

# Woodturners of North Texas



**Next Meeting: Thursday, September 29th, 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](#)**

## Dennis Ford

### Platter with multi-axis legs



I have attached a couple of pictures of my demo topic. This piece had a lot of insect damage character, I should have a crotch section for the demo with fewer holes. The legs are two piece, with the bottom part turned on two axis. Some people will not want to turn something this unusual but I will also discuss other projects from crotch sections and how to know which pieces are most likely to have bark inclusions. Last week, I turned a similar platter in the demo and installed pre-made legs. I also turned one leg to show the process. I expect to do about the same but spending a little more time showing the multi-axis leg, perhaps a little less time on the platter.

My website has not been updated in quite a while but shows the type of work that I do.

<http://denniswoodart.com/index.html>



## Shop Visit with Blake Hickerson Demonstrating his Rose Engine Lathe



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# Calendar of Events

September 29th Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM

Location: **Handley-Meadowbrook Lions Club**

Demonstrator: Dennis Ford

Subject: Platter with multi-axis leg

Meeting Link:

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

October 4th Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 PM

Location: **Remote - Zoom meeting**

Meeting Link:

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

October 27th Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM

Location: **Handley-Meadowbrook Lions Club**

Demonstrator: TBD

Subject: TBD



## President's Notes for September, 2022

Doing the unthinkable...

I know I should know how to use the skew effectively, but that thing scares me! I have had so many catches and runbacks that at one point, I reground all my skewers into negative rake scrapers. No more catches! I developed alternate tools and methods to achieve cuts that should be readily done with a skew. They worked OK, but they were neither efficient, nor foolproof. After all, fools can be very determined...

After years of avoidance, I finally acknowledged that I needed professional help. They say that's the first step to solving a problem. I signed up for the Matt Monaco Skew class put on by the Dallas Area Woodturners on September 17. I was convinced I would finish the class able to make perfect beads with impossibly sharp v-cuts between them. I thought I would be turning perfect coves without using anything but my skew. It didn't turn out that way. I did make plenty of chips, shavings and sawdust, though. Also, a few surfaces that looked like someone was starting to turn a corkscrew.

So, from my experience, I can tell you that it is possible to round up a piece of square stock with a skew, but a spindle roughing gouge is quicker. It is possible to turn a cove with a skew, but a spindle gouge is quicker, and a bowl gouge is quicker than either one. It is probably better to turn beads with a skew if you have adjacent beads and need a crisp v between them. In all cases, though, the skew can produce a better surface.

It is possible to produce surfaces that don't need sanding, which leads me to a key application of the skew for me: I want to turn green wood and put a finish on it before the wood dries. I just heard that Black Locust can be sanded green without loading up the sandpaper. I don't have any, and I want to use green Elm, Hackberry and Pear to make snowmen. I want a good finish without sanding, so the skew is the ideal tool. Three beads and I am done with the body.

So, I would like to tell you that I am churning out snowmen at an incredible rate, but I am not. What I am doing is practicing with poplar until my cuts are consistent and (mostly) free of catches. I expect to start making snowmen starting in October, just in time for Christmas.

I have committed myself to the unthinkable act of using the skew.

Keep safe and keep turning  
Greg

... making



Good  
Shavings

# Who's Up For A Challenge?

Last month's challenge was outside in\inside out turning. This was certainly a challenge for me. Getting everything to line up has always been my trouble. Taking John Lauderbaugh's approach of turning the outside first was a first for me. I think I like it better than doing the inside first. Doing the inside first backs me into a corner on the outside design. John's approach allows me to define the outside the way I want. Thanks John! We had some remarkable pieces submitted and I hope you had fun and learned something from it. Trying new things and different approaches is a great way to expand your abilities.

This month's challenge is a Japanese toy called a Kendama. I've got 3 of the 5 spheres turned and will be moving on to the handle as soon as I get 2 more spheres done. I plan on bringing the best looking one to the meeting. I've got 5 granddaughters so I can't do just one.

We usually tie a couple of the monthly challenges to one of the great programs that we support. So next month's challenge is to turn a bowl for the Empty Bowls program. I know many of you have turned some beautiful bowls in the past but the challenge is to "GO BIG". Try and make your bowls as big as your lathe can support. Below is the link to the Arlington Food Bank that has the program we support. The second link is a youtube video by Kent Weakly. For those that may need a little help on the steps to creating the perfect bowl, the video is great. Its very easy to understand and he explains things very well.

