



NEWSLETTER OF THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE WOODTURNERS

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Our next meeting is 7:00pm May 2nd

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News Flash

Our fellow club to the south, Woodturners of North Texas, is hosting an all day demonstration by internationally famous box and finial turner Cindy Drosda <http://www.cindydrozda.com/> on Saturday April 30th. 9:00am to about 4:00pm. GTW members are welcome so if you are not working at the Arts and Jazz Festival you need to be there. Cost is a ridiculous low \$10 at the door, bring or buy your lunch. RD Evans Community Center 3242 Lackland Rd. Fort Worth.

This Month's Demo is... **“Pen Making With Kallenshaan Kits”**

**Presented by
Larry Maughan**

Like many young boys with an interest in making something out of wood, Larry Maughan would borrow his father's hand tools and make something from a scrap of wood. About 26 years ago he began turning wood with little success. But when he attended the first pen making seminar in the DFW Metroplex, he became hooked on making writing instruments for himself and others to use. He has been making pens, pencils, and other small turnings for nearly 24 years and has watched this craft greatly expand.

The demonstration on May 2 will utilize a pen kit made from several kinds of materials which have been cut and shaped by a laser to illustrate the tools of a woodturner. Larry will demonstrate the assembly of the pieces, gluing, turning, a finishing technique and assembly of the pen mechanism for a kit from Kallenshaan Woods. In completing the demonstration he will give to those attending four pen kits they can take and complete their own Woodturner's pen following the demonstration. Whether a new woodturner or a veteran turner everyone should pick up some new ideas to improve their skills in pen making.



President's Patter

I am writing this a week before the Denton Arts and Jazz Festival. I am looking forward to spending some time at our Arts and Jazz booth turning cars for kids, not just because it is fun to turn cars with friends from the club, but it is always fun to see kids' (and adults') reactions to a car being turned in front of their eyes. Of course, the main reason we as a club participate in Arts and Jazz is to promote woodturning and encourage people to join us. I hope you can support our club by spending some time turning at our booth this year. I think you will enjoy it.

Last month I cored thirteen bowl blanks from four large pieces of Bradford Pear. I soaked them in alcohol and waited approximately forty days for them to dry. Today I turned the first one and I am very pleased with how it came out. Don't forget that the club has a coring system, so you can make multiple bowls from one blank. The coring system will be at the meeting Monday night ready for you to borrow. When you borrow the coring system, you also get an instructional DVD. Also, several members in the club have experience coring bowls, so if you want some help getting started, help is available.

Recall that our club has committed to providing wooden bowls for the Denton Empty Bowl Event in October. The event provides a soup lunch and a hand made bowl for \$20 with the proceeds used to feed the hungry in Denton. Unless my wife tells me otherwise, the bowl I finished today will be an empty bowl which puts me on track to complete at least 30 bowls by October. Whether or not you signed up for the bowl of the month club, I strongly encourage you to turn some nice bowls of any size for this great cause. Let's turn at least 325 bowls for this year's event!

The other community organization we as a club support is Beads of Courage. We are asked to make boxes with diameter at least 6 inches that are given to very ill kids. The kids get a bead for each medical procedure they have to endure and the boxes are used to store the beads. I finally made my first Beads of Courage Box today and I am already starting to design the next one.

Looking ahead, we have some great demonstrations coming up. In May, Larry Maughan will show us how to make interesting pens using the Kallanshan kits. In June, John Solberg will show us how to get our ducks in line using the off center chuck (aka, the "duck chuck") that we are giving away in the quarterly raffle. The third quarter starts out strong in July with a demonstration by Eli Avisera which should be very entertaining and educational. **Since the first Monday in July is the 4th, we will postpone our July meeting one day and meet on Tuesday, July 5.**

Happy Turning!

Neal Brand



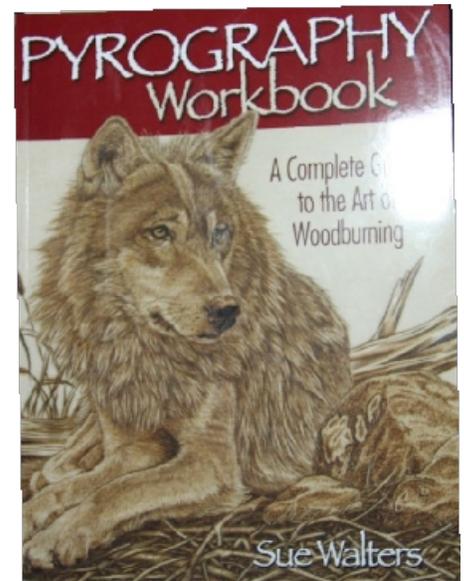
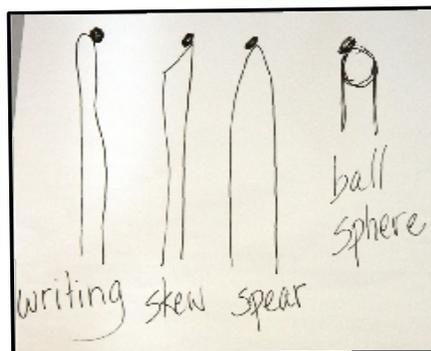
I am planning on gradually making some changes to the newsletter format as my time allows. This month I have changed the upcoming events page to add more interest and have resurrected the "Articles Of Interest" as a links section. If you have found any interesting woodturning internet links, usually while looking for something else, send me an email at thumb9@verizon.net with the link and I will add it. I will add as many as you send but be advised that I will check the appropriateness of each. Thanks Philip Joines for the link to the New Zealand National Association of Woodturners and their great Easter Gallery.

