

Woodturners of North Texas

A Chapter of the
American Association of Woodturners

April 2013 Program

From the Log to the Bowl

by **Robert Trimmell**

Next Meeting:

Thursday,
April 25, 2013
Start Time: 6:30 PM

Handley-Meadowbrook Lions
Club
6013 Craig Street
Fort Worth, TX

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The program for the April 25th program will feature Robert Trimmell from Tyler showing us "From the Log to the Bowl".

Robert will start off with a Cherry log and then use his chain saw to prepare it to make a bowl blank. He will show the techniques he uses to decide how to prepare the blank and the reasons for his choices. After the chain saw has done its work, he will mount the bowl blank on the lathe and then proceed to turn the freshly cut block of wood into a finished bowl right before your eyes. If you have never turned a bowl that started out as a log instead of a block of wood that you bought from a woodturning supply store, you may be delighted to learn how you can have complete control of the whole process from the beginning to the finished project, sometimes at no cost to you.



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Good
Shavings

The older I get the faster the years pass. Here we are well into 2013 and it has already been a busy year for WNTx volunteers. We started with fine arts day hands-on workshops at two elementary schools. Then came Rockler demos, Empty Bowls Luncheon, Mike Mahoney all day demo, and 5 days of hands-on classes... and that is just the first 4 months. Along with these came several days of preparation. Assembling candle stick and spinning top blanks, cutting mega-wood blocks for Mike Mahoney, and moving lathes for his classes kept the volunteers huffing. All of these were accomplished by about 12% of the club members. It may sound like 'WORK', but at the same time you develop a lot of camaraderie with fellow turners and it is actually fun. I know that it is difficult for those that are not retired to support some of our activities but I would like to see a much larger percentage participate.

I had the good fortune to attend the 2013 Empty Bowls Luncheon last month. It was quite impressive. There were hundreds of attendees and hundreds of pottery bowls and about 150 WNTx donated wooden bowls. Each attendee paid a minimum of \$45 to get in and receive a basic bowl. Additionally there were "bump up" tables with better quality bowls at \$20 and \$100 each. We had several bowls in the \$20 category and two in the \$100 and all sold. There were also turned writing pens and three segmented kitchen rolling pins. Our club members, who received free admittance, demonstrated making spinning tops. We were also quite adept at eating soup and snacks from some of Fort Worth's finest restaurants. You will be hearing more about the Empty Bowls program this year as we make every effort to far exceed 2012's donations.

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Making Good Shavings ... (continued from page 2)

Be sure to turn in your applications next week for the free SWAT registrations.

There are more activities to come, so when the opportunity presents itself, volunteer. You won't regret it.

GLYNN COX



Surface Decoration With Woodburning ... (continued from page 1)

Robert Trimmell began woodturning at Oklahoma Panhandle State University in the early 1970s. Life happened, he married an East Texan, and moved to East Texas, where he found an abundant supply wood! He and his wife Dolly built a home on Lake of the Pines. He bought a Shopsmith to build the house and started his woodturning hobby that became his passion. He joined East Texas Woodturners many years ago. He enjoys teaching at Studio 190 in Lone Star, TX.



Last Month's program

Jimmy & Barbie Holton presented a program about surface decoration with woodburning and wood dyes and paints.



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“Bring-Back” Drawing Winners

Don't forget that if you were a winner of any item in the previous month's drawing, you are obligated to bring a replacement item for the "Bring Back" drawing the following month. You can see the "Making Good Shavings" column in the March 2009 newsletter for updated guidelines on the "Bring Back" drawing. Winners of any turned item should bring back a replacement turned item of their own creation to the next meeting and winners of any other item such as tools or wood are encouraged to also bring a turned item that they have created in lieu of a non-turned item. If you have fallen behind in bringing a replacement item for the "Bring Back" drawing, now is the time to make up for any items that you owe.

WINNER

ITEM

DONOR

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Please bring a replacement item if you have been a winner and have not been able to provide your item yet.



