

# Woodturners of North Texas



**Next Meeting: Thursday, December 17th, 2020  
Meeting Start: 6:30 PM**

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

## Turning OSB Boards by Greg Stehle



I am about to retire from a career as an Engineer and Lean Six Sigma Master Black Belt in the Aerospace, Automotive and Medical industries. I have been doing some form of woodworking since starting in my late teens in my parent's basement. Today I am blessed to have a good sized, well equipped shop thanks to the support of my wife Kathy.

Kathy actually got me started in woodturning in a serendipitous way. She had gone to Woodcraft to sign up for a scroll saw class and saw a flyer for WNT that said members received a 10% discount there. We were spending enough at Woodcraft to have a net benefit from the membership so she sent in the membership form. In the meantime, she signed up for a bowl turning class at Woodcraft, and shortly after we bought our first lathe, a Jet 16-42. Kathy started receiving the club newsletter, and come December 2014 we decided to attend the club Christmas party.

We were amazed at the pieces that were auctioned at the Christmas party, and we really enjoyed the fellowship, so we decided to start attending the meetings, with me as the spouse in tow. In July 2015 I joined the club, and haven't looked back. Since that time, I have taken in-person turning instruction at the Homestead in Elm Mott, from John Horn, Jimmy Clewes, Stuart Batty and Nick Cook. I have also attended numerous demos at SWAT, the annual AAW symposium, and online.

The demos and in-person instruction taught me something about technique, but viewing the galleries at SWAT and the AAW, and art shows and art galleries taught me about form and alternative materials. I saw my first segmented piece at SWAT and was so fascinated that I launched into creating segmented pieces with the help of Malcolm Tibbetts's book and videos. I happened to see a turned OSB piece at the Cottonwood Arts festival a few years ago, and although it was interesting, I thought I could do better. I bought a 4'x8' sheet of OSB from Lowes for around \$20 and started making bowls and hollow forms. Perhaps because of the Engineer in me I liked the idea of planning and building a piece up, as opposed to searching for the almighty big, monolithic, perfect piece of beautifully figured wood that would make my work look great!

Since starting segmenting and OSB projects, I have added urethane casting, and alabaster turning to my project materials. I still enjoy simple bowl turning, and recently have been working on expanding my knowledge and abilities with finishes.

I believe that if you really love doing something it is not a hobby, so when people ask me if I have any hobbies, I prefer to say I really love woodturning!

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# Calendar of Events

**December 17th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM**

**Location: Remote - Zoom meeting**

**Demonstrator: Greg Stehle**

**Subject: Turning OSB Boards**

Greg Stehle will be doing a demo on turning a piece from OSB (oriented strand board). Greg has shown work that he has done with osb at club meetings in the past. It's amazing how he is able to use a common construction product and make such beautiful turnings.

**January 28th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM**

**Location: Remote - Zoom meeting**

**Demonstrator: Emiliano Achaval**

**Subject: Calabash Bowl**

Emiliano Achaval will be doing his calabash bowl demo. Emiliano lives in Hawaii and is a moderator on the AAW website. His demo includes turning a calabash bowl and showing how he installs bowties in the bowl to keep a crack from spreading. This will be very interesting and educational.

**February 25th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM**

**Location: Remote - Zoom meeting**

**Demonstrator: Jeff Allen**

**Subject: Flower Bud on a Stem**

Our own Jeff Allen will be doing a demo on how he turns a flower bud on a stem. This is called a PODLET. This will be Jeff's first demo. Jeff is a really good turner and I'm expecting this to be great.

# WNT 2021 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

WNT BY-LAWS state that annual membership dues are due not later than January 1 of each year.

Between October 12 and 17, 2020 an email was sent to each current member by James D. Haynes with individual information and steps for membership renewal for 2021.

If you did not receive yours or somehow lost it please email me at [jhaynescpa@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jhaynescpa@sbcglobal.net) to request a repeat.

James Haynes, Treasurer  
214-801-1775



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Good  
Shavings

### President's Notes for December, 2020

According to the internet, a swan's dying song is the most beautiful. Now don't get your hopes up. My swan song may not be so beautiful.

