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Officers

President

Jay Stanley

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Jurgen Weiel

Treasurer

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Next Meeting

Tuesday May 9

7 pm

Bozeman High Wood Shop

Topic

Improving your turning tool handling by Tom Robinson

The June meeting is our social meeting and will be Saturday, June 10 at Ron and Jane Lerner's cabin

Minutes of the last Meeting

Meeting called to order by President Jay Stanley. Guests include Michelle Martin, Chris Marth, and Jason Decock.

Treasurer's Report

In Ivan's absence, Dean reported we have about \$100 more than last month in the bank.

Announcements

The AAW is offering half price memberships to new members for a limited time.

We will be holding officer elections in September. We will need a nominee for Vice-President, as Jurgen will move on to the President slot. Ivan is considering whether he will run again for Treasurer. Dean has one more year as Secretary. Jay appointed Tom and Tony as the nominating committee. If you would like to serve the club in a not very demanding capacity, please contact one of them.

Boyd brought a wheelbarrow full of free cottonwood for any who want it.

Our May demonstration will be Tom, presenting on tool control. This will be the last regular meeting of the year. The annual picnic will be June 10 at Ron's cabin, 11 am-2 pm and the next member meeting will be in September.

The raffle featured multiple drawings—3 people were drawn and selected their choice of prize. 2 additional people were drawn and given a prize selected by the President.

Show and Tell was once again excellent.



Announcements

AAW Annual International Symposium, June 22-25, Kansas City. And not hard to get to from here!

OPEN SHOP: once a month during June, July and August. First session will be at Jay Stanley's shop in Belgrade, date and topic to be announced.

Special Executive Board Meeting Friday, April 28, 2017

The Executive Board met to discuss the possibility of the club hosting an expert turner remotely via a 2 way electronic connection. The presentation would be very much like watching a demonstration on the video display in a seminar room, and includes audio and video interaction with the presenter. The biggest advantage to the club is reduced cost—because the demonstrator doesn't have to travel, it will cost us less. The method is still quite new and we decided to let other folks work the bugs out and then we'll give it a try, hopefully early in 2018.

Since we will not be hosting a workshop this fall, the club will put on a one-day woodturning demonstration for the high school shop classes. We have done this previously and it worked out well. There will be 4 or 5 class periods and a different member usually presents each period. We will work with Mr. Brown in selecting a day.

We also plan to work with other Montana AAW chapters on demonstrations, possibly holding simultaneous video demos with one or both other clubs.

The green wood hands-on sessions have been well received and we decided we would like to have small group hands-on sessions more often in the future. To do this, we will arrange some "Open Shop" days when a member will open his or her shop to anyone interested in coming and everyone can work on a particular project, technique or problem. The hosts will need to be those with larger shops and we already have some volunteers. Open Shops will be once a month during the summer and we'll see how things go. If you have a shop that can hold at least 4 people and would like to host a session, or have a burning topic you want someone to cover, contact President Jay Stanley.



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