[Empty Bowls - \(tafb.org\)](http://tafb.org)

[Live \(Almost\) Wood Bowl Turning - Turn A Wood Bowl - Woodturning Video - YouTube](#)

See you on Thursday.  
Dave

# August Challenge - Inside Out



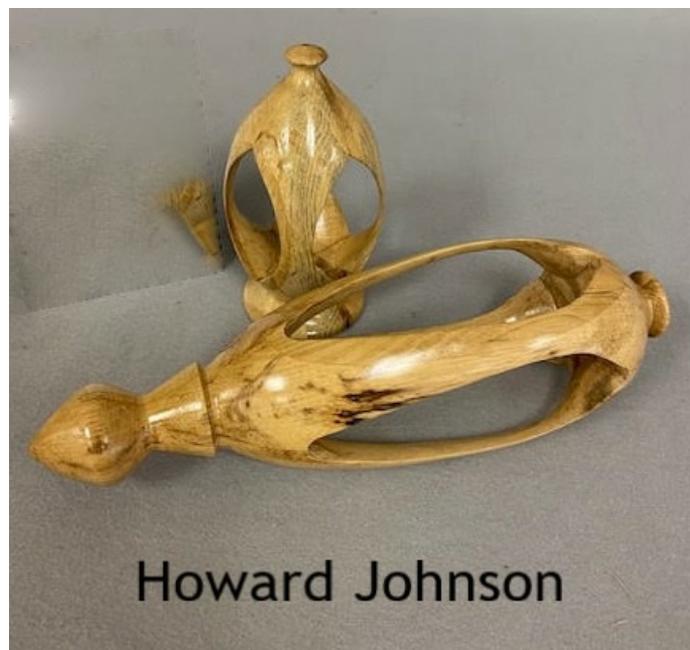
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Challenge Group

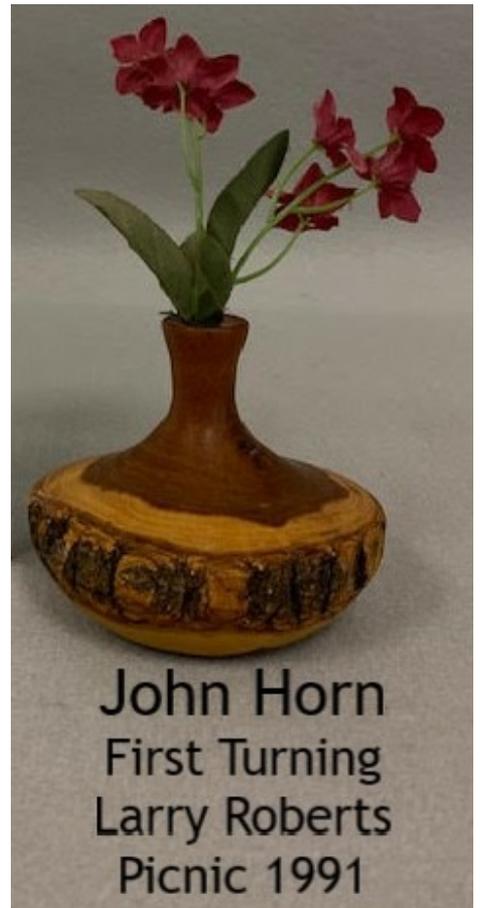
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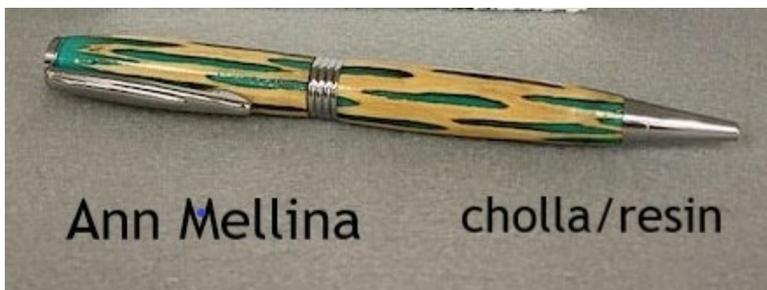
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Lauderbaugh



Bob Grinstead



John Horn  
First Turning  
Larry Roberts  
Picnic 1991



Ann Mellina      cholla/resin

# WNT BEANCOUNTER'S BULLETIN-SEPTEMBER 2022

**DECEMBER 10: DATE FOR THE CHRISTMAS BANQUET**

THE WNT CHRISTMAS BANQUET WILL BE AT THE HANDLEY-MEADOWBROOK LIONS CLUB—OUR REGULAR MEETING PLACE.

MARK MCCLURE, PROFESSIONAL AUCTIONEER WILL BE WITH US AGAIN.

