

Woodturners of North Texas



36 years



Next Meeting: Thursday, June 26th, 2025
Meeting Start: 6:30 PM. Come early to socialize.

IN-PERSON MEETING!!!

Handley-Meadowbrook Lions Club

6013 Craig Street Fort Worth, Texas 76112

or Virtual meeting on the Internet.

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86406>

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Joseph Bohn Kaleidoscopes



I am a member of the Golden Triangle Club in Denton. I have been into woodworking my entire adult life. I started turning in 2008. My interest besides Kaleidoscopes are bowls some segmented work and a few toys.

A kaleidoscope is an optical instrument that creates symmetrical, colorful patterns through the reflection of light. It typically consists of a tube containing mirrors arranged in a triangle and a chamber holding bits of colored glass, plastic, or other materials. When you look through one end and rotate the tube, the objects shift and the mirrors reflect the shapes into intricate, ever-changing designs. It's often used as a toy or decorative object but also appreciated as a simple example of how light and symmetry can create beauty.



Please note our web site is continuing to be refined. **Take a look** :

[URL: https://wntx.org/](https://wntx.org/)

To get help with your woodturning project, please go to our **Mentor page** at:

<https://wntx.org>

Click Mentor tab for details

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Facebook

Have you worked long and hard on a project and want to show it off? Do you have a question about how to do something? Want to sell a tool that you no longer use? Need inspiration? Want to start a discussion? Have wood to share?

The club has an additional Facebook page where you can post anything woodturning related. It's a member's only page so you have to ask and be approved to join. Search Facebook for Woodturners of North Texas, (WNTX.org) Members Forum.

<https://www.facebook.com/wntx.org>



Calendar of Events

June 26th Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM

Location: **Handley-Meadowbrook Lions Club**

Demonstrator: Joseph Bohn

Subject: Kaleidoscopes

Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86406929325?pwd=blpwZlBsNzU0RzBCQnkzbmhiTmhFQT09>

June 28th Turning Demo

Rockler in Arlington 11-2

3810 S Cooper Street

Arlington, TX 76015

July 1st Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 PM

Location: **Remote - Zoom meeting**

Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83748506862?pwd=N3RtVUVzSjk3UGVGczRJVpTL1ZqQT09>

July 31st Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM

Location: **Handley-Meadowbrook Lions Club**

Demonstrator: TBD

Subject:

Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86406929325?pwd=blpwZlBsNzU0RzBCQnkzbmhiTmhFQT09>



President's Notes for June, 2025

Greetings,

I want to thank Randy, Jeff, and the numerous volunteers who made our in house bowl turning class a success. If you are interested in such a class in the future please let me or any of the board members know. There may be something you are having trouble with that a mentor or member of the club can help you with. The talent within our club runs deep and I do not know a member is not willing to help.

With the weather we have experienced I know the damage has created an abundance of wood for the taking. A year ago my neighbor was taking down an oak tree that was killed by Oak Blight. I went over thinking these were nice pieces of wood. I found out from the arborist whether I turned the wood or it was burned in a fireplace that it was a danger to our respiratory system. This is a reminder to be aware of the history of the tree in the case of oak before you invest your time in bringing something home that could severely impact your health.

SWAT is coming up and we will need volunteers in the room we sponsor. This is an opportunity for a front row seat and to assist the demonstrator. If you haven't checked out the rotations you will find our room has a lineup of top tier demonstrators. We will also need volunteers at the registration desk. If you are unaware SWAT gives our club a stipend for these activities that goes into our budget to support the club, so please consider how you can help our club during SWAT.

