



The Turning Point

The newsletter of the Siouxland Woodturners Chapter
of the American Association of Woodturners

August 2025

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Upcoming Meeting Info

Saturday, September 6, 2025

- 10:00** Announcements/Safety Message
- 10:30** Sharpening & Open Turning
- 11:45** Raffle and Show & Tell
- 12:00** Exec. Meeting/Lunch
- 1:00** Sharpening & Open Turning

**Ag Education Shop
Harrisburg High School**

(1300 E. Willow Street, Harrisburg, SD)

Drive around to the northeast side of the building and park in the gravel lot.



September 6th Challenge
Multiple Materials

September 6th Activity
*Sharpening & Organizing
for Community Ed Classes*

SAFETY MESSAGE

Daryl Elcock, Safety Officer

The ABC's of Woodturning

- *Anchor**
- *Bevel**
- *Cut**

Anchor the tool securely to the tool rest. Engage the tool **B**evel (starting with the heel) with the workpiece. Slowly adjust the angle of the tool until the **C**ut begins.

These steps may seem basic to more experienced turners. However, a reminder of safe practices is never a bad thing. These reminders are particularly important as we mentor our new group of community education students this fall.

From the President...

Below is a tentative schedule of meetings, activities and demonstrations for the remainder of 2025. There are a number of interesting and important things going on. Please join us if you can.

September 6:	10:00	General Announcements; Safety Message
	10:30	Sharpening/Organizing (for Comm. Ed. Classes) and Open Turning
	11:45	Raffle and Show & Tell
	12:00	Executive Business Meeting (If there are any raised issues.)
	1:00	Continue the Sharpening and Open Turning
October 4	1pm	General Membership Meeting; Safety Message; Raffle, Show & Tell
	2pm	Demonstration: Woody- Carving Techniques on Turnings
November 1	10:00	Safety Message
	10:30	Pens for the Military Turning Day.
	12:00	Lunch - pack your own or take a friend to eat at a restaurant.
	1:00	General Membership Meeting and Election; Raffle; Show and Tell
	2:00	Continue with Military Pen Turning
December 6	1:00	Safety Message; General Membership Meeting; Raffle; Show & Tell
	2pm	Demonstration: Jack Zimmer- Video Hollowing

You will note that the November general membership meeting will include election of officers for 2026. Please consider stepping up to serve our chapter. Most of our current officers would be happy to give someone else a chance to put their talents to work. Every one of our members has something to offer and we would benefit from their leadership.

See you on September 6th!

Aaron S.

Community Education Classes

The fall Community Education woodturning classes will be starting up soon. Community Education is one of the more important activities we do as a club. Please consider signing up to instruct or mentor one of these classes. You need not consider yourself an "expert" to mentor the students during these classes.

<i>September 23, 2025</i>	<i>Woodturning 101</i>	<i>Canton HS, Canton, SD</i>
<i>September 25, 2025</i>	<i>Pen Turning</i>	<i>Canton HS, Canton, SD</i>
<i>October 7, 2025</i>	<i>Woodturning 101</i>	<i>Lincoln HS, Sioux Falls, SD</i>
<i>October 9, 2025</i>	<i>Woodturning 101</i>	<i>Lincoln HS, Sioux Falls, SD</i>
<i>October 16, 2025</i>	<i>Woodturning 101</i>	<i>Lincoln HS, Sioux Falls, SD</i>
<i>October 21, 2025</i>	<i>Bottle Stoppers</i>	<i>Lincoln HS, Sioux Falls, SD</i>
<i>October 23, 2025</i>	<i>Platter Turning</i>	<i>Lincoln HS, Sioux Falls, SD</i>
<i>October 28, 2025</i>	<i>Turning Mushrooms</i>	<i>Lincoln HS, Sioux Falls, SD</i>

At the August Meeting...

Siouxland Woodturners August 2, 2025 Meeting Minutes

An informal meeting was “called to order” at 12:15 with approximately 20 members present. Others arrived later in time for lunch, show & tell, raffle, etc.

Treasurer reported a balance of \$4480.11 with \$64.00 being brought in from the raffle.

Other items of discussion included community education classes both in Canton and Sioux Falls; the ordering of club t-shirts; putting together a list of members willing and able to haul the trailer to meetings, community ed classes, and special events; rear trailer lights not working as well as they should (Cleo will look into this); upcoming woodturning symposia (SWAT, Rocky Mountain, etc.); various items for sale or give away. Official action was neither taken nor needed concerning any of these discussions.

August Show and Tell Items





The August Challenge: "Matching or Complimentary Objects"



**1st Place: Michelle Bierstedt
2nd Place: Gene Wubben**

Bowl Turning Competition...



**1st Place: Ed Hoffman
2nd Place: Doug Noteboom**