Mike Mahoney Was Here



Mike Mahoney, the world famous bowl turner who now lives in California, came to the Woodturners of North Texas on April 6th for an all-day demonstration. He stayed for five more days of hands-on classes in which 30 class openings were filled by 28 club members of the WNT. The classes included instruction about fundamental turning, hollow forms and hand chased threads, plates and platters, coring and nested bowls, and calabash bowls.

In order to prepare for Mike's visit with us, several teams of WNT members spent quite a number of hours

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chain sawing wood blanks for the classes, moving lathes, providing turning accessories and hosting Mike both day and night. Those involved in preparing the way for the most successful woodturning event of the year in alphabetical order were: John Chandler, Bob Clark, Glynn Cox, Jimmie Gill, John Horn, Sandy Jerrell, John Luderbaugh, Ronny Nuzum, Ron Schiller, Paul Tiefel, and Bob Wiggins.

To help us by loaning us their lathes were: Jeff Allen, Bob Clark, Kenneth Diehl, Jimmie Gill, and Flip Richardson.



Other pieces of turning equipment were loaned by Glynn Cox, Mike Jones, Jim Tanksley and Bob Wiggins.

Our thanks go out to all that generously helped us make this event run smoothly and successfully.



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The 2013 SWAT Symposium is only 4 Months away

What is it? - One of the largest woodturning symposiums in the world.

When is it? - [Friday August 23rd](#) thru Sunday August 25th (only 120 days from the April meeting).

Who is it for? - **YOU!!** Woodturners, New or Experienced there is something for everyone!

Where is it? - [Waco Convention Center](#) 100 Washington Avenue, Waco, Tx.

Where can I find More Information? - [SWAT Home Page](#)

One of the largest woodturning symposiums in the world starts on Friday, [August 23rd](#) and it is being held in your backyard (Waco, Tx.). Last years symposium was the largest to date with over 800 attendees.

You should start planing to attend now.

The [On-Line Registration](#) is available [now](#) thru the **SWAT** website at the

[SWAT Registration Page](#) .

Early registration, which offers a discount on everything, will be available thru [July 25th](#).

Host Hotels

Hilton Hotel
113 South University Parks Drive
254-754-8484

Marriott Courtyard
101 Washington Ave
254-752-8686

Mention **SWAT** while making your reservation

If you want to be assure yourself of being within walking distance of the symposium, you should make your Hotel reservations now.

More hotels, as well as campgrounds, are available.

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Beads of Courage

Beads of Courage is a nationwide-wide program to provide motivation and encouragement to youngsters by recognizing significant milestones in children's progress through the treatments necessary in their fights against illnesses like cancer, heart disease, burns, etc. You can view the full Beads of Courage story at [Beads of Courage](#) .

Beads of Courage started at SWAT in 2010 as the inspiration of the good folks at Wood World, and owner Craig Fyock in particular. This is a project done almost entirely by the **SWAT** Vendors with attendees contributing boxes for a contest. After **SWAT**, the boxes are donated to [Beads of Courage](#) to be distributed to the kids. The Vendors solicit for the prize fund and do the judging of the entries. For details go to the **SWAT** website at <http://www.swaturners.org> under Symposium Information/Beads of Courage.

The response from the turners presenting boxes was outstanding in 2012 with 109 pieces being donated. Perhaps most significant is that we believe this was the single largest contribution of boxes in the history of the Beads of Courage program!

Nationally and Internationally known (Lead) Demonstrators

The following is this years lead demonstrators and brief Description of their Demonstrations. For a more detailed description go to [SWAT LEAD Turners](#) .

Jimmy Clewes –:

- (1) Square Oriental Box which is a square version of his original rectangular winged box.
- (2) Platter including Design and Ergonomics also Colored Rimmed Platter.

Ashley Harwood – Condensed Description of Demonstrations:

- (1) Push-Cut Bowl Turning a thin-walled tall shape bowl using the Push-Cut method.
- (2) Turned Rim and Foot Design-The basics of turning a bowl using the Push-Cut method.

Marilyn Campbell – Condensed Description of Demonstrations:

- (1) Making a Band Saw Inlay - How to design and put together an inlaid platter.
- (2) The Simple Inlay - turning a shallow recess into the blank and filling it

Brian McEvoy – Condensed Description of Demonstrations:

- (1) Deep Hollow Turning with the Large Captive Boring Bar – hollow a 12 to 14 inch deep vessel
- (2) Creating Two Piece Hollow Forms As featured in the Journal of the AAW.

