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March 2016



March 5th meeting

**Tom Shields**  
**Turning a Small Box**  
**with a Friction Fit Lid**

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# The Call of the Lathe — March 2016

To me, there is no greater joy in woodturning than introducing someone to the craft and helping him or her perfect the skills needed to be successful. Oh sure, I love woodturning myself. That is why I spend so much time in the shop. But it is such a pleasure to see someone to whom you have taught something be able to apply that information or skill and do it well. In February we had our first Skill Enhancement session with three members turning, one watching, and another helping. Our intention is to expand that effort to two times a month in hopes of being able to reach more of our members whose schedules may not jive with the one time. We haven't really settled on just when to do this so your suggestions are certainly welcome. I know weekends may be best for most but with woodturning already taking up three Saturdays a month for me, I am trying to keep one of those open. We are thinking mostly in terms of a weekday evening but know many of you have set events on certain evenings which is why we will likely go to two a month.

I propose that, at least for April, we devote the morning of the first Saturday to Skill Enhancement. We are not planning a regular meeting that day because we are having our soon to be annual Flint Hills Woodturners Anniversary Party that evening. But since we all have that Saturday morning blocked out anyway, it may be a good day to enhance our skills.

But we need lathes, don't we? Well, yes, mostly, but some of you may want to enhance your sharpening

skills, too, so some can spend time working on that. Besides, the club is now the proud owner of a Delta Midi lathe, one of the early ones. In fact, it is only three serial numbers past the one I have and identical to it. We still intend to get another lathe for FHW when we receive our grant funds from the American Association of Woodturners but this lathe was an unexpected opportunity which we just couldn't pass up. With my three, the club's soon-to-be two, and Randy's willingness to bring his new Delta Midi, we will have six lathes on the floor for Skill Enhancement. Come on out!

As we approach Spring, those of us who are turning in an unheated garage will be getting pretty excited about the warmer weather. We can throw open the garage door and let all that dust drift outside without freezing us out of the shop. If your turning skills have rusted a bit over the winter, consider seeking a mentor to help get you tuned up so you can really enjoy the good weather to come. Randy Zelenka, our Vice President, is keeping a list of those who would like to be mentors and will match you up with someone who can help. Just see Randy at a meeting.

So much going on! Monthly meetings, Skill Enhancement sessions, new lathes, public demonstrations, library materials soon to be ordered, and just a great time coming together to share the joy of woodturning. Thank you for being a part of it.

—Tom Boley



**Potluck**  
**Saturday, April 2nd**  
**5:00 to 8:00 PM**

**First United**  
**Methodist Church**

**612 Poyntz Ave, Manhattan**



# Meeting Minutes — February 2016

The monthly meeting of the Flint Hills Woodturners began at 9:00 am, February 6, 2016, at RedOak Hollow Lathe Works, 4025 Walnut Creek Drive, Wamego, Ks. President Tom Boley called the meeting to order with 27 people in attendance, including two first time visitors.

Several items were presented for Show and Tell.

President Tom Boley announced that an officers meeting would follow the regular meeting. All members were welcome to attend.

New business cards were passed out to the members. These cards were designed by Bob Holcombe, and can be used as an easy method to promote the club and recruit new members.

President Tom Boley discussed the raffle and silent auction that were held at each meeting as a fund raiser. Everyone was encouraged to participate. All members were encouraged to pay their dues for 2016.

Many thanks to Lisa Zeller for the bulk glue purchase. Several members took advantage of the reduced price for CA glue and activator.

President Tom Boley was pleased to announce that Flint Hills Woodturners had been successful in their grant application to the AAW. The club received a grant in the amount of \$1500.00 to be used to start a library, and to purchase a midi lathe. A big thank you to David Delker and Randy Zelenka for their time and effort.

Please let Vice President Randy Zelenka know of any DVD's or books that you would like the club to purchase. Also the club will accept donations of DVD's or books .

President Tom Boley asked if anyone would be interested in the job of librarian. He asked the members to consider volunteering.

## **Officers Report:**

Newsletter Editor Bob Holcombe announced that he would submit our newsletter to the AAW newsletter contest. Each year the AAW holds a contest for the Best Chapter Newsletter. He also asked for suggestions on items of interest to the club members, and reminded members of the classified section.

Operations Director Don Eisele reminded members that volunteers would be needed for the Home Show,

March 4th thru the 6th, and also for the demo at the Discovery Center.

Programs Director David Delker announced that a segmenting symposium would be held in Boston on October 27–30, 2016. He discussed data from the email survey that he had conducted. Top choices were artistic design, critique of work, and finishing.

David has joined with the Kansas City and St. Louis woodturning clubs in a calendaring project. This will allow the clubs to keep track of each club's events and guest speakers, the idea being to share the cost of bringing demonstrators from the outside.

Treasurer Tom Shields was absent.

Secretary Dan Zeller asked for suggestions on the minutes.

President Tom Boley announced that the club would hold a potluck dinner on Saturday, April 2nd, in celebration of our first anniversary. The dinner will be held at the Methodist Church on Poyntz Avenue.

Vice President Randy Zelenka discussed details of the grant and how the club has been proactive in education, both in the community and thru the mentoring program for our members.

He also stated that there is a wealth of information and knowledge on the AAW website.

