

Woodturners of North Texas



Next Meeting: Thursday, November 30th, 2017

Meeting Start: 6:30 PM

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

Inside This Issue

This Month's Program	1	Beancounter's Bulletin	7	Beads of Courage	20
Calendar	3	Last Month's Challenge	15	Empty Bowls	21
Making Good Shavings	4	Last Month's Critique	19	Mentors	23

Finishing by Chris Morgan, John Solberg, and Peter Tkacs

We will have 3 presenters talking about wood finishing. Chris Morgan will start out by giving a comprehensive overview of finishing options. He will talk about the solvents for the various types of finishes and the properties of these finishes, like durability, safety, and speed of application. He will bring his collection of finishes and show a number of options to choose from. Also, you will finally learn about the difference between shellac, lacquer, and varnish.

The second presenter is John Solberg. John has done some testing on various finishes you will find interesting. How is one finish more or less

durable than another; is one type of finish more susceptible to damage than another. John will show the results of his experimentation.

And, finally, Peter Tkacs will demonstrate the Beall buffing system and why he likes it as a final step in putting a perfect finish on his turned objects.

The Woodturners of North Texas newsletter is published monthly. Inputs are due to the editor by the tenth of each month for inclusion in that month's newsletter.

WNT gives permission to all other AAW woodturning chapters, woodworking magazines, and newspapers to use any text material and accompanying photos or drawings contained herein for the benefit of woodturners everywhere. We ask that credit be given to the source of the material. WNT logos and graphics may not be copied without permission.

Copyright 2017, Woodturners of North Texas

WNT WEB SITE: <http://www.wntx.org/>

Calendar of Events

Nov 30th - Open Shop 3:00 PM

**Nov 30th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club,
Demonstrators: Chris Morgan, John Solberg, Pete Tkacs
“Finishing”**

Dec 9th - Christmas Banquet 5:00 PM, Lions Club

**Jan 25th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club,
Demonstrator: TBD**

**Jan 26th - Smithfield Elementary School Fine Arts Day Project
– See John Horn**

=====

WOODTURNERS OF NORTH TEXAS NEWS FLASH!!

NEXT WEEK, NOVEMBER 30

**3:00 PM-OPEN SHOP... Bowls, boxes, Christmas trees and snow
men are the turning themes**



... making
Good
Shavings

President's report for November 2017

Five years has come and gone very quickly. I was elected president of our club in 2012, and with a great executive board team we have made a lot progress. We moved to our current location in early 2013, started our monthly challenge program and built our top of the line A/V system which made us the number one room sponsor at SWAT. We instituted our RISE and Beads of Courage service projects and have enhanced our Empty Bowls and school arts day programs. Our popular yearly nationally known turner classes have been doubled to biannually. Our Christmas banquet has expanded to include more door prizes, raffle items and the turning auction has made us fiscally sound and able to expand our outreach. Our club is now a 501(C)(3) charitable organization and has virtually doubled in size to 212 members and continues to grow.

Now it is time for me to move along, kick back and enjoy my hobbies. Four other board members are also retiring this year: Bob Wiggins, Tom Beatty, Randy Johnson and John Lauderbaugh. I am happy to say that new board members: Bill Collins, Pam Thompson, Brian Begina, David Baulch and Ray Moyer stepped forward to take our places. I am confident, with your support, that they will continue guiding the club to new highs. I have been proud to serve as your president but I am not gone. As your new "past president" I will, God willing, be participating in the various club endeavors for a while longer.

"Bob's Challenge" for November is table center pieces for our Christmas banquet. We will need at least 33 nice turnings to be given away at the banquet. Bob will be announcing his final chal-

lence for December and Pam for her January challenge. Also, don't forget your name card for the photos.

Upcoming events:

This Thursday's meeting will be started with our quarterly 'Open Shop' beginning at 3:00pm. If you are a mentor setup begins at 2:30. If you have any questions about turning, sharpening, tooling, finishing or... then come and get your questions answered by our knowledgeable mentors.

