



The Turning Point

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

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Upcoming Meeting Info

Saturday, November 1, 2025

- 10:00** Safety Message/Social Time
- 10:30** Pens for the Military Turning
- 12:00** Potluck Lunch Break
- 1:00** General Membership Meeting/
Elections/Show & Tell/Raffle
- 2:00** Continue Military Pen 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.



November Challenge

There will not be a monthly challenge for November

November Activity

Pens for the Military

REMINDERS

November Potluck Lunch

The November Meeting/Pen Turning will include a potluck lunch. Bring something tasty to share!

Community Ed

Classes start soon! Get signed up to assist as either an instructor or as a mentor. It really is a lot of fun!

Officer Elections

The November general membership meeting will include election of officers and appointment of committee members for 2026. Each of our members has talents and insights that can benefit our club. Please consider serving your fellow club members in a leadership role.

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.

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 October 4th!

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 October 4, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Siouxland Woodturners
October 4, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by the president at 1:00 PM.
Introductions were made with 20 in attendance.

Treasurer's Report (Al Warnock)

An ending balance of \$4850.43 with \$60.00 to be added was reported. It was moved and seconded that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. The motion was passed by voice vote.

Al reported that the Canton Community Ed woodturning class brought in \$180.00.

There were no motions to present to the membership.

John Olson moved that the meeting be adjourned with John Weaver seconding the motion. By voice vote meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ranah Sample, Secretary

There was a great Show and Tell of member's items!

Pictures will be available in the newsletter, website and face book.

The monthly challenge was Mushrooms with the following winners....

1st – John Olson

2nd – Michelle Bierstedt

3rd – Greg Eastman

The raffle brought in \$45.00

Prior to the meeting Michelle gave an update on the community ed. Classes

The pen class had several that would like to come next month to the military pen making

Michelle reported that the first two classes went well and 5-8 are signed up for each of the next 4 classes. Mentors are still needed!!

The November meeting is the military pen meeting. It was decided to have a pot-luck lunch and a 10:30 start.

October Show and Tell Items





The October Challenge: “Mushrooms”



1st Place: John Weaver
2nd Place: Michelle Bierstedt
3rd Place: Greg Eastman

October Demo: Woody Collingwood Carving Techniques on Turnings

