

# Woodturners of North Texas



**Next Meeting: Thursday, June 30th, 2022**  
**Meeting Start: 6:30 PM**

**IN-PERSON MEETING!!!**

**Handley-Meadowbrook Lions Club**

**6013 Craig Street Fort Worth, Texas 76112**

**or Virtual meeting on the Internet.**

**[Zoom meeting link](#)**

## Turning Small Items that Sell by Neal Brand

I sell turned items at the Denton Community Market most Saturdays from April through November. Two good sellers are spoons and spatulas. Each spoon or spatula leaves me with two 1 inch square by approximately 8 inch long cutoffs. I plan to show a few popular items made from these cutoffs that draw people to my booth. I'll also show a couple items that require a little bigger blank. I hope by the end of the demo, you will agree that these items are easy and fun to make as well as marketable.

My first turning project was when I was in junior high school in Indiana. I made a lamp from the end of an old walnut barn beam. I decided then that I would someday get a lathe and after only 40 years I did! I

turned my second project around 2005. I love to make items that people can use and that has been my focus in turning.

After teaching math for over 40 years, I retired from the University of North Texas in 2020. I live in Denton with my wife Shari. We have two adult daughters and two granddaughters.

The Woodturners of North Texas newsletter is published monthly. Inputs are due to the editor by the tenth of each month for inclusion in that month's newsletter.

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# Calendar of Events

June 30th Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM

Location: **Handley-Meadowbrook Lions Club**

Demonstrator: Neal Brand

Subject: Turning Small Items that Sell

Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83755883516?pwd=UmVCajQ2a1RTckM1RG9CSlVTcmh1QT09>

July 5th Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 PM

Location: **Remote - Zoom meeting**

Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82058917725?pwd=SVlqenMzT1lyV2pOeExBWTVFY2lYdz09>

July 28th Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM

Location: **Handley-Meadowbrook Lions Club**

Demonstrator: Glynn Cox

Subject: Turning Christmas Ornaments



## President's Notes for June, 2022

Greetings from the AAW Annual Symposium!

Kathy and I are on a two week road trip, with the AAW Symposium in Chattanooga being our first stop! Now, although I am partial to SWAT, and it will always remain my favorite, the two AAW Symposiums we have attended have been awfully good also.

It's so great to see so many people we have met in the woodturning community at an annual gathering. Our "tribe" is full of people are truly friendly and fun, and I can't think of another group of which we have been members that I would rather be with. We are drawn together by a common love.

We hit the ground running (spending) Thursday night with a preview of the Trade Show at which we could buy from all of the vendors. Although I avoided buying wood (my shop is full), we did buy plenty of tools, coloring supplies, and, as always, CA glue. If you missed the Starbond guys at SWAT last year, they told me they will be at SWAT this year.

If you have not yet made up your mind about going to SWAT this year, I hope I can persuade you to go. The woodturning symposium experience has always been rewarding for us, and I would love to have each member of our club get as much from them as Kathy and I do. We got to sit down with people who have become old friends, and make some new ones. We have seen some great demonstrations and gotten new ideas to try in our shop. We have more new tools to try out in our shop. How much better could things get?

Sadly, we lost Larry Roberts a few weeks ago. There was a lovely memorial service and many of our club members attended. He was one of the Founders of the Woodturners of North Texas, and the first president. He was also a founder of SWAT. He was an admirable man, kind and generous and funny. I wish I was more like him. We will have a memorial platter for his family at the July meeting, and I hope you will all try to attend to sign it.

I am grateful to be a woodturner, but to me, being one is so much more than having a hobby.

Stay safe and keep turning.

