

Woodturners of North Texas



Next Meeting: Thursday, January 30th, 2020

Meeting Start: 6:30 PM

Handley-Meadowbrook Lions Club 6013 Craig Street Fort Worth, TX

Red Mallee Burl Bowl by Drew Shelton



I got into woodworking intending to make furniture and had no interest at all in woodturning. In 2000, a fellow woodworker at my office signed up for a penturning class at Woodcraft and talked me into taking it with him. I was instantly

hooked. I bought my first lathe and started cranking out pens. I took a bowl turning class at Woodcraft where there was a last-minute substitute instructor - Gary Roberts. He told the class about the Central Texas Woodturners Association and the AAW, though he did not say he was instrumental in starting both. He had some copies of his book with him, and I bought one. I was astonished to realize who I had just taken a beginning bowl turning class from. I also realized that, in the right hands,

the lathe could do far more than I had expected. While I have made a few pieces of furniture since that time, my main focus has been turning.

I have held multiple positions within the CTWA, including president. I am also an instructor in the beginner and intermediate classes our club gives to our members.

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Calendar of Events

**January 30th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club,
Demonstrator: Drew Shelton
Subject: Red Mallee Burl Bowl**

Drew's demo will be turning a bowl from a red mallee burl without disturbing the bark side of the burl. He was also a demonstrator at SWAT for 2019.

Drew lives in Georgetown, so Greg and Kathy Stehle have agreed to host Drew for the night. Big thanks to Greg and Kathy!

February 7th - Smithfield Elementary School

We will be working with 5th grade children at Smithfield Elementary School, helping them to turn candlesticks. We have approximately 15 members that will be donating their time to teach these children. We also have a group of about 5 members that worked to build up these candlestick blanks. Thanks to Dave Carter for the use of his shop to get these candlesticks made!

**February 27th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club,
Remote Demonstrator: Cindy Drozda
Subject: TBA**

We are fortunate to have Cindy Drozda present a remote demo at our club. This will be a live demo where we will be able to ask Cindy questions and talk to her in real time. Cindy is an excellent teacher and a world class turner. The meeting will be a short meeting with the demo from Cindy starting at 7:00pm and lasting until 9:00pm.

**March 26th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club,
Demonstrator: TBA
Subject: TBA**

... making Good Shavings

President's Pen for January 2020

Happy New Year!! Here's hoping for a year of health and good fortune for each of you and for our club. Remember there are lots of opportunities to share your gift of turning. Empty Bowls, Beads of Courage, RISE, Elementary School Arts Days, and others. Speaking of which, the program we had scheduled for January 14, 2020 at the Fort Worth Nature Center did not happen. Only one person signed up and the event was canceled. I hope they try again, it sounded like a lot of fun.



You know what I hate? I hate to have a piece that I have worked on for some time to fail. My head tells me that if I don't try different things and sometimes fail, I can't learn much new. But my heart sinks when the masterpiece I am working on breaks into pieces as if flies across the shop because of an unseen crack gives way. I just have to look around my shop to remind me that not every piece I turn is wonderful. I have lots of dishes full of bolts, nuts and misc parts that were once going to be blue ribbon pieces. So, I encourage you (as I encourage myself) to keep trying something new, something different, a different wood, a different tool (maybe even a skew!!!). Maybe (and I hope) that you will be pleased with the result, and if not pleased at least better educated next time you try something new.

January 14th is Albert Schweitzer's birthday. Born in 1875, he went on to win the Nobel Peace Prize in 1952 for the work he did establishing a hospital in Africa that treated the sick and lepers. I strongly suspect he failed a time or two but continued his efforts to help the poor and sick. Persevere. Hang in there. Keep up the good work.

Remember, this month's challenge is two bowls for empty bowls. Get out in the shop as weather allows and turn, baby, turn.

Stay Safe!!!

Bill Collins
President

WNT 2020 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Annual membership renewal is due January 1 each year.

Membership renewal for 2020 will continue at the meeting on January 30, 2020.

Preprinted forms with your 2019 information will be provided for your review.

You may pay \$24 with cash or check. Exact change will be appreciated. WNT is not set up to take credit or debit cards.

Thanks.

James Haynes, Treasurer

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- Available to new members one time only. When the introductory three-month membership period ends, individuals who have not cancelled are automatically renewed for an additional nine-month period for just \$40.



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Who's up for a Challenge?

The challenge this month is to turn **one bowl for Empty Bowls** so PLEASE participate in that challenge. The customers at the event really like natural edge so if possible, turn a natural edge bowl. If not, then whatever you like to turn.

Ron Traylor will also pass around a sign-up list at the next two meetings. Please sign the list if you would be interested in the top turning demonstration at the EB event. After the February meeting he will choose the 5 people who donated the most bowls and indicated they would be interested in helping at the demo by signing the list.