Christmas Banquet, raffle and turning auction on Saturday December 9th. This will be a great time to celebrate together with a wonderful meal, raffle and door prizes of tools, wood and lathes then our famous turning auction. This auction is the primary financial resource for our club, so start saving up your dimes and dollars because James does not take plastic. But he will take a check from members. New turner or old, it is time to start that special turning for donation to the auction. See James Haynes Christmas banquet article in this newsletter.

Empty Bowls is another WNT community program that continues through the year. Those that turn the most bowls get first choice at attending the luncheon in February so time is getting short. Bowls, pots, pens, any turned item is acceptable so bring your contributions to the meeting where they will be collected.

See you at 3:00pm Thursday and be safe.

**Glynn Cox
President**





Saturday, December 9, 2017



WNT Christmas Banquet

Location: Handley Meadowbrook Lions Club, 6013 Craig Street, Fort Worth

The Banquet begins with the food preparation.

There will be ham, turkey, pulled pork, and beef brisket as the main course, with vegetable, breads, salads, and desserts that are brought by each member:

Drinks, (cokes, tea and coffee) are supplied by the Club, as are the plates and utensils. You need to bring yourself and other members of your family (kids are welcome) along with a dessert and either a salad or a vegetable, and immerse yourself in a warm, friendly environment. Surprisingly, the conversations are not centered around turning... at least not until the "Great Auction" begins. After the meal, we will begin the program that consists of selling Raffle tickets for the big Raffle, distribution of the door prizes, drawing for

the Raffle prizes, and finally the grand finale is the Auction of the turnings donated by the members at the banquet.

Typical raffle items from previous years include things such as: mini lathe, gift certificates, turning tools, turning wood, and other miscellaneous items.



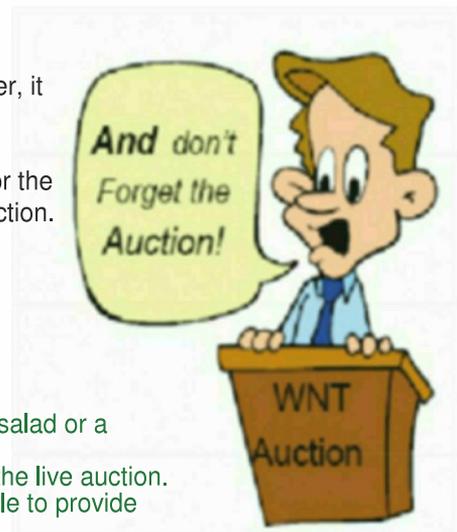
Please remember that each family is asked to bring a dessert **plus** your choice of either a salad or a vegetable.

Schedule:

- 4:00 PM - Set up (tables, chairs, plates, utensils, drinks)
- 5:00 PM - Arrive, socialize (work up appetite). If you can arrive earlier, it will be greatly appreciated.
- 5:30 PM - Meal
- 6:30 PM - Door Prize drawing, Raffle and Auction (bring lots of \$\$\$ for the auction) Also, start working now to turn some items for the auction.

Things to Bring to the Christmas Banquet

- Yourself and your family including children and parents (but leave Fluffy and Spike at home.)
- Your appetite along with a dessert AND your choice of either a salad or a vegetable.
- Some of your favorite turnings that you would like to donate to the live auction. This is one of the major sources of income for our club to be able to provide the quality programs that we provide.
- A big roll of cash for the raffle and the live auction. Raffle tickets and auction items can also be paid for by check.



WNT BEANCOUNTER'S BULLETIN- NOVEMBER 2017

(MOSTLY REPEATED FROM PRIOR MONTHS FOR THOSE WHO MISSED THOSE OR ARE MEMORY CHALLENGED)

2018 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL BEGINS NOVEMBER 30

The cost of membership is \$24 per year. Membership renewals are due at the first of the year. **Beginning at the NOVEMBER meeting**, pre-printed membership renewal forms will be available with the member's individual data pre-printed from the October 31 WNT roster. The member will be asked to review this information, **MAKE NECESSARY CHANGES**, sign and date the form and pay the \$24 dues. Check or cash, no plastic. When paying with cash, exact change is appreciated.

WNT 2017 CHRISTMAS BANQUET-DECEMBER 9, 5 PM (SET UP 4 PM)

Please add the date to your calendar, share this with your family, and plan to attend.

