

I spent 54 years in Information Technology until I recently retired. Along the way I was also a professional dog trainer, a licensed humane investigator, and humane society director. I co-founded Gifted Animal Placement (GAP) to rescue dogs that law enforcement officers needed for drug detection, ordinance detection, search and rescue and cadaver work.

I started woodturning about 7 years ago with pens, handles and other spindle work. However, I quickly realized that I needed more instruction. I joined Golden Triangle Woodturners as well as several other clubs in the area, and received a lot of help. I was able to also take a class with Neal Brand and John Solburg on Tibetan and Russian Spindles where I learned to use a skew! Then I took classes with Joe Ruminski, Jimmy Clews, Doug Fisher, Janice Levi, Michael Hosaluk, Rebecca DeGroot, Derek Weidman, Alan Lacer, and Jeff Hornung to name a few! I find that I do enjoy learning new techniques and trying out new (to me!) things.

I am also proud to have served as President of Golden Triangle Woodturners for three years, and am currently Past President.