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Next Meeting: February 15

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President's Words of Wisdom

As I sit here writing this month's note I keep bouncing from one project to another.

February is indeed a busy month. **Jimmy Clewes** classes began Friday the 9th, his all day demo is Saturday and then two more days of classes. Club meeting is Thursday the 15th and Empty Bowls is Friday the 16th. I hope you're planning to attend some or all of these events. It's a busy month and DAW is in the thick of it.

With all this going on **Ken Rodgers** has still found time to tweak our web site. We now have a members sign in page where we will be putting more information for club members only. I'll let Ken give the details but when you get a chance hit our web site, login and check it out. Good job Ken!

The Tolly's weren't able to make the January meeting because of weather but we still had over 50 folks with 16 visitors W O W. Someone said it was because of new leadership...naaa... this is just a great club!! **Randy, Steve** and **Brian** jumped in for a question and answer session, which everyone seems to enjoy. For those of you who asked question, you got an answer. For those of you who didn't, Steve has agreed to answer your questions via email or maybe our web site (we're still working on the details). Nice job guys!!! Thanks for filling in.

For Thursday's meeting be sure to see **Joe Millsap** from Spencer, Oklahoma. He will be showing how to make closed forms with open sides. Plus he will be selling some wood before the meeting. I'm told it's some nice stuff....

Something new at this month's meeting. We will have a mini lathe set up Thursday night before the meeting. Someone will be manning it to answer questions about cuts or how to chuck a piece for wood, or any other basic woodturning questions. Get there early as this will be happening before the club meeting starts (6:15)...

Ever think about doing a “demo”? We will have some opportunities this year. These will be low key demos for Woodcraft, Rockler and maybe Home Depot. You don’t have to be a great turner, just enjoy talking to people and have fun turning. It is also a great way to promote our club. Think about it and grab me at the Thursday’s meeting if you think you might be interested...

Last but not least don’t forget Valentine’s Day!!!! Get that box of chocolates, flowers or card for your sweetheart. As for me and my wife we’ll be going to a hockey game... Go Stars!!!!... Now it’s that romantic....

“Do a good turn” jimmy cusic

February Program

Joe Millsap of Spencer, OK will show how to turn open-sided closed forms. Joe has demonstrated at SWAT on several occasions and always does a great job. Check out Joe’s Website at: <http://members.cox.net/woodturning/>.

Joe will be bringing myrtle burl, maple burl caps and some buckeye burl in case anyone wants to buy some. The myrtle and buckeye is \$3.00 a pound and the maple burl caps are \$4.00 a pound. Get there early and shop Joe’s collection before the meeting.



Schedule of Upcoming Events

February 9/11/12 – Jimmy Clewes Classes
February 10 – Jimmy Clewes Demo at Turning Point
February 15 – DAW Meeting
February 16 – Empty Bowls at the Meyerson

Empty Bowls Project

Saturday, February 10 is the last date to bring in your bowls for Empty Bowls. Coincidentally, that is the same day **Jimmy Clewes** will be demonstrating at Turning Point. So bring your bowls and see a great demo. Don’t forget to sign your bowls.

Club Members - Take Advantage of DAW's Mentoring Program

Attention new turners and people wanting to expand their turning horizons! There are about a dozen DAW members who have volunteered to help you learn more about woodturning. These mentors will provide one-on-one assistance to members who need some help in any area of turning, at no cost to you. All you need to do is go to the roster that **Ken Rodgers** has posted on the Member's Page on the DAW Website (www.dallaswoodturners.com), find a mentor near you and call to set up a convenient time to meet at his shop or yours. While not every mentor has expertise in every area of turning, at a minimum the first mentor you call can steer you in the right direction.

Mentors want to help you! The price is right, so don't pass up this DAW benefit!

Recent Demonstrators

January – Tom Crosby demonstrated his “Lidded Bowls” for both the East Texas Woodturners and for the Fort Worth club.

January – Dan Henry showed the Golden Triangle club the assembly and turning of open segment vessels.

Recent Recognition

Larry Genender attended his first Board of Directors Meeting of the American Association of Woodturners and toured the site of the 2007 AAW Symposium in Portland, OR.

New Feature at Club Meetings: “How To” Corner

There will be some turners available before the meeting beginning at 6:15 with tools, chucks, etc. and a mini-lathe to help with basic turning "How to" Also we will have an assortment of gouges, scrapers, chucks, etc. to show and give you a chance to turn. Come with your questions and try your hand on the lathe.

Club Roster Available on Member's Page of the DAW Website

A new feature of the Website is a Member's Page where the current club roster can be viewed or downloaded. A username and password was mailed to members with email addresses. Hard copy members will get a copy of the current roster at the February meeting. If you are a paid-up member and did not get the email, please contact Ken Rodgers at Webmaster@dallaswoodturners.com.

