

Woodturners of North Texas



A Chapter of the
American Association of Woodturners



Twentieth Anniversary Year

April 2007 Program:

"Tips on turning eggs"

Next Meeting:

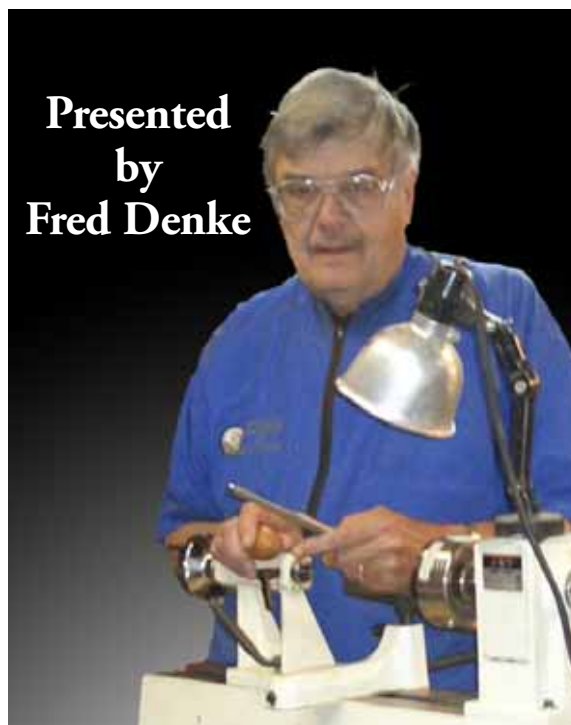
Thursday,
April 26 2007
Start Time: 6:30 PM

R.D. Evans Recreational
Center
3200 Lackland Rd.
Fort Worth, TX

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Presented
by
Fred Denke



The April program will consist of the following two segments: a review of the WNT entry in the 2000 AAW Collaborative Project and a demonstration on turning an egg.

Fred Denke retired seven years ago from an engineering career in the aircraft industry. He grew up on a farm in central Texas near Waco. As a farmer's son working with wood was part of farm chores. This work let him use woodworking tools at an early age. In his adult years he continued woodworking using hand tools and a nine-inch table saw. This woodworking

led to the curiosity of woodturning, so after retirement and buying a medium size lathe he was a woodturner.

He has attended several "Texas-Turn-or-Two", SWAT and AAW symposia. He has spent a week at Arrowmont with David Ellsworth as the instructor. He also has attended all day hands on with Lyle Jamison, Stuart Batty, Michael Hosaluk, Dick Sing, and Jacques Vesery.

Fred has led two AAW Collaborative Projects. The Coffee Grinder at the 2005 Symposium in Kansas City, KS and the Dirigible presented at the 2000 AAW Symposium in

Charlotte, NC.

The Dirigible has been selected for permanent display at the Scottish Rite Hospital in Dallas. As part of the April program, a review of the Dirigible project will be presented.

For our April Demonstration, Fred Denke will talk about his process in learning to turn an egg. The demo will include turning a egg using a template as a guide and a holding jig for finishing the ends.



President's message

by Stormy Boudreaux

... making Good Shavings

This month's activities are still going extremely well and we are not finished yet! The hands-on sessions, with Stuart Batty, has been a smashing success. He indeed is a world-class instructor, as well as, an accomplished turner of Olympian status, as he aptly showed during the all-day demonstration on Saturday.

But none of this would have been a success without the tireless and unselfish efforts of several of our club members who must be acknowledged and commended. Wayne Clowers, John Horn and Jimmy Gill did the lion's share of the grunt work to have a resounding eight-day hands-on teaching activity ... from trimming wood for over fifty man-days of turning and positioning the equipment. Wayne set up all the electrical connections, Jimmy provided the wonderful (very-enviable) facility, John provided daily over-all mentorship and facilitator. Wayne Clowers also provided yeoman's assistance during most of the hands-on sessions by cutting wood, assisting students, and keeping the mountain of shavings cleaned up. He was there to help throughout the program. Max Taylor also was there on Thursday to

help. Most clubs are relieved if a two or three day session is pulled off without a hitch. Max Taylor, Walter Barrett, and Larry Roberts very graciously loaned their large and powerful Powermatic lathes. Stormy Boudreaux also graciously loaned his very nice Vicmarc lathe. David Marshall, Dewayne Hines, Mike Jones, and Wayne Fitch all aided in navigating the logistical labyrinth of collecting and returning five large and very heavy lathes. Special consideration must be expressed to Mary Gill who opened her wonderful home and kitchen to Stuart for over a week – Thank you, Mary!

