

THE WOODTURNER

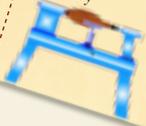
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MEETING: 7:00 PM
FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH
Center for the Visual Arts
Bell and Hickory

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November 4th Demonstration

Phil Joines

Making your own Turning Tools

—My first contact with woodworking was helping Noah with his big boat.....

I have been interested in art and making things as far back as I can remember. I began a limited amount of wood turning and furniture building shortly after graduating from high school. With the severely limited information available to me at the time my efforts didn't extend very far.

After 3 decades working either on the road or on short time assignments I met Circe and, with her encouragement, decided it was time to settle in one place and develop my interests.

I returned to wood turning and furniture about 20 years ago and devoured all the books, magazines and videos I could get my hands on. In addition, I have taken classes with David Ellsworth, Dick Sing, Lyle Jamieson and others.

Studying preindustrial methods sparked an interest in tools no longer available from commercial sources. This led to blacksmithing and hand metal working. Now, in addition to the normal "wood" things I design and make tools. Circe's problems with arthritis led me to develop a system of tools to allow a physically limited person to use a wood lathe.

I am by nature and training a "technician", thinking in straight lines and repeatable routines. For the last dozen years my orderly existence has been severely distorted. Due to Circe's influence lines cry out to be bent, nice flat pieces of timber demand to be dismembered, only to be reassembled in association with bone, metal, glass and stone. Her influence permeates almost everything I do.

Phil will also instruct us how to determine if a steel sample is high speed type or not and how to heat treat our part to maintain our cutting edge longer





President's Platter

JOHN BEASLEY

The "Empty Bowls" Luncheon was held on Saturday, October the 25th and appeared to be going quite well. I was very proud that we have provided so much support for this important charity in our community.

After discussions with the good folks who run the Empty Bowls event, we have found that 200 to 225 bowls are an appropriate amount to keep the program healthy. I would propose a target of 225 for 2014, if we end up on the high side we can reduce our target for 2015.

At the November meeting we need to discuss the Christmas Party and get some volunteers signed up to help. At the meeting you will see this year's prizes – an electric chain saw, Uvex Bionic Shield, 4 piece bead cutting chisel set, and 1" super drive center. You will want to bring some extra bucks to build up your tickets for these.

Photos from this years Empty Bowls Luncheon



2013 A Start of a New Decade

Since Phil Joines is doing the demonstration this month I thought it appropriate to include a bit of history about Golden Triangle Woodturners. Most of this early history is from a memo that Phil wrote some years back. I will paraphrase it a bit but the important part of our history is because Phil had the foresight to start a woodturning club in Denton in 2003.

That year the Dallas Area Woodturners relocated their meeting to Garland and the Woodturners of North Texas to Southwest Fort Worth. It became evident that many woodturners living north of the Metroplex could no longer attend the meetings of existing clubs. Contact was made with woodturners in Denton and the surrounding area with the intention of exploring the suitability of establishing a new club. A meeting was arranged in March 2003 with an attendance of approximately 55 people. After that evening of discussion it was decided to move forward with a club in Denton. Arrangements were made with the Greater Denton Arts Council to meet on the first Monday of each month in the East Craft Room where we continue to meet to this day.

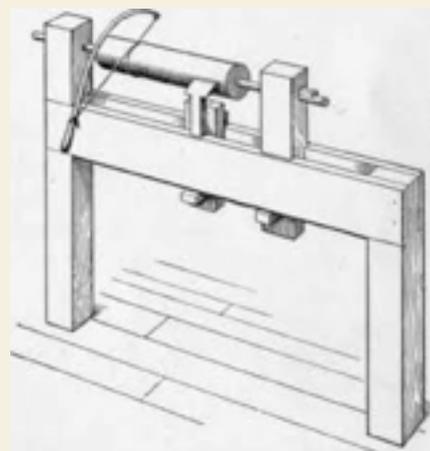
The first meeting was held in May 2003. Phil Joines would serve as President, Allen Tucker Vice President, Lee Patz Treasurer, and Circe Joines as Secretary. The name Golden Triangle Woodturners was selected. By September of that year a set of bylaws had been approved by the members and submitted to the AAW. Upon approval by the AAW Board of Directors in November GTW became the 204 chapter of the American Association of Woodturners.

