



## **February Virtual & Live Meeting**

**First Monday of the month @7pm  
Denton Greater Arts Council**

### **"The Woodturning Gambit: knowing your cutting edge!"**



#### **Donna Frazier**

As the saying goes, the apple doesn't fall far from the tree. My great grandfather was a craftsman woodworker/woodturner. Woodworking and artistry has been a part of my family for generations. Despite growing up with a full woodshop in the basement...I didn't begin my woodturning journey until 6 years ago when I mistakenly attended a HCW meeting. To my surprise it wasn't a basic woodworking club but it was so much more....and that is where I discovered the lathe! Two years later, in 2019, I became vice president of my club along with being asked to compete at masters at work in Broken Bow OK. In 2020, I remained vice president and was also placed on the HCW mentor list. It became my job to find demonstrators for our monthly club zoom meetings; because of COVID I was no longer limited to close range turners and I began contacting Master turners from around the world. This led to my discussions regarding techniques, grinds, and tool limits and my passion to understand what's happening at the cutting edge of a gouge. In 2021 I was president of HCW, was once again invited to Masters at work, and in the same year I turned my first cowboy hat. Through my continuous studies, I began to realize that if I learned the limits and when those limits could be pushed, I could become a better woodturner and as an instructor make it easier for others to learn.

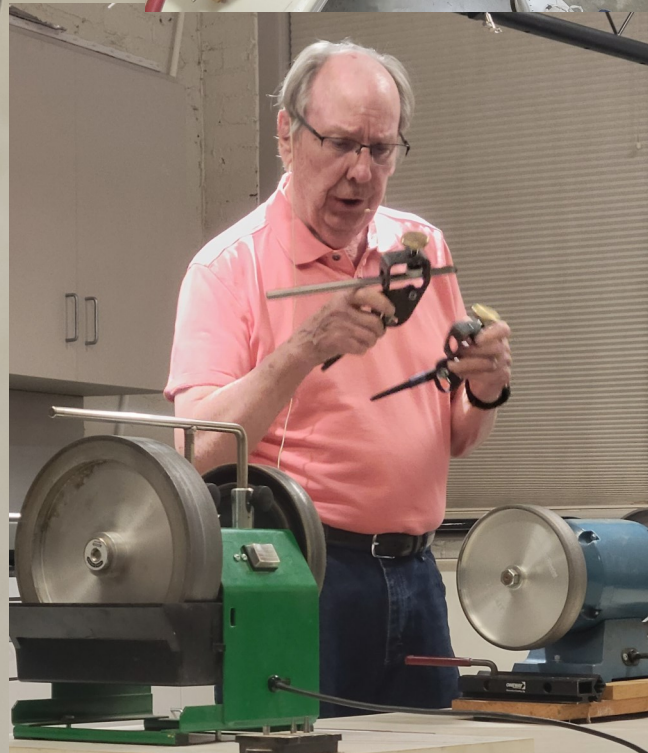
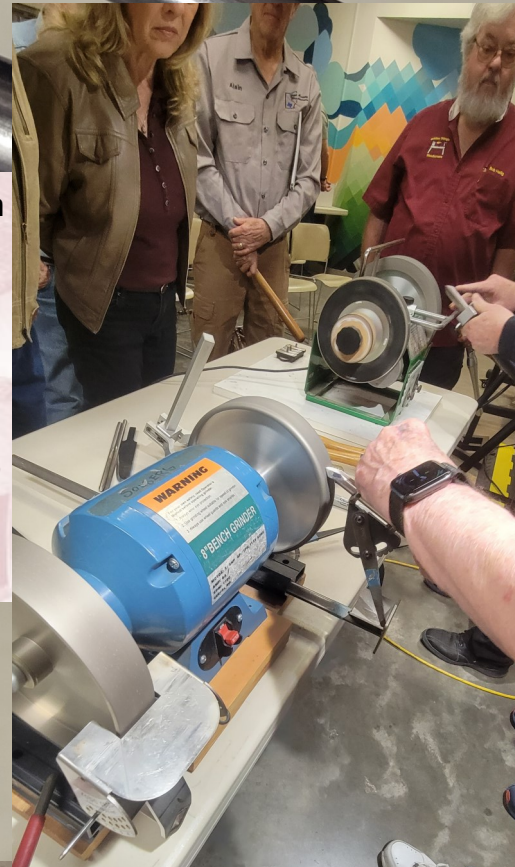
Woodturning advice often comes with a lot of "do whatever works for you." But how "do" you know what works for you? All the different tools and techniques, can be confusing and frustrating. However, if you risk understanding the universal principles of the cutting edge, you will know your game options. Woodturning will become enjoyable and no longer a means to an end. Ironically, that is when you win! Because now, all project ends are possible!