Last Month's Challenge

- Table Decorations -





Dawn Woods



Jim LeGrand



Pam Thompson



Bruce Imsande



Bob Wiggins



MIKE STEPHENS



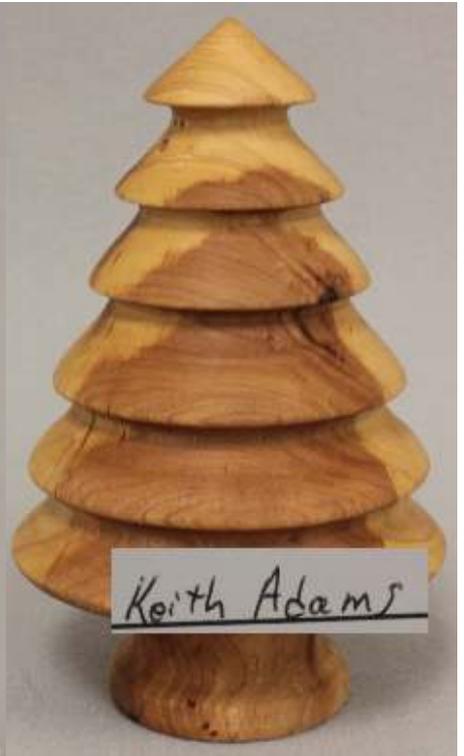
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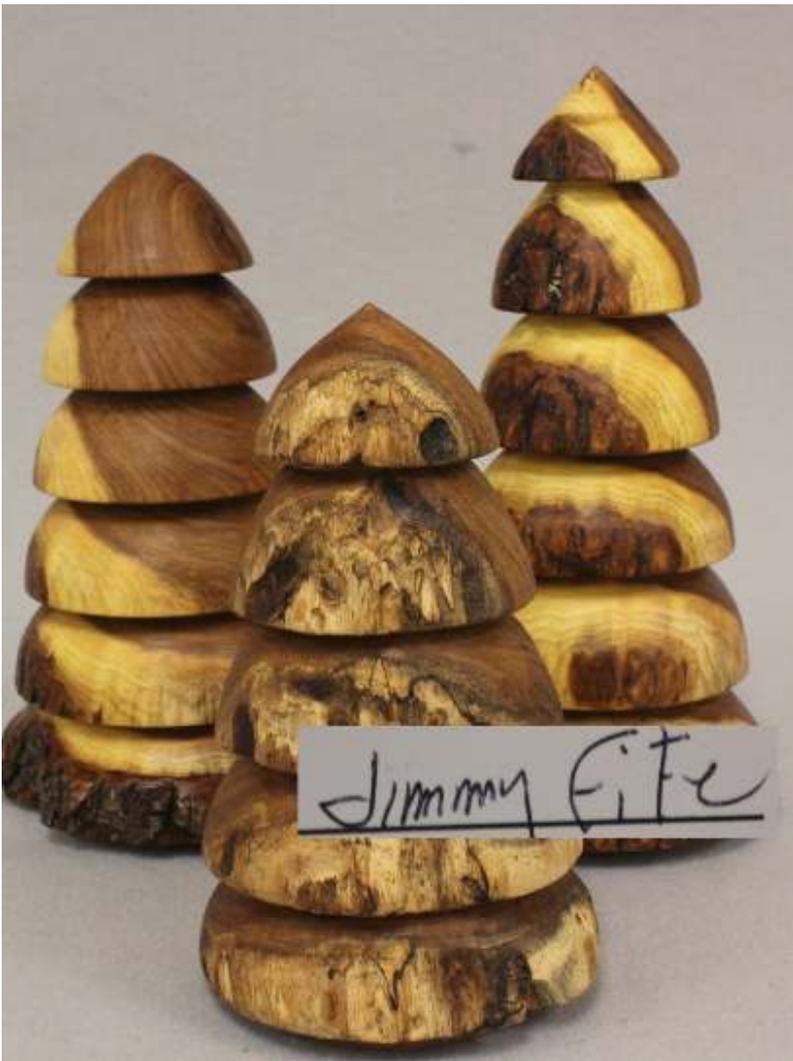
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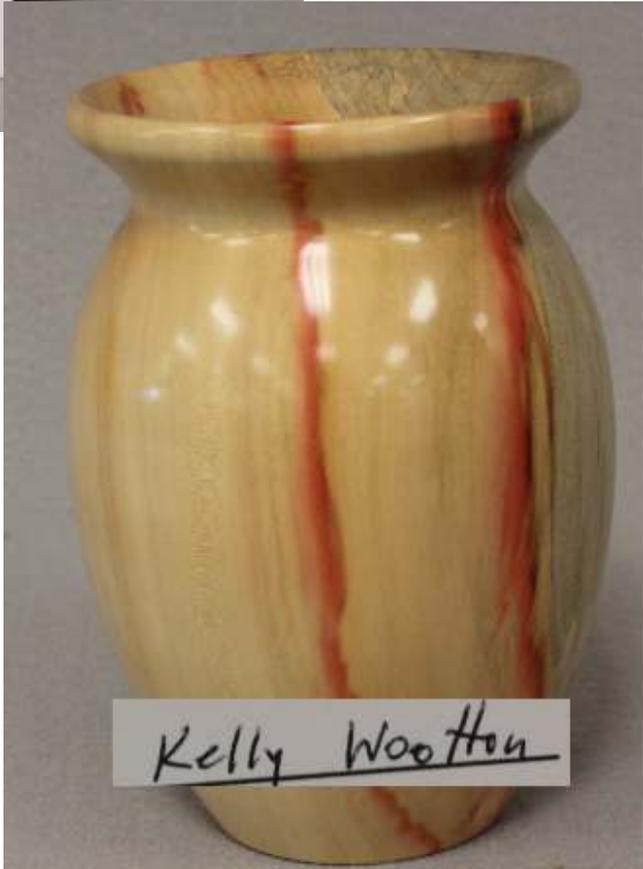
Dick Koch



