

Woodturners of North Texas



**Next Meeting: Thursday, April 30th, 2020
Meeting Start: 6:30 PM**

**Virtual meeting on the Internet ONLY.
Watch your email for an invitation to attend this
meeting.**

Turning Pendants and Using a Spiraling Tool by Steve Thomason



I spent 54 years in Information Technology until I recently retired. Along the way I was also a professional dog trainer, a licensed humane investigator, and humane society director. I co-founded Gifted Animal Placement (GAP) to rescue dogs from shelters that law enforcement officers needed for drug detection, ordinance detection, search and rescue and cadaver work.

I started woodturning about 7 years ago with pens, handles and other spindle work. However, I quickly realized that I needed more instruction. I joined several woodturning clubs in the area, and received a lot of help. I took

classes with Joe Ruminski, Jimmy Clews, Doug Fisher, Janice Levi, Michael Hosaluk, Rebecca DeGroot, Derek Weidman, Alan Lacer, and Jeff Hornung to name a few! I find that I do enjoy learning new techniques and trying out new (to me!) things.

Our April 30th meeting has been cancelled due to the current restrictions for the Covid-19 pandemic. However, I would like to invite all of our members to join me for an interactive remote demonstration (IRD). If you have a computer, laptop, tablet or smart phone, you can join in! We will be having a short business meeting, a show and tell, and I will be demonstrating how I use spiraling tools to make and enhance pendants that my wife and daughters love.

Watch your email for an invitation to join a test meeting on Monday, April 27th and/or Wednesday, April 29th, from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm for an open Zoom test meeting. This is to make sure you have the software loaded and can get into the meeting. It will be helpful if you have a video camera and microphone hooked up to your computer. Smart phones and tablets tend to have these built in. Many laptop computers do too. These two tests will give you a chance to try all of this out so you are ready for our April 30th meeting!



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Calendar of Events

Apr 30th - Remote Monthly meeting 6:30 PM
Demonstrator: Steve Thomason
Subject: Turning Pendants and Using a Spiraling Tool

May 28th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM
Location: TBA
Demonstrator: TBA
Subject: TBA

June 25th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM
Location: TBA
Demonstrator: TBA
Subject: TBA



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Good
Shavings

President's Pen for April 2020

Welcome to the new age, whether you are ready or not it is here.

The meeting this month will be virtual. Steve Thomason has agreed to host our general meeting on ZOOM and do the demo as well. The challenge for March April and May will also be virtual. Take a picture, send it to Ken Cardin and at our next meeting we will draw for prizes.

AAW has sent out several video opportunities as well as Rockler and Craft Supply.

The AAW international symposium schedule for early June has been cancelled. SWAT plans will continue unless some other major change comes about. Speaking of SWAT, let James know (by email or snail mail) if you are interested in one of the scholarships available.

I have spent a lot of time in the shop turning and doing some flat work as well. I finally have all my big machines (table saw, band saw, chop saw and lathe) hooked up to a vacuum system. Makes a big difference.

Also, cleaning up my to-be-turned pile of wood. Some still good enough to turn, some too far cracked or rotted. Been working on a large cherry natural edge bowl for some time (see pic below). Had problems with crack and checks. Finally got epoxy into every nook and cranny and it has maintained stability for three weeks inside the house.

I also tried a new finish, EEE from Australia, no great results yet. Still trying. If anyone has used that product successfully please let me know.

Heard from David Baulch and Rick Gauthier that Scott Rowe had passed away from a heart attack. Forty-six years young. Way too early. Prayers for Scott's family.

The WNTX BOD had its first meeting via ZOOM. Went well, might be the way of the future with board members scattered all over the western half of the Metroplex. Board meetings are usually held on the first Tuesday of the month. If you want to be invited to the next meeting, let me know by the Sunday before the BOD meeting (will need good phone number and email address).

Keep turning and stay safe.

**Bill Collins
President**



WOODTURNERS OF NORTH TEXAS 2020 SWAT SCHOLARSHIPS

PLEASE READ THIS CAREFULLY, BECAUSE THE OPTIONS HAVE CHANGED.

Since we really don't know when WNT will have an in-person meeting, the method for awarding SWAT scholarships for 2020 is different.

Five scholarships will be awarded. SWAT provides one and WNT provides four. Two of the scholarships are reserved for members who have never been to SWAT. Each scholarship includes the \$140 registration fee and one \$35 Saturday night banquet ticket.

Only members who have paid their 2020 dues are eligible to win. Winner agrees to be responsible for his or her own lodging and transportation.

Each WNT member who wishes to participate in the drawing for a scholarship needs to notify James Haynes not later than Thursday, May 7, 2020.

Members who have never attended SWAT should state that in the email or note.