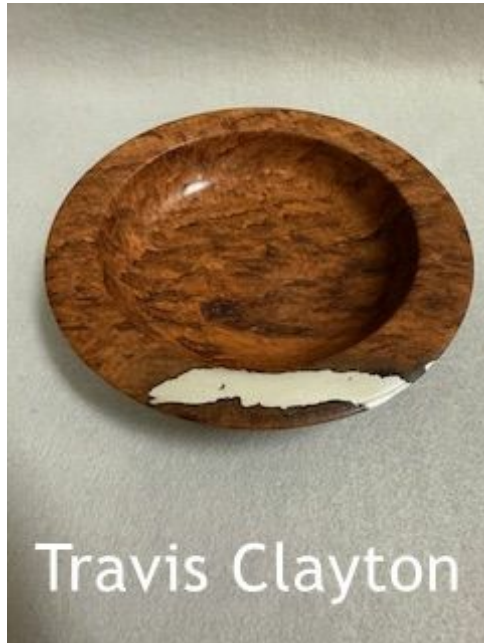
See you at the meeting,

Blake

Critique/Display Items



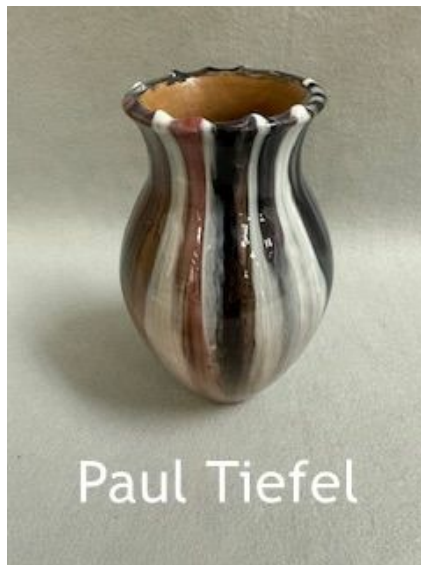
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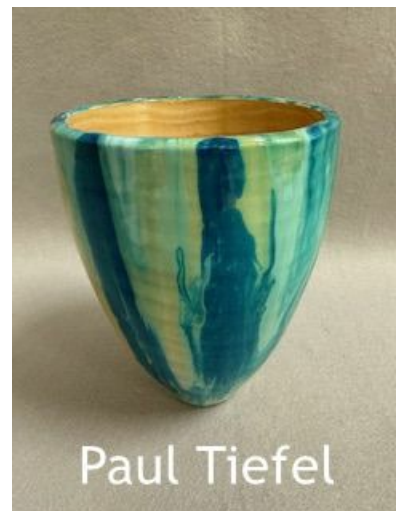
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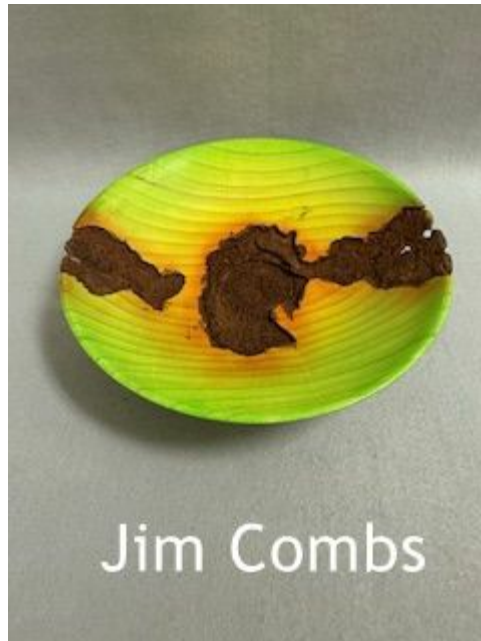
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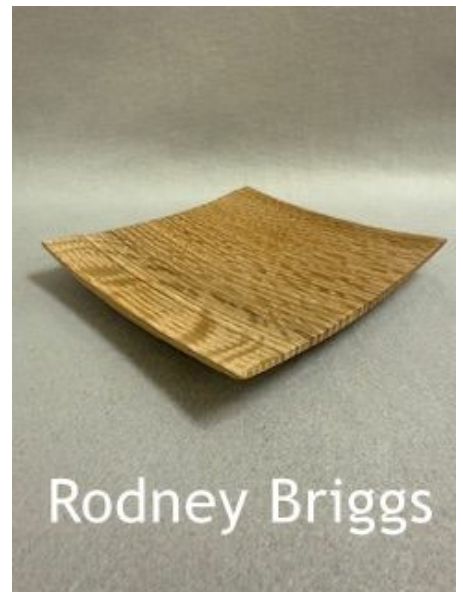
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Jim Combs



Stephen Hill



Rodney Briggs



Jim Combs



Dewey
Johnson

Who's Up For A Challenge?

Since our June meeting will be one week before July 4th, this month's challenge is to turn something patriotic. There are no requirements for size, style, shape, etc. Just that the item must be turned. Your turned item can be anything and then painted or embellished to be patriotic. Below are some simple Google photos for ideas.

Happy turning!

Bob Nelson



May Challenge Items





Danny Woods



Stephen Hill



Louie Oberheu



Lawrence Reid



Jim Barkedew



Corey Johnson



Louie Oberheu

Last Month's Demonstrator



To all Members,

Open Shop- Home

This is a free once-a-quarter opportunity to get together at a member's personal shop to see their shop, exchange stories, possibly observe some skills or techniques and perhaps learn about a new toy (um Tool) or possibly receive some instruction from a club member.

This does not replace the existing quarterly open shop events held at the lion's club, before one of our regular meetings.

This quarter we met at the shop of of Keith & Darla Adams.