Discussion was held on a club membership list. Privacy concerns were discussed as well as the benefits of a membership list with pictures. It was decided to proceed with a list.

## **Raffle Winners :**

Dick Pannbacker Bowl gouge

Dan Zeller Purple heart blank

Philip Dix Floor mat

Gary Hobbie Salad bowl finish

Lisa Zeller Gear ties

Gary Hobbie Foam brushes

Steve Bietau Safety glasses

— Dan Zeller

# Show & Tell

Members are invited to bring a piece that they have turned to show and to tell other members how they made it, what was difficult or easy, what is special about it, how they finished it or anything else that will be of interest to other members.



Randy Zelenka



Dennis Biggs



Kevin Dix



David Delker



Peter Dorhout



Tom Boley



# Show & Tell



Dick Pannbacker



Don Baker



Ray Case



Bill Mathewson



Ernest White





# February Program — Finishing, Part 1

David Delker discussed the importance of safety equipment. He stressed the importance of safety eyewear. He discussed the difference between a respirator and a dust mask and the appropriate use of each one.

He then demonstrated his Trend Airshield hood with positive pressure. This hood protects the user's eyes and provides filtered air to breathe.

Bob Holcombe discussed the benefits of power sanding and different types of equipment for power sanding. He stressed the importance of a sharp tool and the benefits of a good finishing cut to minimize sanding. He also recommended cleaning the surface of your project of dust before moving to the next grit of sandpaper.

Lisa Zeller demonstrated epoxy wood filler and discussed its benefits and many uses. Due to the variety of colors and durability, it can be of great benefit to a wood turner.

Don Eisele demonstrated how he uses pour-on 2 part Famocoat Glaze Coat for a water tight finish.

— Dan Zeller



David Delker





# February Program — Finishing, Part 1



Lisa Zeller



Don Eisele



# Events and Marketplace



## AAW's 30th Annual International Symposium

June 9-12, 2016

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## Basic Bowl Class

It used to be called University for Man but over the years, has evolved to just UFM Manhattan and their array of classes is terrific. Among the class selections are iCan with iPad, Sushi Rolling, Genealogy Essentials, Beekeeping, Archery for Adults, and Woodturning for Beginners. It is that last one which is now taught by Tom Boley at his shop, Red Oak Hollow Lathe Works. The class project is a small bowl and is suitable for never-before turners or for those who would like to add bowl turning to their repertoire of woodturning skills. Contact UFM at [tryufm.org](http://tryufm.org) or e-mail them at [info@tryufm.org](mailto:info@tryufm.org). Their phone number is 785-539-8763. This is a great way to jump right into the craft of woodturning in a formal way with an excellent instructor in a comfortable woodshop setting. Come, learn to turn.



Community Learning Center  
[tryufm.org](http://tryufm.org)

# Ya Gotta Eat!



## Flint Hills Woodturners

Join fellow FHW members for our next "Ya Gotta Eat" lunch at noon

**Tuesday, March 15**

at Sirloin Stockade, 325 E Poyntz Ave

Please let me know if you will be able to come so I can get a table to accommodate all of us.

Tom Boley <[tboley10@gmail.com](mailto:tboley10@gmail.com)>

Bring something for Show and Tell.



**Flint Hills Woodturners** is a 501(c)(3) non-profit composed of individuals who are interested in learning and promoting the art of turning wood. Formed in March 2015 for hobbyists in the Flint Hill region of Northeast Kansas, the club welcomes all interested people to visit our meetings to get a sample of this inspiring hobby. You will find warm people from novice to expert willing to share with you. Flint Hills Woodturners is a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners.



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The American Association of Woodturners (AAW) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, dedicated to advancing the art and craft of woodturning worldwide by providing opportunities for education, information, and organization to those interested in turning wood. Established in 1986, AAW currently has more than 15,000 members and a network of more than 350 local chapters globally representing professionals, amateurs, gallery owners, collectors and wood/tool suppliers.

The mission of the American Association of Woodturners is to provide education, information and organization to those interested in turning wood.

## Flint Hills Woodturners Program and Events

Date	Program/Event	Location
March 4-6	Flint Hills Home Show	National Guard Armory, MHK
March 5	Tom Shields: Turning a box	Red Oak Hollow Lathe Works, Wamego
March 9	Skill Enhancement 7:00 – 9:30 PM	Red Oak Hollow Lathe Works, Wamego
March 17-18	Flint Hills Discovery Center Thursday, 17 March, 10 - 6 and 6:30-7:30 Friday, 18 March, 10 - 5 and 6:30-7:30	Flint Hills Discovery Center
March 24	Skill Enhancement 7:00 – 9:30 PM	Red Oak Hollow Lathe Works, Wamego
April 2	Skill Enhancement 8:00 AM – Noon	Red Oak Hollow Lathe Works, Wamego
	Flint Hills Woodturners Potluck 5:00 to 8:00 PM	First United Methodist Church 612 Poyntz Ave, Manhattan
May 7	Steve Harbseit: Pen Turning	Red Oak Hollow Lathe Works, Wamego
June 4	TBA	Red Oak Hollow Lathe Works, Wamego

Unless announced, meetings are held at  
Red Oak Hollow Lathe Works,  
4025 Walnut Creek Drive, Wamego, KS.

Meetings start at 9:00 a.m. but come any time after 8.