AUCTION ITEMS

Hopefully all of us have at least begun planning for our turnings for the auction. A major portion of the 2018 budget depends on our participation.

RAFFLE AND DOOR PRIZE ITEMS

WNT purchased items will include a mini-lathe, chuck, grinder, electric chain saw, and several turning blocks purchased at SWAT. Local vendors will participate and we will have gift certificates from Craft Supplies.

We as members are encouraged to enhance the door prizes and raffle prizes by donating a tool, turning block, or other woodturning related items. One of our members is donating a Turncrafter mini lathe, another, a Grizzly Midi-lathe.

The tools should be new or gently used. **NO JUNK OR WORN OUT ITEMS PLEASE.** You may have a tool or two that you “just had to have” and which you used a couple to times but is gathering dust and needs to be put in someone’s hands that will put it to use.

I will be receiving donated items at the November 30 meeting so they can be included on the printed list of door prize and raffle items. If you forget, donations of tools will still be welcome at the banquet.

RAFFLE RULE CONTINUED!

The top prize, a Grizzly Model T25920 12x18 variable speed mini-lathe will be the last item raffled off rather than being available for the holder of the first ticket drawn.

IRS RULES FOR DONATED ITEMS, ETC

Your donations to the raffle and door prizes and to the auction as well as your auction purchases may be deductible. An explanation of the IRS rules is included in this newsletter.

Resident Beancounter

James Haynes, Treasurer

Woodturners of North Texas Membership

Income Tax Deductibility of Charitable Contributions

Since Woodturners of North Texas is now recognized as an IRS Code Section 501(c)(3) organization, it is timely to review the IRS rules regarding the deductibility of a contribution of items donated to charitable organizations as well the possible deduction for purchasing items at a charity auction.

Our immediate item of consideration needs to be items donated to WNT for the annual CHRISTMAS BANQUET RAFFLE AND DOOR PRIZES. These items qualify for a charitable deduction. The amount of your charitable contribution is generally the lesser of the fair market value or your basis or cost of the item. Based on the information on the donor form, WNT will issue an email receipt acknowledging your donation. WNT will not express an opinion as to the fair market value of donated items.

A second matter is the valuation of items donated to the WNT ANNUAL CHRISTMAS AUCTION, EMPTY BOWLS, BEADS COURAGE, and similar events.

Be aware that there is a specific IRS rule for “donor created works of art” which would include most of these donations.

Basically the donor’s deduction is limited to his basis or cost. For donated bowls and turned items this would be the cost of the turning blank plus the cost of any finishing materials.

A third topic is the amount of charitable contribution produced by PURCHASING ITEMS AT THE WNT ANNUAL AUCTION.

These purchases fall under the category of “contributions from which you benefit.” The purchased item is considered a benefit of the transaction. IRS rules say that you can deduct only the amount of your contribution that is more than the value of the benefit or item you receive.

When you purchase an item at the auction you have to reduce the amount paid by the fair market value of the item purchased to arrive at the deductible amount. In the case of the WNT auction items, that becomes rather subjective.

WNT will issue an email receipt to auction buyers stating the number of items purchased and the total amount paid. WNT will not express an opinion as to the fair market value of auction items.

You may get more information from IRS Publication 526, Charitable Contributions. You can access the publication at www.irs.gov.

Under present tax law, charitable contributions are deductible on your Federal Income Tax Return, Schedule A, Itemized Deductions. If you use the Standard Deduction rather than itemized deductions, these rules do not apply to you.

I will be happy to try to answer any questions you may have on this topic.

James D. Haynes, CPA
WNT Treasurer

Smithfield Elementary School Fine Arts Day Project

On Friday, January 26th, several members of the Woodturners of North Texas will bring six mini lathes to the Smithfield Elementary School Fine Arts Day event in North Richland Hills where four different classes of fourth and fifth grade students will turn and finish candle sticks under the supervision of the instructor/coaches.

