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**Next Meeting: July 19**  
**Clay Foster will present**  
**“Having fun with multi-axis spindle turning”**

## **President's Words of Wisdom**

The dog days of summer are here or should I say the soggy days of summer? Wow, have we had a lot of rain? I hope everyone is still dry. Kind of adds a new meaning to turning wet wood or maybe turning wood while wet...

If you missed last month Johnny Tolly did an outstanding presentation on wind chimes. He had some handouts which we ran out of so I got the word docs and they will be posted on the DAW web site. This month we have Clay Foster. He certainly needs no introduction as he has helped us out many times with club presentations, and classes. But for those who may be new, Clay is an excellent teacher and able to work with students on many levels from beginning to advanced. You will always find his demo's informative and fun to watch.

Speaking of classes we are in the process of collecting information about each one of you and what classes you would like to have. Be sure to get with Jimmie Arledge and give him your thoughts and information. We hope to start classes soon.

The “Open Shop” last month at our new Training Facility was as great success!! A good time was had by all. We had a number of folks there. Martha got “one on one” help with using a skew from Bob Larson. Mike brought his “Jimmy Clews hollowing tool”... I got to play with that... fun stuff and there were others there who got to turn for the first time. A Big hit and Big success. Come and join us this Saturday for a fun time and who knows. You might learn something or could help someone else!!!!

Don't forget the Masters at Work Woodturning competition. It runs from Sept 7-9 at the Forest Heritage Center near Broken Bow OK. We need items for display from DAW. These can be item that you want to sell or just show off. We need about 20 of them to send up to OK. Bring them to the club meeting and we'll get them shipped up there. Be sure to mark the prices you want to sell them at or NFS (not for sale).

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## July Program

Clay's topic is "Having Fun with Simple Multi-Axis Spindle Turning." Low tech, low dollar methods for making multi-axis spindle items such as candlesticks, bottle stoppers, furniture legs, drawer pulls, and box finials. Clay is a world-class turner and teacher. Don't miss this one!

## Open Shop Saturday

The Saturday after our July meeting we will have the DAW "Open Shop" at our new facility in Plano. Same time (9 to noon). Pick up a map and other information at the meeting.

## AAW Symposium in Portland - Report

Several members of DAW and other area clubs made the trip to Portland, Oregon at the end of June for the 21<sup>st</sup> annual AAW Symposium. The weather alone was worth the trip – highs in the 70s, low humidity and only a few brief showers. The Convention Center was super, plenty of room for the 14 concurrent demos and all of the other functions. Attendance was about 1600. The auction raised over \$100,000 for the Educational Fund. On piece, a collaborative piece by Bin Pho and Frank Sudol (now deceased), sold for \$30,000! Several copies of a DVD slide show by Ken Rodgers featuring over 400 of the Instant Gallery pieces will be available in the club library.

Steve Worcester's Instant Gallery piece "Junk Mail" and Ken Rodgers' pierced mask pair "Brothers" were selected for the Critique. Steve's piece contained tiny, shredded bits of credit cards.



*Junk Mail*



*Brothers*



Bin Pho/Frank Sudol Collaborative

## Schedule of Upcoming Events

July 19 - DAW Club Meeting – Clay Foster  
August 2 - DAW Board Meeting  
August 16 - DAW Club Meeting – John Horn  
September 6 - DAW Board Meeting  
September 7 – 9 - Masters at Work Woodturning  
Competition - Broken Bow, OK  
September 20 - DAW Club Meeting  
October 5-7 – SWAT – Wichita Falls

## “How To” Corner for July

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. **If you are an experienced turner, please help with this a couple of time per year.**

## Let's Show Oklahoma How Good We Are

Last month's newsletter announced Kevin Bassett's selection as a finalist in the *Masters at Work* woodturning competition and gallery in Broken Bow, OK in early September. DAW members have been invited to display and/or sell their work. If you are wanting to participate, bring your pieces to the **July** meeting since they need to be there by early August. We'll be shipping in a 1.5' x 1.5' x 3.5' crate with padding and bubble-wrap, so size is a factor. Call (214-495-7493) or email ([bob@dfwair.net](mailto:bob@dfwair.net)) Bob Matern with any questions.

## News from SWAT

*(For the benefit of our newer members, SWAT stands for Southwest Association of Turners, an organization of 22 woodturning clubs in Texas and Oklahoma. The purpose of SWAT is to put on a weekend-long turning symposium each year in late September or early October. Attendance grows each year and will probably exceed 600 this year.)*

## DAW Hosting David Marks at SWAT

David Marks, star of “Woodworks” on the DIY Network and a world class woodturner and woodworker, is one of the six lead demonstrators at SWAT this year. Dallas Area Woodturners is honored to have been selected to sponsor David Marks and the #1 Demonstration Room at SWAT this year. Members who volunteer to help out with hosting duties will have a front row seat for all of David's demos plus three regional demonstrators and the critique of pieces from the Instant Gallery by David, Cindy Drozda and J. Paul Fennell.



## SWAT'S TWO "R"s

With SWAT coming up the first weekend in October, there are two things DAW members should be thinking about and doing something about, **now**:

1. **Register** – You can do this in a number of ways. Use the on-line registration using PayPal or the mail-in form, both available on the SWAT website at [www.Swaturners.org](http://www.Swaturners.org). You can also use the form in the brochure you got in the mail or get the registration form from our SWAT rep, Bob Matern.

Whichever method you use, be sure it's done **before September 1** or else you'll need to pay the higher "at the door" registration prices.

2. **Reservations** – Make your hotel arrangements now and be sure to mention SWAT when doing so. There's a listing of area hotels on the SWAT website.

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