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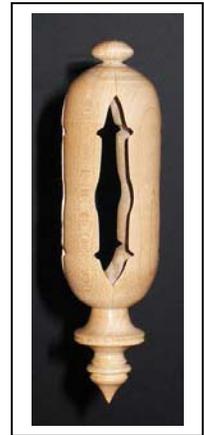
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## Next Meeting: February 19 Spiral-Stem Goblet by Richard Duval

### President's Words of Wisdom

#### All Members and Friends

After the January meeting featuring the Jimmy Cusic demo of inside-out turning, Jimmy came to the Saturday Open Shop to assist those of us who wanted to try it out. Several members showed up and Jimmy showed us some of his secrets. My own little inside-out ornament, which Jimmy helped me with, is at the right. I think we all had a good time and learned something to take back with us to our own shops. There was even a box of Krispy Kremes to enjoy while we turned. I am surprised that more of us are not taking advantage of the Open Shop experience to learn new ideas and share our experiences with others, or to just come to socialize a bit. I'd like your thoughts on what we can do to make the Saturday Open Shop concept more attractive to you personally and whether you would like to see a weekday open shop where you can come to turn, learn, share thoughts, and socialize with your fellow turners. Please send me your thoughts at [ollie1617-daw@yahoo.com](mailto:ollie1617-daw@yahoo.com) or see me before or during the break at Thursday's meeting. We are continuing to strive to make the DAW experience more meaningful and enjoyable for you, so speak out with your thoughts.



Thanks to all of you who renewed your membership at January's meeting, and for those who didn't, a reminder that it's time to renew. Dues are still only \$36 a year, and everyone who comes to DAW meetings, other than first time visitors, are expected to pay their dues to help support the organization.

I hope to see all of you on Thursday February 19<sup>th</sup> when Richard Duval will be demonstrating turning goblets with a new twist. And don't forget to bring your show-and-tell turnings.

Dick Koch

## February Program

Richard Duval will demonstrate turning a goblet with a twisted stem. See Richard's bio and a goblet picture in his DAW Member's gallery at: [http://www.dallaswoodturners.com/Album/pix\\_rduval.html](http://www.dallaswoodturners.com/Album/pix_rduval.html)

## It's Dues Paying Time!

We had a record number of members pay their 2009 dues at the January meeting! If you weren't one of them, please plan to do so at this month's meeting. We have a couple of programs in mind for 2009 that we'll be able to start up earlier if we can get our bank balance up.

If you won't be at the February meeting, please mail your check to our treasurer:

Bob Matern  
#2 Choice Lane  
Lucas, TX 75002

## Empty Bowls 2009

We are so pleased with the contributions so many of you have made to Empty Bowls this past year. We collected and turned in 260 handsome wooden bowls for the 2009 event, with Kevin Bassett taking the distinction of contributing the most bowls (35). We easily exceeded our goal of 200 bowls for the year, and have set a goal of 250 for the 2010 Empty Bowls event. Thirty-one DAW members that we can identify (there were a few unsigned bowls) submitted bowls for this event. We would really like to see all members submit at least one bowl for the 2010 event, so we will be reminding you throughout the year to bring in a bowl to the next meeting. If you'd like a bit of help turning a bowl, bring a chunk of wood to Open Shop and someone will help you. And don't forget to sign your work. A big thanks also to Lou Boudreaux who not only made 30 bowls but took on the job of collecting all of these bowls each month and delivering them to the collection center in February in time for the Empty Bowls event at the Meyerson on February 20.

The following is a listing of those submitting ten or more bowls for the 2009 event: Kevin Basset, 35; Lou Boudreaux, 30; Roger Smith, 27, Robert Pope, 25, Jon Searles, 16; Paul ? (silver ink), 16; Dick Koch, 11, and Hugh Hurst, 11.

Mark your calendars for the February 20<sup>th</sup> Empty Bowls event at the Meyerson. This event is a lot of fun with great food samples from some of Dallas' most renowned restaurants. You also get to pick out a bowl to take home. It's all for a very worthy cause of supporting the North Texas Food Bank. You can buy your reduced price (\$30) tickets for Empty Bowls 2009 at [http://www.ntfb.org/d\\_empty\\_bowls\\_info.cfm](http://www.ntfb.org/d_empty_bowls_info.cfm). Tickets at the door are \$35.