Greg

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Good  
Shavings

# *In Loving Memory*



*Larry Del Roberts*

JULY 11, 1940 - JUNE 8, 2022

On the evening of June 8th 2022, Larry Del Roberts of Arlington Texas died at the age of 81. Larry was born in Loraine, Texas to John Delma Roberts and Fresha Gary Roberts in the summer of 1940. He learned to run heavy road construction equipment before he was a teenager and traveled throughout Texas building new roads, bridges, and tunnels with his parents. Because of that he went to 27 different schools before meeting our mom and settling in Colorado City, Texas to date her and finish high school. Dad always said that he loved our Mom the moment he saw her. Upon graduation they married and drove to Arlington, Texas with "Just Married" cans dragging behind the car, so they could attend Arlington State College, now UTA. They loved Arlington and never left.

Back in 1961, Arlington State was part of the A&M system. Larry majored in microbiology while working for the Arlington Water Department.

Mom said she would take two pillows off the couch at home and sleep on a table right beside him when he worked the overnight shift monitoring the water pumps from a small building on the Lake Arlington dam. Later Larry managed a large real estate office until that owner encouraged him to start his own company. Larry and Pat did just that and worked together brokering a local Arlington office until they retired in 1997. Larry served in many capacities at the Arlington Board including Professional Standards, Grievance Committee, President of the Board, and many fun events for charity like the chili cook-off. He lost one year to someone who put beans in their chili. Dad just didn't think that was right. Larry was honored with the prestigious Edgar Byrd Award for serving the Real Estate profession and community tirelessly. At the ceremony they said, "Larry was soft spoken, but if he had something to say, you better listen, because it was important, and he was probably right." Dad also served as a Deacon for many years at TSBC where he served the Lord faithfully. As an Ordained Minister, he was able to officiate one of the grandkid's wedding just last year.

Once retired, Dad found that he was busier than he was while working. He never said he was retired, just unemployed. He loved to work driving the tractor. We accused him of moving dirt from here, to there, and back to where he started. Dad could fix anything. He enjoyed taking old worn out things and giving them a new life. He could fix tools, tractors, trucks, broken cabinets, chairs, or just about anything you asked him to look at. Dad is also a founding member of the Wood Turners of North Texas and helped his brother take the club nationally and internationally, with over 385 clubs, yearly conventions, and a place for beginners or professionals to learn from each other. It's a good thing that they had a big driveway as it was usually full with people just stopping by to visit or cut up some wood and make something. Many people have said Dad was generous; that he gave away stuff not wanting anything in return. Others have told us that he encouraged them to start their own company, made suggestions on how they could better market themselves, and even gave away his real estate commission to help a church just starting. Another told how Dad walked him to his truck and grabbed him by his arm and told him not to do something that was physically risky because he was special and had a lot more to accomplish. Another talked about the day he quit putting sugar in his coffee because my dad kidded him that he had to

drink it black to grow hair on their chest. Dad was always making people laugh and they enjoyed just hanging out with him. Larry loved his grandkids. He would teach them many of life's lessons, always told them he loved them, hugged them, and probably told each one that they were his favorite. They wanted for nothing when around him. What a blessing it was to have him in their lives.

Larry is preceded in death by his parents Delma and Fresha Roberts, and oldest brother Dr. Wendell Roberts. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Patricia Roberts, son Brad Roberts & wife Vy Roberts, and Daughter Carrie Way and brother Gary S Roberts. He loved his grandkids and spent countless hours with them. They include Chase Roberts and wife Stephanie and kids Cain and Dylan; Ryan Roberts; Matt Way and wife Brooklyn and kids Wylie; Aubrey Roberts and fiancé Reid Alexander; Emily Way; Drew Way; and Andy Vu. Larry has many friends that we consider family that dearly loved him.

A public memorial was held at 1:30 on June 16th at The Marty Leonard Chapel at 3131 Sanguinet Street, Fort Worth Texas 76107.

# Who's Up For A Challenge?

Last month's challenge was to turn a Beads of Courage box. I was unable to make it to the meeting but I hear there were some nice pieces. BOC is always fun to support, those kids love them while battling through some terrible medical conditions\procedures.

