

Woodturners of North Texas



A Chapter of the
American Association of Woodturners



Twentieth Anniversary Year

Next Meeting:

Thursday,
June 28, 2007
Start Time: 6:30 PM

R.D. Evans Recreational
Center
3200 Lackland Rd.
Fort Worth, TX

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June 2007

Program:

*Ribbon
Turning
by Steve Ott*

*Our demonstrator for the
June, 2007 program will be
our very own Steve Ott
who became seriously
interested in ribbon*

*turning when he attended
demonstrations by Malcolm
Tibbetts during SWAT 2005
in Wichita Falls. He attended
every one of Malcolm's
demonstrations and became
fascinated with what he saw.
Here is his story about the
June program and his
fascination with ribbon
turning.*

Malcolm's ribbon turnings were spectacular. Now I do not pretend to be as talented as he is, but my demonstration will introduce you to the world of ribbon turning.

In Malcolm Tibbetts words, "All you do is turn bottomless bowls, cut them in half, and glue them back together." Well it may be a bit more complicated than that,

Steve remembers that he needs to put the pulley back on his lathe before he can turn a ribbon

but not too much more complicated. If you are new to segmented turning, an accomplished segmented turner, or just have an interest in segmented turning, this will open up entirely new avenues for you.

In "normal" segmented turning, you make flat segments, which are glued together into a ring, and the rings are stacked on top of

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... making Good Shavings

President's message
by Stormy Boudreaux

I am going to devote the president's column this month to bring to your attention an especially moving "Thank You" note that the club received from the Lewis family in response to the presentation of the Memorial platter that Phil Joines crafted. All the club members signed the platter at the April meeting; then Dewayne Hines, the WNT Vice President, after having the platter laser engraved, presented it to the Lewis family the next day. Bob Lewis, Sr. was a long term member of Woodturners of North Texas who did a great job of turning and steadfastly supported the WNT club. Here is the note:

Dear Fellow Woodturners:

I am very appreciative of the beautiful commemorative platter that the club presented to the

Lewis family. Being able to attend the meetings, and all the enjoyable people who made up the club, was the thing that Bob most looked forward to.

I hope the Woodturners will continue to provide this level of enjoyment for many years to come.

Gloria Lewis

It is the members that make up an organization, and we are fortunate to have great members.

Keep your tools sharp and your safety gear on
And make good shavings.

Stormy Boudreaux



"Bring-Back" Drawing Winners

Don't forget that if you were a winner of any item in the May drawing, you are obligated to bring a replacement item for the June 2007 "Bring Back" drawing. The rules for the "Bring Back" drawing are that winners of a turned item must bring a turned item of their own creation to the next meeting and the winners of any other item must bring something that would be of interest to woodturners. That would include, but is not limited to something that you turned, a tool or jig, wood, book, or magazine. If you have fallen behind in bringing a turned item for the "Bring Back" drawing, now is the time to make up for any items that you owe and please remember to bring a turning to the June meeting. Here is a list of the May "Bring-Back" winners:

NAME	TURNED ITEM
Fred Denke	Toothpick holder
Helena Turlin	Segmented bowl
Helena Turlin	Shallow bowl
Max Taylor	Toothpick holder
Stormy Boudreaux	Toothpick holder
Dan Hudkins	Lidded box
George Butcher	Lidded box
John Boyle	Small platter
Jim Bragdon	Lidded box
David Heywood	Bowl
Linda Gryfon	Hurricane lamp
Steve Myer	Bowl
NAME	NON-TURNED ITEM
Dewayne Hines	Willow log



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each other into your desired shape. In this “ribbon turning”, you add another element - a slope. This then becomes stave construction for segmented turning.



Although you can do this in the “normal” manner, it might be harder to ensure the design matches in your final construction.

I will attempt to show you how to make these turnings, and just some of the shapes you can make by doing this. I will be using just one example - a 45 degree slope. By using different degrees for the slope of your bowls, you will come up with entirely new shapes. I will also describe some tips and tricks that I learned the hard way.



You start with a lamination that you have determined for your design, cut this into compound segments, glue segments together into a bowl shape, turn to final shape, cut apart, reposition, and glue back together. See how easy that was! Just seven easy steps!! Ha, Ha, Ha. Seriously, it is not that difficult to

do this, if I can do it anyone else can also.

In the latest issue of **American Woodturner**,

Malcolm has written an article that describes this procedure in detail. With his book, this article, and my demo,



you will have all the information you need to construct and complete a one of a kind ribbon turning.

After my demo, I hope you will attempt this type of turning. I think you will be pleasantly surprised with the outcome.

Steve Ott



Freedom Pen Turning at WNT Picnic

Woodturners of North Texas members took the opportunity to turn numerous pens for the Freedom Pen Project during the club picnic at Larry Roberts' home on June 9, 2007. Here are a few pictures of the turning activities.



WNT Picnic



The Woodturners of North Texas picnic was held on June 9 at the beautiful home of Larry and Pat Roberts. There were between 40 and 50 members in attendance. Many of the members enjoyed turning Freedom Pens in Larry's shop before the great barbeque meal was served while others enjoyed the nice shade of the Robert's back yard. In addition to the barbeque, there was lots of great food and desserts brought by the members. It was reported that some backsliding of diets occurred during this occasion. Many thanks to our gracious hosts, Larry and Pat Roberts for generously sharing their home.