"You cannot beat a river (wood on the lathe) into submission. You have to surrender to its current and use its power as your own." -The Ancient One





A Big thanks to Sam and John for showing us the different set ups and techniques for sharpening our tools! We will have an open shop Feb 11 to go over tool sharpening coming up soon so be sure to bring some tools to get perfect for your next project.







## News

- Membership for 2023 is due and can be paid online or at the live meeting.
- Bowl Blanks will be for sale to anyone and can be used for the Empty Bowls Program.
- Bowl of the Month Challenge is back! The goal is to make at least 1 bowl per month for the Empty Bowl Program.
- We can bring turned objects to show off at festivals and you can leave a business card under your piece. We can't sell any work at the festivals.

## Pink Ivory

This is the perfect wood for February! Pink Ivory is found in southern Africa from trees that grow around 100 ft tall. Its color can vary including a neon pink, deep red, and a pale brownish pink. It commonly has beautiful curly or fiddleback grain patterns.

The only downside to this wood is that the pink will fade overtime to a brownish color.

Pink Ivory does dull cutting tools fairly easy and tearout is common on quartersawn pieces when planning. However, turners are in luck as it turns and finishes nicely. It doesn't have a very pleasant smell but the beautiful outcome can make up for that little down side.



Brian Taylor—Pink Ivory Vase

*Miscellaneous Club Information / Upcoming Activities*

### President's Letter

The board decided on a few changes for the upcoming year. Starting in February the board will meet at 6:00 pm on the second Monday of the month at the Sidewalk Café in Denton. Every GTW member is welcome to attend and observe. Furthermore, I will send the minutes to any GTW member who requests them.

The board also decided to restart the Bowl of the Month Club. Everyone is invited to make at least one bowl each month and bring it to the meeting where the bowls will be collected and sent to The Denton Empty Bowl Project. One Saturday each October, the Empty Bowl Project sponsors a lunch where diners purchase a lunch and receive a handmade bowl. Proceeds go to Our Daily Bread (which includes the Monsignor King Center) and the Denton Community Food Center. This worthwhile project uses our bowls to help generate needed funds for these nonprofits serving our community.

The board discussed the Christmas party and decided to modify it in 2023. We don't have definite plans yet, but we talked about possibly having a regular meeting, but enhancing the meeting with a well-known outside demonstrator or having light refreshments.

As always, if you have suggestions to improve our club, please tell me or any board member.

Neal Brand

### Upcoming Demos

Mar— TBD

Apr— TBD

May— TBD

Additional club information can be found on the website:

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

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.

Bring Backs—Richard R, Steve T, Gary B,  
Sam S, T. Wilson

### Upcoming Events

Jan 28—Open Shop — Cutting Blanks

Feb 11—Open Shop— Tool Sharpening





## *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.

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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.

## GTW is on Facebook

Find us at: **Golden Triangle Woodturner Groups**

Follow us for up to date club information

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word "facebook" in white lowercase letters on a dark blue square background.



# Golden Triangle Woodturners

## CLUB INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

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Our thanks for all the hard work and time they put into making this a great club.

Look for our current and past demo's on YouTube. They really are great.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/DentonTurners>













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## Membership Application 2023

New ( ) Renewal ( ) Check One

Annual Membership: \$26.00

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

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