

Woodturners of North Texas



Next Meeting: Thursday, November 29th, 2018

Meeting Start: 6:30 PM

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

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Enhancing Your Turnings with Color by Ron Howe



Two years ago this month, I retired as Anesthesiologist.

I bought my first mini lathe six years ago. For the next two and a half years the only time I had for turning was on the weekends. Pens and Bottle Stoppers were the beginning. That start led me into Tops and Miniatures incorporating Color, Texture, and Multimedia.

My background in art has been incorporated into my life from that first art class in the seventh grade. I was creative with a multitude of techniques and media including wood. Sand Blasted Wood signs were a business for ten years.



My passion in woodturning is in the Artistic Creative Side, incorporating color, texture, pyrography, piercing, and limited carving.

In July of this year I was introduced to the Dirty Pour paint technique. Working with Ron Campbell and Rebecca Degroot, we covered a lot of area in a short time, experimenting with color and refining the technique. I have taken that to the next level, lids for bowls, as well as doing the entire piece as one unit.



Following Gary Lowe and his creation of the Cosmic Cloud, I have just recently ventured into that area. The use of the JoSonja Iridescent Paints lends itself well into woodturning.

Making use of the Iridescent paints, I ventured into the String Pull technique for creating Flowers. The String Pull is nothing new; my introduction to that was in the 8th grade.

Alcohol Dye lends itself into woodturning very well. Over the past 3 years I have crafted many pieces using the dye.

Sharing and teaching is something that I enjoy a great deal. One of my best experiences was teaching a book club to sketch. All in that group of 25 were old enough to be my mother or grandmother. The class stretched out over a 12 month period. Proudly for me, that led to three accomplished artists.



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Calendar of Events

November 29th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club,

Demonstrator: Ron Howe
Coloring and Embellishment

December 8th - Christmas Banquet 5:00 PM, Lions Club

January 31st - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club,

Demonstrator: TBA



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President's Pen for November 2018

It has been an interesting year as the president of the Woodturners of North Texas; but mostly it has been a a good year. So, thanks.

Thanks for the opportunity to serve, thanks for the opportunity to learn (I feel obligated to turn more) and thanks for the support. A special thanks to our board for their support and friendship. Thanks to all who have participated in the monthly challenge. Thanks to all who have submitted pieces to be critiqued. Thanks to all who have done one of our monthly demonstrations (they don't do it for the money!). Thanks to all who have demonstrated at Rockler or Woodcraft to help let others know about our organization. Thanks for all who have helped teach our future woodturners at one of our local schools. Thanks for all who have contributed time and talent to one of our Open Shop events. And thanks to the ladies for the food. Thanks to those who have loaned a lathe for use at either an Open Shop, one of our week long classes or one of our school classes. And a big thanks for those that make each meeting happen; putting out chairs, putting up chairs, putting up and operating all of our A/V equip, taking pictures of all the challenge and critique items, promoting and supporting the Empty Bowls project, promoting and supporting the Beads of Courage project, providing nametags (in alphabetical order), keeping our money straight, and for those that come to the meetings.

No this is not a goodbye monologue. Just trying to acknowledge all those that make the Woodturners of North Texas the great organization it is. Looking forward to another interesting year.

Keep turning and stay safe.

See you on Thursday.

Bill Collins
President





Saturday, December 8, 2018

WNT Christmas Banquet

Location: Handley Meadowbrook Lions Club, 6013 Craig Street, Fort Worth 76112

The Banquet begins with the food preparation.

There will be ham, turkey, pulled pork, and beef brisket as the main course, with vegetables, salad, and desserts that are brought by each member.

Bread and drinks (cokes, tea, and coffee) are supplied by the club, as is the tableware. Bring yourself and other members of your family (kids are welcome).

As usual we encourage each family to bring a vegetable/side dish and/or salad. We also need lots of homemade desserts to accompany our meal. If baking sweets isn't your specialty, just bring a bounteous side dish, BUT if you are able, a sweet would be greatly appreciated.

DOOR PRIZES: Each person present will receive a door prize ticket for a drawing after the meal. Door prizes may include tools, gift certificates, and turning blocks, etc.

