

Woodturners of North Texas



A CHAPTER OF THE
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF WOODTURNERS



Twentieth Anniversary Year

March Program:

Finishing for the Home Shop

Next Meeting:

**Thursday,
March 29, 2007
Start Time: 6:30 PM**

**R.D. Evans Recreational
Center
3200 Lackland Rd.
Fort Worth, TX**

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Howard Hale, of Dallas, will present a very informative and entertaining presentation on "Finishing for the Home Shop" for our March meeting. Howard brings 22 years of professional woodworking experience to the Dallas Woodcraft store. He was a student of the great Danish woodworking master, Tage Frid, and brings a unique style of teaching that everyone enjoys.



His hands-on approach helps students learn everything from power tools to hand tools to applying fine finishes.

His classes include: Raised Panel Doors, Mortise and Tenon Joinery, Hand-cut Dove-tails, Hand-tool Basics, Building a Smoothing Plane, and his premier class; Finishing for the

Home Shop is a must take by everyone.

Along with his own classroom activities, Howard is in charge of the Education Program at the Dallas Woodcraft store. He schedules all classes and sets up the Second Saturday Free Demo Days.



President's message

by Stormy Boudreaux

... making Good Shavings

WNT NEWS

A large group of WNT volunteers had a great time harvesting a large Hornbeam tree that had fallen over on to Alan Siebenthal's workshop. Alan's wife and family went out of their way to insure a hearty and delicious meal was available for the industrious workers. It was hard work, but the successful reduction of a tree to turning stock with no injuries was the happy end result. There was some wood left, you'll have to contact Alan for access.

The Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, 2222 Welborn St, Dallas has agreed to display our collaborative WNT project that won second place during AAW's 2000 national turning competition. A photo of this project, titled ***Around the World in 80 Turns*** can be found on the WNT web site. It is fitting that the project be displayed at the hospital since inspiration for it was from art work hanging in the main lobby of the hospital.

Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children is one of the nation's leading pediatric centers for the treatment of orthopedic conditions, certain related neurological disorders and learning

disorders, such as dyslexia. We can be proud that our project will be displayed at the inspiration point. Fred Denke, the original leader for that project will head-up the refurbishment as well as designing the display case.

Help with collection and preparation of wood for the Stewart Batty hands on sessions is needed, contact Stormy Boudreaux or John Horn if you can assist.

SWAT NEWS

An invitation has been extended by any member in WNT to apply to be a demonstrator at the 2007 South West Area Turners SWAT Symposium to be held in Wichita Falls on October 5-7. Details can be found in the first 2007 issue of the SWAT newsletter is posted on the website, www.swaturners.org.

Keep your tools sharp, wear your safety protection, and let's make good shavings.

Stormy Boudreaux



Stuart Batty: *Demonstration* *and* *Class Schedule*

The Stuart Batty hands on classes will be held in the shop of Jimmie Gill, 3425 Meadow Oaks Drive, Haltom City, TX 76117, from 9 AM until 4 PM each day beginning Thursday, April 12 through



Thursday, April 19. The all day demonstration will take place on Saturday, April 14 from 9 AM until 4 PM at our regular monthly meeting location: R. D. Evans Recreation Center, 3242 Lackland Road, Fort Worth. If you are not certain about the

dates you are scheduled for classes or if you have any other questions, contact John Horn by either e-mail at johnhorn@flash.net or by phone at 817-485-7397 or cell number 817-944-3993 if he is not at home.

If you have not already paid the class fee, it is due no later than club meeting day on March 29. Any registration not paid by that time will be cancelled and the open position will be offered to those who have signed the waiting list in the order of their application.

If you would like to help in preparing the wood, we need approximately 375 pieces of wood cut to fill the needs of the classes. Wayne Clowers, Stormy Boudreaux, Jimmie Gill, and I have already made a dent in the pile that needs to be cut but there is still much left to prepare. Your assistance would certainly be appreciated. Contact us if you can help.

If you have registered for a class, the following information will help you prepare the things that you will need. The tools that you need are the same for a typical one or two day class.

Please find below the list of tools and wood needed for the 2 Day Technique class.

Tools Used in the Two-Day Techniques Class

Stuart has spares if you do not have all these tools:

- Spindle Roughing Gouge - 3/4" or larger
- Skew Chisel - 1/2" or larger
- Spindle Gouge - 3/8"
- Beading and Parting Tool - 3/8"
- Parting Tool - any size is OK
- Bedan - 3/8"
- Bowl Gouge - 3/8" and any larger ones you have

Additional Note for advanced students:

If you are an advanced student and/or have taken classes with Stuart before, be assured he will have special projects for you to work on in addition to or instead of any techniques the rest of the class may be working on. Stuart is quite adept at working with several skill levels in a class of six people. If you are taking a one day class only, you will still gain a great deal from studying under what I consider as the best teacher on the planet. If you are taking classes of more than two days, you will find this experience especially rewarding.

John Horn



Freedom Pen Turn-a-thon Saturday, April 28, 2006



The Woodturners of North Texas is sponsoring a Freedom Pen turn-a-thon at the North Richland Hills Library on Saturday April 28, 2007 from 9:00 AM until noon.

We will need volunteers to assist in this fine effort. Please contact Wayne Fitch at 817-596-9121 or sign up at the next WNT meeting on Thursday, March 29.

This is an important event to support our troops by reminding them that we are thinking about them. Your name will be attached to each pen that you turn and our members have received many emails in the past from our soldiers expressing their appreciation.