In each session emphasis is placed on safety by insisting that each student wear safety glasses and a dust mask. The students will make candle sticks of their own design with the supervision of their coaches. During the oral presentation in the sessions, the turnings of the instructors will be shown and each turner tells about some of the features of the particular items the students are viewing. Since many schools today no longer teach wood shop classes, we feel it is important that the students be exposed to the joys of woodturning. As a result of our efforts, we are able to see some of the students' parents express an interest in finding out more about the WNT and possibly becoming a member of the organization.

The Fine Arts Day program at the school is held each year to give the students hands-on experience in a variety of artistic activities that are not available in their normal curriculum. The various sessions include painting, dancing, balloon art, music, pottery, woodturning, and other fine arts activities.

From last year:



John Horn

Who's up for a Challenge?

The challenge program's goal is to encourage all members to participate and to grow their capabilities. It is a chance for experienced turners to turn something they never have tried and for new turners to learn.

The October challenge was to turn an emerging bowl. Lots of originality and styles of emerging bowls with some turners turning more than one required. This was good turnout with 19 members turning over 21 scoops. This was an interesting challenge since it was a new idea for almost all our members. Below is a list of members who turned items for the September Challenge:

Jim Barkelew	Bill Holt	Larry Roberts	Scott Wisdom
David Carter	Ron Howe	Larry Sweeney	Mike Wright
Bob Clark	Richard Kenyon	Pam Thompson	Danny Woods
Glynn Cox	Dick Koch	Bob Wiggins	Kelly Wootton
Thomas Echols	Mike Oliver	Joe Wigner	

We also held the quarterly drawing with 38 members having tickets.

Members participating in this drawing are shown below:

Keith Adams	Bill Collins	Richard Kenyon	David Walker
Sharon Ayres	Glynn Cox	Dick Koch	Joe Wigner
Jim Barkelew	Fred Denke	John Lauderbaugh	
Mike Barton	Tom Echols	Jim McGregor	Scott Wisdom
David Baulch	Rick Gauthier	Ray Moyer	Danny Woods
Tom Beatty	James Haynes	Mike Oliver	Kelly Wootton
David Carter	Bill Holt	Larry Roberts	Michael Wright
Don Christiansen	John Horn	Larry Sweeney	Don York
Bob Clark	Ron Howe	Jim Tanksley	Bob Wiggins
Paul Clark	Bruce Imsande	Pam Thompson	

We had 11 packages as awards to distribute that were either bought by the club, Rockler, Craft Supplies, Wood World and club members. The Packages and winners are listed below:

#	Contents	From	Winner
1	Gift Card wood blank	Craft Supply · WNTX	Mike Barton
2	\$20 Rockler Gift Card wood blanks	Rockler WNTX	Larry Sweeney
3	Keyless Chuck	Member	Tom Beatty
4	2 \$10 Gift Card Drive Center	Craft Supply WNTX	Ray Moyer
5	2 \$10 Gift Card Walnut wood blank	Craft Supply WNTX	Bob Wiggins
6	Ambrosia Maple block 2 \$10 Gift Ward	WNTX Craft Supply	James Haynes
7	2 \$10 Gift Card Ambrosia Maple block	Craft Supply WNTX	Rick Gauthier
8	5/8" Bowl Gouge	Wood World	Kelly Wootton
9	Hamlet Scraper	WNTX	John Horn
10	Hamlet Bowl Gouge	WNTX	Glynn Cox
11	Jimmy Clewes Bowl Gouge	WNTX	Bob Clark

The challenge for November is to turn a Table Decoration for the December Banquet. If we have too many, then some will be put in the

Auction at the Banquet. If you have questions, call Bob Wiggins or John Lauderbaugh for information.

