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#### SPECIAL DATES OF INTEREST:

- May 14, 2011—9 AM  
Regular meeting at BSC
- May 17, 2010 - E-Board Meeting 7:00 pm  
Dakota Farm Mandan, ND
- May 19-21, 2010 - Utah Woodturning Symposium, Orem Utah. See web site: <http://www.utahwoodturning.com/>
- June 11, 2011—9 AM  
Regular meeting at BSC
- June 24-25-26, 2011  
AAW National Symposium, St Paul, MN

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### The Prez Sez



The Dakota Woodturnings Spring 2011 Hands-on Symposium is in the books and I would like to say one final thank you to all of the participants, the E-Board Members and everyone that had a hand in making the symposium a great success, "Thank You". Now it is time to start developing plans for next year and incorporating the learnings from this year's event. At the May meeting, we will be asking for your input on what worked, what needs to be changed and what should be added to improve the symposium. We will also be asking for the Club's confirmation to move forward with planning a 2012 Spring Symposium. So, mark your calendar for

the May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting to ensure we get your input. If you are unable to attend the May meeting and would like to provide input on the symposium and/or voice your ideas for next year, please contact an E-board member prior to the May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Don't forget to bring your items that you have created show casing the projects and techniques you learned at the symposium. Even if you are having trouble with a certain step in a project, please bring the item in and I'm sure one of the other members will be able to help you get the project back on track. I hope to see numerous items at the "Show & Share" table.

I believe we had everyone's tools and equipment back to the rightful owner after the symposium closing (even the mysterious missing wolverine jig found its way home). However, if you are missing something or you find an extra item in your tool box, please let me know and we can announce it at the meeting and get it in the Newsletter. Again, I think we were pretty successful at getting everything back in the right tool box.

The program for the May meeting is "back to the basics". Duey Marthaller and I will be covering the basic tools and uses, between centers turning, face turning, etc. We will also provide some basic information on sharpening of the tools. I know many of you will have ideas on basic turning as well, so please be prepared to throw out your ideas and questions. This program is intended to be an interactive learning session.

Don't forget to sign -up for the AAW Symposium in St. Paul, MN. If you are planning to attend, you have until May 15<sup>th</sup> to sign up at the regular registration fee. After May 15<sup>th</sup>, the registration fee goes up. Hope you to see a large group of Dakota Woodturners at the National Symposium.

That is pretty much it for the month and I hope you can make the May meeting; until then "Keep the Chips and Ribbons Flying" and "Do it Safely".

Ron Day,  
President

**Dakota Woodturners****Regular Meeting Minutes**

April 9, 2011 Meeting

No regular meeting was held due to the annual DWT Hands-On Woodturning Symposium.

Dolly Erickson, Secretary,

**E-Board Meeting April 5, 2011**

Meeting was called to order by President Ron Day. Present were Ron Day, Alan and Dolly Erickson, Greg Pollert, Ralph Feland, Weldee Baetsch and Pat Schweitzer.

Ron Day is donating a spindle gouge to be used at the Symposium to raise donations for Pete Holtus Benefit. Tickets will be sold. All monies raised will go to the Benefit.

The responsibilities of people involved with the Symposium were reviewed.

(All were listed in the April Newsletter). All are on board with needs to be taken care of.

Everyone is to meet at BSC at about 3PM on Friday to assist in setup.

Ron noted that Gary Nagel had presented a demo at the Scranton School.

No word has been received on the grant applied for.

The Bismarck Tribune and TV stations will be contacted so that information can be presented to the public to bring awareness of the Gallery.

Meeting adjourned.

Dolly Erickson,  
Secretary

**Dakota Woodturners****Executive Board Meeting Minutes****E-Board Meeting April 12, 2011**

Ron Day called the meeting to order at 7PM. Present were Ron Day, Ron Torgeson, Ralph Feland, Greg Pollert, Dennis Schwind, Pat Schweitzer, DiAnn Roberts, Larry Zubke, Dolly Erickson, Weldee Baetsch and Duey Marthaller.

Bills were submitted and Larry Zubke will finalize all the totals from the Symposium.

The May program will be presented by Duey Marthaller and Ron Day pertaining to Fundamentals of Turning. In June, Kris Roberts will present a program on Offset Turning.

The Instant Gallery was deemed a real success. A guest book was suggested for next year. Dolly Erickson offered that Alice and she would get one together. Also it was suggested that the signage should include the types of wood used on the displayed as well as prices if the piece were for sale. The possibility of having a wooden plaque available (similar to the one on the wine bottle) that could be signed by the Demonstrators that partake in our Symposiums was discussed.

The facility was liked by all. The need for more signage was addressed. Signs should be posted to denote each room, addressing the boundaries as to where the public viewers should be standing and referencing the treats brought are for participating members.

Disappointment in the maintenance department was noted from several. Service for price was not good. There needs to be more access to water. Double checking needs to be done as far as having the rooms locked overnight.

DiAnn Roberts reported that we had 27 displays with 215 items on display. A special thank you was given to DiAnn for all her hard work, great presentation of displays and a job well done.

Over \$200 was raised for the Benefit for Pete Holtus. Thanks to Ron Day for the donation of the spindle gouge

and congrats to Gary Nagel on buying the winning ticket. Thank you to Stella Baetsch for donating the beautifully decorated cake at the dinner.

Ron presented a readout of the 2011 budget, actual expenses and receipts plus the 2012 budget. At this point we are about at a break even point if the outstanding donations and grant come in. Suggestions for possibly having only one or two demonstrators brought in and having local turners do some demos so as to cut back on expenses was discussed. This will be presented at the May meeting.

DiAnn gave the report on the Library update. We will have it available to us for all of Sept., Oct. and Nov.. The space is 54" high by 92" long. The spaces are 23" wide and the shelves are 12" wide. Kathy Vander Vorst (Head of Displays at the Library) had been to the Gallery and was pleased with all the items on display. She would also like a picture of the turner to be in the case as well along with the items presented. Those would be available through Spud.

It was noted that each person would have to put his/her items in a box, have them labeled with his/her name as well as the type of wood used. Price or "Not for Sale" should be noted also. These would have to be brought to the August picnic at the latest.

Pat Schweitzer also noted that we need about 30 more wine stoppers to complete the AAW project. These should be brought to the May meeting. Ron has more stoppers available.

Weldee Baetsch brought an email relating to having an article written up to be sent to the Assistant Editor of the Wood Turning Magazine.

Duey brought up the fact that we need to put together a new brochure. Larry Zubke said he had started on one a while back and will get back to working on it. Should be able to get pictures from Spud. Dennis also has some. It was suggested that one picture be of one actually turning a project and not just display items.

Dolly Erickson will check on the possibility of having a display at BAGA.

Ron Torgeson gave a report that The ND Council of the Arts has a Technical Grant with a 50% match available. This to be brought to May Meeting. Please bring any suggestions.

The Silent Auction brought in \$1286.00. Thanks to all.

Meeting adjourned 8:45PM.

Dolly Erickson, Secretary

# WHO



When he is not working in the Bobcat Engineering department, Jerry Duppong is a do-it-yourselfer at home. In addition to woodwork repairing projects he builds cabinets and bookcases. He has been a DWT member for two years.

Jerry says he is just getting back to woodturning. To refresh the applications of general techniques of turning he attended and enjoyed the DWT Symposium (despite blowing up his bowl during that segment of the schedule). He still has not decided a favorite wood, but for items he leans toward making small bowls.

Bev, Jerry's wife, is cook manager at Sunrise School. She does craft work and along with Jerry does gardening. They have four children and eight grandchildren.

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