

Woodturners of North Texas



Next Meeting: Thursday, November 21st, 2019

Meeting Start: 6:30 PM

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

Six-Pointed Box by Brian Schrader



Brian Schrader is a registered Structural Engineer in Texas. Brian received a Bachelors degree in Civil Engineering from Texas Tech and a Master's degree in the same field from Texas A&M University.

Brian purchased his first lathe, used, 3 years ago and has gone "all-in". As an Engineer, Brian appreciates the mathematics and geometry of non-conventional profiles and vessels.

After raising four sons in Longview, Brian and his wife Michele, recently relocated to Azle. Brian is a member of the East Texas Woodturners in Tyler and joined NTW in September.

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Calendar of Events

**November 21st - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club,
Demonstrator: Brian Schrader
Subject: Six Point Vessels**

Brian is a new member to our club. He is also a member of East Texas Woodturners. Brian will be demonstrating a 6-pointed box. He did this demo at SWAT this year. Not bad for someone who has only been turning for 3 years.

December 14th - Christmas Banquet

**January 30th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club,
Demonstrator: Drew Shelton
Subject: Red Mallee Burl Bowl**

Drew's demo will be turning a bowl from a red mallee burl without disturbing the bark side of the burl. He was also a demonstrator at SWAT for 2019.

**February 27th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club,
Remote Demonstrator: Cindy Drozda
Subject: TBA**



... making Good Shavings

President's Pen for November 2019

As of the October election, the board is mostly incumbents with two new faces (Ken Cardin, VP; and Jim LeGrand, at-large). The board and I will do our best to continue to fulfill the chapter's purposes. On that subject, the board has agreed to devote most of our January board meeting to planning for the year and future direction of the chapter. If you have suggestions on which direction our chapter should go, please let me or one of the other board members know your thoughts.

FYI: According to our chapter by-laws, our purposes are: "...in addition to supporting the general purposes of the parent organization, 1. To provide a meeting place for local woodturners; 2. To share ideas and techniques regarding this craft; 3. To trade woods; 4. To exchange ideas about tools; 5. Promote and perpetuate the art and craft of woodturning and 6. Conduct educational seminars.

Last month I talked about the "Perfect Bowl" and the surprises one might find in any piece of wood. This month, I will share some of my recent findings. As a little background, Kerry Weeks has moved to eastern Tennessee and was having to leave behind **A LOT** of logs (A LOT as in a back yard stacked 2 foot high in various species of logs in various stages of decomposition). I agreed to help him by filling my trailer with some of his leftovers and take them to the WNTX meeting on the 21st. (come early for the best pieces).

While there, we cut up various logs to see what was inside. Most matched our expectations, some disappointed and some delighted. The ash log (~ 18' in diameter) offered no surprises which was good news.

The sycamore disappointed in having more rot than spalting. Two of the walnut logs exceeded our expectations. Kerry had offered to cut them in half and give the club one half and him keep the other. Well suffice it to say, out of a possible 4 pieces, Kerry kept 3. Beautiful figure and color. Kerry also included a 20” walnut log that had no bark left and very little sap wood. I cut that once I got home and found some nice figure, a bark inclusion and a gecko.

AAW is again offering scholarships for turning classes at Arrowmont and the Campbell Folk School. See the letter in this newsletter for the application process. You can't win if you don't enter.

Stay warm and keep turning and BE SAFE.

**Bill Collins
President**



WNT 2020 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Annual membership renewal is due January 1 each year.

Membership renewal for 2020 will continue at the meeting on November 21.

Preprinted forms with your 2019 information will be provided for your review.

You may pay \$24 with cash or check. Exact change will be appreciated. WNT is not set up to take credit or debit cards.

Thanks.

James Haynes, Treasurer



Saturday, December 14, 2019



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.

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 curmudgeonly treasurer does not take plastic.

You may pay your \$24 2020 WNT dues at the banquet.
Check or cash, exact change appreciated.