The last three years have been quite an adventure, especially this last one. But what has made it really worthwhile is the people I have been able to work with and the members in general. Your board of directors has done a lot of work to keep things going and the good news is that most of them will be continuing in their positions. Bob Wiggins is moving off the board after having been activity chair and before that vice president. Thanks Bob for all you have done. David Baulch is retiring as librarian. Thanks David for getting and keeping our library materials organized.

Greg Stehle, your new president, will need the same support you have given me to get us through this crazy season.

I will still be around and hope to be able to SEE everyone face to face safely and soon.

I hope you have been using this down time in the shop making chips or rather making turnings. I have continued to clean the shop one log at a time but unfortunately as I bring in logs for the fireplace, some are too pretty to burn so they end up in the shop as another bowl blank.

A big thanks to Glynn for his shop notes sessions. I actually took my big chuck apart, cleaned it and got it successfully back together. And it works much smoother than before.

Keep turning and be safe.

**Bill Collins  
President**



# **SHOP TALK**

*December, 2020*

## **SPOT ON LATHE CENTER**

In our December Zoom meeting I will show and discuss misalignment between your lathes drive center and the live or tail stock center. Does it make a difference? Can I align it? Some methods to align the centers.

What I show in Shop Talk is how I do things. It works for me, but there are no absolutes. If you find another way that works better for you, use it.

I hope in future meetings to be able to bring other insights into lathe, tool and shop maintenance issues.

Glynn Cox  
Past President





# To MY BUSINESS or NOT To MY BUSINESS - A Good Computer App Question

David Baulch - Club Librarian (2017-2020)

Not certain anyone would want to use this app unless you were in a small business and/or an online business (Like in an Etsy store). That being said, I shall continue. I have needed an app (free, of course) for my tablet that usually is in the shop with me. If I get phone calls or a text, I can access it immediately without having to go in and fire up the computer in the office (inside the house - not in the shop.) The one that works on my Android-powered tablet is entitled: *My Business*.

This app from the Google Play Store (maybe one like it for the Apple) is an inventory database with the capability for an item's photos, purchase price (if you did purchase the materials OR the object), the sales price, name, and even a KEY (mine is totally numeric) that you can take a picture of the barcode you affix to your items for sale. (I have no barcodes, that is why mine is simply numeric.) It keeps it all neatly in a sorted order you determine and the information is easily accessible. You can even export the information/figures to a .csv format for Excel or even a catalog in a .pdf format.

Obviously, if you are not into the business end of turning and turn only for fun, this is nothing you want. HOWEVER, if you are toying with the idea (or doing more than toying with the idea) you might want to check this application out. I mean, it does have my favorite word "FREE" in it. Put that together with your Square program for taking plastic and you are set to handle most anything coming across your table. It can even do receipts and invoices. True, I have something else on my "big" machine in the office, but to have this in the shop available at all times is very handy. I have needed an application to keep up with my inventory of products, mainly turning, but I also have flat work like cutting boards and cheese board, not to mention furniture.

Try it, you might even like it. If not, it is still easy to delete apps on a tablet.

# ***Elections 2020***

The list below is of the Board members for 2021. They shall assume office on January 1 of the next year.

## **POSITION**

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\*These 'at large' positions are reserved for board assignment, not nominated by club.

# Who's up for a Challenge?

What's more appropriate for a Christmastime Challenge than Christmas ornaments?



**Dick Koch**



**Jim Barkelew**

# MISSION CENTRAL

If some of you are like me, you miss being able to help people out and turn bowls at the same time. Well, a new opportunity is available.

Mission Central is a sister agency of Tarrant Area Food Bank. Mission Central has two re-sale stores and several months ago they opened a new section at these stores to feature art and crafts works from their numerous volunteers and supporters. I'm sure some turned wood bowls would make a great addition and income generator for these stores. All of the profits from these stores goes to Mission Central.

Mission Central is a multifunctional organization that has a food bank, helps with job searches, tutors school children and other support functions. The heart of their mission is to empower people in need to improve their own quality of life. Their web site is: <https://missioncentraltx.org/>

You can drop turnings off at the Village Pantry.