At 10:00 AM on March 29th 2025.

311 Broadmoor Dr. Haslet, TX 76052

Keith is looking for volunteers to host an open shop at their home.

Currently, we have the following volunteers:

- 1. Randy Sullivan - Date TBD**
- 2. Lawerance Reed - Date TBD**
- 3. Stormy Boudreaux - Date TBD**

Please let Keith know if you are interested in sponsoring an event.

Be sure to bring some great stories about your woodturning adventures and possibly your favorite beverage or snack items to share as well.

This is an informal meeting with no specific agenda other than a great time to meet with other club members.

Thank you,
Keith Adams
BOD - Member at large
Woodturners of North Texas

WNT BEANCOUNTER'S BULLETIN JUNE 2025

WNT 2025 MEMBERSHIP DUES WERE DUE JANUARY 1.

Only 111 members have paid their 2025 dues. Not sure if you have paid your dues? Check at the treasurer's table. Payment with a credit card may be made online on the WNT website. Payment by cash, check, or credit card is accepted at the regular meetings. The membership application or renewal form may be filled on the website.

New member prorated dues are now available on the website.

ANCHORSEAL

Anchorseal is now available at our monthly meetings. Price is still \$15. Please do not bring empty containers. They are not needed at this time.

LACQUER AND SEALER

We have a limited supply of lacquer and with a breakeven price of \$10. Attempts to reach the supplier to order more has been unsuccessful.

WNT SHIRTS AND CAPS-NEW PRICES

POLO-SHORT SLEEVE	\$38
BUTTON FRONT-SHORT SLEEVE	\$47
BUTTON FRONT-LONG SLEEVE	\$49
CAPS	\$18

If you need a new shirt for SWAT order it at the June meeting. Payment is due at the time of order.

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 next Event will be held on Friday, April 25, 2026. The last Event raised over \$300,000 and tickets were sold out.

The WNT Board has agreed that Empty Bowls is a very worthy activity and should be supported by the Club. Our Club contributes almost all of the wood bowls and provides a top turning demonstration at the event.

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.

Thanks,

Ron Traylor

Empty Bowls		2025/2026										
Turner's Name	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Ron Traylor		2										2
Jeff Allen		2										2
Bob Grinstead	1											1
Steve Mills	1											1
Steven Hill		1										1
												0
												0
												0
Monthly Total	2		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Grand Total												7

Librarian Notes
(librarian@WNTX.org)

Surplus magazines, DVD's, and books are available at club meetings for free or a small charge (books).

The WNTX on-line library is currently offline to address a security issue and future usefulness for the club.

There are many excellent curated resources on the [AAW website](#). This is a major benefit of becoming a member of AAW.

Important note: Be aware that some turning videos found on random web searches may contain unsafe and potentially dangerous methods. Safety education is a vital part of turning.

librarian@WNTX.org

Get Ready! SWAT 2025

August 22, 23, 24

Rotation Schedule

Lead demonstrators

Sally Ault

Tony Street

Mike Mahoney

Mike Nlsh

Matt Monoco

Jerry Bennett

Lyle Jameson

Hotel's open up February 10th

Hilton 150 rooms

Marriot ???

Registration for SWAT opens March 3rd

Member at Large - If anyone is interested please let me know where I can get it to the nominating committee

<https://www.swaturners.org/>

Affiliate Membership **FREE** Worldwide

The **free** Affiliate membership offers access to the complete collection of AAW online resources, including the *American Woodturner* journal, for a **full three-months**.

Free: Affiliate Membership

Membership features:

- Online access to *American Woodturner* and Woodturning FUNDamentals, both current and archived, as well as other online publications.
- Online access to learning portals including Woodturning Fundamentals and Demonstrator Direct (develop a demonstration).
- Online access AAW produced videos and video series.
- Find online projects, articles, and tips using AAW Explore! and a few keywords.
- Locate a wide selection of curated online woodturning videos that have been pre-screened for quality content and safety using Video Source and a few keywords.
- Members-only or discounted access to AAW hosted online and live events, including AAW symposia.
- AAW email newsletters: AAW Tool Box (weekly), Keep Turning with AAW (bimonthly).
- Member galleries for inspiration and ideas: Maker Photo Gallery, AAW Forum Gallery, and more.
- Directories: Members, Chapters, Demonstrators, Schools, Educators, and more.
- Discounts in AAW online store.

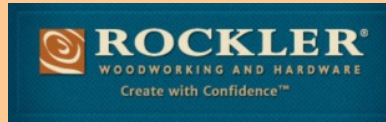
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1-800-377-7297

The Regular Monthly Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at 6:30PM in person or 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 Blake Hickerson 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 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.