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## August 18 at WoodWorld

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### President's Notes

At our July meeting **Richard Duval** gave a great demo of the various versions of the Escoulen chuck for off-axis turning. Unfortunately, your President did a lousy job keeping the meeting on time, forcing Richard to rush through the end of his presentation. Sorry, Richard! At the last board meeting, we discussed ways to make sure our future demonstrators have at least an hour for their presentation, while still adjourning the meeting by 9:00PM. Obviously, we'll need to make changes to the first half of the meeting.

Part of that will be up to me - starting on time, keeping announcements to a minimum, and restarting after the break at no later than 7:55. But an important part of our meetings is "show-and-tell", and board members want to make sure we have sufficient time for members to show their pieces and answer questions. So we need your input. Here are three options that were discussed by the board:

- 1) Limiting show-and-tell to a maximum time (15 minutes?), reminding presenters to "keep it brief", and stopping when the time expires.
- 2) Setting up a show-and-tell table outside of the meeting room for presenters to show their work and answer questions before the meeting and during the break.
- 3) Dedicating one regular meeting each quarter to show-and-tell, eliminating or shortening the demonstration for that meeting. There would be no show-and-tell at the other regular meetings (or maybe stage it as in option 2 above).

We'll have show-and-tell as usual this month (with more space at the front of the room for display and presentation); but we also want to get your input on how we can do a better job, and give it the attention it deserves.

**SWAT is here (almost)!** It kicks off one week after our August meeting. As usual, DAW is sponsoring a demonstration room. A sign-up sheet will be available at the meeting for room sponsor individuals. As last year, we will have local students operating the cameras, so you will not have to do that part. Please consider signing up.

Thanks to all who turned out for the **WoodWorld Freedom Pen Turn-a-thon** on July 30. DAW again had the most members in attendance. We'll get a report at the meeting from **Craig Fyock** on the number of pens turned. Thanks, Craig, for sponsoring this event again! And thanks to DAW member **Randy Smith** for providing a great barbeque feast for lunch!

Twenty people showed up at the “stuffing party” on August 6 to fill over 500 SWAT registration packets. Thanks to DAW Treasurer **Bob Matern** and SWAT Representative **Dean Cardoza** for organizing the event.

**See you at WoodWorld on August 18, and in Waco on August 26!**

**-Robert Pope**

## **August Program**

Our own **Mineo** will demonstrate turning bracelets and rings. Richard has devised a method and the appropriate fixtures. **There will only be a few handouts**, so you should go to the DAW Website and download your own personal copy from the Newsletters page: (<http://www.dallaswoodturners.com/Newsletters.aspx>).

## **Monthly/Quarterly Raffle News**

This is the second month of ticket sales for the 3rd quarter raffle – Be sure to buy plenty of raffle tickets for the **\$150 gift certificate for WoodWorld** quarterly raffle prize. Remember raffle proceeds benefit our extensive library and other club needs.

## **DAW Turns Out to Help SWAT – Big Time! By Bob Matern**

A great big **Thank You** to all who turned out for the SWAT registration packet stuffing party last Saturday! This is a great example of how SWAT member clubs manage to keep SWAT costs to less than half of the AAW Annual Symposium.



(Sorry, no wide angle lens to get everybody in)

## **SWAT Registration Packet (and pizza) stuffers:**

Dean and Cindy Cardoza  
Mike & Bev Chambers  
Mark & Louise Duval  
Cliff Dewitt  
Brian Evans  
Paul Gilbert  
Bill Hancock  
Del Hollingsworth  
Glenn Katz

Dick & June Koch  
Bob Matern  
Mark & Diane Montgomery  
Gary Nelms  
Jay & Jackie Overmyer  
Robert Pope  
Ken Rodgers  
Clay Schoessler  
Chris Smith

Let's also not forget to thank new member Randy Harrill who did all the printing of the name tags and procuring all the supplies. Thanks Randy, we couldn't have done it without you!

## **News from SWAT by Dean Cardoza**

I would like to begin this month's article by thanking everyone who attended the SWAT envelope stuffing party. This event was a huge success. About 20 DAW members along with some of their spouses assembled and cross-checked 558 registration packets. With all of the excellent assistance the entire process took less than two hours.

Now that SWAT is almost here I thought that I would use this article to report on some of the many activities that will be available during SWAT this year. If you have never been to SWAT this information will serve as a brief introduction. For those who have been to SWAT there are plenty of new things going on. See you all in Waco!

## **SWAT On-Line Registration Ends August 15<sup>th</sup>**

If you haven't yet registered for SWAT it's not too late. On-Line registration is still available through August 15<sup>th</sup>. After that time you may still obtain a full or one day registration at the door.

## **SWAT Thursday Evening Social Gathering**

Thursday evening, August 25, prior to the opening day of the Symposium there will be a gathering for any SWAT members in Chisholm Hall inside the Waco Convention Center. Come meet the demonstrators and your friends. The social will be from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM. Snacks will be furnished and drinks can be purchased. Come renew old friendships and make new ones.

## **SWAT Lead and Regional Demonstrators**

Now is the time to begin the process of selecting which rotations you want to attend. A copy of the schedule is provided on the SWAT web site:

[http://www.swaturners.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=52&Itemid=12](http://www.swaturners.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=52&Itemid=12).

This schedule contains the complete list of demonstrators along with their topic, time and schedule. While you are planning keep in mind that the rotations presented by Nick Arnull, Kip Christensen and Alan Lacer will not be recorded for the club libraries.