All that being said, there's no stopping now! There is still the monthly meeting and the Freedom Pen Turning event at the North Richland Hills Library on Saturday, April 28. Bring your turnings for the NRH project, lots of pens are needed.

Keep your live-center points sharp and lower the speed before turning on the lathe.

Wear your eye protection and keep your tools sharp and ...

Make Good shavings!



Turn-a-Thon @ North Richland Hills Library



Saturday, April 28, 2007

The Woodturners of North Texas is sponsoring a Freedom Pen turn-a-thon at the North Richland Hills Library on Saturday April 28, 2007 from 9:00 AM until noon.

We will need volunteers to assist in this fine effort. Please contact Wayne Fitch at 817-596-9121 or sign up at the next WNT meeting on Thursday, April 28.

This is an important event to support our troops by reminding them that we are thinking about them. Your name will be attached to each pen that you turn and our members have received many emails in the

past from our soldiers expressing their appreciation.

Although we will need some turners to bring mini-lathes, the club owns two mini-lathes, so if you do not have a mini come on out and turn and make some pens. There will be a lathe for you to use. We will also need people to assist in assembly and to talk to the public and answer any questions. We might even get a few new members. See you there.

The North Richland Hills Library is located at 6720 N.E. Loop 820 (southeast corner of Rufe Snow and 820).



“Bring-Back” Drawing Winners

Don't forget that if you were a winner of any item in the March drawing, you are obligated to bring a replacement item for the April 2007 “Bring Back” drawing. The rule for the “Bring Back” drawing is that winners of a turned item must bring a turned item of their own creation to the next meeting and the winners of any other item must bring something that would be of interest to woodturners. That would include, but is not limited to something that you turned, a tool or jig, wood, book, or magazine. If you have fallen behind in bringing a turned item for the “Bring Back” drawing, now is the time to make up for any items that you owe and please remember to bring a turning to the April meeting.

Here is the list of winners from March club meeting:

People who took turned items:

Charles Smith	CD top
Max Taylor	Pen
Jimmie Gill	Lidded Box
Randy Johnson	Segmented Bowl
Steve Yauch	Bowl
Gene Jackson	CD top
John Boyle	CD top

People who took wood, magazines, etc.:

Wayne Fitch	Cherry wood
Charles Smith	Texas Ebony wood
John Solberg	Spalted wood
Roberto Hernandez	Wood
Chelsea Deakins	Wood
Dan Hudkins	Magazines



Stuart Batty All Day Demo

Saturday, April 14, 2007



Pictures from the hands-on classes with Stuart Batty



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Some of our club members whose extra effort really made this program a rousing success: John Horn (above), Jimmie Gill and Wayne Clowers (above right). Also, providing assistance were Max Taylor (below center), Mike Jones (below right), Stormy Boudreaux, Wayne Fitch, David Marshall, and Dewayne Hines. Max Taylor, Walter Barrett, and Larry Roberts very graciously loaned their large and powerful Powermatic lathes. Stormy Boudreaux also graciously loaned his very nice Vicmarc lathe.



**And
a great time
was had by
all!**

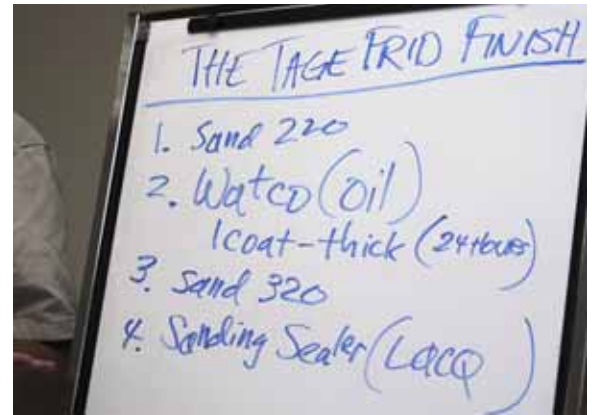
March Program Photographs:

“Finishing for the Home Shop” by Howard Hale

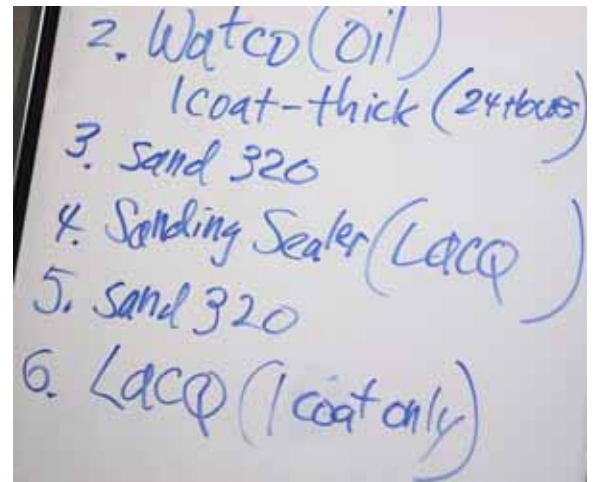
Howard Hale presented his program, Finishing for the Home Shop and began with the “soda straw” model created by John Horn for explaining what happens to wood fibers during cutting and sanding for various grain orientations.



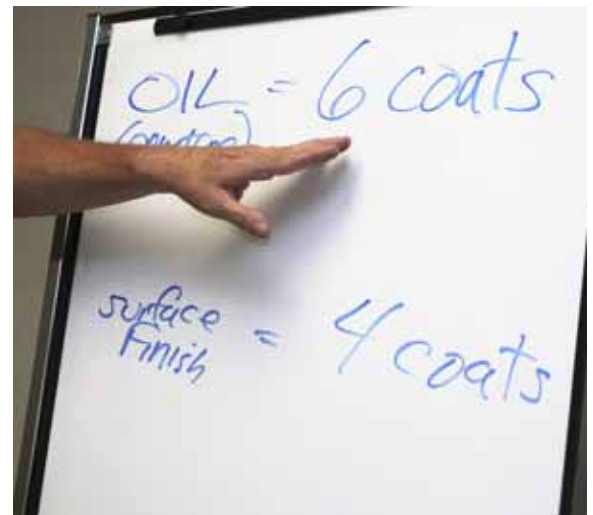
Howard's lecture consisted of his recommendations for sanding wood to get a clean finish that will accept finish, followed by his preferred finishing method that was developed by Tage Frid.



The shots of the whiteboard outline the Tage Frid finishing method. Howard recommends sanding only to 220 before applying the initial oil finish.



Afterwards, the surface is sanded to 320 for the final coats. Howard's program proved to be very interesting and informative.



Advertisements

Anchorseal®

The club has purchased a 55-gallon drum of Anchorseal sealant for green wood and it is available to members for \$8.00 per gallon. It is being stored at Larry Roberts' place, 6409 Calender in southwest Arlington. Contact James Haynes for payment.

If you have any woodworking related item that you would like to sell, contact Bill Boehme to place an ad in the newsletter and on the website. Items advertised in the newsletter sell quickly. Last month, Max Taylor sold a jointer and a wide belt sander in just a couple days after the ad was placed.

See WNT website ads page:
<http://www.wntx.org/ads/ads.html>
for the latest advertisements.



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, Bill Boehme, by the 10th of the month. Also, if you decide to cancel an ad, please notify the editor by the 10th of the month.

Calendar

NOTE: The Regular Monthly Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month except in September (SWAT Symposium). Board meetings are held at Cafe Express on University south of I-30. 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 7 PM.

April 26 - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, R.D. Evans Rec. Center, Demonstrator: **Fred Denke**

May 1 - WNT Board meeting -- see above for location and time.

May 31 - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, R.D. Evans Rec. Center, Demonstrator: **Kevin Bassett**

June 5 - WNT Board meeting -- see above for location and time.

June 28 - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, R.D. Evans Rec. Center, Demonstrator: **Bob Mattern**

June 3 - WNT Board meeting -- see above for location and time.

July 26 - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, R.D. Evans Rec. Center, Demonstrator: **Steve Ott**

August 7 - WNT Board meeting -- see above for location and time.

August 30 - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, R.D. Evans Rec. Center, Demonstrator: **John Horn**

September 4 - WNT Board meeting -- see above for location and time.

September 20 - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, R.D. Evans Rec. Center, Demonstrator: **Bob Edwards**

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