

Golden Triangle Woodturners Club - Denton Texas

THE WOODTURNER

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MEETING: 7:00 PM
FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH
Center for the Visual Arts
400 E. Hickory St., Denton TX
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February 6th Demonstration

Jim Tanksley will demonstrate making natural edge end grain Mesquite bowls



Jim Tanksley began woodturning in 1969 in 9th grade woodshop, making a maple and mahogany laminated lamp. He doesn't remember if he used a gouge or crowbar, but does remember his mom loved it! His next brush with turning occurred in 1995 with the need to turn some 6" white oak table legs. After burning up 3 lathes from Big Lots (and being told not to come back!) he ended up with a Sears lathe from a garage sale. He finished the legs, but does not remember it being a pleasant experience as the lathe shook badly and stalled constantly. Fast forward to 2005 and a work colleague and turning club member turned him on to pen turning. Of course his Sears lathe wouldn't accept the standard morse taper for a pen mandrel, so he upgraded to a Jet mini. He quickly got bored with pens, and moved up to a Nova 3000 and got into bowl turning. His desire to make larger and larger pieces meant continued lathe upgrades through a Powermatic 3520B (broke the banjo within 90 days...) to a Robust American Beauty in 2015.

Jim primarily uses the push cut with 5/8" or 3/4" bowl gouges. He prefers turning green wood, with Mesquite being his favorite. He has also turned large bowls out of Silver Maple, Bradford Pear, Oak, Pecan, Black Walnut and Hackberry. Jim has demonstrated at several regional clubs and SWAT.



President's Platter

It is with a sense of melancholy that the board has accepted the resignation of Jim Sexton as our president. We will miss his enthusiasm and creativity as a member of Golden Triangle Woodturners. Jim will be returning to the frozen lands of Minnesota as he returns to care for aging parents with health issues. We can, however, look forward to photographs of his ongoing work as the trees in that part of the country are much larger than the logs he can acquire here in Texas. We as a board have searched and will nominate Steve Thomason to be our president for the remainder of Jim's term. We will bring that nomination before the membership for a vote at our February meeting . This nomination and vote is outlined in our club bylaws.

We want to thank Steve for his willingness to step up to the challenge we've put before him and encourage each of you to affirm this nomination to lead Golden Triangle Woodturners. I want to thank Steve and the board for their rapid movement to fill this role so that I may vigorously return to my role as past president.

Sam Slovak

Renew Your Membership

Don't forget to renew your GTW membership. Membership form can be found at the end of this newsletter and on the GTW web site. Your membership allows us to continue with programs, demonstrations, and events to which we all have become accustomed.

2017 Club Officers

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DO YOU KNOW THAT.....

....**Golden Triangle Woodturners** aka **GTW is on YouTube.....** Each month the demonstration is videotaped. An edited version is then uploaded to YouTube, making it easily available to everyone. There are dozens of videos now posted on our YouTube page. You can find it at <http://www.youtube.com/user/DentonTurners>. Take a few minutes when you can and check out our YouTube page. Keep turning and have fun!!

...**The Club website has been updated** ... Turns out the former GTW club website had been laying fallow for several years, as the software that had been used to manage it was no longer accessible. Doug Busey has taken on restoration of our website, and has gone live with the “new and improved” version as of mid January. The formal website address has changed to <http://goldentrianglewoodturners.org/GTW-New/index.html>. A Google search for “Golden Triangle Woodturners” should still get you there as well. Construction work will continue, with the addition of photo archives and direct links to the YouTube postings. Check it out, and contact Doug with any encouragement, comments or questions.

...**GTW is also on Facebook** Find us at “Golden Triangle Woodturners”

...**the vendors that support us need your support too!** Our club continues to be generously supported by several local vendors. In addition to the 10% discount on regular priced items at the local stores, (must have membership card to win!) the following vendors have been EXTREMELY generous in supporting our raffle and door prizes. Take the time to warmly acknowledge and thank them for their contributions and support each time you visit.

Woodcraft Supply - 601 W. Plano Pkwy, Plano TX

Woodworld - 13650 TI Blvd #101, Dallas, TX

Rockler - 2930 Preston Rd, Suite 850, Frisco TX

- 800 N. Coit #2500, Richardson, TX

Craft Supplies USA - www.woodturnerscatalog.com

... **Its time to renew your membership for 2017...** If you haven't yet renewed for calendar year 2017, please make a point to see John Solberg at the next meeting. Your membership allows us to continue with programs, demonstrations, and events to which we all have become accustomed. A membership form can be found at the end of this newsletter, on the GTW web site, or at the meetings.



Sand Paper Organizers Still for Sale! \$20

There are limited ways the GTW Club generates money for operations. Yearly dues and raffle sales make up the majority of our operating budget. Monies collected at the demonstrations done during Roanoke and Denton Jazz Festivals typically only cover material costs for the cars we hand out.

John Beasley has designed and built a number of sand paper organizers, and given them to the club for use as a fundraiser. Here's your chance to finally organize your sandpaper stash, and augment the club's programs budget to boot! Maybe there's someone else in your life that would benefit from a bit of organization as well? Get them while they last!



Bring Back winners from January Meeting:

Peter Tkacs

Teddy Twombly

Mike Zunkowski

David Hoenig

Jeff Witcomb

John Karmann

Sam Slovak

Don Chesser

John Solberg

Jim Sexton





Golden Triangle Woodturners

Membership Application 2017



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

%David Hoenig

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Amount

Method

Date

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