



The rules for the car race are below as well as raffle items. Each Holiday Raffle has a value of \$100 or more.

To enter in the Turner of the Year, bring something you turned in 2024. It can be something from show and tell or anything else you made.



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

**Empty Bowls** 

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President's Message

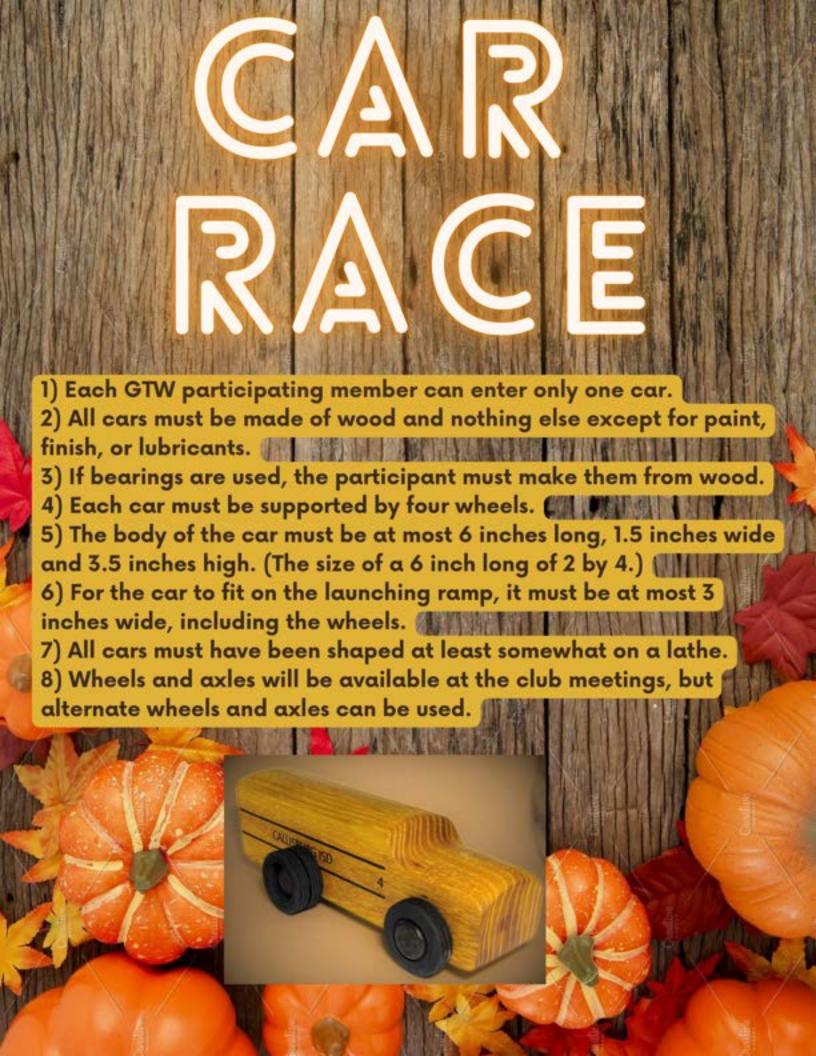
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# NEWS



- More on the Christmas Party:
- You will get a different colored ticket to put in a jar in front of your favorite turned piece for the Turner of the Year contest.
- Everyone is invited to make a centerpiece for the tables at the party.
- Every Car Race Participant gets a ticket to go towards the Holiday Raffles, the winner gets 5 tickets and a trophy.
- If anyone is interested in sharing their techniques in a Demo, please contact Tana Munoz - Tana6389@yahoo.com.
- If you are interested in learning anything that applies towards woodturning, let a board member know! We would love to hear feedback about what we can do to make the club great for everyone!





### Wood of the Month Post Oak

There are 29 species of Oak and they vary in appearance and common uses. The one I'd like to spotlight is a local for us, Post Oak. It has a decent amount of color variations but is mostly a medium brown. It is nice to work as it is easy to glue, stain, finish, and smells pleasant. Some common uses include fence posts, cabinetry, flooring, barrels, boats, or turned pieces. I personally like using it because it is free on my place and can have some really nice grain patterns.

### President's Message

Christmas Party

You recently received an invitation to our annual December Christmas party, but I want to give you some additional details. Bring yourself, significant other and family members. All are welcome.

Since we are having the party in lieu of our usual meeting, wait until January to bring your Bring Backs and Show-and-Tell items.

First, there will be a contest for the Turning of the Year. Everyone is invited to bring the "best" turning that they made in 2024. The turning can be something previously shown during Show-and-Tell or not. At the party, everyone in attendance will be given a ticket that can be used to vote for the turning of the year.

There will also be a gift exchange. Please bring a wrapped gift, one for each person that wishes to participate. It can either be something that a woodturner would want or something of general interest. Everyone who brings a gift will be given a ticket and we will use a drawing to determine the order that gifts are given.

All are invited to bring a dessert to share. But if you cannot bring one, come anyway because there will be plenty!

In addition to the usual quarterly raffle, we will have ten sets of items that will also be raffled. Most of the raffled sets will be turning tools or other items that a woodturner could use, but at least one set will be items of more general interest. Each raffle set will have a jar where you can place raffle tickets. This allows you to enter only the drawings you wish to win.

Last year we had a contest to see whose top spins the longest. This year we will have a car race.

Cars will start at the top of a ramp and (hopefully) cross the finish line approximately 8 feet from the bottom of the ramp. The rules of the car race are:

- 1. Each GTW participating member may enter only one car.
- 2. All cars must be made of wood and nothing else except for paint, finish, or lubricants.
- 3. If bearings are used, the participant must make them from wood.
- 4. Each car must be supported by four wheels.
- 5. The body of the car must be at most 6 inches long, 1.5 inches wide and 3.5 inches high. (The size of a 6 inch long of 2 by 4.)
- 6. For the car to fit on the launching ramp, it must be at most 3inches wide, including the wheels.
- 7. All cars must have been shaped at least somewhat on a lathe.

Wheels and axles were available at the November club meetings, but alternate wheels and axles can be used.

**Denton Maker Center** 

The Denton Maker Center (DMC) opened this fall. They are already offering many classes, and they will soon offer classes taught by members of our club. Currently, they do not have lathes available for their members to use, but the plan is to eventually have space for woodturning. Find out more about the DMC at their website <a href="https://www.dentonmakercenter.com/">https://www.dentonmakercenter.com/</a>.

President's Challenge for January

For January the challenge is to make a whistle. The whistle can be a simple whistle or something a little more complicated, like a train whistle. If you wish to make a train whistle and want the jig I showed at the November meeting, just let me know and I can print one for you. (The print takes several hours, so if many people want the jig, it may take a few days before I can finish it for you.)

Happy Holidays!



### **GTW Mentoring Program**

These members have offered their time and expertise to mentor other members.

Please contact them directly.

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Thank you for Volunteering your time and expertise!

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

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