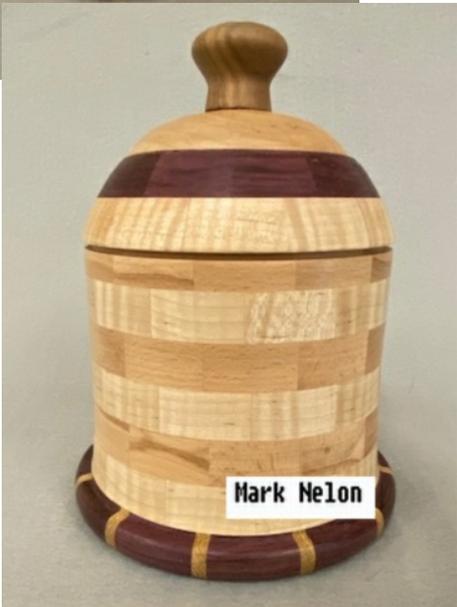
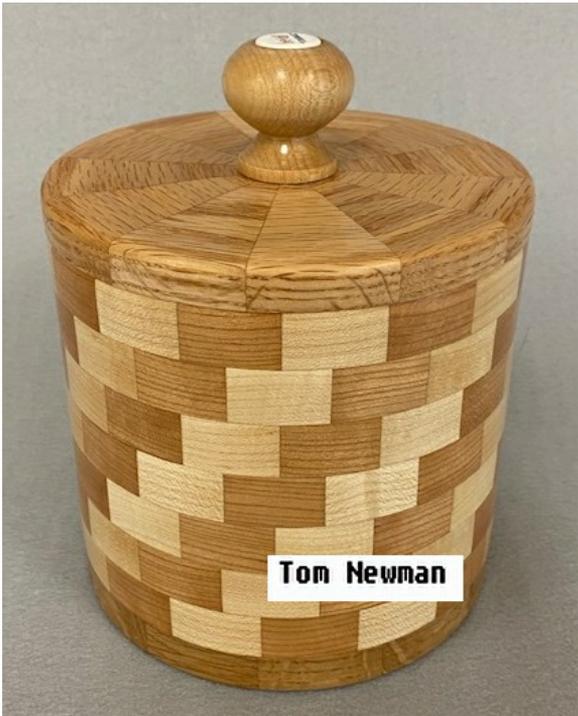
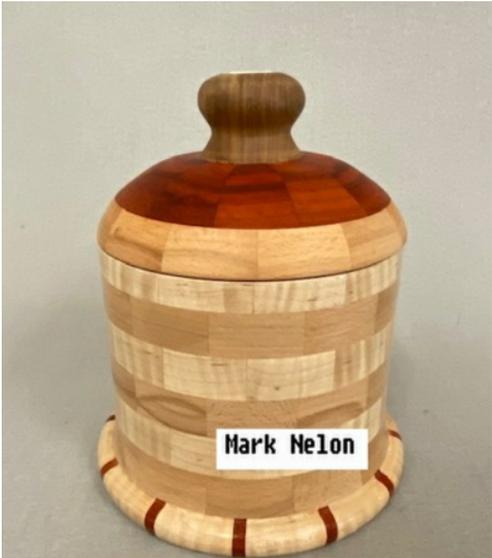
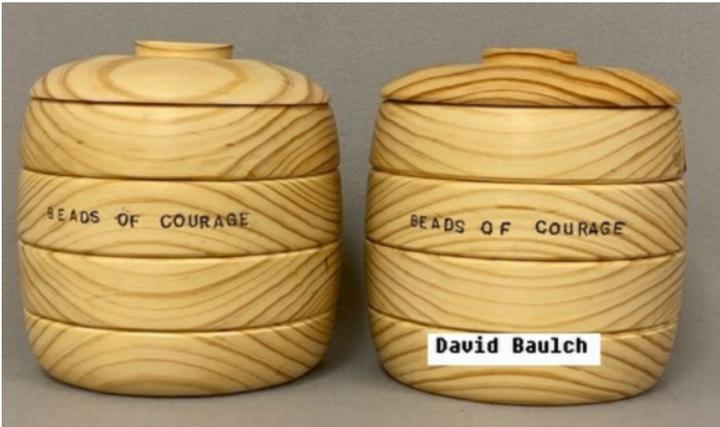
This month's challenge is to go thin. I'm hoping that folks will be able to maybe push their limits and go thinner than they thought they could go. I leave it open so you could turn a goblet, finial, bowl, anything thin. I may not be able to get mine done in time cause I've got a project that has taken over my shop. I'm building an elevator for my loft because the older I get the more I dislike ladders.