The request to be included may be by email to:
jhaynescpa@sbcglobal.net

or by regular mail to: James Haynes
202 Jefferson Ave.
DeSoto, TX 75115-4521.

Winners will be announced on or about May 8, 2020.

James D. Haynes, Treasurer
214-801-1775

NEVER BEEN AN AAW MEMBER?

THREE-MONTH INTRODUCTORY AAW MEMBERSHIP

JUST \$20

- Each introductory, three-month AAW membership includes the benefits of AAW membership for three full months, including: one printed copy of the *American Woodturner* journal, and access for three-months to Woodturning FUNDamentals, AAW EXPLORE! Discover Woodturning, AAW Connects, AAW Forum, tips library, safety resources, learning and mentoring materials, grant opportunities, specialty programming, services, and more.
- Available to new members one time only. When the introductory three-month membership period ends, individuals who have not cancelled are automatically renewed for an additional nine-month period for just \$40.



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Who's up for a Challenge?

March, April and May Challenges

Yes, we have had to cancel the March general meeting and the April meeting will be virtual but I hope you have continued to get in the shop and turn.

To make up for the challenge part of our meeting, Ken Cardin has agreed to bunch the three months (March, April and May) into one drawing at our next in-person meeting.

Please turn your challenge pieces, take a picture, and send the picture with a SHORT description to Ken at kg5jh1@tx.rr.com by 9 May.

As a reminder:

March challenge was anything with a mirror finish.

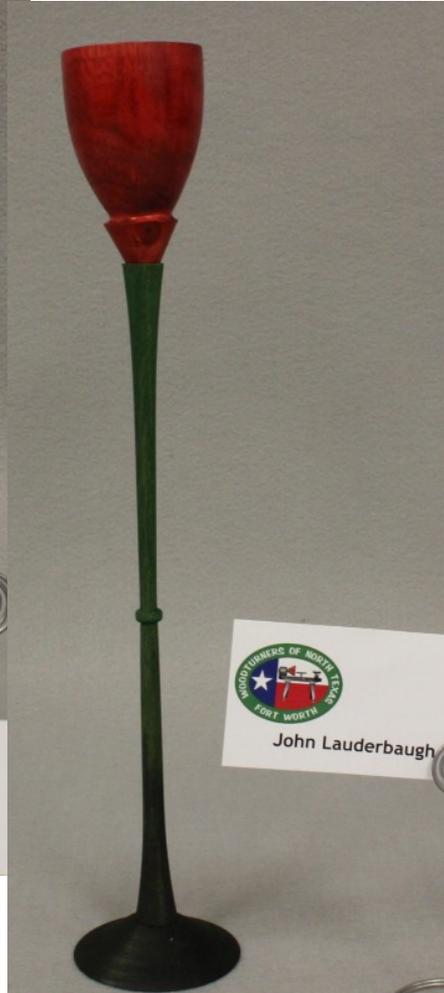
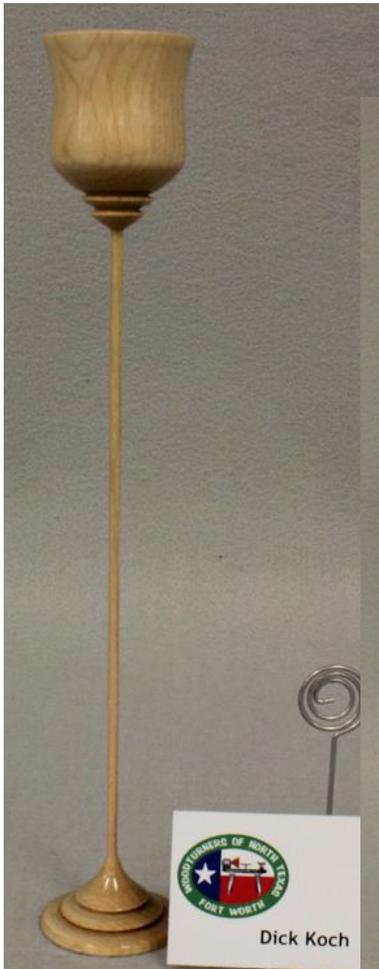
April challenge was to turn something then use a saw to augment or modify the piece.

May challenge is to turn a spatula. Check Youtube for lots of examples and ideas, like this one:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o3aYC-AGR2c>

February's Challenge

- Goblets -

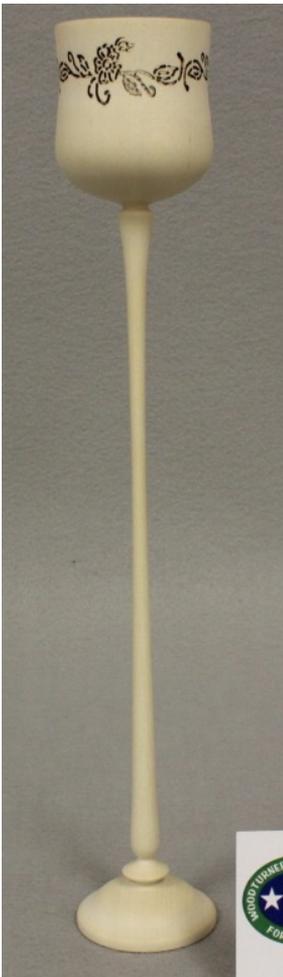




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Last Month's Critique

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.