Jimmy Fite




Scott Wisdom



Kelly Wootton



Last Month's Critique

Each month we have a table set aside to display items that our members bring in for constructive criticism. We encourage all members, especially those who are new to turning, to submit their work for critique. The objective is to provide constructive encouragement to help members develop their skills.



EMPTY BOWLS

Empty Bowls is an annual one-day fund raising event for the Tarrant Area Food Bank. The Food Bank provides food to sister agencies in 13 surrounding counties. The sister agencies then provide the food to needy children and families. Patrons at the Empty Bowls event pay \$65 or more and get to choose a bowl (wood, ceramic or glass) to take home and sample food from numerous booths of local restaurants. There are also numerous corporate sponsors that provide a sizeable portion of the total donations.

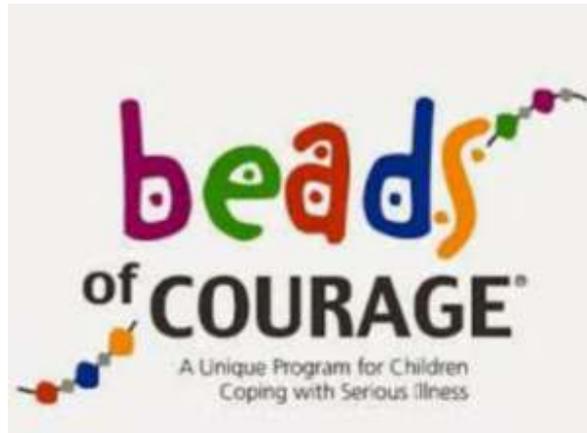
The next Empty Bowls event will be Tuesday, March 17, 2020. Our total bowl count is 85 plus 18 other turned items. The challenge this month is to turn one bowl for Empty Bowls so PLEASE participate in that challenge. The customers at the event really like natural edge so if possible, turn a natural edge bowl. If not, then whatever you like to turn.

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If you have any recommendations or questions send me, Ron Traylor, an email at randkbiz@msn.com.

Empty Bowls 2019/2020

<u>Turner's Name</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Non Bowl Items</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mike Barton		11	<u>Turner's Name</u>		
Jim Barkelew	2	9			
Bruce Imsande	1	8	Don Chirstiansen		5
David Baulch	2	7	Bill Holt		2
Keith Adams		6	Jim Barkelew		1
Ron Traylor	1	6	Glynn Cox		1
Glynn Cox		5	Scott Wisdom	1	1
Scott Wisdom	2	4	Anonymous		8
Sandy Jarrell	4	4	Grand Total		<u>18</u>
Mark Nelon		4			
Joe Rypl		3			
RSG		3	Percentage of		
Jimmy Fife		2	total members		
Bill Holt		2	donating		11%
Rick Hallabough		2			
Tom Newman		2			
SLH	1	1	Total turned items		103
Tom Echols		1			
Roy Steelman		1			
MKE		1			
Anonymous		1			
M. Moad		1			
Jim Tanksley		1			
		0			
Monthly Total	13				
Grand Total		<u>85</u>			



Beads of Courage Program

This program is designed to support, strengthen and encourage children and families coping with serious illness. The program lets the children tell their story using colorful beads as meaningful symbols that commemorates milestones they have achieved along their treatment path. The average child gets 500 beads. The Woodturners of North Texas is taking on the challenge again this year.

Requirements

The lidded box/bowl interior diameter should be 6" (5" minimum diameter, 6" depth, 4" minimum). The lid should have a finial/knob that is easy for a child to grasp and not too elaborate. The 'Beads of Courage' logo bead to be placed inside or outside will be available at the meeting or can be mailed to you upon request. The "Beads of Courage" inscription can also be engraved or burned in the lid and can be placed inside or outside of the lid (no political or religious undertones are accepted). Customarily your box or bowl will be taken to SWAT and displayed along with the others from the club. Your thanks is knowing a very ill child is getting something that will help them through difficult times.

Please visit the Beads of Courage website at [http://www.beadsofcourage.org/resources/images/2018 AAW handout-guidelines.pdf](http://www.beadsofcourage.org/resources/images/2018_AAW_handout_guidelines.pdf) for finish suggestions and other details on ways to also contribute. The workmanship and finish should be in keeping with WNTx standards.

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	Richland Hills															
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