Phil continued on as President through 2004. In December of that year an election was held and Gene Colley became President for 2005. Here is a list of Presidents since conception:

2003	Phil Joines
2005	Gene Colley
2007	Peter Tkacs
2009	John Solberg
2011	Neal Brand
2013	John Beasley

So this year we started a new decade in the life of Golden Triangle Woodturners. Special thanks go out to Phil for the insight to bring woodturning to Denton. It is appropriate that Phil present us with a demonstration to start the new decade.

Let's strive to make GTW the premier club for the next 10 years. Thanks to all of you for being a part of the best woodturning club in North Texas.



ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS

By Neal Brand



November Elections

The annual election of officers will take place during the November meeting. In the October Newsletter and in the October meeting a slate of nominated officers was presented. Since then, Chris Morgan decided that based on his schedule next year he will not be able to continue on as Treasurer. We thank Chris for his many years of great service to the club in various rolls, including most recently treasurer and photographer. Also, Mike Zunkowski volunteered to be the newsletter editor. As it stands now, the nominating committee is putting forward the following slate.

President	John Beasley
Vice President	Sam Slovak
Secretary	Mike Nelson
Membership	Mike Nelson
Treasurer	David Hoenig
Newsletter Editor	Mike Zunkowski
Librarian	Peter Tkacs
Activities	John Solberg
Past President	Neal Brand

Nominations from the floor can be made at the November meeting prior to the election.

Note: Because Chris will be traveling quite a bit next year, he will not be able to take pictures at several of our meetings. So we are looking for a new photographer. If you are interested, please let one of the officers know.

New Scholarships to Arrowmont and John C. Campbell Available to AAW Members

The AAW Board of Directors is extremely excited to announce a new scholarship initiative. In recognition of the invaluable contributions made by our local chapters to our educational mission, 27 scholarships to two of the nation's leading woodturning centers will be provided in 2014 to members of the American Association of Woodturners. We strongly encourage all chapters to help us promote this important new opportunity for our AAW members.



Under the program, the AAW Endowment Trust Fund (ETF) and the Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts (Gatlinburg TN) will make available funds for 14 \$550 scholarships. In addition, the ETF, working with John C. Campbell Folk School (Brasstown NC) will award 13 \$594 scholarships. Altogether, 27 scholarships will be awarded. In total, \$15,422 in scholarships will be given to AAW members.

To apply for the scholarships, nominees must be AAW members and be nominated by their AAW Chapter. Star Chapters will be allotted two nominations for the first 50 members and an additional nominee for each additional 50 members. Regular chapters will be allotted one nomination for the first 50 AAW members in the chapter. After that, each additional 50 AAW members will allow another nomination. If there are more than 27 nominations, a drawing will determine the winners.

The program is to provide tuition only. Any room and board and travel to the school locations will remain the responsibility of the nominee. All classes will take place in 2014.

Chapters must provide the names of nominees, the number of chapter members, and the number of AAW members in the chapter to Saint Paul MN headquarters by November 15, 2013. The winners will be notified within two weeks from that date.

We deeply appreciate all you do to support the AAW. Please don't hesitate to contact the AAW office if you would like more information about this new initiative.

Phil McDonald, Executive Director

Up Coming Activities at GTW

Future Demonstrations



December: The Annual Christmas Party



January: Susan Thellen - Enhance your Turning with Zentangle
February: Richard Rivera - How to Create Turned Celtic Knots



Happy Thanksgiving



December Meeting is our Christmas Party
And Gift Exchange

Monday December 2, 2013

7:00 PM

Bring a side dish, salad or desert, Pot Luck Style,
and gift to exchange

Look for more information in the December Newsletter

Miscellaneous Club Information

Bring Back Winners from October

Mike Zunkowski
Betty Brown
J. C. Robertson X2
David Livingston
Neal Brand

Bill George X2
Bob Loyd
John Horn
Sam Jones

GTW Events Calendar 2013

November 4: GTW Monthly Meeting
November 14: GTW Board Meeting
November 21: Dallas Area Woodturners
November 21: Woodturners of N. Texas
November 28: Thanksgiving
December 2: GTW Monthly Meeting
April 25-27: Denton Arts and Jazz

New Membership Form now available.