## Training Center Equipment Update

Your DAW Board has purchased a Jet 14" band saw with riser block for the Training Center. It has been installed on a mobile base to make it easy to move around. Before using it, be sure to tension the blade using the quick-tension device on the back of the saw and please remember to release the blade tension when you are finished using the saw. It should be handy for preparing logs into blanks for turning bowls or other pieces. But please be careful and don't cut yourself. If you are unfamiliar with using a band saw, ask someone for instruction.



## **AAW Collaborative Project Challenge**

The project continues to take shape. Richard Duval is making progress on the spiral staircase. The design for the piercing of the dome is in progress. Team members should now be turning and/or carving their miniatures for display in the museum. If any DAW members who are not currently part of this endeavor would like to contribute miniatures for display in the museum, contact Dick Koch ([ollie1617-daw@yahoo.com](mailto:ollie1617-daw@yahoo.com)) for guidance on the sizing of your miniatures.

## **New Additions to DAW's Video Library**

Our librarians, Mark and Diane Montgomery, have just added to our library 32 DVDs of most of the demos from SWAT 2008 in Waco. There's something there for everybody.

New turners will want to consider looking at these:

- Beginning Turning Projects by Wayne Furr
- Turning a Bowl from Start to Finish by Larry Walrath
- Making the Most of Your Mini Lathe by John Horn
- Segmented Box by Delbert Dowdy

If you're interested in eccentric turning without the expense of an Escoulen chuck, take a look at:

- Third Axis in Motion by Mark St. Leger

Intermediate turners can learn a lot from some of our own members' demos:

- Double Natural Edge Bowl by Kevin Bassett
- Open-Sided Hollow Vessel by Ken Rodgers
- Rose Engine Lathe by Dan Henry
- Better Shape & Form by Allan Tucker
- Building a Vacuum Chuck by John Solberg & Pete Tkacs

The 5 DVDs by Bin Pho and Betty Scarpino, two of the outstanding wood artists of today, are more advanced but are valuable to let any turner see what can be done, even it is something for further down the road in your turning career.

There's also a DVD of the Instant Gallery pieces for your viewing and listening pleasure. The photography was done by DAW members Greg Glennon and Ed Heuslein. There's also musical accompaniment.

## **First Quarter Raffle Item**

Our 1st Quarterly Raffle will include a double-ended 5/8 inch OneWay Mastercut bowl gouge, and a Trent Bosch handle, just the thing for turning lots of bowls for Empty Bowls 2010. Together, these items will cost you almost \$180 in a retail store, but they can be yours for the price of a \$1 raffle ticket (and a little luck).

Remember, the tickets you buy at the next three meetings are good not only for the great raffle prizes offered that month, but go back in the bowl for the quarterly drawing at our March meeting.

So don't buy just one ticket! Increase your odds by buying 5 tickets and we'll give you the sixth one free. But hey, lots of people are getting at least 6 tickets at each meeting, so increase your odds and buy 12 for \$10 or 24 for \$20.

**If you don't buy, you can't win!**

## **SWAT Report**

The 2009 SWATurners symposium will be October 16-18, 2009 in Wichita Falls, Texas featuring outstanding national and international lead demonstrators, and a number of local demonstrators. The 2009 Lead Turners will be:

*Jimmie Clews, Michael Mocho, Mike Mahoney, Stephen Hatcher, Stu Batty, Jamie Donaldson*

Visit the SWATurners web page for more information:

<http://www.swaturners.org/welcome/welcome.shtml>

The SWATurners board member meeting was held on Saturday January 24, 2009 in Waco. A couple of notable items were discussed and decided upon during the meeting. First was the election of the executive committee for 2009 as well as for 2010. What this means is the next years EC is all ready decided so that they can have working insight into their future job. Anyone interested in getting involved just has to step forward and volunteer but at least now you get a year of training before you start the job. Secondly, there was a motion recommended, discussed and accepted to have Waco be the host city for the SWATurners Symposium for 2010, 2011 & 2012 and perhaps longer. Also the date will change to, most likely, the last week in August.