Although we will need some turners to bring mini-lathes, the club owns two mini-lathes, so if you do not have a mini come on out and turn and make some pens. There will be a lathe for you to use. We will also need people to assist in assembly and to talk to the public and answer any questions. We might even get a few new members. See you there.

The North Richland Hills Library is located at 6720 N.E. Loop 820 (southeast corner of Rufe Snow and 820).

North Richland Hills Public Library Woodturning Display

The North Richland Hills Public Library has been a supporter of the North Texas Wood turners for a number of years. Again, this year, the library would like to display turned items made by our members. During the month of April, the library will feature turnings by the Woodturners of North Texas in two large secure locked glass display cases. Depending on the size, we can accommodate about forty or fifty turned items for the club.

If you would like to have some of your turned items displayed, bring them to the monthly meeting on Thursday, March 29. Please include a note to be placed with your piece that includes the title, type of wood, and your name. This is a great way for our club members to show off their work and to promote the art of wood turning and the creativity of the artist. We will set up the "instant gallery" on Saturday morning, March 31. You are encouraged to assist in setting up the display and arranging the items in the cases.

When you bring the piece to be displayed, please have the piece packed adequately for the protection of the turned object. Some of the membership will transport the pieces to the library. After the end of the display period, the turnings will be returned to you at the next monthly meeting. Let's continue our great support that we have with the NRHPL and bring your favorite or your best piece to the March meeting.

The library is located at 6720 N E Loop 820 near the Southeast corner of Rufe Snow and Loop 820 in North Richland Hills.

NOTE: Neither the club nor any individual can be held responsible if your piece is accidentally damaged in transit or handling.

If you have any questions, contact Wayne Fitch at 817-596-9121 or at wbfitch@charter.net.



Mentor Day

March 31

Because the originally planned date of April 7 for Mentor Day is on the Easter weekend, the date was moved ahead to Saturday, March 31 from 9 AM until noon.

Mentor Day is designed to give members an opportunity to learn a particular aspect of woodturning through hands-on experience from a fellow turner who has special knowledge of the subject. By meeting in different turner's shops we have an opportunity to learn how other people function with tools, lathes, accessories, and fixtures.

The following people are opening their shops and providing hands-on instruction to help fellow WNT members:

Stormy BoudreauxPepper Mills
Dale GreenSegmented Turning
John HornSkew Techniques
Mike JonesBasic Bowls
Steve OttBasic Spindles
Larry Roberts and Randy Johnson ... Natural Edged Bowls

Since space is limited in most of our shops, each mentor will have a sign-

up sheet at the chapter meeting this Thursday, March 29th.

If the particular mentor session you are interested in is full, leave your name and phone number with the mentor anyway and possibly he can arrange another session at a later date.

If there is a woodturning topic that you are interested in that is not on the above list, please contact John Horn or Stormy Boudreau with your request. With a group of woodturners as diverse as ours, there is most likely someone in our organization that can help you. We just need to know your desires.

Any questions you have can be answered at the chapter meeting Thursday. If you are unable to attend the club meeting and would like to participate in a Mentor Day session, contact John Horn by phone at 817-485-7397 or by email at john@flash.net for the address and phone number of the mentor you would like to contact.



“Bring-Back” Drawing

Don't forget that if you were the winner of a turned item in February, please bring back a turning that you have made for the March 2007 “Bring Back” drawing. The following members were winners in February: George Butcher (2), Max Taylor, Kirby Wright (2), Bob Davis, Charles Smith, Alan Siebenthal, Tom Checketts, Larry Denning, Fred Denke, Wayne Clowers, and W.J. Stone. If you have fallen behind in bringing a turning to the ‘Bring Back’ drawing please remember to bring a turning to the March meeting.



Advertisements

Powermatic Model 50 Jointer

For sale: Powermatic 6 inch jointer in excellent condition, 240 VAC, \$300. Max Taylor, 817-429-3954 or milmax@sbcglobal.net.

Anchorseal®

The club has purchased a 55-gallon drum of Anchorseal sealant for green wood and it is available to members for \$8.00 per gallon. It is being stored at Larry Roberts' place, 6409 Calender in southwest Arlington. Contact James Haynes for payment.

See WNT website ads page: <http://www.wntx.org/ads/ads.html> for the latest advertisements.

Rules for advertisements: Free ads are available only to WNT members. The deadline for submission or cancellation of an ad is the 10th of the month to be placed in that month's newsletter. Ads will only run for one issue unless notified otherwise. If you wish to continue running an ad for more than one month, please advise the editor, Bill Boehme, by the 10th of the month. Also, if you decide to cancel an ad, please notify the editor by the 10th of the month.

Calendar

NOTE: The Regular Monthly Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month except in September (SWAT Symposium). Board meetings are held at Cafe Express on University south of I-30. Check the WNT web site for any updates. All WNT members are invited to attend. If you would like to join the group for dinner, it begins at 6 PM and the business meeting starts at 7 PM.

XXXXXX XX - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, R.D. Evans Rec. Center, Demonstrator: **TBD**

XXXXX X - WNT Board meeting -- see above for location and time.

March 29 - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, R.D. Evans Rec. Center, Demonstrator: **TBD**

April 3 - WNT Board meeting -- see above for location and time.

April 26 - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, R.D. Evans Rec. Center, Demonstrator: **TBD**

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