

Woodturners of North Texas



Next Meeting: Thursday, June 25th, 2020
Meeting Start: 6:30 PM

Virtual meeting on the Internet ONLY.
Watch your email for an invitation to attend.

Piston Boxes by Tod Raines



WOODTURNERS OF NORTH TEXAS
FORT WORTH, TEXAS

Interactive Remote Demo - June 25th, 2020

Turning a Piston Box
by
Tod Raines



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Calendar of Events

June 25th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM

Location: Remote - Zoom meeting

Demonstrator: Tod Raines

Subject: Piston Boxes

Tod Raines will be presenting his demo showing how to turn Piston Boxes This is a really good demo that will have you out in the shop making Piston Boxes for your own use.

July 30th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM

Location: Remote - Zoom meeting

Demonstrator: Jason Clark

Subject: Saturn Box

Jason Clark will be showing how he turns his Saturn box. Jason is a member of Chicago Woodturners. The Saturn Box shows a lot of skill and imagination. He uses techniques for chucking and turning the rings of his box, that I have never seen.

August 27th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM

Location: Remote - Zoom meeting

Demonstrator: TBA

Subject: TBA



... making Good Shavings

President's Pen for June 19, 2020

Woodturning is not necessarily a social activity but it does not happen in a vacuum either. I probably have enough bowls and other turned objects in my house and office to satisfy my needs for a long time. But, I keep turning. I enjoy turning for a number of reasons: seeing what is inside that log or piece of wood, how smooth can I get that turning without sandpaper, how thin can I turn that bowl and certainly to please others. But I also enjoy making things, fixing things that others have tossed away as not worth fixing. With a lot more free time on my hands, I have a lot of time to ponder things. What makes things work but more importantly what makes me work (or not). The body is a complex organism but I find the mind even more puzzling.

Enough of that introspection. I have had fun cleaning up the shop by turning those odd shaped pieces that I said that I would get to one day. Most end up small bowls but some are interesting vases or toothpick holders. I find it fascinating how long a piece of wood can stay whole when kept out of the weather and away from bugs and other critters. The oldest piece I can date is about 20 years old (can you imagine how many times I have moved and swept around that piece?). What stories it could tell. But now it is two red-cedar bowls and a lot of cedar chips (no, I don't miss that log). Next challenge is a fairly good sized piece of bois d'arc and a large piece of ash. Both have only been in my possession about a year (thanks Kerry Weeks) but should be tool dulling hard (probably do the ash first before the bugs get to it.)

While this appears to be progress, I have to but look around at the other stacks of turning wood stashed around the property. Some is indoors but most is out in the weather. More challenges and opportunities.

Keep turning and be safe

**Bill Collins
President**



Southwest Association of Woodturners (SWAT)

Cancellation of the 2020 SWAT Symposium

To the Woodturning Community,

Due to the ongoing Coronavirus crisis, the Executive Committee and Board of Directors have decided to cancel this year's symposium. The safety of our participants, volunteers, demonstrators and vendors are our priority. As the pandemic lingers, we do not believe that we can adequately protect everyone.

Those parties who have already registered will receive a full refund of their 2020 registration fees and purchases from our website.

We deeply appreciate the support of all our fellow woodturners over the years and look forward to seeing you next year. Take care and safe turning.

Sincerely,

**Henry Pennell
President, SouthWest Association of Turners**

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EMPTY BOWLS

I received an email from the Executive Vice President Development of Tarrant Area Food Bank which said:

When we cancelled Empty Bowls we did not fully imagine the length and severity of the ensuing health and economic crisis. Know that, thanks to your efforts over the years, we were in a position to quickly adapt and have now increased our weekly food distribution from 600,000 to one million meals.

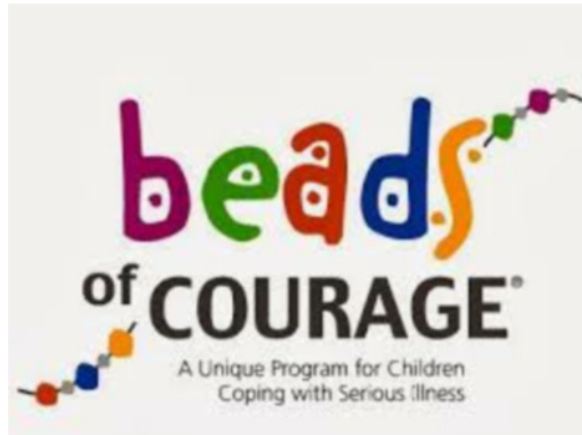
Fundraising in this time has changed, too. Due to the pandemic, we have determined that we will hold no events for the remainder of the year and, in all likelihood, well into 2021.

Beyond this year, I cannot predict the future. I do know Empty Bowls will proceed in some form, but perhaps not a mass gathering of 2,000 people with lots of touch points. I am open to any suggestions you all have. For now, rest assured that our bowl inventory and auction items are secured for use at a later date.

Thank you for all of your bowls and other donated items in the past. Hopefully we can continue this tradition in some form to support the Tarrant Area Food Bank. We'll have wait and see what form that takes.

See ya on ZOOM.

Ron Traylor
randkbiz@msn.com.



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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The Regular Monthly Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at the Handley-Meadowbrook Lions Club, 6013 Craig Street, Fort Worth, TX.

Board meetings are held on the first Monday of each month usually at Spring Creek Barbecue 6704 Lake Worth Blvd (Hwy 199). Check the WNT web site for any updates. All WNT members are invited to attend. If you would like to join the group for dinner, it begins at 5:30 PM and the business meeting starts at 6:30 PM.

Anchorseal®

The club has purchased a 55-gallon drum of Anchorseal sealant for green wood and it is available to members for \$10.00 per gallon. It can be purchased at club meetings. Contact James Haynes for payment.

Rules for advertisements: Free ads are available only to WNT members. The deadline for submission or cancellation of an ad is the 10th of the month to be placed in that month's newsletter. Ads will only run for one issue unless notified (email wntnewsletter@gmail.com) by the 10th of the month. Also, if you decide to cancel an ad, please notify the editor (have you spotted the trend yet?) by the 10th of the month.