Due to the presenter's time schedule in February, we were unable to get photos of the Critique Table submissions.

EMPTY BOWLS

The Empty Bowls event was canceled this year. It was canceled on the Friday before the event on Tuesday, March 17th. The good thing is all the monetary donations involving the event went to Tarrant Area Food Bank and are currently being used to help feed all the needy families. The demand is overwhelming for the Food Bank and the individual food pantries.

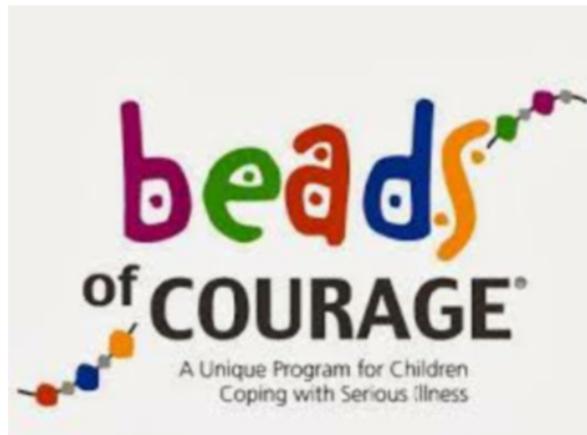
The Steering Committee did get all the donated wood, ceramic and glass bowls sorted and packed the weekend before the event was cancelled. Those are stored at the food bank and ready to go next year. Maybe they will have a 2 for 1 Empty Bowls Event next year! Anyway, wood bowl donations are still happily accepted so save them for whenever we actually get together physically for a meeting.

Thanks for all of your donations and support in the past.

Any suggestions or comments can be sent to me, Ron Traylor, at randkbiz@msn.com.

Empty Bowls 2019/2020							
<u>Turner's Name</u>	<u>Jan</u>	<u>Total</u>		<u>Non Bowl Items</u>	<u>Jan</u>	<u>Total</u>	
Jim Barkelew	3	12		<u>Turner's Name</u>			
David Baulch	5	12					
Bill Holt	10	12		Anonymous		8	
Mike Barton		11		Don Chirstiansen		5	
Keith Adams	5	11		Kevin Diehl	4	4	
Ron Traylor	5	11		Bill Holt		2	
Bruce Imsande		8		Bill Collins	2	2	
Danny Woods	8	8		Jim Barkelew		1	
Glynn Cox	2	7		Glynn Cox		1	
RSG	3	6		Scott Wisdom		1	
Dick Koch	5	5		Ken Diehl	1	1	
Scott Wisdom		4		Grand Total		<u>23</u>	
Sandy Jarrell		4					
Bill Collins	4	4					
Mark Nelon		4		Percentage of			
Tom Newman	2	4		total members			
MKE	3	4		donating		27%	
Anonymous	3	4					
Joe Rypl		3		Total turned items		195	
Tom Echols	2	3					
Brian Begina	3	3					
Blake Hickman	3	3					
Ken Diehl	2	2					
Don York	2	2					
RJ	2	2					
Jimmy Fife		2					
Rick Hallabough		2					
J. Allen	2	2					
Avery Meyer	2	2					
M. Moad	1	2					

Tom Echols	2	3						
Brian Begina	3	3						
Blake Hickman	3	3						
Ken Diehl	2	2						
Don York	2	2						
RJ	2	2						
Jimmy Fife		2						
Rick Hallabough		2						
J. Allen	2	2						
Avery Meyer	2	2						
M. Moad	1	2						
Susan Cardin	2	2						
David Carter	2	2						
SLH		1						
Roy Steelman		1						
Jim McGregor	1	1						
John Horn	1	1						
Jim Tanksley		1						
Howard Johnson	1	1						



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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Cox, Glynn	Keller	817-337-0210 (h)	•				•			•					•	
Denke, Fred	Fort Worth	817-292-3479 (h)		•				•								
Horn, John	North Richland Hills	817-485-7397 (h) 817-944-3993 (c)		•					•	•						
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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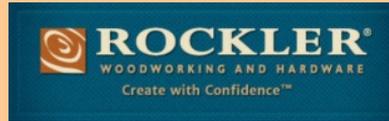
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The Regular Monthly Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at the Handley-Meadowbrook Lions Club, 6013 Craig Street, Fort Worth, TX.

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.

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.