WNT Picnic, continued ...



Call Woodturners what you wish, but don't call them late for lunch!



John Horn pronounces the barbeque good enough for Santa Claus.



The Hungry!



The anticipation!



There were plenty of great condiments and desserts.



... and a good time was had by all.



... from the Editor

Turning Challenge - A few months ago, many of us picked up some “free” wood at the club meeting. However, there was a string attached to the “free” wood -- the string being that the wood must be turned into something and returned for “show and tell” at the June meeting. Well, the June meeting date has crept upon us and, hopefully, you have your turning ready for all to admire. If not, there is still time to power up the lathe and make a few shavings.

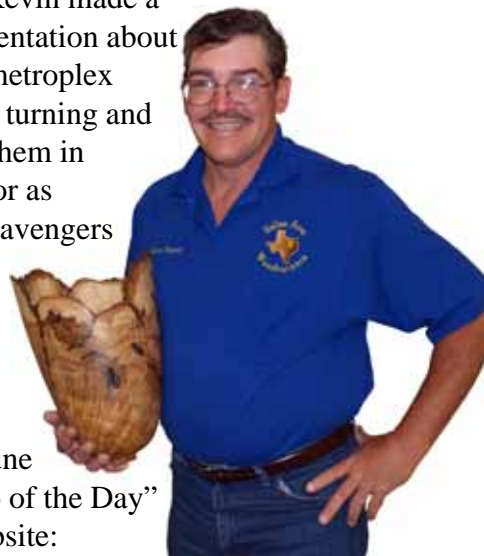
Ribbon Turning - This month’s demonstration by Steve Ott promises to be very interesting and informative. If you have not yet done so, please check out the article by Malcolm Tibbetts which discusses ribbon turning in the Spring 2007 issue of *American Woodturner*. I believe that it will be excellent preparatory material for Steve Ott’s program.

NRH Library Project - June is also the due date for any wood that you have from the NRH Library Project. Please bring your turnings to the June meeting.

WNT Picnic - The WNT club picnic held at Larry and Pat Roberts on June 9 was a very enjoyable occasion with lots of great fellowship, food, and pen turning. Thank you, Larry and Pat Roberts for hosting this event at your home. Many of the members flocked into Larry’s shop and turned pens for the Freedom Pen Project. There were also plenty of supervisors on hand. Many others enjoyed the nice shade and good company in the Robert’s back yard while visions of good barbeque and home-made desserts danced in their heads.

May 2007 Program Review

Our May 2007 program was presented by Kevin Bassett, a local certified arborist with over thirty years of experience. Kevin made a PowerPoint presentation about common DFW metroplex trees suitable for turning and how to identify them in either tree form or as “road kill” for scavengers of wood. Kevin also brought along one of his natural edge mesquite bowls chosen for the June 18, 2006 “Photo of the Day” on the AAW website: www.woodturner.org.



Kevin’s program presented a lot of information and tips concerning what to look for in identifying various trees by their bark and leaf structure. Questions from the floor were answered with the expertise that amazed us casual woodturners. His program also covered a number of things to consider when selecting wood to turn, since he is not only an arborist, but an accomplished woodturner.



NRH Library Project Turnings Due

Larry Roberts has requested that all turnings for the North Richland Hills Library Project be brought to the club meeting on Thursday, June 28th. At the meeting Chris Amarante, our contact for the library project, will be in attendance to receive the turnings and take pictures and recognize WNT and the participants. He will collect the items at that time. Each item should have a price. Each turner should bring an inventory list.



Advertisements

Anchorseal®

The club has purchased a 55-gallon drum of Anchorseal sealant for green wood and it is available to members for \$8.00 per gallon. It is being stored at Larry Roberts' place, 6409 Calender in southwest Arlington. Contact James Haynes for payment.

Delta 46-715

14" Cast Iron Lathe

3/4 hp motor and the swivel headstock. It was \$640 new about 5 years ago. Selling all my tools including a Nova Chuck. Estimate this whole pkg to be aprox \$1100 new. Asking \$500. Wm M. Gould, III 817.655.8754

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<http://www.wntx.org/ads/ads.html>
for the latest advertisements.



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Calendar

NOTE: The Regular Monthly Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month except in September (SWAT Symposium). Board meetings are held at Cafe Express on University south of I-30. 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 6 PM and the business meeting starts at 7 PM.

June 28 - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, R.D. Evans Rec. Center, Demonstrator: **Steve Ott**

July 10 - WNT Board meeting -- see above for location and time.

July 26 - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, R.D. Evans Rec. Center, Demonstrator: **TBD**

August 7 - WNT Board meeting -- see above for location and time.

August 30 - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, R.D. Evans Rec. Center, Demonstrator: **John Horn**

September 4 - WNT Board meeting -- see above for location and time.

September 27 - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, R.D. Evans Rec. Center, Demonstrator: **TBD**

October 2 - WNT Board meeting -- see above for location and time.

October 5 - 7: Southwest Association of Turners Symposium in Wichita Falls, TX

October 25 - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, R.D. Evans Rec. Center, Demonstrator: **John Solberg and Peter Tkacs (The Blues Brothers) present Vacuum Chucking**

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