

Timp Woodturners Association
Meeting Minutes
12 November 2008

The monthly meeting was convened by President Kirk DeHeer at 7:00 pm in the Craft Supplies USA facility with 53 people in attendance (a new high). Clark Hicken and Mike Mahoney were added to our growing membership which now stands at 44 members.

Kirk made the following announcements:

1. The December meeting will be a “Top-a-Thon”. All members are asked to bring lots of spinning tops that can be donated to local children’s service agencies. To avoid choking hazards, all tops should be at least 1-1/2 inches in diameter (large enough they will not pass through a toilet paper tube). We hope to have some fun with these items at the meeting before they are collected for the children. Check the website later for additional information.
2. DVDs of our previous demonstrations are now available at a price of \$10 each for members and \$15 each for non-members. DVDs are in hand for the Lane Phillips, Leonard Cleveland, and Dale Dallon demos and can be obtained from Dale Dallon, the secretary/treasurer.
3. After checking with an attorney, club officers have unanimously agreed we should resume the wood exchange activities we suspended last month. It was the attorney’s opinion that, although Utah laws prohibiting any form of gambling are very broad, the exchanges as we have conducted them are not likely to fall within the statutory definition of gambling in that:
 - a. Both the wood and the tickets are donations from members;
 - b. The wood has no intrinsic value except to woodturners;
 - c. All proceeds remain within the club and do not benefit any individual.

It was also agreed that we would refer to these activities as **wood exchanges** to avoid creating a misimpression of the nature of the activity.

The business meeting was followed by a demonstration by Dale Nish on turning birdhouse ornaments. Notes from that demonstration will be posted on the website in the near future.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dale S. Dallon
Secretary/Treasurer