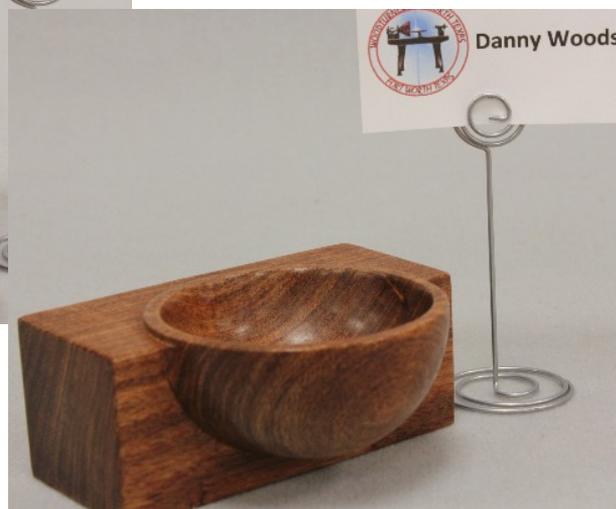
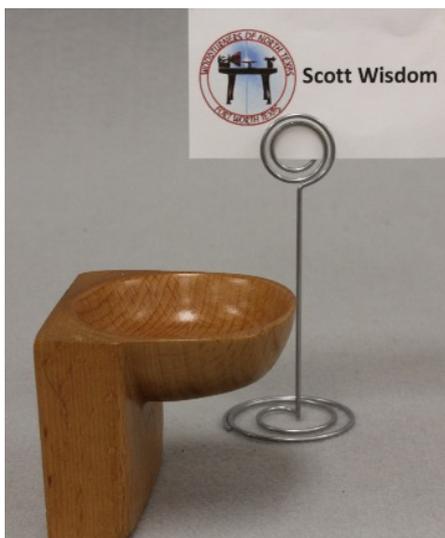
I'm looking forward to seeing all the pretty table decorations that you guys come up with.

Hope to see you Thursday.

Bob Wiggins



Last Month's Challenge: — Emerging Bowls —





**Richard Kenyon**
Grand Prairie



**David Carter**

**Robert Clark**



**Larry Roberts**



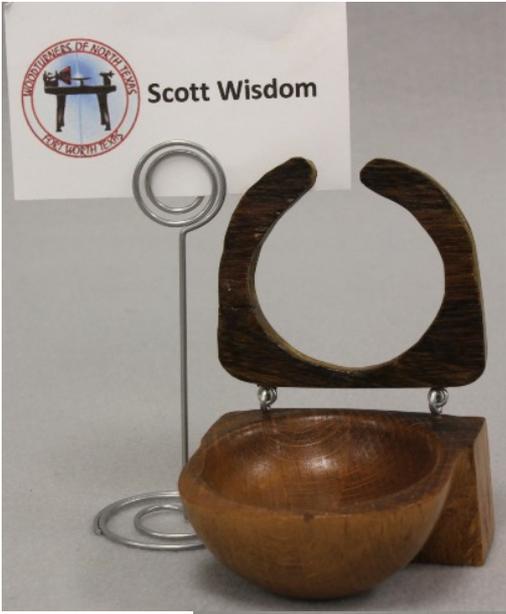
**Thomas Echols**



**Joe Wigner**



**Larry Sweeney**





Last Month's Critique

Turnings for Critique

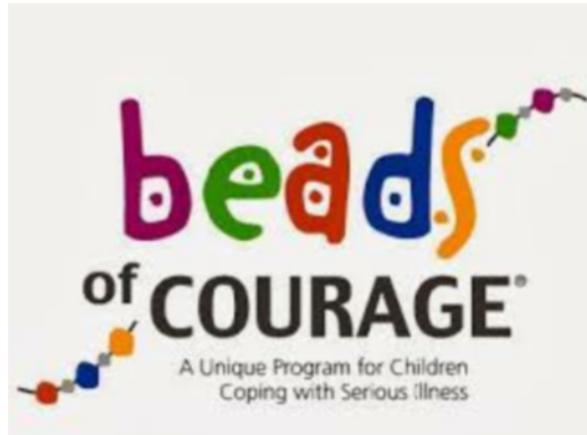
Each month we have a Critique table where members can bring in items they have turned for a constructive critique of their turning. We encourage all members, especially members new to turning, to submit their turnings for critique. One of our members who is recognized as being an “expert” turner does the critique. The objective is to provide constructive input to help members develop their skills. All of us learn from the critiques.

Due to time constraints at the meetings and inputs from membership, a Board member will select three (3) items to be critiqued. However, we encourage members to bring turnings since all of our membership learns by looking and touching someone else's turnings.

Below is a list of the turners who participated in the October critique process:

Ron Howe

Larry Roberts



We want to thank our members that completed their Beads of Courage kidded bowls for SWAT.

