

# Woodturners of North Texas



**Next Meeting: Thursday, August 29th, 2019**

**Meeting Start: 6:30 PM**

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

## Ornaments and Finials by Janice Levi



As a child, I was blessed with parents and brothers who constantly challenged me to try new things, to experiment, to explore, to analyze, to create. As an adult, I entered the field of secondary education, and have taught journalism, photography, and drama. I then became a counselor, working with at risk and discipline problem students in alternative school settings.

A few years before retirement, I revived an old interest from my childhood—my father's old Sears lathe and those times that he would let me hold a turning tool to a scrap of wood. I wanted to do that again, so in 2001, my husband gave me a lathe for my birthday. I immediately joined the local Houston area woodturner's organization and found that I had just entered a man's world. But the men were gracious and two who lived nearby became my mentors, insisting that I learn toolmanship and safety.

I was fortunate to serve as president of the Houston area club, and after moving to Groesbeck in 2006, I served as the Waco club president and then the Southwest Association of Turners (SWAT) 2012 president. Although I was honored to serve those organizations, it has always been the turning, the teaching and the demonstrating that I have really loved. I enjoy turning and embellishing ornaments, hollow forms, boxes, platters, etc. In recent years, I have begun turning purses and jewelry, a great way to wear those wonderful pieces of turned art out in public.

Today, woodturning has become more than a hobby—it has become my passion. After eighteen years, it is as new and as challenging as it was when I first started.

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# Calendar of Events

**August 29<sup>th</sup> - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club,  
Demonstrator: Janice Levi  
Subject: Ornaments**

Janice Levi will be doing her demo on ornaments and finials. Janice is a world class turner and demonstrator. Janice will be hosted by Charley Phillips. We are fortunate to have the opportunity to learn from her.

**September 21<sup>st</sup> - R.I.S.E.  
Meadowmere Park, Grapevine Lake**

**September 26<sup>th</sup> - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club,  
Demonstrator: Charley Phillips  
Subject: Carving**

Our own Charley Phillips will be doing a demo on carving, showing different techniques. We get a chance to learn from the best.

**October 12<sup>th</sup> - Rockler Demo**

Sign-up sheet at the August meeting



# ... making Good Shavings

## President's Pen for August 2019

SWAT 2019 starts in Waco August 23rd. Reservations have been made, registration has been completed and I plan to meet with my ride at about one tomorrow afternoon for the short trip down to Waco. The things I know about SWAT bring me back and the things I don't know also bring me back. I have no reason to expect the organization to be any less or the room to any worse than in the past. The hotel service in the past has been very good. The unknowns are the exciting part. Yes, I have heard of many of the demonstrators and, in fact, have attended some of their presentations in the past. But what I don't know is what the demonstrators have learned that they will be passing on and what new discoveries they have made that they will be sharing.

**Lots of vendors** - The last I heard there will be 99 vendors on site - a record. What new and wonderful things will they have to offer and what beautiful pieces of turning stock will be available that will be irresistible.

**The gallery** - One of my favorite areas. Stocked with new turnings that provide inspiration and ideas for my own turnings. Pictures are allowed. And the Beads of Courage boxes. A great opportunity for tuners to give back and share their skill and love with those in need.

**And the drawings** - In the past I have won one item that fit a lathe I didn't own. But I did win something and there is always the chance I will win one of the big prizes this year. What I really like are the items donated by the vendors. It shows how important we consumers are to

their success and I appreciate that they donate items to add to the excitement of the drawings.

**And last and certainly not least is the creation of new friendships and the renewal of existing friendships and the multiple opportunities to share thoughts and ideas with our fellow turners from all over the Southwest area.**

For those of you unable to attend this year's event, put in on your calendar for next year. If I don't see you at SWAT, I hope to see you at the August WNTX meeting.

Keep turning and be safe. See you on Thursday.

**Bill Collins  
President**



# *WNT BEANCOUNTER'S BULLETS*

## *AUGUST 2019*

**2020 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL BEGINS OCTOBER 31.**

**WNT 2019 CHRISTMAS BANQUET**

**DECEMBER 14**

**AT THE HANDLEY-MEADOWBROOK LIONS CLUB—SAME  
PLACE AS LAST YEAR.**

**(SET UP 3:30 PM, ARRIVE 4:30 PM, MEAL 5:30 PM, DRAWINGS & AUCTION 6:30 PM)**

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

**WNT will provide the meat. Volunteers to prepare the meats are needed.**

Members will be asked to bring either a vegetable, salad, or desert, not two items.

