

# The Woodturner

GOLDEN TRIANGLE WOODTURNERS  
DENTON, TX  
SEPT 2023

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**September Virtual and  
Live Meeting  
First Monday of the  
Month at 7pm  
Denton Greater Arts  
Council**



## TOD RAINES

I started my turning journey in 2001. I was self taught until I got involved with the Dallas Area Woodturners club (an American Association of Woodturners affiliate) in 2007, which connected me with the woodturning community. Through the club and its many members, I learned and grew a lot as a turner. I have absorbed the teaching of other professional turners along the way.

After a long tenure in the telecommunication industry, which ended in 2016, I decided that I needed a new direction in my work life. With the loving support of my wife, in April of 2017, I started Woodturning Tool Store, an e-commerce business selling woodturning tools.

I enjoy the process of turning and I use a mix of planning and serendipity as the creative process evolves. Since woodturning is a subtractive art form there needs to be some planning involved along with knowledge of the natural medium and its tendencies. It is the unknown and spontaneous nature of working wood that intrigues me but also the process of how to get to the final piece. I enjoy showing others this craft and enabling their woodturning creativity.

By using techniques learned over years of training and practice to turn functional items out of wood, I can craft many things. Learning to appreciate pleasing shapes and form along with experimentation and adding other media, I create one of a kind pieces of art. .... Happy turning

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**August Demo  
SWAT**

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**News  
Wood of the Month**

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**Presidents Letter  
Upcoming Events**

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**Mentors  
Board Members**

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**Sponsors  
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## AUGUST DEMO

Kevin Bassett sure made square turned bowls look easy! I'm looking forward to giving one a try myself.



Ed Mastin



Terry Kassen



Alan Hess



Tana Munoz



C Southerland



Sharon Ayers

Steve Thomason



Gary Bob



David Hoenig

Neil Brand



Joel Rubin



David Hoenig

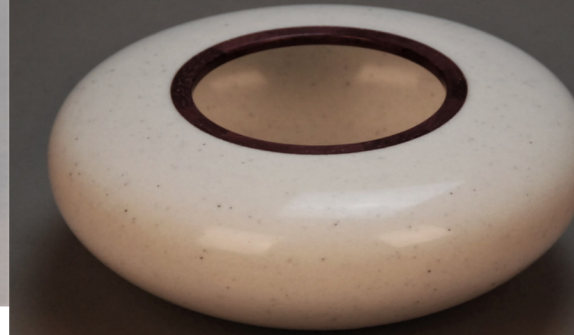


# SWAT

It was a lot of fun at SWAT this year and good to see many of our members in attendance. The demos were excellent, vendors had tons of things available from tools to wood, and the gallery had some incredible works of art! All around, it was another great show!







# News

The next quarterly raffle will have a vacuum chuck system or the complete segmenting software. I have an image of the software but will have to send that separately as its not cooperating.

Our challenge for the next demo is a square turned bowl like Kevin demonstrated for us.

Arts and Autos is September 9th, and we are welcome to bring our work to sell. It is requested that if you do so, we ask that you do a short turning demo and help out at our table. We will be giving cars away since it is Arts and Autos, but you are free to turn anything and encourage people to come and check our club out.

## Bring Backs

Sam S, Monica B, Tom W, Mike P, Joel R, Neal B, Jerry, and Richard R

Remember that if you won something at the club raffle, please make or bring a nice item for the next raffle.

I know the newsletter format is bouncing around a lot lately and this one is particularly plain. I've been trying to find a decent replacement for Microsoft Publisher since the Office package is so expensive. I'm hoping this version will be the final selection. If all goes well, I can make it look better in the coming newsletters as I figure out this new software.



Sycamore is similar to maple in that it is mostly sapwood with some darker heartwood streaks. It has unique flecks that can give it a freckled or lace-like look. It is easy to work and turns very well. It is commonly used for tool handles but is a popular wood for turning.

Don Keefer Sycamore hollow form

## **Presidents Message**

**The quarterly prize for September is the winner's choice of either a vacuum chuck or software for segmented turning as described in the attached. Be sure to buy lots of tickets in September!**

**We wish to form a small group who can regularly help with the AV setup. These people will not be asked to run the equipment, only to set it up. We wish to do a short training session so that on meeting nights, everyone will know exactly what to do. Let Neal or Steve know if you would like to help in this way.**

**Thanks,  
Neal Brand  
GTW President**

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### **Upcoming Demos**

**Oct - Steve Thomason - Its Just a Bell**

**Nov - Andy Chen - Feature Rings  
2 Day Class Available**

**Dec - Christmas Party**

### **Upcoming Events**

**September 9 - Denton Arts and  
Autos**

# GTW Mentoring Program

**If you need help with a project, contact one of us!**

**These members have offered their time and expertise to mentor other members.  
Please contact them directly.**

Sharon Ayres	Dallas	214-707-0776	ladywithlathe@gmail.com
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Peter Tkacs	Denton	940-271-4728	petertkacs@gmail.com
Mike Zunkowski	Valley View	214-205-3243	txzonkers@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**

**Golden Triangle Woodturners**  
**CLUB INFORMATION AND CONTACTS**  
**2023 Club Officers**

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## Website and Social Media

**[www.goldentrainglewoodturners.org](http://www.goldentrainglewoodturners.org)**

Additional club information can be found on the website. Our monthly pictures, handouts, and up coming activities are posted on the site. You can even see yourself and others in the club!

Membership sign-ups and renewals can be filled out and paid on the website.

**GTW is on YouTube, Facebook, and Instagram!**



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## Membership Application 2023

New ( ) Renewal ( ) Check One

Annual Membership: \$36.00

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

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

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

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

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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