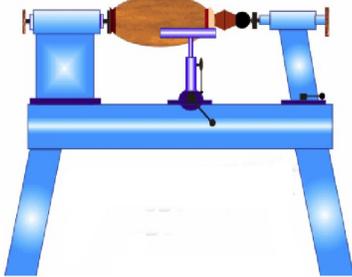


GTW TURNINGS



NEWSLETTER OF THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE WOODTURNERS

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Our next meeting is 7:00pm March 7th

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This Month's Demo is...

“Multiple Bowls”

Using the McNaughton Center Saver System

Presented by Don Hawkins

I am Don Hawkins, a retired realtor and live in Gainesville, Texas with my wife Dixie. When I am not turning wood, we like to travel and I play golf an fish.

Don was introduced to wood turning by a customer about 10 years ago and found it one of the most enjoyable and relaxing things he has ever done. Don enjoys teaching others “what little I know” he says and as we have all experienced, loves to talk about wood turning and showing off. Don enjoys the friendships he has made in the club and looks forward to many more years of making shavings.

For my demo, I plan to show the club what little I have learned about using the McNaughton Center Saver system. I will be coring a couple of large bowl blanks and showing what I have learned to do and what not to do to make the system work. I will also be donating this system to the club in honor of Eddie Charba who loaned me the system and said he never wanted to see it again.



President's Patter

It seems that the groundhog didn't see his shadow and we are finally getting some good weather. We are (hopefully) past the cold weather and the hot weather is still a few months off, so this is a perfect time to go to the shop and turn an idea into a thing of beauty.

That is what twelve GTW members did on February 27 at John Beasley's shop. John was a great host for open shop by providing coffee, donuts, a lathe (+ two club lathes), tools and a beautiful work area. What could be better? We worked on several projects, including tool sharpening and turning bowls, cars, spheres and boxes. In addition to turning, we all learned a great deal by talking to others about how they do things. If you were not at the open shop, you missed out on a lot of fun and a good learning opportunity. We plan to organize a few more open shop events this year, so if you have an idea for a good theme or you would like to host an open shop, let one of the board members know and we can plan based on your requests.

Be sure to set aside some time during the weekend of April 30 to help at the GTW Arts and Jazz Booth. Each year we make cars from 2 by 4's to give to kids. This is always a fun activity and it provides an opportunity to practice spindle turning while making something that is always greatly appreciated – even if the workmanship is less than perfect. This is also part of our outreach program which lets the community know about us and helps us find new members. Please volunteer to help if you can.

I hope you can make it to the March meeting. Don Hawkins will demonstrate how to use coring tools. Coring tools are used to cut smaller blanks from the center of larger blanks, allowing one to make multiple bowls from just one blank. Don will demonstrate using coring tools which Eddy Charba is donating to the club. You don't want to miss this demo since you will learn how to use a tool that you can borrow to make multiple bowls from one blank.

Don't forget to bring your Empty Bowls and Beads of Courage boxes to the meeting. We just learned that Dallas turned 312 empty bowls for their annual contribution. Why not get a friendly rivalry going and see if we can make 325 this year? Of the 17 members of the Bowl of the Month Club, if five make 24 bowls, five make 18 bowls, and seven make 12 bowls we will have 294 bowls. Then we just need everyone else in the club to bring in at least one bowl each to have a total of 325 bowls! I think this a realistic goal.

Neal Brand

***Welcome New Member:
No new members this month***

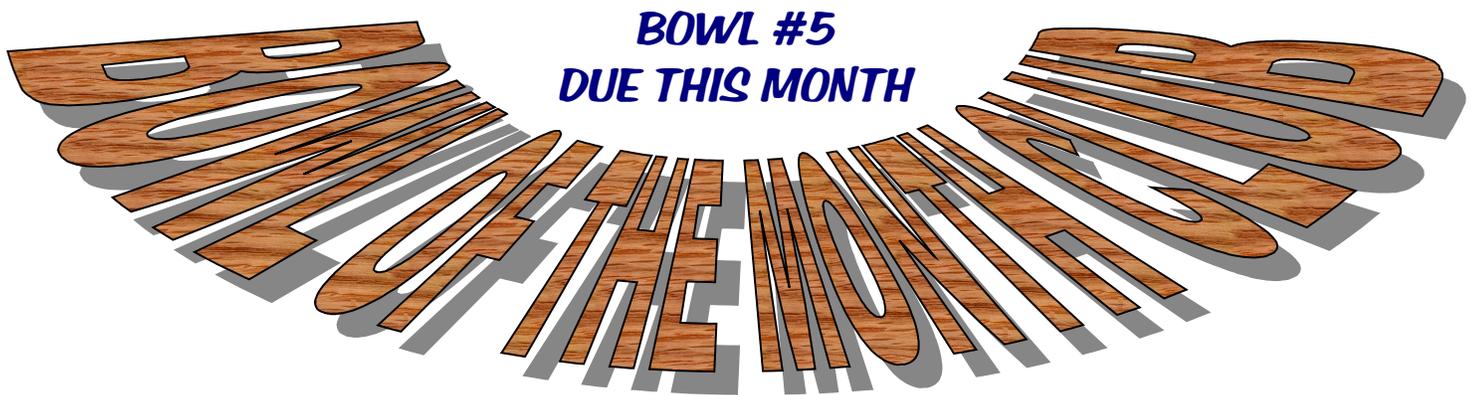
<i>CLUB EVENTS CALENDAR</i>	
<i>March 7</i>	<i>GTW Club Meeting 7:00pm</i>
<i>April 29-May 1</i>	<i>Denton Arts and Jazz Festival</i>
<i>August 26-28</i>	<i>SWAT in Waco</i>

Bring Back Winners

Neal Brand
Harold Gomez (X2)
John beasley (X3)
Peter Tkacs

Sam Johnson (x2)
Dale Lloyd
Gene Colley

Bring back winners remember to bring a wood turning related item, preferably one you turned, back next meeting.