Again this year we received a lot of compliments for your work.

(BUT)

If you started one but did not finished in time for SWAT go ahead and finish it and bring it in. If you have not started one, now is a good time to start.

Ron Howe or Ray Moyer can answer your questions and help get you started. We have instruction sheets available.

Do not stop we can always use more.

Great job to all!

EMPTY BOWLS

Empty Bowls is an annual fund raising event for the Tarrant Area Food Bank. The Food Bank provides food to sister agencies in 13 surrounding counties. The sister agencies then provide the food to needy children and families. Patrons at the Empty Bowls event pay \$60 or more and get to choose a bowl (wood, ceramic or glass) to take home and sample food from numerous booths of local restaurants. There are also numerous corporate sponsors that provide a sizeable portion of the total donations. This last February the event raised \$241 thousand, which is slightly more than last year. The next Empty Bowls event will be March 7, 2018.

We have accumulated 140 bowls and six other items. Jim Barkelew made a donation of 6 large bowls for a total of 56” in total diameter. I’m sure if we were using diameters for the basis of this list Jim would be on top. We added a few new donors so the percentage of members making donations went up to 11%.

If you have any questions or comments, let me, Ron Traylor, know at randkbiz@msn.com.

Turners Name	Oct	Total	Non Bowl Items	Oct	Total
Sandy Jarrell		30	Bruce Imsande		2
David Baulch	2	19	Sandy Jarrell		1
Scott Wisdom		17	Ron Traylor		2
Bill Holt		14	Danny Woods	1	1
Jim Barkelew	6	10	Grand Total		6
Glynn Cox		7			
Kelley Wooton		6	Percent of members		
Roy Steelman	1	6	making contributions		11%
Ron Traylor	3	6			
Jimmie Gill		4			
Anonymous	1	4			
Larry Roberts		3			
Shane Collier		2			
Don Christiansen		2			
J. Solberg		2			
Bill Collins		2			
Jim McGregor	1	1			
Ronny Roberson	1	1			
Greg Stehle	1	1			
Kerry Weeks		1			
Keith Adams		1			
Fred Denke		1			
Grand Total		140			

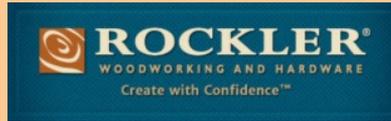
Support these businesses that support us!



10% discount to current Woodturners of North Texas members.

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

13650 TI Blvd.
Dallas, TX 75243
(972) 669-9130



10% discount to current Woodturners of North Texas members.

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

3810 S. Cooper St.
Arlington, TX 76015
(817) 417-0070



15% discount and free shipping. Exclusions apply.

<https://www.hartvilletool.com/>

1-800-345-2396

8:00am-5:00pm EST M-F

Craft Supplies

woodturnerscatalog.com

1-800-551-8876



10% discount to current Woodturners of North Texas members.

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

754 Grapevine Hwy
Hurst, TX 76054
682-334-1025

Anchorseal®

The club has purchased a 55-gallon drum of Anchorseal sealant for green wood and it is available to members for \$10.00 per gallon. It can be purchased at club meetings. Contact James Haynes for payment.

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 (email wntnewsletter@gmail.com) by the 10th of the month. Also, if you decide to cancel an ad, please notify the editor (have you spotted the trend yet?) by the 10th of the month.

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 second 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 5:30 PM and the business meeting starts at 6:30 PM.

Board of Directors

President	Glynn Cox	Home 817-337-0210
Vice President	Bob Wiggins	Cell 817-690-7131
Past President	Dave Marshall	Cell 817-229-9676
Treasurer	James Haynes	Cell 214-801-1775
Librarian	Randy Johnson	Home 817-795-6018
Activities	John Horn	Home 817-485-7397
Newsletter	Ron Schiller	Home 214-518-6142
Secretary	Tom Beatty	Cell 817-919-6685
Audio-Visual	David Walker	Cell 972-345-1738
Logistics	Bob Clark	Cell 817-304-3318
Member-at-Large	John Lauderbaugh	Cell 817-903-3947