J. Paul Fennell – Condensed Description of Demonstrations:

- (1) Turning hollow forms with home made tools to create gallery-quality vessels.
- (2) A toolbox of embellishment techniques to spark your creativity.

Dixie Biggs – Condensed Description of Demonstrations:

- (1) Simple Surface Treatments - Enhancing your work with some simple textures.
- (2) Need Some Relief? - Relief carving techniques using a rotary power carver.

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Regional Demonstrators

The Regional Demonstrator application period is closed. Regional Demonstrators and their rotation schedule will be posted on the web site ([SWAT Regional Turners](#)) in late April or early May

Highlights of the symposium include:

An [Instant Gallery](#) in which woodturners display their work

[Special Interest Groups](#) will hold evening discussion sessions.

A Saturday evening [banquet](#) that features a [raffle](#) of over 30 beautiful turned pieces.

A 2nd [raffle](#) during Sunday lunch that includes **2 full size lathes**.

Over 40 [Vendors](#) who will sell equipment and supplies to those attending the symposium at very competitive and usually discounted prices.

[Lunches](#) are provided for those who register for the three-day event.

Hands on [Pen turning](#) and [Tool Sharpening](#).

[Hands on Turning](#) area to try out new tools, obtain one on one coaching, or just make some shavings.

Activities for Spouses

This year the ladies will have 3 rooms. Having two classrooms will allow each class to be offered two times, if there is enough interest.

The following is a list of the classes being offered for the Ladies this year. For a more detailed description go to [SWAT Ladies Activities](#) .

Diane Bertrand - Poetry Making: Writing About Home (Max. 10 per class)

Joan Parker - Shuttle Tatting (Max. 6 per class)

Betty Hager - Calligraphy (Max. 15 per class)

Jan Trim and Karen Faulkner - Card Making (Max. 12 per class)

Suzanne Tucker - Crocheted Ribbon Necklaces (Max. 8 per class)

Regina will post A signup form that will include the times and small charge for each of the classes in May.

