



Sawdust and Shavings

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March is here! The Dakota Woodturner's Hands-on Symposium will be here before we know it. During our March meeting we will review the symposium projects, the tools needed and other details. We will be going live with the symposium sign-up on our website within the next couple of weeks as well. Please consider signing up for the symposium, it is sure to be a great learning opportunity.

As a reminder, we will be at the State Capital on March 26 during the legislative session. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to show our state policy makers who we are and to talk to them about our turning program at the Bismarck Career Academy. We may have the off chance to have a conversation with other state elected officials as well. It never hurts to promote our chapter and our youth turning program. Please turn in your pledge sheets for the DWT raffle as the date to get our raffle permit is approaching fast. It's never too early to turn in your donation items for the Mandan Band Blast as well.

This week we are back at the Carrer Academy working with the kids and it is great to mentors willing to give of their time. We have a great bunch of kids again this semester and they are extremely excited to learn the art of wood turning. Not much else to review, so enjoy the warm spring like weather and hope to see you at Saturday's meeting. Keep the Chips and Ribbons Flying and do it Safely.

Ron

KEY UPCOMING DATES:

Career Academy Mentoring: 3/3-3/6

March DWT meeting: Sat 03/08/25

ND Capital Demo: Wed 3/26

DWT Spring Symposium: Sat/Sun/Mon 4/25-4/27

Mandan Band Blast: Sat 4/12 (see note at end of this newsletter)



Ron's Wind-Swept ND Pine Tree Demo 2/08/25

DWT Meeting Minutes

2/08/2025 Chapter Meeting

Recorded by Todd Richardson

Meeting called to order 8:59

Guests included Pete from Minot. Additionally Lacy Yokum came to invite us to be involved in the Mandan Band Blast event. This is the 40th year for their Band Boosters organization.

Stan made a motion to approve the minutes from the January meeting and the January E-Board meeting as published in the February newsletter.

George seconded. Motion Carried

Steve Wolff gave the treasurer's report and discussed the details of the bank account transfer.

Capital Demo is 8:00-4:00 on March 26th. Spring Symposium will be April 25-27th. Summer Demo with Emma Cook is during the meeting of June 7th with workshops to follow the 8th and 9th. The workshops are limited to eight attendees per session and will cost \$100.

Ron is looking for volunteers to be turning mentors at the AAW Symposium. The conference schedule will be available in March. Signup sheets were passed around for the summer raffle items.

Educational Incentives were awarded, congratulations to those who will be awarded. John Warren put the school training schedule on the whiteboard. He also encouraged people to arrive for our monthly meeting at 8:00 for happy hour and to help setup. Mystery prize was won by Jon. Congrats

George Scholl brought in a cottonwood vase and a big ash bowl. Doug Alm brought in a boxelder candlestick with figurative voids. Dave Malarkey made a vase from the laminated maple core of a bowling pin. Jeremy Guinn completed an eight pointed star and brought in some learning pieces to discuss the process. Jon Schuck brought in a bud vase. Larry Nelson brought in a WIP – a wormy three-sided chestnut bowl. James Rudick crafted a rimmed goblet inspired from an old woodworking magazine. Jim Porter also brought in a goblet, this one with captured rings. Peggy Rudick brought in a pizza cutter, a bowl, and some laminated plates. Mark Kielpinski declared it to be sphere season. He also had an apricot bowl and an elm vase. Then he

pulled another vase out of his pocket. Kleber Hadsel made spoons, inspired from the last month's demo.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 and was followed by a demo of an off-axisND pine tree.

Feb 8 Mtg Show and Share:







Mandan Band Blast
Mandan Eagles
Saturday, April 12 5:00 p.m.

DWT Members-
PLEASE bring your donated items to the March 8 meeting. Donations will earn you AND a guest a free Prime-Rib or Shrimp Dinner. Check your shops and get rid of some old, dusty items that are just taking up space. Each year the Band Boosters tell us the Woodturner Table brings in the most money. Hopefully, we won't let them down. Contact Becky Warren (256)996-3252 for a pick-up if you are unable to bring to the meeting.



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.