LATHE, TOOL, & WOOD DRAWING: (Formerly called a Raffle). Bring cash or check to buy Drawing tickets. Typical Drawing Prizes from prior years include midi-lathe, lathe chuck, grinder, tools, gift certificates, turning blocks, etc.

REVISED SCHEDULE:

3:30 PM - Set up (tables, chairs, decorations) Come and help.

4:30PM – Arrive, socialize (work up appetite), get your name tag and door prize ticket, Purchase Drawing tickets. \$1 each, 6 for \$5, 12 for \$10. Cash or check.

5:30 PM – Meal

6:30 PM - Awarding of Door Prizes and Drawing for Lathe, Tool, and Wood Items. ANNUAL AUCTION of items donated by our membership.

THINGS TO BRING TO THE BANQUET

- + Yourself and your family, including children
- + Your appetite and food—**SEE ABOVE**
- + **Woodturnings or other craft items** 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 quality programs.
- + A big roll of **ca\$h or some checks** for the Drawing tickets and the live auction. Our ancient and curmudgeon treasurer does not take plastic.

You may pay your \$24 2019 WNT dues at the banquet.

Check or cash, exact change appreciated.



Notes and Pictures from Brian Evans' Presentation October 25th

Below are a collection of references from Brian's presentation last month:

Brian's e-mail:

brianevans13@gmail.com

Sources for tools:

Big Tree Tools LLC:

<http://www.bigtree.com>

Finger Lakes Woodturners Association:

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

Ward Donahue wddonah@frontiernet.net

DIY Belt Sharpening System: http://tcturning.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/DIYBeltSharpeningSystem_Dec2012_AAW_Journal.pdf

Breezy Hill Turning: <http://breezyhillturning.com/>



Librarian's Suggested/Favorite Reads

David Baulch - Club Librarian

Richard Raffan is a woodturner, well known for his turned bowls and boxes, as a teacher, demonstrator, and author of classic woodturning books and DVDs. Tens of thousands of woodturners have learned the craft from his books and videos:

Richard Raffan Books (Taunton Press)

The Art of Turning Bowls
Turning Bowls
Turning Boxes
Turning Projects
Turning Toys
Turning Wood
Complete Illustrated Guide to Turning

Richard Raffan DVDs (Taunton Press)

Turning Bowls
Turning Boxes
Turning Projects

Turning Wood

He began to turn wood in England in 1970 at the age of 26, after a successful career in the London wine trade. He was never a hobby turner. When he decided to turn wood for a living late in 1969 he knew nothing of the craft other than it involved a lathe and tools with long handles. (Sounds like a beginner to me AND how I viewed the craft early on.) All he figured to do was develop good technical skills and marketing, and he would earn a decent living selling what he enjoyed making. And that's what he's done since mid-1970, first in England, then, from 1982, Australia.

In 1970 he was turning utilitarian bowls, scoops, and plates that sold to kitchen, gift, and souvenir shops; and he also sold a lot of delicate bowls, scoops, and boxes to gift shops and craft galleries. He began teaching formally in 1978 when Highland Craftpoint, in Scotland, asked him to advise embryo craft businesses in the Highlands and Islands. He eventually became a regular presenter for Dale Nish at the Utah Woodturning Symposiums in the 1980s; when demand took off after his book and video Turning Wood with Richard Raffan in 1985.

This woodturner was my mentor and teacher for the first year or more of my time in woodturning. He never knew this, however, because I bought his books and DVDs and learned to turn from those. I copied his stance and movements (albeit not too well in a few cases) and always attempted to master his products as best as I could with a Harbor Freight wood lathe and a set of Harbor Freight turning tools. You couldn't start from much lower on the ladder than that, but learn I did, finally graduating to a better lathe and better tools - not to mention better turnings and actual hands-on classes. Check out his books and DVDs from the library - certainly cannot hurt.

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Who's up for a Challenge?