Diane Bertrand, Trudy Edwards and Betty Waldron - Book Club

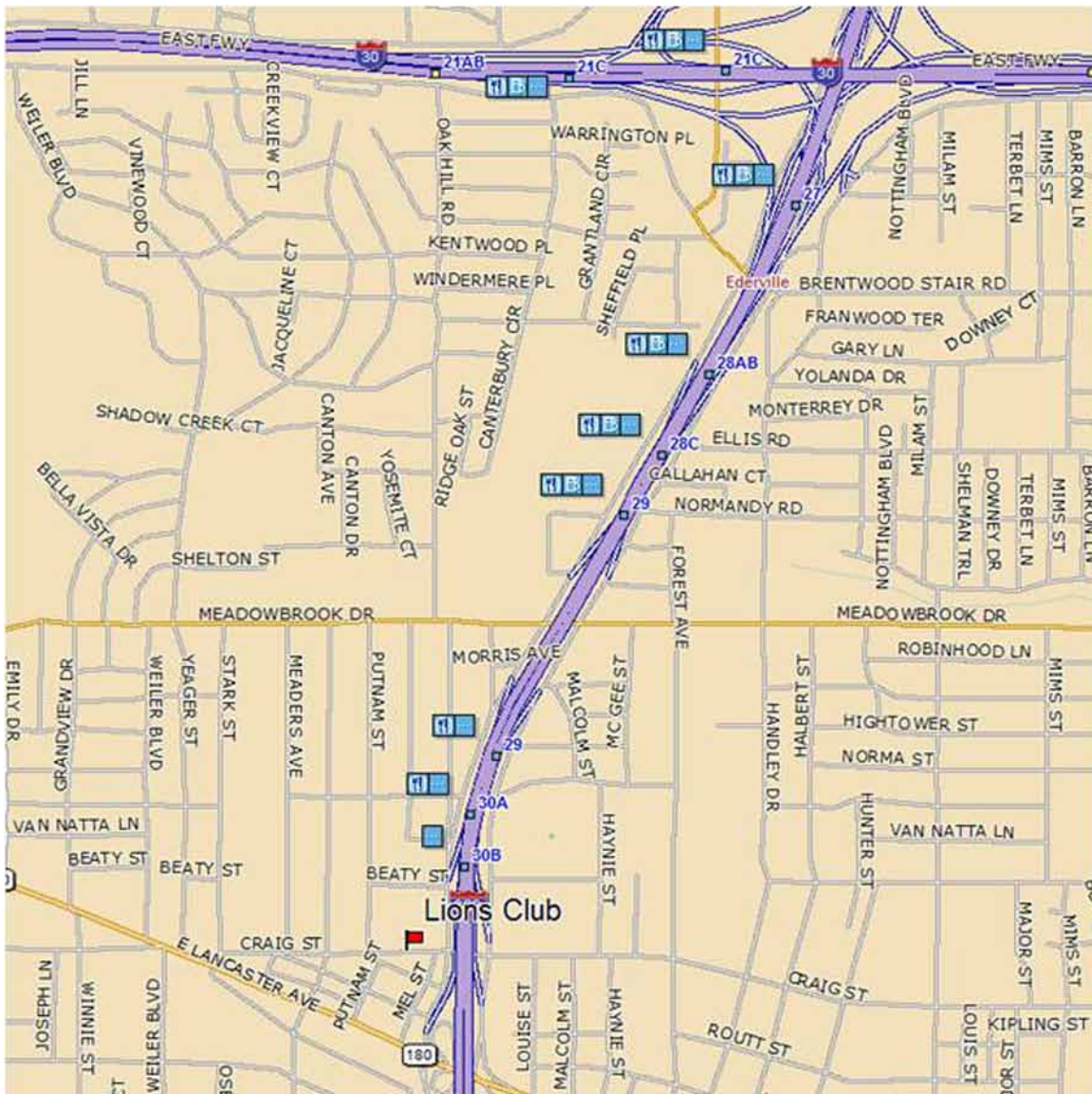
In addition to the classes, I have other activities planned for the Gathering and Gallery Room; including a recipe swap lead by Trudy Edwards and coffee time chats.

There will not be a bus tour this year as there was very little interest last year.

If you have not received an email from me previously, please send an email to the following address and I will add you to the list. regina.dale@verizon.net .

More to follow in upcoming newsletters





***Handley-Meadowbrook Lions Club
6013 Craig Street, Fort Worth 76112
Exit 30A off of Loop 820***

Driving Directions:

Heading south from I30 on I-820 E. - Take EXIT 30A toward Craig St. Take the 1st right onto Craig St. Lions Club is on the right.

Heading North from I20 on I-820 E. - Take EXIT 30A toward TX-180/Lancaster Ave. Follow signs to Craig St. Turn left onto Craig St. Lions Club is on the right.

Advertisements

Anchorseal®

The club has purchased a 55-gallon drum of Anchorseal sealant for green wood and it is available to members for \$12.00 per gallon. It can be purchased at club meetings. Contact James Haynes for payment.

See the [WNT web site ads page](#) for the latest information on what other members have for sale.

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, John Chandler (email vannchan@att.net) by the 10th of the month. Also, if you decide to cancel an ad, please notify the editor by the 10th of the month.

Wood World offers a 10% discount to current Woodturners of North Texas members.

<http://www.woodworldtx.com/>



Rockler also offers a 10% discount to current Woodturners of North Texas members. Show your membership card in order to get the discount.

Woodcraft offers a 10% discount to current Woodturners of North Texas members. Show your membership card in order to get the discount.



Calendar

NOTE: The Regular Monthly Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at the Handley-Meadowbrook Lions Club, 6013 Craig Street, Fort Worth, TX. Board meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at **Niki's Italian Bistro**, 5237 Davis Blvd. (FM1938) in North Richland Hills. 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 6:30 PM.

April 25 - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club
Demonstrator: **Robert Trimmell - From The Log To The Bowl**

May 7 - WNT Board Meeting

May 30 - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club
Demonstrator: **WNT Bowl Team - Bowls On Any Lathe**

June 4 - WNT Board Meeting

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