John Solberg 8
Neal Brand 8
John Beasley 1
Peter Tkacs
Bob Loyd 2

Greg Ammon 4
Gary Bobenhausen
Bob Ragborg /Harold Gomez
Jim Johnson 6

Dick Ness 6
Oren Zehner 5
Dale Lloyd 4
Bob Larson

Tom Lohr 1
Don Hawkins 5
John Horn
John Downs

52 BOWLS COMPLETED SO FAR IN 2011



You may find the newsletter a bit “sketchy” and repetitive this month as I am having to do it when I can catch a minute and releasing it a little early. My wife was in the hospital last week and will be returning Monday for major surgery. Please keep Pat and me in your thoughts and prayers.

There are several new club members who are less experienced than some of the “old timers” and could benefit from some of “our” experiences... good and bad. If you are an experienced turner, next meeting find a newbie, introduce yourself and offer to answer any questions he might have. If you are comfortable with being a mentor, offer to do that also.

There will be many opportunities to serve the community this year while improving your turning skills. Keep an eye open for upcoming events and join in... it's great fun.

Glynn Cox Editor

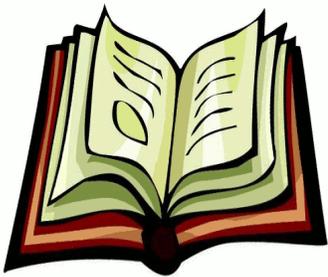
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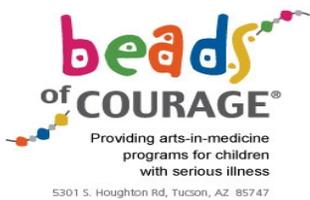
Denton Arts and Jazz Festival

Please plan on setting aside a few hours of your time on Friday, April 29, Saturday April 30, or Sunday May 1 to turn cars for the kids attending the Fest. The kids and adults love to watch us create the cars. The fun is in seeing how many different shapes you can come up with.

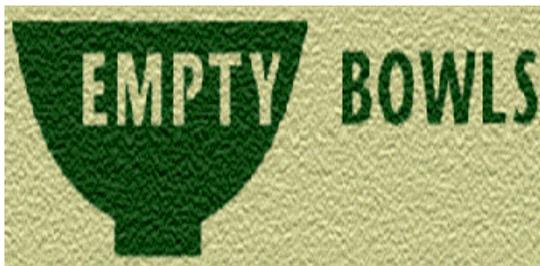
Library Update



Just a short note to let you all know that we have received 27 new DVDs for the library. These DVDs are the demonstrations from last year's SWAT Symposium. They will be in the library for the February meeting. Please check them out.



Don't forget, it is never too late to donate a turned box for this wonderful organization. Six to twelve inch diameter bowls, preferably with lids but not required, are used by the sick or injured kids to store the beads they receive for every procedure they receive while in the hospital. Flat work boxes are just as desirable for those woodworkers who are multi-talented.



Don't let the BOM club carry GTW's contribution to this worthwhile charity. All members need to participate and keep turning bowls. They are counting on our support again this year. Empty Bowls of Denton is a community ministry of Christ The Servant Lutheran Church, where people of the church work in ecumenical-civic partnership with members of the Denton community to support [Our Daily Bread](#) soup kitchen and the Denton Community Food Center, enabling them to feed nutritious meals to the hungry of Denton.



SWAT 2011 UPDATE

This year, SWAT will be in Waco, Aug 26-28. It is going to be another excellent symposium with many opportunities for woodturners to learn new techniques and see some outstanding demonstrators. The lead demonstrators this year are:

- Nick Arnull (UK) - Surface Decoration
- Kip Christiansen - Small forms and Boxes
- Nick Cook - Production Turning
- Douglas Fisher - Alaskan Forms
- Dave Houte - Forms and Techniques
- Alan Lacer - Skew
- Robert Rosand - Small items and Ornaments
- Curt Theobald - Segmented Turning

There will also be a number of regional demonstrators doing presentations.

A "must see" area at the symposium is the Instant Gallery. Many woodturners bring items they have turned and it is very impressive how creative these turnings are. Last year there were 529 items in the instant gallery. This year they are increasing the area by 50%, so expect to see a lot more.

There will also be vendors there to give you good deals on tools, wood, and other woodturning items. Last year we had 33 vendors with a total of 60 booths. This year we will have more, so there will be a lot to choose from.

Our club is in charge of the registration booth. We can always use your help if you have a few extra hours. Please let me know if you can volunteer at the registration desk.

There will be more information to follow. If you have any questions please give me a call or send an email.

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