For all who have participated in part or all of the last three Challenges, there will be a quarterly prize drawing. Prizes this quarter will be varied between turning blanks and some equipment. Those last three Challenges were:

1. August - Sphere
2. September - goblet with wooden stem
3. October - set of 4 coasters with a holder

Our October Challenge was to turn a set of at least 4 coasters with a holder. Those who participated in this Challenge were:

Jim Barkelew
Dick Koch
Tom Echols
Larry Sweeney
Rick Hallabough
Bob Wiggins
Randy Johnson

Richard Kenyon
David Carter
Charley Phillips
James Haynes
Pam Thompson
Ron Howe
Don York

Mike Barton
John Lauderbaugh
Mark Forrest
Jim Tanksley
Bill Holt
Scott Wisdom

Our Challenge for this coming meeting-November 29th- is to turn a Christmas centerpiece for our banquet. We need more centerpieces than we have been receiving over the past several years. So PLEASE step up and turn something “festive” that you would want to take home and display.

There is a Dallas/New Orleans game scheduled on the 29th about the time that we have our meeting. Keep this mind so that you might avoid getting stuck in traffic.

I hope to see you all on Thursday!

Pam Thompson



Last Month's Challenge

— Coasters —



David Carter



Pam Thompson



Dick Koch









Last Month's Critique

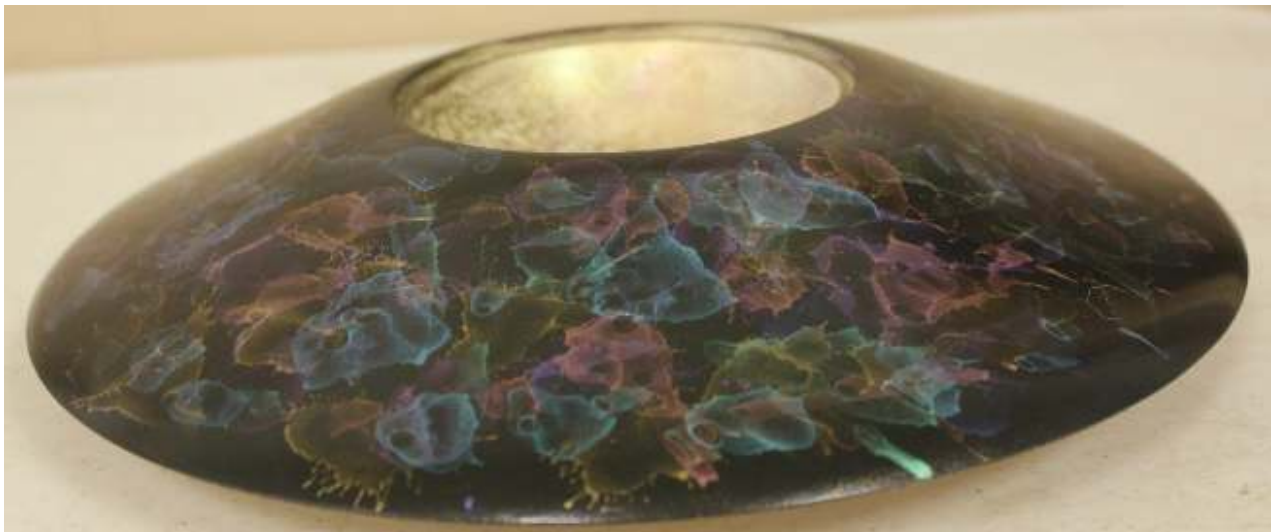
In order to learn from our mistakes and also to be applauded for great design, we have a critique table at each meeting. Those who want feedback on their projects are encouraged to bring in items for constructive critique from one of our knowledgeable woodturners.

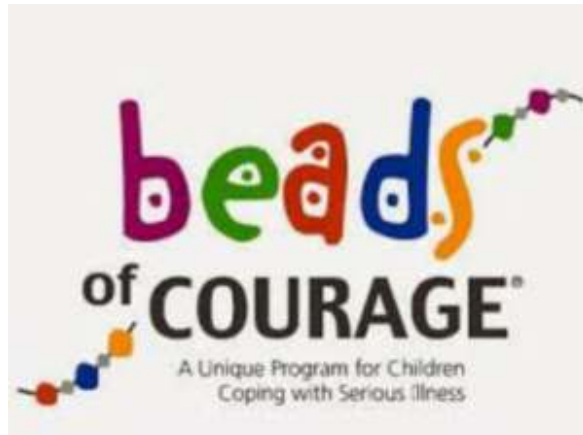
Our Critique table held a wide variety of items this past month.