**The Pantry is open Tuesday – Friday from 12:30 pm – 3:30 pm. It is located at 740 East Pipeline Road in Hurst, in the same shopping center as Kroger. Mission Central is at the East end of the shopping center.**

If there is enough interest I can arrange to meet and pick up the turnings.

We could even meet at some central location once a month and you can fill up my truck bed!

Any suggestions or comments can be sent to me, Ron Traylor, at [randkbiz@msn.com](mailto:randkbiz@msn.com).

## ***ANCHORSEAL IS NOW AVAILABLE***

Thanks to James Boyett, David Wilson, and Michael Stephens, Anchorseal is now available for WNT members.

James and David took delivery of a drum of Anchorseal and transferred it to gallon jugs.

Michael Stephens is providing a space in his garage to store and dispense the jugs. He lives at 2223 Southcrest Dr., Arlington, TX 76013. Call him at 817-707-3418 to arrange for pickup.

The new price, including tax, is \$15 per gallon.

You are requested to pay by check so Michael can deposit the proceeds into the WNT bank account. Chase Bank will not accept cash deposits to a business account from a person who is not a signer.

Because we barely break even at this price the product is for WNT members only, and we ask that you limit your purchase to two gallons at a time. If you have sturdy empty gallon jugs bring them for exchange. Please make sure your exchange jugs have been washed inside and out.

# NEVER BEEN AN AAW MEMBER?

THREE-MONTH INTRODUCTORY AAW MEMBERSHIP

**JUST \$20**

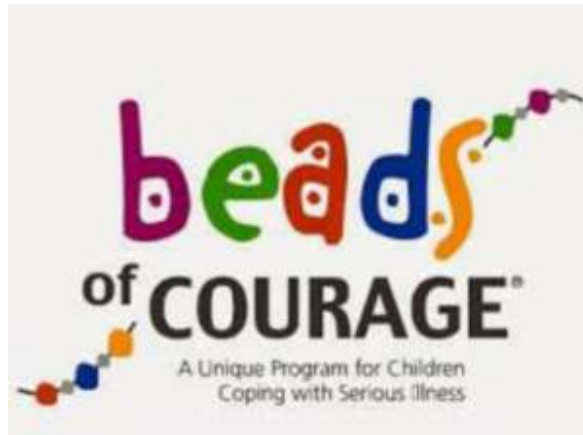
- Each introductory, three-month AAW membership includes the benefits of AAW membership for three full months, including: one printed copy of the *American Woodturner* journal, and access for three-months to Woodturning FUNDamentals, AAW EXPLORE! Discover Woodturning, AAW Connects, AAW Forum, tips library, safety resources, learning and mentoring materials, grant opportunities, specialty programming, services, and more.
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## 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 WNT standards.

# Mentors

Name	City	Phone	Skills													
			General turning	Bowls	Pens	Segmented	Tool Making	Decoration & Inlay	Sharpening	Fundamentals	Natural Edge	Multi-axis	Hollow			
Boehme, Billy	Arlington	817-275-7473 (h)	•	•												
Clowers, Wayne	Haltom City	817-834-7755 (h)		•	•	•										
Cox, Glynn	Keller	817-337-0210 (h)	•				•					•				•
Denke, Fred	Fort Worth	817-292-3479 (h)		•				•								
Horn, John	North	817-485-7397 (h)		•						•	•					
	Richland Hills	817-944-3993 (c)														
Jarrell, Sandy	Fort Worth	817-732-2916 (h)	•	•				•	•	•	•					
Lauderbaugh, John	North	817-485-5469 (h)	•							•						
	Richland Hills															
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The Regular Monthly Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at 6:30PM via Zoom.

Board meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30PM on Zoom. All WNT members are invited to attend.

If you would like to attend the Board meeting, email your request to Bill Collins at [whc6845@yahoo.com](mailto:whc6845@yahoo.com).

## **Anchorseal®**

The club has purchased a 55-gallon drum of Anchorseal sealant for green wood and it is available to members for \$15.00 per gallon. Sales are being handled by Michael Stephens, 2223 Southcrest Dr, Arlington TX 76013, 817-707-3418. Call to arrange pickup. Payment needs to be by check.

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