Elbo Tool Hollowing System Review

By David Baulch, Club Librarian

I purchased the Elbo Tool, now owned and manufactured for Tim Yoder of the “Woodturning with Tim” fame, back in 2018 at SWAT. I have seen a number of “captive bar” hollowing tools (Lyle Jamieson leaps to mind) and I knew I might have to go in that direction ... BUT, did I want to make my own or spend that much money for something I might not use that often - not attempting to make that many hollow forms? I saw and heard on Tim's YouTube channel about this machine he used and liked so much that he bought the company. So I decided that it looked to be one of the simplest and easiest hollowing systems to use, especially if you are not going to go “all” that deep. To be truthful, it really “is” instinctive in its use. I kept trying to see if there was a user manual in the box or maybe on line, but no such luck. I watched the video again, set it up on my JET 1642 and tried it out. With the exception of having to figure just how much to tighten it on the quill and adjusting the tool rest for the cutting I wanted, the mounting was just as simple as seen. I have not looked back.

According to Tim's Website: “The Elbo Tool’s innovative design almost eliminates the drudgery and physical exertion associated with end grain vessel hollowing. With a minimum of set up time, it readily attaches to any lathe without retaining bars or special hardware. One end clamps to your lathe’s tailstock barrel while the cutting arm slides over your tool rest. Three elbow-joint pivot points let you guide the cutter effortlessly. No more tense muscles or bone jolting rides as you hollow. Pull the cutting arm out of the tool holder section and you can insert your favorite 3/4” round shafted hollowing tool. Purchase a separate **Elbo Tool Adapter - 1/4” Adapter, 3/8” Adapter, 1/2” Adapter or 5/8” Adapter** - and you can use any round shafted hollowing tool from Sorby, Oland, Crown or other manufacturer. A minimum of 24” from your vessel’s edge to your tailstock barrel is necessary for installation, so it will fit most full sized lathes and mini-lathes with bed extensions.

A **Laser Pointer** can be mounted to a **Magnetic Base** that attaches to the cutting arm, so you can judge the thickness of the vessel’s side in relation to the cutter. Use the **Square Adapter Tray** if you want to mount the laser and magnetic base to a round tool. A **1” Round Steel Cutter** (199919) is available for smooth cutting, or choose the **1/2” Nano Carbide Cutter** for the ultimate sheer cut.

The basic Elbo Tool includes: clamp assembly, 2 pivot arms, 14"cutting arm, and tool holder with 1/4" cutter. All accessories sold separately."

I, personally, decided to buy the complete tool, ready-to-go out of the box without the laser. If I thought I might need the laser, I could always purchase it at a later time. Getting it out of the box held little if any drama, and putting it on the quill was simple. Then, just adjust the tool rest for the bar and cutter to proper height and you are ready to hollow. I adjusted the cutter piece to what I wanted and tested it on a "hollow form" ... a bowl. (Okay, not quite technically a hollow form, but you cannot leave the middle in and still call it a bowl.) I got used to it and tried it on a true hollow form, both my Beads of Courage lidded boxes. Worked like a charm.

Do I still, upon occasion use some of the hollowing tools from Sorby and Benjamin's Best? Yes, but usually only to get something started if the opening is rather small.

Did I mention sharpening or honing the bit is simple and easy?

Am I pleased with my purchase? Yes.

Would I buy it again? Absolutely.

Is it for everyone? THAT is a choice for you to make. I am glad I made that choice.

Chapter Scholarships for 2020

The AAW is pleased to announce we are continuing to offer financial assistance for quality woodturning instruction.

NEW: We have made changes to the program to expand eligibility to every individual AAW member in your chapter, and have introduced a self-nominating process using an online submission form at the bottom of this page.

Twenty-eight scholarships will be awarded to selected AAW chapter members to attend classes at one of two craft schools. The AAW Endowment Trust Fund (ETF), in combination with craft schools, provides funds for the scholarships.

- **Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts** - Gatlinburg, Tennessee
This scholarship offers tuition only for courses directly related to woodturning. Room, board, and travel expenses are the responsibility of the scholarship recipient. Fourteen scholarships will be awarded. Please note Arrowmont schedules selected "Master" woodturning classes. If any scholarship recipients choose "Master" classes, they will be responsible for paying an additional \$125 tuition premium on their own.
- **John C. Campbell Folk School** - Brasstown, North Carolina
This scholarship offers tuition only for courses directly related to woodturning. Room, board, and travel are the responsibility of the scholarship recipient. Fourteen scholarships will be awarded.

Nomination Process

- Scholarship nominees must be current AAW members. Guest members and those whose AAW memberships are lapsed or expired are not eligible.