Pictorial Club Directory

We are starting to work on placing each club member's photo on our gallery pages, along with pictures of their favorite turnings. So if you don't have any turning pictures posted yet, start thinking about it. Email a few to krodg505@tx.rr.com and I will start your gallery. We will try to start taking pictures of newer members at meetings soon. The newest gallery has some very nice turnings by new members Sunny and Walter Passmore. http://www.dallaswoodturners.com/Album/pix_passmore.html

DAW Hosting Jimmy Clewes Demo and Classes

On Saturday, February 10 (9 to 4) DAW will host an all day demonstration by **Jimmy Clewes**, an internationally known turner and teacher who comes to us from the northeastern part of England. During this extensive tour of the U.S., Jimmy will teach at Craft Supplies in Provo, Utah and will be a featured demonstrator at the AAW Annual Symposium in Portland, Oregon. Jimmy has also released two series of instructional DVD's, namely "Turnaround" and "Turn It On". You can view some of Jimmy's work at www.jimmyclewes.com.

It is anticipated that his Dallas full day demonstration will likely cover such topics as coloring, texturing, gilding and hollowing plus other topics of interest and will start at 9AM at our normal meeting location. Pre-registration is not necessary but you should consider bringing your own folding chairs since we have only a limited supply of seating and members from other area clubs will be attending.. The cost for this event will be \$10 for DAW members and \$20 per person for non-members, including a pizza lunch. Soft drinks will be available for purchase. So if you haven't joined DAW yet, you can do that at the demo Saturday and save \$10.

Jimmy Clewes will also be conducting hands-on, all day classes on February 9, 11 and 12 at a DAW member's shop in northeast Plano.

SWAT News

Our SWAT representative, **Bob Matern**, attended the annual SWAT Board of Directors meeting held in Waco on January 27 where the lineup of lead demonstrators for SWAT 2007 was announced. The SWAT Executive Committee has added an additional national demonstrator and we will now have 6 leads for SWAT 2007 which will be held in Wichita Falls on October 5, 6 and 7.

Here are the national leads and websites where you can learn more about them:

Stuart Mortimer	www.stuarmortimer.com
David Marks	www.djmarks.com
Alan Stirt	www.alstirt.com
Cindy Drozda	www.cindydrozda.com
J. Paul Fennell	www.carolinamountainwoodturners.org/fennell/fennell2.html

The Texas lead will be **Stacey Hagar** from the Austin area. He has had four articles published in the AAW Journal and has a video on the AAW website.

The rotations will begin mid-morning on Friday with a full slate of regional demonstrators, so start getting your vacation time lined up now. The final round of demonstrations will conclude mid-afternoon on Sunday.

The directors also reviewed the results of the 2006 symposium. From a financial and attendance standpoint it was a great success. The feedback from the evaluation forms was discussed and changes are already underway to make SWAT 2007 even better.

Perhaps the most significant announcement coming out of the meeting is that negotiations are under way to move the SWAT Symposium to the Waco Convention Center beginning in 2008. It's a beautiful place and will serve us well far into the future.

In the very near future, DVDs of the SWAT 2006 demonstrations will be available in the club's library.

SWAT is also revamping its web site and would like to show off the woodturnings from the SWAT member clubs. If you have some pieces you're particularly proud of and would like to have them considered for display on the SWAT web site, please send the photos to rdalebarrack@earthlink.net.

Sanding Secrets Presentation in Ft Worth

If any of your members are planning to be in the Fort Worth area on Saturday, February 17 they might possibly be interested in attending a special demonstration by Bruce Hoover. The demonstration will take place from 10 AM until 4 PM at the R. D. Evans Recreational Center located at 3200 Lackland Rd. in Fort Worth (our regular meeting location). This is on the west side of Fort Worth about one mile south of I-30. Take the Green Oaks / Lackland Rd. exit and turn south (Lackland road goes to the south and Green Oaks goes to the north). The cost is \$5.00.

The topic of Bruce Hoover's demonstration is "Sanding Secrets". Bruce is the self-proclaimed past president of the "I HATE TO SAND CLUB" and has developed many innovative ways to make sanding a much easier task. If you think of sanding as boring drudgery, then you have not seen Bruce Hoover's demonstration (which he has done at SWAT). This is NOT the same old grind. Dust off all of your notions about sanding drudgery and get ready to learn all of the gritty secrets that will make your turnings glisten and will make sanding a much less burdensome task. Don't get left in the dust -- join us for a very informative session covering new ways to simplify and improve our sanding techniques.

Bruce will also have available for sale a selection of the supplies available from "The Sanding Glove" if you wish to purchase them.

The brochure available at <http://boehme6.home.comcast.net/turning/sanding.pdf> provides more details about the demonstration. The brochure also will be available on the WNT website within a few days at <http://www.wntx.org/events/events.html>.

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