New Membership Form for 2014 can be found at the end of this newsletter.

Consider renewing your membership for 2014 now and beat the rush.



Photos of members from our October meeting

Miscellaneous Club Information

Continued

Bowl of the Month Club

We will continue with the Bowl of the Month Club to support the Empty Bowls program again this coming year. We will have a sign up sheet at the November meeting so plan on being a part of the program again. Remember, no pressure, just one bowl a month. If we can get 20 members to sign up and meet their goal we will easily hit the target that John Beasley mentioned in his Presidents Report.

Please consider being a part of this valuable program.



Celebration Roanoke 2013

This year was a big success at Celebrate Roanoke. The GTW had made preparation with many turned tops and cars to be given out to the kids as they passed by. The tops went over big and lots of kids (and Parents) wanted them. They thought it was really neat to see the pretty colors and the high quality tops. Some couldn't believe they were free they were so professionally done. I was really impressed with our GTW guys that were making the tops. They really know their stuff and showed me some techniques on making a better top.

We had a number of cars that were ready to be handed out and a bunch that had been turned and just needed to have the wheels put on. Lots of kids were excited to see them and many of the kids had a hard time choosing between the cars or the tops. I remember one parent who had her eye on some tops that she wanted to have her child pick. He would just say those are neat but I want a car. She tried and tried to get her boy to pick a top but he wanted a car. I say future NASCAR driver.

I am not sure how many cars and tops we gave out but we were down to our last cars early in the afternoon. We worked hard and fast to produce many

more at the show. Some of the kids would ask us to do special requests like a fire truck or Volkswagen. The cars were very popular too.

I noticed that we had many people stop at our both and watch the GTW turners on the lathe. Some were very fascinated with the whole turning process and would stop and watch for a great while. Lots of questions were asked and there was a lot of interest in turning.

We even had some old GTW friends stop by and say hi. They mentioned that they missed us and of course we invited them back. It's always nice to see an old friend.

I really want to thank all those wood turners that turned tops and cars in preparation for this event. I also want to thank everyone that helped plan this event and came out and manned the both. We were a real success and everyone was magnificent with the people, cars, and tops.

Mike Zunkowski - Activities

Pictures from the October Meeting



GTW Mentoring Program

DO YOU NEED HELP WITH A TURNING PROJECT? JUST ASK!

The members listed below have offered their time and expertise and are willing to be a mentor to other members. Please contact the mentor directly. For More information check the GTW web site.

Sharon Ayres	Dallas	214-707-0776	ladywithlathe@aol.com
John Beasley	Denton	940-387-7062	rbeasley15@verizon.net
Neal Brand	Denton	940-383-1248	neal@unt.edu
Glynn Cox	Roanoke	817-337-0210	thumb9@verizon.net
Don Hawkins	Gainesville	940-665-3033	ddhawkins@sbcglobal.net
John Horn	N. Richland Hills	817-485-7397	johnhorn@flash.net
John Solberg	Denton	940-387-3089	betweencenters@gmail.com
Chip Sutherland	Plano	214-495-8765	woodchipper518@gmail.com
Peter Tkacs	Denton	940-271-4728	petertkacs@gmail.com

Thank You For Volunteering your Time and Expertise!!

If you are interested in becoming a mentor please let one of the board members know.



GTW is now on facebook

Find us at: **Golden Triangle Woodturners**

Follow us for up to date club information.

Golden Triangle Woodturners

CLUB INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

2013 Club Officers

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Activities	Mike Zunkowski	214-205-3243	txzonkers@gmail.com
Membership	Mike Nelson	214-387-9077	nelson6753@sbcglobal.net
Librarian	Peter Tkacs	214-662-2200	peterTkacs@gmail.com
Newsletter	John Solberg	940-387-3089	betweencenters@gmail.com
Past President	Neal Brand	940-383-1248	nealbrand70@gmail.com



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Golden Triangle Woodturners



Membership Application 2014

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

%Chris Morgan

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Hickory Creek TX 76210

(For Office Use)

Amount

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Date

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