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From the President...

I want to thank everyone for making this past year a great year for the Siouxland Woodturners.

If you have learned something new or gotten a new piece of equipment or tool, please consider doing a demonstration for the club or bringing your new gizmo for us to try during the upcoming year. We also need your ideas for what you would like for programs during the upcoming year. If you can’t make it to the November meeting please contact me or one of the other officers and we will present your ideas to the group when we set our meeting dates and topics for 2012. We may have some meetings where, in addition to our formal topic, we have some small groups practice turning whatever they need help with. We need your ideas!

Again, thanks for making 2011 a successful year for our club. I am confident 2012 will be even better!

Sue Smith, President
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Upcoming Meeting Notes

Saturday, November 12, 2011
1:00 PM

Ag Education Shop
Harrisburg High School

Harrisburg High School is located approximately ¾ of a mile west of Harrisburg. The Ag Ed shop is located around back in the northeast corner of the building. If you have trouble finding the place call Royce at (605) 351-9435.

Annual Business Meeting & Tree Decorating

We will be holding our annual “reorganizational meeting” when we elect officers and set many of our meeting dates and topics for the coming year.

We will also be decoration our tree for the Festival of Trees event. Bring your ornaments and “gifts” for under the tree.
**News Briefs...**

**Last Call For Ornaments!!**

This year we will, once again, be donating a Christmas tree to the Sioux Falls Festival of Trees event. Last year our tree received the “People’s Choice Award” so we have set the bar pretty high. If you have ornaments you would like to donate to the cause please bring them to the November meeting. We will be decorating the tree at the November meeting. For those of you who do not turn ornaments we will also need some “gifts” for under the tree. Any items you could donate would be appreciated.

**Annual Reorganization Meeting**

At our November business meeting we will be reorganizing for the upcoming year. This is time when we elect officers for the upcoming year. We have many members who are capable of leading our organization so please consider serving as an officer. At the November meeting we will also set many of our meeting dates and topics. If you have specific topics you would like to explore in the coming year please bring those ideas with you to the meeting.

**Contact info and name badges**

Be sure to check with membership chairman Ron Seim to be sure your contact information is correct and up to date. Also, if you have not received your engraved name badge let Ron know and we will get that taken care of.

**New Web Site Links**

Be sure to check out the “LINKS” tab on our club web site. Along with all of the other links, Corky has listed a number of links to ornament turning ideas. Be sure to check them out!

**Classified Ads**

We would like to have the “Classified Ads” section of our web site become a little more active. If you have some tools to sell, some wood to sell, give away or trade or are looking for something specific please let our web master, Corky Miles know and he will get your ad listed on the site.
At the October Meeting…

Show and Tell items at the October meeting.

Socializing after the business meeting.
Turning an “Inside-Out ornament.

Sue starting one of her ornaments.
Minutes from the October meeting

Siouxland Woodturners
October 2011 Minutes

- Call meeting to order
- Introductions
- Approve previous minutes
- Approve treasurer’s report $1485.08
- Upcoming Events

Old Business
1. Festival of Trees
   a. Gala event- November 18
   b. Public event- November 19
   c. Deliver tree by November 17 at 6:00 PM
   d. Event is at Avera’s Prairie Center
   e. Members are reminded to bring their ornaments and other “gifts” to the November meeting. Tree will be decorated at the Nov. meeting.
   f. Ron, Corky and Royce will shop for a tree and revolving stand
   g. Jim S. presented 2 web site ideas for demos of turning ornaments
2. We are continuing to acquire various woods for our “50 State Tree” project.
   a. Members are encouraged to take a piece of this wood home with them to turn an object for this ongoing project.
   b. If you are able to get one or more of the species we are missing please contact Royce.
3. The lathe stand we are receiving from the Jet rep. has been received and assembled. We will be sending a thank you to Stan Houston and the Jet rep.
4. Safety equipment
   a. Sue brought 2 types of face shields as well as dust masks for club use.
   b. Corky donated several pairs of safety glasses for club use.
   c. Members are encouraged to use proper safety equipment both at home and at meetings.

New Business
1. Stan Houston will be stocking the “Serious” brand of lathe. We may have the opportunity to turn on this lathe at this year’s woodworking show.
   a. The lathe they will be stocking has a list price of $7900.00
2. Doug Noteboom reported on a person in Rapid City who supplies bowl blanks.
3. Was decided to move November meeting to Saturday, Nov. 12 so that decorated tree is not sitting in the school quite so long.
4. Sue suggested that at future meeting we have 2 “programs” going on.
   a. Main topic & demo going on in one corner
   b. “Back to Basics” activities going on in another corner
5. Next meeting is Saturday, November 12 at 1:00 in Harrisburg HS Ag Shop
   a. Annual reorganization meeting
      i. Elect officers
      ii. Set upcoming meeting dates and topics
   b. Decorate Christmas tree

- Several members offered items for show and tell
- After adjournment of the business meeting members then spent time socializing and watching demonstrations of ornament turning