Get ready for next month! It's going to be Christmas in July. The challenge next month is turn either a table decoration or an auction piece for the Christmas party. Hopefully this challenge brings some Christmas weather.

See you on Thursday.

Dave

# May Challenge - Beads-of-Courage





Jim Barkelew



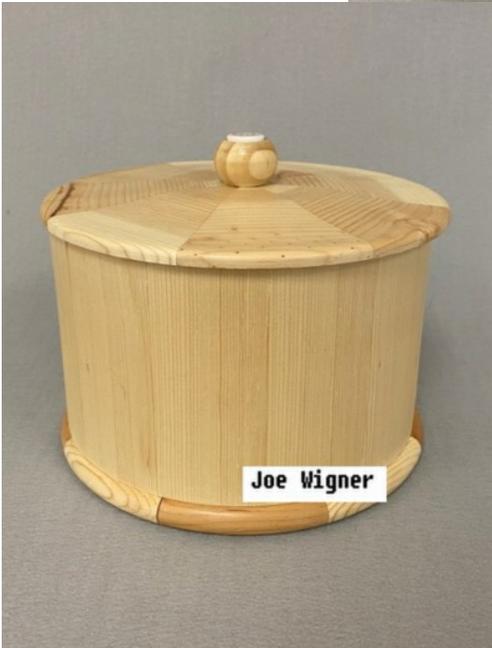
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# May's Critique



# WNT BEANCOUNTER'S BULLETIN-June 2022

## WNT SHIRTS & CAPS

We had to change vendors for our WNT logo merchandise. New prices are:

Polo shirts-short sleeve- S-3X \$30

Button front shirts, long or short sleeve-S-3X \$39, Tall-L-3X \$43

A new supply of caps in two different styles is available. Price is still \$10.

The next shirt order will be placed after the July 28 meeting and ready for pickup at the August 18 meeting, just in time for SWAT. You may order your shirt beginning with the May meeting. Payment is required at time of order.

Cash, Check or Charge.

## ANCHORSEAL

Anchorseal is available at our regular meetings. Price is still \$15.

Please do not bring empty containers. They are not needed at this time.

## LACQUER AND SANDING SEALER

A new order of lacquer and sanding sealer was received in April. Price is still \$9.

## WNT 2022 MEMBERSHIP DUES WERE DUE JANUARY 1.

Not sure if you have paid your dues? Check at the treasurer's table. Membership cards are available for members who paid by mail or online.

RESIDENT BEANCOUNTER  
JAMES HAYNES, TREASURER

# EMPTY BOWLS

The Empty Bowls Event is a two-hour, lunch time fund raising event held once a year by the Tarrant Area Food Bank (TAFB). All tickets include food tastings from local restaurants and your selection of a handcrafted bowl. They have wood, glass and ceramic bowls. Tickets for the event are \$100 or \$150 for early admittance. If you get in early you get first pick for your bowl.

The WNT Board has agreed that Empty Bowls is a very worthy activity and should be supported by the Club.

I will be collecting bowl donations at our monthly meetings. **Please only contribute quality bowls.** The people attending the EB Event are paying a healthy sum and we should not insult them with a poor-quality bowl.