PLEASE ADD THE DATE TO YOUR CALENDAR, SHARE THIS WITH YOUR FAMILY AND PLAN TO ATTEND. (SET UP 3:30 PM, ARRIVE 4:30 PM, MEAL 5:30 PM, DRAWINGS & AUCTION 6:30 PM)

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

ANN MELINA HAS AGREED TO BE IN CHARGE OF THE FOOD AT THE BANQUET. PLEASE RESPOND WHEN SHE ASKS FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE MEATS AND SHARE IN THE SALAD, VEGETABLE, AND DESSERTS PREPARATION FOR THE MEAL. THE UPCOMING CHRISTMAS BANQUET ANNOUNCEMENT FLYER WILL HAVE MORE DETAILS.

SOME OF THE VENDOR GIFT CERTIFICATES WE HAVE DEPENDED ON IN PAST YEARS ARE NO LONGER AVAILABLE TO WNT SO PLEASE HELP BY DONATING TURNING BLOCKS, TURNING KITS, TOOLS, OR OTHER ITEMS FOR THE DOOR AND DRAWING PRIZES. BEGIN BRINGING THEM AT THE OCTOBER 27<sup>TH</sup> MEETING. DONATION FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE.

GET TO WORK ON TURNINGS AND OTHER ITEMS FOR DONATION TO THE AUCTION.

SET ASIDE SOME MONEY TO SPEND AS AN AUCTION BUYER.

WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS IN THE OCTOBER NEWSLETTER, ETC.

HELP! IT IS TIME TO ORDER THE LATHE FOR THE TICKET DRAWING. DUE TO SOME PHYSICAL CONSTRAINTS I HAVE, I NEED SOMEONE TO VOLUNTEER TO TAKE DELIVERY, STORE THE LATHE, AND BRING IT TO THE DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> BANQUET. IT WILL LIKELY BE A GRIZZLY MINI OR MIDI LATHE. PLEASE CONTACT ME.

**2023 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL BEGINS ONLINE OCTOBER 1 ON THE WEBSITE.**

**PREPRINTED RENEWAL FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR IN PERSON RENEWAL AT THE OCTOBER 27 MONTHLY MEETING. ANNUAL DUES WILL STILL BE \$36, AND MAY BE PAID WITH CASH, CHECK, OR CREDIT CARD.**

RESIDENT BEANCOUNTER  
JAMES HAYNES, TREASURER  
214-801-1775

# 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.

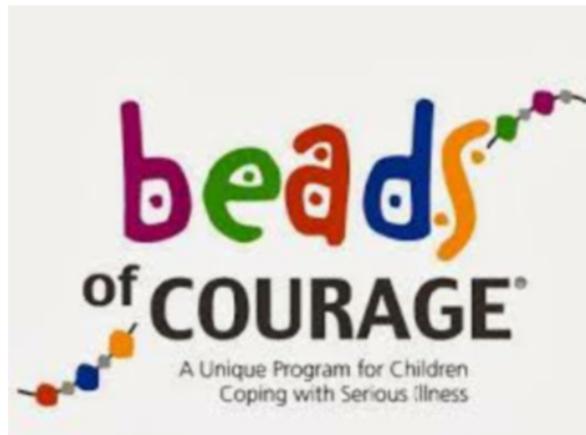
I will be collecting bowl donations at our monthly meetings. **Please only contribute quality bowls.** The people attending the EB Event are paying a healthy sum and we should not insult them with a poor-quality bowl.

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

Thanks,

Ron Traylor

	A	B	C	D	E	M
1	Empty Bowls 2022/2023					
2						
3	<b><u>Turner's Name</u></b>	<b><u>Mar</u></b>	<b><u>April</u></b>	<b><u>May</u></b>	<b><u>June</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b>
4	Greg Stehle	7				7
5	Jim Barkelew		6			6
6	Sandy Jerrell		3			3
7	Mark Nelon		3			3
8	Ron Traylor	1	1	1		3
9	Dave Wilson		2			2
10	Bill Holt				2	2
49	Monthly Total	8	15	1	2	
50	Grand Total					<u><u>26</u></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**



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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	817-944-3993 (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)	•														
Mellina, Ann	Fort Worth	817-905-2040			•	•					•						
Tanksley, Jim	Mansfield	817-453-5100 (h)			•												•
Wiggins, Bob	Arlington	817-690-7131 (c)	•		•					•							

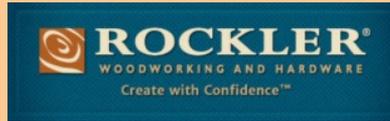
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The Regular Monthly Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at 6:30PM via Zoom.

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.