

December 2010

Our next meeting is 7:00pm December 6th

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There will be no formal program for the December meeting. Instead, we will follow our tradition of having a Christmas party with only fun and food in December. The club is providing meat and beverages. We ask that members bring a salad, side dish or desert. If you can't bring any food, come anyway because there will be plenty of food from those who can.



We are starting to line up demonstrations for next year. In January, Neal Brand plans to do a demonstration on turning boxes; including hand chased threaded lids as well as friction fit lids. Then in February, Don Hawkins is planning to do a demonstration on coring tools that can be used to make multiple bowls from one blank. Tom Lohr, who worked at 3M with abrasives, is preparing to do the March demonstration on the use of abrasives in wood turning. All three promise to be very interesting and informative.

If you have requests for demonstration topics or specific people to give a demonstration, please let either Neal Brand or John Beasley know. We may not be able to fulfill every request, but we will try to provide demonstrations of interest to the members. Also, if you would like to give a demonstration, let Neal or John know.



President's Patter

My goodness but the last two years have gone by quickly. It seem like just yesterday that I was elected your club president. And now it is time to pass on the baton to Neal Brand, the newly elected president. The new board for 2011 was elected at the November meeting and the following members are your representatives:

President **Neal Brand** Vice President John Beasley Secretary / Membership Mike Nelson Treasurer Chris Morgan Activities Tom Lohr Newsletter Glynn Cox Peter Tkacs Library John Solbera Past President

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Please continue to give them your complete support as we move into 2011.

We will close out the year 2010 with our annual Christmas party and dinner at our regular scheduled meeting time, Monday December 6th at 7:00 PM. For dinner the club will provide the main course and the members are asked to bring a salad, a vegetable, and / or a dessert to share. We will end the evening with a great club raffle of bring backs and donated items and a gift exchange. Everyone can be a part of the raffle. All you need to do is buy raffle tickets. But to be a part of the gift exchange you need to bring a wrapped gift. Everyone that brings a gift will get a gift. Spouses or significant others are welcome to participate as well. Gifts need not be expensive. They should be something related to wood working or turning. You can be as creative as you like. Maybe you want to make or turn something to share. It is up to you. Look forward to a fun evening of fellowship with your club members.

I was a bit disappointed in the response to the Bowl of the Month Club sign-up for 2011. We only had 12 members sign up. We cannot reach our goal of 200 bowls for the Empty Bowls program with that response. The sign up sheet will be at the December meeting so please plan on being a part of this important program again in 2011. The hungry of Denton are counting on our support.

Since this will be my last President's report I wish to say how much I have enjoyed being your club president for the past two years. I have been a member of two other clubs in the Metroplex but, in my opinion, the Golden Triangle Woodturners Club is the best, and it is because of you the members. You are a great group and I am proud to have been a part or your organization. Thank you for all the support you have given me. I look forward to now being able to spend more time getting to know each of you. I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

John Solberg

Be sure to welcome our new members:

Sam Slovak – Argyle

Jimmy & Barbie Holton - Sanger



Have you noticed the great color in the fall leaves this year. I don't know about you but it makes me want to sort through the fire wood pile for that nice piece of spalted elm or pecan... not to burn but to turn. Isn't it strange how you look at trees differently after you start turning.

I have been turning Christmas ornaments from several varieties of woods. I have surprised myself at how I have progressively become more adept at using the dreaded "SKEW" in making long thin spindles. I have also enjoyed using dye for coloration on the ornament balls. I generally dislike adding artificial color to my turnings but the dye really pops the grain and the colors make it more Christmas like.

I wish everyone a very *Merry Christmas*. Enjoy your family and friends in this season and be extra careful traveling or turning.

Glynn Cox Editor

Photo Highlights of last meeting

































UPCOMING EVENTS



Our GTW **Christmas Party** is next Monday, December 6th at 7:00pm.

Meat for our dinner will be provided by the club and members are asked to bring a salad, vegetable or dessert.

We will have a gift exchange and raffle. See the President's Patter on page 2 for more information.

Maybe, if we all are good boys and girls, someone will make another great video like last year.



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.

CLUB EVENTS CALENDAR				
December 6	Club Christmas Party and Dinner 7:00 pm			
January 3	GTW Club Meeting 7:00pm			



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



2010 Club Officers

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