1. Larry Roberts turned a cedar elm bowl/platter that had a lacquer finish.
2. Charley Phillips turned 5 bowls/platters that were beaded, wood burned, and painted.
3. Ronny Roberson turned a table lamp that was segmented from OSB and walnut.
4. Don Christiansen turned a platter out of box elder. It included a poly finish.
5. Ron Howe turned a "podlet" out of crape myrtle and mesquite. He microwaved it to make it warp.
6. David Colley turned a bowl out of big leaf maple with an oil finish.

Thanks to all who participated in the Critique and a special thanks to Larry Roberts who conducted the Critique. Remember, it helps all of us to hear the feedback on the Critique table items.







Beads of Courage Program

This program is designed to support, strengthen and encourage children and families coping with serious illness. The program lets the children tell their story using colorful beads as meaningful symbols that commemorates milestones they have achieved along their treatment path. The average child gets 500 beads. The Woodturners of North Texas is taking on the challenge again this year.

Requirements

The lidded box/bowl interior diameter should be 6" (5" minimum diameter, 6" depth, 4" minimum). The lid should have a finial/knob that is easy for a child to grasp and not too elaborate. The 'Beads of Courage' logo bead to be placed inside or outside will be available at the meeting or can be mailed to you upon request. The "Beads of Courage" inscription can also be engraved or burned in the lid and can be placed inside or outside of the lid (no political or religious undertones are accepted). Customarily your box or bowl will be taken to SWAT and displayed along with the others from the club. Your thanks is knowing a very ill child is getting something that will help them through difficult times.

Please visit the Beads of Courage website at [http://www.beadsofcourage.org/resources/images/2018 AAW handout-guidelines.pdf](http://www.beadsofcourage.org/resources/images/2018_AAW_handout_guidelines.pdf) for finish suggestions and other details on ways to also contribute. The workmanship and finish should be in keeping with WNTx standards.

EMPTY BOWLS

Empty Bowls is an annual one-day 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 \$65 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.

The March 2018 event raised \$249,000 , which is slightly more than last year.

The next Empty Bowls event will be May 1, 2019.

At the last meeting I asked for some help with building a starting inventory of tops for our top turning demonstration at the next Empty Bowls Event. We give the tops away but ask for a donation to the Food Bank. Last year we ran out of tops so if you would please turn a few tops for us I would appreciate it. We are still trying to get to 300 by the next EB event but we only have 131 turned items so far.

If you have any recommendations or questions send me, Ron Traylor, an email at randkbiz@msn.com.

Mentors

Name	City	Phone	General turning	Bowls	Pens	Segmented	Tool Making	Decoration & Inlay	Sharpening	Fundamentals	Natural Edge	Multi-axis	Hollow Forms
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Boehme, Billy	Arlington	817-275-7473 (h)	•	•									
Clowers, Wayne	Haltom City	817-834-7755 (h)		•	•	•							
Cox, Glynn	Keller	817-337-0210 (h)	•			•							
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Derczo, Johnny	Mansfield	817-516-9006 (h)				•							
Horn, John	North Richland Hills	817-485-7397 (h)	•					•	•				
Jarrell, Sandy	Fort Worth	817-732-2916 (h)	•	•									
Lauderbaugh, John	North Richland Hills	817-485-5469 (h)	•					•					
Marshall, Dave	Fort Worth	817-229-9676 (c)	•										
Moyer, Ray	Eules	817-283-8452 (h)						•					
Roberts, Larry	Arlington	817-465-6397 (h)						•	•				
Solberg, John	Denton		•	•							•		
Tanksley, Jim	Mansfield	817-453-5100 (h)		•								•	
Tiefel, Paul	Southlake	817-379-9533 (h)		•							•	•	
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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 Monday of each month at Spring Creek Barbecue 6704 Lake Worth Blvd (Hwy 199). 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.

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