- **NEW:** There is no limit to the number of applications from the AAW members in each chapter.
- Each scholarship nominee may submit no more than one scholarship application.
- If more members are nominated than the total number of available scholarships, a drawing will determine the winners.
- All awards will be for courses in 2020.
- Individual self-nominations must include nominee name, email address, phone number, chapter name, craft school preference, and AAW member number.
- All self-nominations must be entered using the online application at the web site listed at the bottom of this page not later than **January 15, 2020**.
- Winners will be notified by January 21, 2020.

If you would like additional information, or have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me or any of us in the AAW office at memberservices@woodturner.org, 877-595-9094 (toll free), Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m., to 4:30 p.m. central time.

The nomination form is located at:
<https://www.woodturner.org/page/ChapterScholarships2>

You must be an AAW member to access this page.

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THREE-MONTH INTRODUCTORY AAW MEMBERSHIP

JUST \$20



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- 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?

Two months in a row, you have turned out in large numbers to participate in my Challenge. I've never been too great at predicting which Challenges you would like, but at least I've found a few in which many of you chose to participate. This past month was the "Vase" Challenge. It had to be an upscale vase, at least 6" in height, and definitely not a weed pot. So many great projects were presented at our monthly meeting. I heard more than one person say that they saw so many entries that should be entered in our Christmas auction. What compliments for your excellent work!!

Those who participated were:

Jim Barkelew	Dick Koch	Mike Barton (3)
John Lauderbaugh	David Baulch	Jim LeGrand
Don Christiansen	Mark Nelon	Wayne Clowers
Jerry Newton	Glynn Cox	Jack Panzeca
Tom Echols	Charley Phillips	Jimmy Fife
Larry Roberts	Bob Grinstead	Greg Stehle
Rick Hallabough	Mike Stephens (2)	Blake Hickerson
John Strange Jr	Bill Holt	John Strange Sr
Bruce Imsande (2)	Pam Thompson	Howard Johnson (3)
Kerry Weeks	Richard Kenyon	Bob Wiggins (2)
Scott Wisdom	Danny Woods	

The Challenge for November will be to turn the "inevitable" Christmas table centerpiece. It is entirely up to you to choose the project. Just try to make it a bit festive.

Thanks in advance for your generosity. See you on November 21, one week EARLY!



