

Golden Triangle Woodturners Club - Denton Texas

# THE WOODTURNER

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MEETING: 7:00 PM  
FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH  
Center for the Visual Arts  
400 E. Hickory St., Denton TX  
TELEPHONE  
214-908-1418



## January 2nd Demonstration

### The Bruised Brothers Return

The Ins and Outs of Vacuum Chucking

Peter Tkacs & John Solberg



“We first became interested in vacuum chucks several years ago but became turned off by the expense of purchasing one. Then during the Holidays that year, Peter and his wife were out with my wife and I for an evening on the town. Peter’s wife asked what he wanted for Christmas and he mentioned a vacuum chuck for his lathe. She asked how much and I said about \$600. Well guess who didn’t get what he wanted. After that evening we became determined to build a system and reduce the cost to something more affordable. After researching other avenues for parts and supplies we came up with a system that functions as well as the catalog versions and was considerably less expensive.” This demonstration was first presented at the February 2014 meeting, and is being brought back for an encore performance due to popular demand. A lot has been learned over the years and the Bruised Brothers will share some of those experiences, both the good and the bad.



## Open Shop - January 7 - 9am-noon

### VACUUM CHUCKS AND “EMPTY BOWLS” KICKOFF

John Beasley has graciously offered to host the first “Open Shop” of the new year. Join us Saturday, January 7 anytime between 9 am and noon at his well appointed shop. The address is 3808 Montecito Dr, Denton TX 76205. There will be several lathes available for use, at least one set up with the vacuum chuck systems discussed at the club demo, above. There will be plenty of blanks to make bowls for the “Empty Bowl” program, and lots of experienced turners to answer questions or offer advice on any topic. John has all the tools you’ll need, but feel free to bring your own if you’d prefer. Hope to see you there!

## President's Message

I believe a strong organization is only as good as its leaders... and fortunately for us, we've had exceptional leadership over the years. However, leadership alone doesn't guarantee success... membership involvement does! This is your club and for us to effectively lead I want your input. I challenge every member to contact me with your suggestions, ideas, needs etc... [jimsexton71@gmail.com](mailto:jimsexton71@gmail.com) or 214-908-1418.

I would like to acknowledge and thank some of our recent past leaders for their contribution in making Golden Triangle Woodturners one of the best turning clubs in the country.

- Sam Slovak – thank you for your leadership as our past President and continuing to serve on the board.
- Board members John Beasley, Neal Brand, Mike Nelson and Mike Zunkowski – thank you for serving on the board and your years of expertise and leadership.

I'm excited to have an incredibly talented group to help guide us into the future. Thank you to the people listed below for stepping up, in some cases again, to serve on the board. Please contact me or any of the board members with comments or suggestions.

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## DO YOU KNOW THAT.....

....**Golden Triangle Woodturners aka GTW is on YouTube.....** Each month the demonstration is videotaped. An edited version is then uploaded to YouTube, making it easily available to everyone. There are dozens of videos now posted on our YouTube page. You can find it at <http://www.youtube.com/user/DentonTurners>. In the four years since its start, almost 3,700 people have subscribed to the channel. Some of the more popular early videos have nearly 40,000 views. These viewers come from the US, Great Britain, Germany, Australia, Canada, and several other countries. A club in Australia even asked for permission to link to our videos from their club website. We receive questions and suggestions from viewers as well.

We will continue to add demonstration videos, contributing to our club goal of education and community awareness of woodturning. Take a few minutes when you can and check out our YouTube page. Keep turning and have fun!!

...**GTW is also on Facebook ....** Find us at “Golden Triangle Woodturners”

...**the vendors that support us need your support too! ....** As always, our club has been generously supported by several local vendors. In addition to the 10% discount on regular priced items at the local stores, (must have membership card to win!) the following vendors have been EXTREMELY generous in supporting our raffle and door prizes. Take the time to warmly acknowledge and thank them for their contributions and support each time you visit.

**Woodcraft Supply** - 601 W. Plano Pkwy, Plano TX

**Woodworld** - 13650 TI Blvd #101, Dallas, TX

**Rockler** - 2930 Preston Rd, Suite 850, Frisco TX

- 800 N. Coit #2500, Richardson, TX

**Craft Supplies USA** - [www.woodturnerscatalog.com](http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com)

... **Its time to renew your membership for 2017...** A membership form can be found at the end of this newsletter, on the GTW web site, or at the meetings. Your membership allows us to continue with programs, demonstrations, and events to which we all have become accustomed.



# Pictures from the December 2016 Holiday Party





# Golden Triangle Woodturners

## Membership Application 2017



New ( ) Renewal ( ) Check One

Annual Membership: \$30.00 Per Calendar Year (Jan - Dec). (Students \$15)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Time ( ) Part Time ( ) Retired ( )

Are you a member of AAW? Yes ( ) No ( )

How long have you been turning? \_\_\_\_\_

What kind of lathe do you have? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your skill level? Beginner ( ) Intermediate ( ) Advanced ( )

What would you like to see at our club meetings? \_\_\_\_\_

Can you suggest a demonstrator? \_\_\_\_\_

Can we contact you to help with special events? Yes ( ) No ( )

Check the box if you do NOT want to be listed in the online roster ( )

Would you be willing to be a Mentor? Yes ( ) No ( )

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: Golden Triangle Woodturners

If Mailing, Mail to: Golden Triangle Woodturners

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