Any feedback on my changes is greatly appreciated.

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

Photo Highlights of last meeting

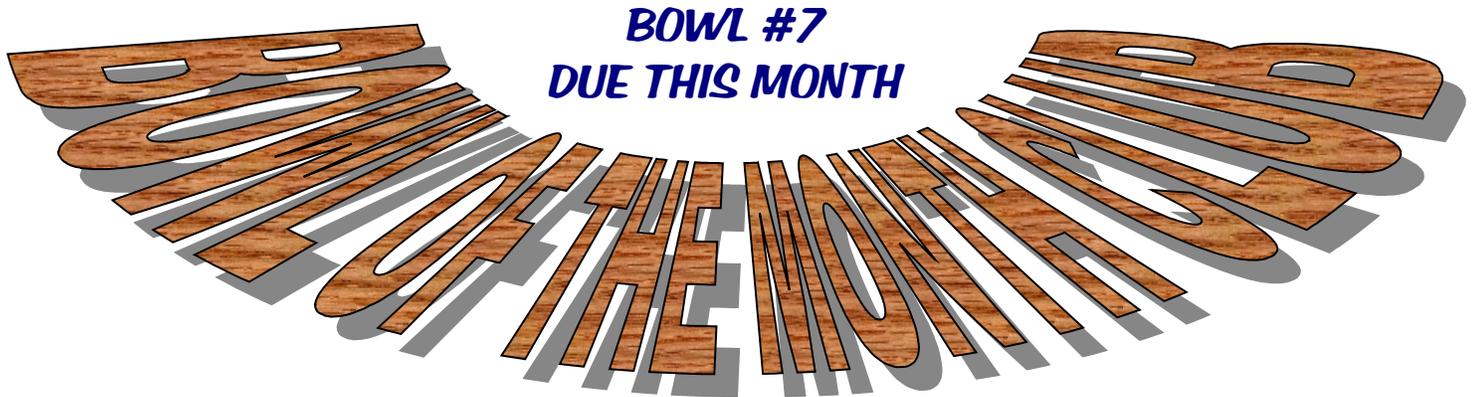




Bring Back Winners

Sam Jones x2 Neal Brand x2
 John Downs Don Hawkins x2
 John Solberg Tom Lohr
 Peter Tkacs x2 Sam Slovak x2
 George Gosney

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



John Solberg 8	Greg Ammon 4	Dick Ness 6	Don Hawkins 11
Neal Brand 14	Gary Bobenhausen	Oren Zehner 5	John Horn
John Beasley 13	Bob Ragborg /Harold Gomez	Dale Lloyd 6	John Downs 2
Peter Tkacs	Jim Johnson 7	Bob Larson	Eddie Charba 4
Bob Loyd 3		Tom Lohr 5	Gary Armitage 6
			Other 3

97 BOWLS COMPLETED SO FAR IN 2011

Tom's Events

We will be turning Cars for Kids at the Denton Arts and Jazz Festival, April 29, 30 & May 1. If you have not signed up please call Tom Lohr, pick a 2 hour slot and have fun turning cars for some kids. Also come and enjoy the festival with great music and art and it is all free.

CLUB EVENTS CALENDAR	
April 29-May 1	Denton Arts and Jazz festival
May 2	GTW Club Meeting 7:00pm
June 6	GTW Club Meeting 7:00pm
July 5 (Tuesday)	GTW Club Meeting 7:00pm
July 16	Open Shop, Glynn Cox's, Keller
August 26-28	SWAT in Waco

UPCOMING EVENTS



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.

Open Shop

Keep Saturday, July 16th open for a great OPEN SHOP in cool comfort. It's being held in Glynn Cox's shop in northern Keller. While John Beasley will be teaching how to make goblets and John Solberg will focus on tool sharpening, the shop will be open to do about anything you want to do or get help on. Check next month's newsletter for times and directions.



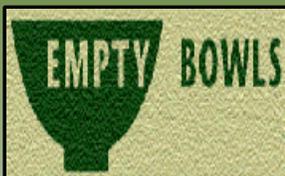
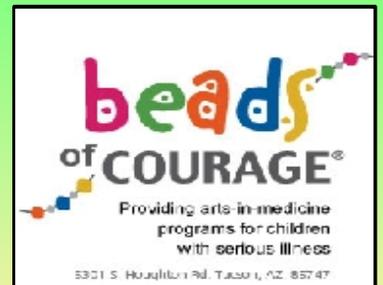
SWAT

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 website is up to date and registration is open.

http://www.swaturners.org/jom/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=24&Itemid=27

Beads Of Courage

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.



Empty Bowls

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.



LINKS OF INTEREST

From Phil Joines a link to the New Zealand National Association of Woodturner's Easter Gallery.
http://www.naw.org.nz/gallery/eastershow_2011/

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 chose 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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