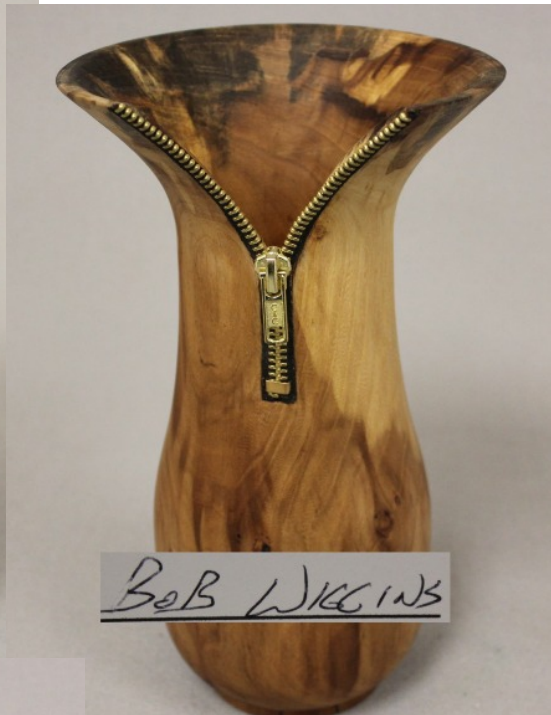
Pam Thompson

Last Month's Challenge

- Vase -



John
Laidenbaugh



Bob Wiggins



Kerry Weeks



Mark Nelson



Bob Wissler




Don Christiansen



DAVID BAULCH



Jim LeGrand



Jimmy Fite



Dick Koch



Scott Wisdom



BRUCE IMSANDE



Charley Miller



GREG STATHIS



Mike Barton



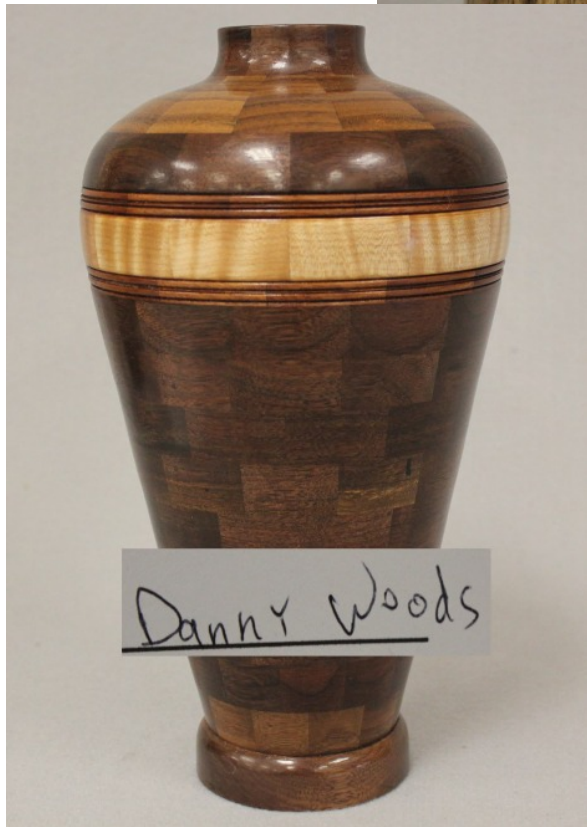
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Richard Kenyon



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Howard Johnson



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Jerry Newton



Pam Thompson



Jerry Newton



RICK HANABACH



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BILL HOLT



WOODTURNERS OF NORTH TEXAS
FORT WORTH
Jim Barkelew





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

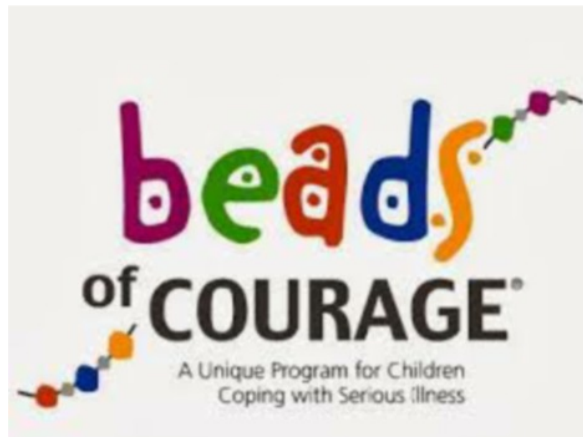
Our total bowl count is 60 plus 17 other turned items. I know most of you are busy turning Christmas presents but we really need to keep adding to our bowls count. The last date to contribute to this worthy cause will be the February WNT meeting.

Are you anonymous?
At the last meeting
there were 8 turnings
with no name on any of
them. See the picture.
If these are yours
please let me know and
I will put your name on
the list.



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

Empty Bowls 2019/2020							
<u>Turner's Name</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Total</u>		<u>Non Bowl Items</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Total</u>	
Mike Barton	2	11		<u>Turner's Name</u>			
Jim Barkelew	2	7					
Keith Adams		6		Don Chirstiansen		5	
Bruce Imsande		6		Bill Holt		2	
Ron Traylor	1	5		Jim Barkelew	1	1	
David Baulch	4	5		Glynn Cox		1	
Glynn Cox	1	4		Anonymous		8	
Joe Rypl		3		Grand Total		<u>17</u>	
Jimmy Fife	2	2					
Scott Wisdom		2					
Bill Holt		2					
Rick Hallabough		2		Percentage of total			
Tom Echols	1	1		members donating		9%	
Roy Steelman		1					
MKE	1	1					
Anonymous	1	1					
Mark Nelon	1	1		Total turned items		77	
		0					
Monthly Total	16						
Grand Total		<u>60</u>					



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				
Boehme, Billy	Arlington	817-275-7473 (h)	•	•													
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Cox, Glynn	Keller	817-337-0210 (h)	•				•			•							
Denke, Fred	Fort Worth	817-292-3479 (h)		•				•									
Derczo, Johnny	Mansfield	817-516-9006 (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)	•														
Roberts, Larry	Arlington	817-465-6397 (h)								•	•						
Tanksley, Jim	Mansfield	817-453-5100 (h)		•												•	
Tkacs, Peter	Denton	940-271-4728 (h)	•														
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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.