## **SWAT Special Interest Groups (SIGS) Meetings**

Last year Special Interest Groups (SIGs) discussions were introduced to SWAT. Once again these discussions have been scheduled as part of the activities being presented. This year's topics include: Successful Chapter Programs, Beginning Turners, Segmented Turners, Ornamental Turners, Pen Turning, and Better Demonstrating. The discussion topic and leader's names are on the SWAT website:

([http://www.swaturners.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=26&Itemid=15](http://www.swaturners.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=26&Itemid=15)).

## **SWAT Spouses Activities**

As in previous years there will be many alternative activities for spouses to attend. The activities include a Grandmother's Quilt Instant Gallery and Ladies/Spouses Gallery Classes: Lace Making with Judy Williams, Basket Making with Pat Halworth and Photography Tips with Maryetta Cunningham. Complete information is available on the SWAT web site:

([http://www.swaturners.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=13&Itemid=14](http://www.swaturners.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=13&Itemid=14)).

## **SWAT Hands-On Area**

This year, in addition to the traditional Spindle & Bowl Turning and Pen Turning areas the Hands-On area will include a Sharpening area containing grinders and knowledgeable assistance. So, bring that tool that you need assistance with or simply drop by if you need advice or opinions for selecting a grinder, grinding wheels or jigs.

## **SWAT Beads of courage**

A group of generous vendors, lead by Wood World, are once again sponsoring a Beads of Courage competition. This program benefits many seriously ill children throughout Texas and Oklahoma. Complete information is presented on the SWAT web site:

([http://www.swaturners.org/index.php?option=com\\_k2&view=item&layout=item&id=16&Itemid=29](http://www.swaturners.org/index.php?option=com_k2&view=item&layout=item&id=16&Itemid=29)).

## **SWAT Two for One Raffle**

Don't forget to participate in the 2 for 1 raffle. In addition to all of the other great prizes awarded this year raffle will have two Grand Prizes: a Powermatic 3520B Lathe and a Stubby S750 Lathe.

## **SWAT Instant Gallery**

The Instant Gallery is always an interesting venue containing the work of SWAT attendees along with some of the lead and regional demonstrators. I have found that the Instant Gallery is so large, with so many different items, that I need to go back many times to take it all in. This year promises to be bigger and better than ever. For a look at the Instant Gallery from previous years visit the SWAT web site:

([http://www.swaturners.org/index.php?option=com\\_k2&view=item&layout=item&id=4&Itemid=19](http://www.swaturners.org/index.php?option=com_k2&view=item&layout=item&id=4&Itemid=19)).

## **SWAT Vendors**

With so many experts from all areas of the woodturning craft in one place the Vendor area is, for me, one of the great educational opportunities available at SWAT. You can begin the process now of discovering all that these vendors have to offer by visiting their web sites and seeing what they have to offer. A listing of 2011 vendors is available on the SWAT web site.

# WoodWorld Freedom Pens Turn-A-Thon

## Can You Sing That Song “We Are the Champions”?

DAW has **finally** dethroned that little club from somewhere out around Greenville for the “Most Club Members Participating” prize at the WoodWorld Annual Freedom Pen Turn-A-Thon on July 30! Here’s a list of our members who contributed to our success, *with our 2011 new members in italics:*

*Josh & Susan Aitken*  
*Susan Clewell*  
Cliff Dewitt  
*Dennis Dupont*  
Mark Duval  
*Michael Fox*  
*Louie Gutierrez*  
*Jonathan Hamilton*  
*Randy Harrill*  
Ann Hast  
Glenn Katz  
Mark Lindeman

*Roger Malin*  
Bob Matern  
Larry Maughan  
Richard Merunka  
Richard Mineo  
Mark & Diane Montgomery  
Gary Nelms  
Robert Pope  
Ken Rodgers  
Jon Searles  
Chuck Silber  
*Janet Smith*

For this honor, DAW was awarded \$100 in WoodWorld gift certificates that we’ll raffle off at the August meeting to the members who made this prestigious award possible.

Thanks to all! Hope you had a good time! Plus we did some good for our troops. And thanks to the WoodWorld staff for hosting this event. DAW also had a big individual winner! **Larry Maughan** won the drawing for the variable speed mini-lathe that was donated by Jet.

We’d be remiss if we didn’t thank the 6 guys helping to load, unload and then load again our lathes on the trailer, but a special big thanks to Mark Duval who sweated through all three efforts.

## Email Addresses

Members should occasionally check their email address, etc. on the Webpage roster. Let me know if corrections are needed. [krodg505@tx.rr.com](mailto:krodg505@tx.rr.com)

## Anchorseal Available

*(For newer turners, Anchorseal is liquid used to “paint” the end grain of newly sawn logs to inhibit cracking until you can get around to turning them.)*

DAW has Anchorseal available for members. We store the filled jugs off-site so you’ll have to place your order for Anchorseal in advance and then pick it up at the meeting. We’ve got 2.25 gal. jugs for \$25 and 1 gal. jugs for \$12. Just let Bob Matern ([bob@dfwair.net](mailto:bob@dfwair.net)) know by noon on Wednesday before the meeting and we’ll have it ready for you.

## Classifieds

### For Sale – 20 Gallon Husky Portable Air Compressor

The kids came through on Father's Day with a bigger compressor so I've got a 7 month old Husky Model H1820F compressor (1.8 hp. 4.3 SCFM at 90 psi) taking up room in the shop. Original price \$170 +tax. \$100 firm. If interested, contact **Bob Matern** (214-417-8798 or [bob@dfwair.net](mailto:bob@dfwair.net)). I can bring it to the meeting.

### Schedule of Upcoming DAW Events

August 18– DAW Meeting - Richard Mineo – Turned bracelets  
August 26-28 – SWAT Annual Symposium in Waco  
(We will think about the remaining schedule when this hectic month is done!!!)

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