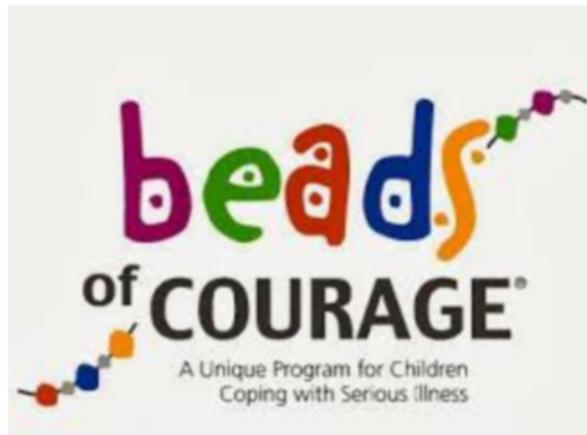
If you have any questions or comments, please let me know at [randkbiz@msn.com](mailto:randkbiz@msn.com).

Thanks,

Ron Traylor

## Empty Bowls 2022/2023

<u>Turner's Name</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>Total</u>
Greg Stehle			7
Jim Barkelew	6		6
Sandy Jerrell	3		3
Mark Nelon	3		3
Ron Traylor	1	1	3
Dave Wilson	2		2
			0
<b>Monthly Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1</b>	
<b>Grand Total</b>			<u><b>24</b></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/bean-bowl> on ways to contribute. The workmanship and finish should be in keeping with WNT standards.

# Librarian Letter

Dear Club Members,

This Note is an update from your Club Librarian ([librarian@WNTX.org](mailto:librarian@WNTX.org)) to all Club Members.

The Library has switched from the old card system for accounting of the library Books and Videos to a computer system.

There are a few policies added to the Library Check-out system:

1. You will only be able to check-out 4 Books and Videos at any given time.
2. The Check-out length of time is 60 days.
3. To check out a book or video you must meet the following:

Be a Member of the WNTX Club.

Fill out a card with the Following:

Full Name.

E-mail Address

Phone Number that I can text to.

The cards to fill out are available at the librarian's desk in the back of the meeting room.

- A list of Books and Videos for Check-out will be available on line on our web site at ([WNTX.org](http://WNTX.org)) and at each meeting on the Library table. A printed list will also be available on the Library table during the Club meetings.
- Take special Note that each Book/Video has a designated ID #. This number matches an inventory number in the computer system.
- To RETURN Books and Videos, just place them in the RETURN box on the library table.

The Club has built a large library and it was built by the past librarians and Club Members. To be the Librarian of such a knowledge base is indeed a privilege. I want to share this Knowledge base with everyone in the Club. So, Peruse the list of Books and Videos check them out and enjoy.

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There is no reason that the Library of best Turning Club in North Texas cannot be better. So we are asking for good ideas.

1. Posting on line Videos demonstrations by club members.
2. Feature video of long term Club Members and their contributions to the Club.
3. Post video and Book reviews from club members.

If anyone has a Suggestion or Information for Videos and Books please E-mail the Librarian who will share your ideas with the Board: [librarian@WNTX.org](mailto:librarian@WNTX.org)

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**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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			General turning	Bowls	Pens	Segmented	Tool Making	Decoration & Inlay	Sharpening	Fundamentals	Natural Edge	Multi-axis	Hollow Forms			
Boehme, Billy	Arlington	817-275-7473 (h)	•	•												
Clowers, Wayne	Haltom City	817-834-7755 (h)		•	•	•										
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)	•													
Roberts, Larry	Arlington	817-465-6397 (h)								•	•					
Tanksley, Jim	Mansfield	817-453-5100 (h)		•											•	
Wiggins, Bob	Arlington	817-690-7131 (c)	•	•					•							

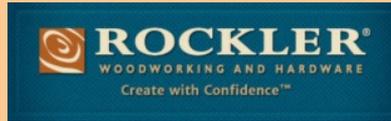
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The Regular Monthly Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at 6:30PM via Zoom.

Board meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30PM on Zoom. All WNT members are invited to attend.

If you would like to attend the Board meeting, email your request to Greg Stehle at [president@wntx.org](mailto:president@wntx.org)

## Anchorseal®

The club has purchased a 55-gallon drum of Anchorseal sealant for green wood and it is available to members for \$15.00 per gallon. It is available at the club meetings.

**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.