There was discussion of trying to get a bit of organization behind a list of regional demonstrators whose names could be accessed via the SWATurners web site so that clubs that are looking for new demonstrators could contact folks to see if something could be arranged. If you have any thoughts on this subject just let any of the DAW board members know.

On a local front, DAW will basically have the same job responsibilities as last year: merchandise selection, registration packet stuffing, demo room sponsor, and audio/video lead. We will be asking for volunteers to help with these tasks as the time gets closer.

If you wish to be a demonstrator at the 2009 SWATurners Symposium in October then fill out an application form which can be found on the SWATurners web site. There is a need to have as many applicants as possible submit application forms to the Demo Committee. Note the applications need to be submitted by April 10 but the sooner the better.

## **SWAT Has the "Help Wanted" Sign Out**

For the past five years, all of the videos of demonstrations done at SWAT that wound up in DAW's library (and in the libraries of most of the other SWAT member clubs) have been through the efforts of our own Bob Matern. Well, all good things must come to an end and Bob wants to hand off these duties to someone else.

SWAT owns a DVD/VHS recorder and a DVD duplicator that will make 4 copies at a time.

If you have an interest in pitching in for SWAT in this area, let Bob know at [bob@dfwair.net](mailto:bob@dfwair.net) or 214-495-7493.

## **Canyon Studios Training Class Report**

Tod Raines took a hallowing class by Donald Derry at Canyon Studio this month. You can see his report at: [http://www.dallaswoodturners.com/NEWSLETTERS/2009/Don\\_Derry.doc](http://www.dallaswoodturners.com/NEWSLETTERS/2009/Don_Derry.doc)

## Schedule of Upcoming Events

February 19 – DAW Meeting: Richard Duval will demonstrate turning a goblet with a twisted stem.  
February 20 – Empty Bowls at the Meyerson, benefiting the North Texas Food Bank  
March 5 – DAW Board meeting  
March 19 – DAW Meeting:

## Wood World's Wednesday Wood Sale

Craig Fyock tells us that Wood World is putting their 4/4 wood on sale on all Wednesdays during February. They'll knock 15 % off your total wood purchase (up to \$75). This sale is only on "stuff" that's not already on sale as is the ongoing 10% discount normally gives DAW members.

If you're not already on their email list, Craig ([cfyock@woodworldtx.com](mailto:cfyock@woodworldtx.com)) would be more than happy to add your name. They always have good monthly specials.

## DAW has Anchorseal Available

*(For the benefit of newer turners, freshly cut logs have a real tendency to crack on the ends. This is caused by unequal evaporation of water from the end grain as opposed to the rest of the log. Anchorseal is waxy liquid applied to seal the end grain and retard this process. There are alternatives to Anchorseal but this is what's used by the majority of turners.)*

DAW periodically purchases 55 gallon drums of Anchorseal for sale to its members, resulting in a significant savings over store-bought quantities. We now have a brand new drum and we sell it for \$10 per gallon. DAW has a limited supply of 1.5 gallon containers (available for, ta da, \$15). Feel free to bring your own container but any container used for Anchorseal should have good, tight-fitting lid. A couple members found out about this the hard way.

## Upcoming Classes at Canyon Studios

Below is a chart of the upcoming classes that have open slots at Canyon Studios in Copper Canyon, Texas. Please go to the Website at <http://www.canyonstudios.org/> for further details and registration forms. Current open slot are not numerous, so act now if you are interested.

Class Topic	Instructor	Date	Cost
Turn and Carve a Bowl	Al Stirt	April 24-25	\$295 plus lab and material fees
Turn, Carve, and Color a Platter	Al Stirt	April 26-27	\$295 plus lab and material fees
Woodturning I	Ed Avisera	June 21-22	\$295 plus lab and material fees
Woodturning II	Ed Avisera	June 23-24	\$295 plus lab and material fees
Small Hollow Forms and Ornaments	Donald Derry	September	\$285 plus lab and material fees
Shape and form and the Hollow Form	Donald Derry	September	\$285 plus lab and material fees

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