three weeks of mentoring at the Bismarck Career Academy. I would like to thank everyone for their support over the summer and for your time and commitment to make the fall mentoring sessions successful. I know the instructors at the Bismarck Career Academy appreciate our efforts and the kids enjoy the learning opportunity.

It is hard to believe that fall is here, and Halloween is just around the corner. The Dakota Woodturners are working out the details on a Fall Demo and Hands-on learning session. This year we will be filling the demonstrator slot with someone from our chapter as we just ran out of time to get an outside demonstrator. We hope to have the Fall Demo on our regular November meeting date and then the hands-on session on Sunday followed by a second session on either Monday or potentially a Saturday later in the month of November. We will send out an email as soon as we have the details worked out. I would like to thank Larry Nelson for an excellent demonstration at our September meeting on "Finishes". The wealth of information provided, and the practical application of that information will help all of us on completing the finishing process on future turnings. Thank you, Larry.

As I write this Prez Sez, several of your fellow DWT members are just returning from a weekend at the Rocky Mountain Woodturning Symposium in Loveland, Colorado. The symposium had an outstanding line-up of demonstrators from across the US and France. The Rocky Mountain Woodturning Chapter

KEY DATES COMING UP:

October DWT meeting: Saturday 10/12

Is always welcoming, and they are not afraid to put us to work and treat us like their members². The symposium is a great opportunity to network with other AAW Chapters across the region and to connect with future potential demonstrators for our symposium. I'm already looking forward to next year's trip. It is never too early to continue to fill our spinning top jug for next summer and to begin turning for next year's summer raffle. I hope to see you at the upcoming meetings. In the meantime, "Keep the Chips & Ribbons Flying" and let's do it Safely.

Ron Day

DWT Meeting Minutes

There were no minutes from the September meeting.

September Mtg Show and Share:



Just a reminder that the Flickertail Woodcarving Club has their annual show and carving classes this Saturday and Sunday, October 12/13. There may still be room in the Bark carving class if anyone is interested. In the past some of our group have combined their turning with carving. If anyone is interested there will be beginning carving classes on Tuesday nights for eight sessions for \$10.00 per class. The show is open to the public from 12:00 to 5:00 on Saturday. On Sunday doors open at noon, the raffle drawing is at 4pm and doors close at 5:00. Come and check it out.



Vo-Tech Teachers Hands-On Session





Member Vetted Videos:

If you have a video (YouTube, Vimeo, etc...) that you have watched and believe that other DWT turners could benefit from watching it, send us the link. This could be a video related to something that we are working on or interested in, a demonstration of a project (making a bowl, pens, hollow form, etc...) or a related skill (applying finish, sanding, lathe maintenance, etc...). Please include a quick description of what the video is about.



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

