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Next DAW Meeting at 7:00pm at WoodWorld on Thursday, September 17

September Meeting Demo: "Something Fishy" by Jimmie Arledge

Jimmie is sharing this project that he learned from Michael Hosaluk in a class he taught in his shop in Richardson. The skills practiced in this project include spindle turning, hollowing, surface decoration, and your imagination. (Read more about Jimmie in Charlie Tucker's feature about Jimmie in the April 2015 DAW Newsletter)



From the Pen of the President

Inspiration....

Inspiration comes from everywhere. We all see the world differently. We get inspiration from places that some of us would never look. I am always on the look out on social media, at work, at club meetings, or in my day-to-day life for that spark of inspiration.

Recently, I had the pleasure of taking a Jimmy Clewes class at Wood World. What an inspiration it was! He is an excitable teacher who is patient and makes things very easy to understand. Plus, I got to use a torch and not get in trouble with the wife!! I do have to say, the hardest part of the class was turning an ogee for the lid. For some reason, I could not get the shape right. However, Jimmy was patient and helped me achieve the goal. In the end, I got to take home the best piece of work I have done to date! I have been riding the wave of inspiration from that class as I have turned in the last couple weeks. I just can't seem to get enough time in the shop!

What are your inspirations? Where do you draw it from? Are you an inspiration to a new turner? Are you an inspiration to the others in our club by volunteering to do what is needed? As fall approaches, share your inspirations with others in the club and your life. Let's all begin to see things in a different light to help us achieve the ultimate goal.

Don't forget your empty bowls for the September Meeting. I'll have my bowl. Will you have yours? – David Young

SWAT Audio/Visual Report by Ken Rodgers

We had a lot of compliments this year on the A/V aspects of the Ranger room demos. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped make this possible. Here is the list and I apologize if I left anyone out:

Hugo Privett, Dick Koch, Les Lakie, Charlie Tucker, Susan Clewell, John Holderman, Glen Boudreaux, Gary Miller, Jeff Edwards, Kevin Bassett, Bonnie MacDonald, and Brian Evans.

Christmas Party

You are **NOT** going to want to miss this year's Dallas Area Wood Turners Christmas Party On Friday December 4! More details at the October meeting and ticket will go on sale then.

2015 SWAT Report by Darrell Miller,

Recipient of this year's SWAT scholarship for outstanding volunteer service to our club

It was a dark and stormy Thursday afternoon...seriously...it was! On the drive from Red Oak to Carl's Corner it just poured. The thunder and lightning scared my wife, and I reacted like any wood turner when a bowl flies off the lathe...too late and ineffective! Entering Waco, we were met with gridlocked traffic. Despite all of this, our trip was still better than whoever's accident caused the backup.

After checking into the hotel, we ran across Jimmy Clewes at the WoodWorld megabooth and we were able to visit with some of the DAW members and their wives while waiting on the Thursday night buffet.

I look forward to attending SWAT the entire year. The demonstrations offer so many opportunities for me to learn new things, enhance some technique I have trouble with or just learn a tip or two to improve a project. The vendors also offer advice to help you even when it is not related to their products.

Kurt Hertzog, Editor of the AAW Journal, was in attendance and presented three rotations. I picked up some simple tips to improve my pen making. He said his website has over 150 articles with tips and techniques he has published over the years.

Dick Gerard, a founding member of the AAW, presented methods to make and decorate spheres (my honey-do list just got longer!). There are options to turn them "the old-fashioned way", or buy a jig from one or two vendors. Dick said he learned a couple of things from Craig Timmerman's demo on making spheres. This sharing of knowledge and ideas is really one of the best features about SWAT.

Turning a crotch into a vase was an amazing trick and mesquite looks very nice this way. Although I do not do any segmented work, I went to see Malcolm Tibbetts' rotation on segmenting to find out if I would "catch the bug" for segmented work.

I was particularly interested to see Jim Burt turn a heart-shaped bowl. It seems the skill needed is fairly exacting and something I will likely try when my skills improve. Templates are the key to good results and the mistakes are still useful looking more like apples for a future fruit bowl!

My wife and I really enjoy attending the Instant Gallery. The artwork and skill of all the wood turners/artists is amazing. Bonnie's pierced work was beautiful and the dragon's head made from a mesquite crotch was really something to see! The ingenuity of the people creating the Beads of Courage boxes was over the top again this year! There was a Humpty Dumpty that came apart (or back together depending upon your point of view). There was Snow White with all seven dwarves, as well as, a couple of Minions.

The banquet and drawing on Saturday was also a great time to catch up with some of the DAW club members. Sharon Ayres had been asked to create a prize for the 2- for-1 drawing. Both Paul Gilbert and I won prizes in this drawing. I think this is the first time I really see "movement" in a piece of work.

There are so many interesting rotations to see, but you really can't attend them all...I know...I tried. Next year is the 25th anniversary and it is planned to be bigger than ever. Make your reservations early!

Empty Bowls and Beads of Courage Report by Lou Boudreaux

The DAW Empty Bowls and Beads of Courage summaries as of July are shown below:

DAW 2015 EMPTY BOWLS DONATIONS

	July	YTD		July	YTD
Jon Holderman		36	Wes McBryde	3	3
Lou Boudreaux	3	31	Robert Pope		3
Roger Smith		16	Scott Stanton		3
John Searles		11	John Solberg		3
Richard Braddock	1	10	Gary Miller	1	4
Tod Raines		8	Tom Crosby		2
Jason Lowrie		8	Ron Johnson		2
Darrell Miller	3	8	LarryMaughan		2
D. Stuekerjuergen		7	John Hadsall		2
Dave Young	1	7	Steve Worcester		2
Jeff Edwards	1	5	Sue McDonough		2
Mark Montgomery		4	Doug Cooley	1	2
Lauren Gustafson		4	Jack McEvoy		1
			Total	14	186

DAW 2015 BEADS OF COURAGE DONATIONS

	July	YTD
Lou Boudreaux	1	11
Tom Crosby		4
John Holderman		2
Richard Mineo	1	1
Dave Young	1	1
Nonmember/Unknown		1
Total	3	20

AnchorSeal

The club has a good supply of Anchorseal, used to seal the endgrain of green wood. The price is right but you can only buy it at club meetings. Please do expect the WoodWorld folks to sell you Anchorseal.


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