**Glynn Cox** will be in charge of the set up and clean up. He will need your able assistance.

### **AUCTION ITEMS**

It is time to begin planning for our turnings for the auction. A major portion of the 2020 budget depends on our participation.

***THIS YEAR WE WILL HAVE A PROFESSIONAL AUCTIONEER!!!***

**LATHE, TOOL & WOOD DRAWING AND DOOR PRIZE DRAWING**  
will once again be a favorite part of the evening.

**MORE DETAILS** in later bulletins, etc.

Resident Beancounter  
James Haynes, Treasurer



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# Who's up for a Challenge?

Our Challenge for July was to turn a box for the Beads of Courage program. These boxes are donated to hospitals in the DFW area and will be used by children to store their bead collections. I know that Don York is especially grateful to each of you for your donations to this worthwhile venture. Those of you who participated in the July Challenge were:

Jim Barkelew  
David Baulch  
David Carter  
Don Christiansen  
Jimmy Fife (4)  
Bob Grinstead

James Haynes  
Ron Howe  
Dick Koch  
Jim LeGrand  
Ronny Roberson  
Mike Stephens (2)

Pam Thompson  
Ron Traylor  
Bob Wiggins  
Danny Woods  
Don York

Our Challenge for August, issued by Ron Howe, is to turn a wig stand that will also be donated to women in the DFW area that are experiencing hair loss due to medical issues. The size specifications can be found online or you can call Ron Howe or myself to get more details.

Please be sure to check the names listed above for accuracy. I leave someone out nearly every month and you don't want it to be you! We will have our quarterly drawing at the August meeting and I make the tickets out according to the names listed in the last 3 newsletters. If by some chance I forgot to list your name, let me know before the meeting date.

See you on the 29th.

**Pam Thompson**



# Last Month's Challenge

## - Beads of Courage -











Jim LeGrand



Ronny Roberson



James Haynes



Etiquette Pam Thompson









# Last Month's Critique

Each month we have a table set aside to display items that our members bring in for constructive criticism. We encourage all members, especially those who are new to turning, to submit their work for critique. The objective is to provide constructive encouragement to help members develop their skills.



# ***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 May 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 event had gross income \$301 thousand** which was 20% more than the previous year.

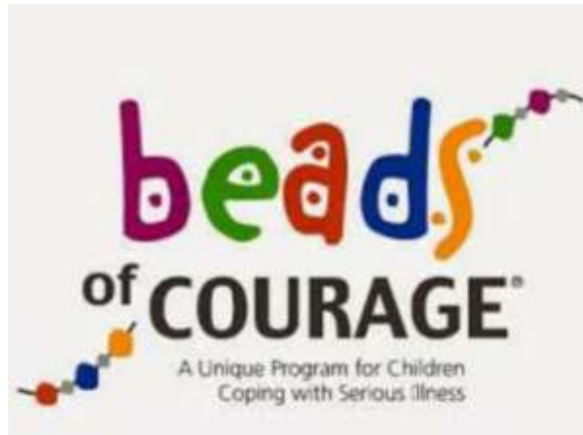
The next Empty Bowls event will be Tuesday, March 17, 2020.

Well gang, we are only up to 12 bowls and one other item. It's been a mild summer so that's not a good excuse. I have been busy on a landscaping project which is done now so I can get back to turning. I think Bill Holt has been painting his house. Hopefully he has finished that by now since we have some just plain hot weather. Whatever the reason, we need to pick it up and get those numbers up.

The EB Event is back to the normal time in March next year which means we have less than a full year to collect turned donations.

If you have any recommendations or questions send me, Ron Traylor, an email at [randkbiz@msn.com](mailto:randkbiz@msn.com).





## 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.

# Mentors

Name	City	Phone	Skills														
			General turning	Bowls	Pens	Segmented	Tool Making	Decoration & Inlay	Sharpening	Fundamentals	Natural Edge	Multi-axis	Hollow Forms				
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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)	•														
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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 10<sup>th</sup> of the month to be placed in that month's newsletter. Ads will only run for one issue unless notified (email [wntnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:wntnewsletter@gmail.com)) by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month. Also, if you decide to cancel an ad, please notify the editor (have you spotted the trend yet?) by the 10<sup>th</sup> 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 first Monday of each month usually 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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