

Our April demonstration is entitled "Non-traditional Uses of the Lathe for Making Parts for Sculpture" presented by Don Schol.

Don Schol lives in Denton is a graduate of the University of Dallas with a B.A. In Philosphy and the University of North Texas with a M.F.A. In Sculpture. Don is currently a professor in the College of Visual Arts and Designs at UNT. Don used to turn more traditional things like bowls and boxes, but for the last several years, he has been more interested in using the lathe to create parts of larger sculptures. He is best known for his wood carvings and sculptures. In his sculptures, he uses the lathe as a tool to make parts for his larger pieces of art. He will talk about how to design various parts of a wood sculpture and demonstrate how to turn them. His self portrait and his sculpture Bird Man are shown below.



President's Patter

We tried something new for our meeting in March. Everyone had a chance to turn tops and cars. It is the same projects that we will be using at this years Arts and Jazz Festival. What did you think? Should we do this type of meeting again? Be sure to let us know what you felt about it. There were only about 50% of the members present at the end.

We welcomed four new members at the meeting:

Tom Huntley Corinth

John Lauderbaugh N. Richland Hills

Mickey Morgan Aubrey Charles Raney Melissa

Please give these new members a warm welcome.

Now that you have had a chance to see what the club will be doing for Arts and Jazz this year (April 24 - 26) please be sure to sign up to help turn those tops and cars for the kids of Denton. There will be a sign up sheet at the April meeting. It is always a lot of fun to see the smiles on the faces of those kids. Congratulations to Charles Talent the winner of the first quarterly raffle for 2009. Charles won a Hunter Hollowing Tool. We will have another quarterly raffle at the June meeting. All the raffle tickets you buy in the second quarter will be saved and used for that raffle.

The Board, at our meeting on March 12th, voted to purchase two new mini lathes for the club to use at events and open shops. We selected the Jet mini lathe with variable speed. Approval of that purchase needs to be by the majority of the members. We will vote on that at the April meeting and hopefully have them for Arts and Jazz.

Just a reminder of the AAW National convention in Albuquerque June 26 - 28. If you have never been to a national convention they are worth attending and this one is only a days drive away. Something you might want to consider.

See you in April!!



CHRIS' \$FINANCIAL REPORT\$

The current GTW bank balance is \$3,550.86.

We added \$185 for membership dues and \$113 for the bring-back tickets during the March meeting.

A significant expense coming up is the purchase of two mini-lathes. A presentation will be made at the April meeting and a vote taken on purchasing them. These lathes will be used at the upcoming Denton Arts & Jazz Festival.

Photo Highlights of last meeting



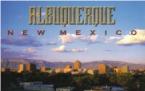


Hear the sounds! Experience the art! Taste the flavors! Revel in the colors! Absorb the exhilaration! An encounter you won't forget!

The **Denton Arts & Jazz Festival** is a **FREE** 2 1/2 day event held in the heart of the city, beautiful Quakertown Park . Over 2,200 performers on 6 stages, fine arts and crafts, children's art activities, food and games, and four hundred festival members volunteer their time each year for this exciting annual event on the last, full weekend in April.

Again this year **GTWT** will have a booth with lathes turning out cars and tops. Volunteers to control the tools to make the cars and tops are required. Contact John Downs for more information, schedule and signup.





The AAW 2009 Symposium is being held in Albuguerque, New Mexico this year. The dates are June 26th thru 28th. This year's symposium features many internationally known demonstrators along with a chance to win the raffle. Take time to visit Old Town Albuquerque, the Sandia Peak Tram or the great art studios of Santa Fe.

It is only a 11 hour drive (or less depending on the weight of your foot and bladder capacity).

Go to http://www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2009/ for more information.



Southwest Association of Turners Symposium is being held in Wichita Falls on October 16th thru October 18th.

Several outstanding demonstrators are being featured including Stuart Batty, Mike Mahoney, Jimmy Clews and others.

You really need to attend this one. It is close, inexpensive and has great events. Go to http://www.swaturners.org/welcome/welcome.shtml for more information.