



# DAW NEWSLETTER

An Affiliate Chapter of the  
American Association of Woodturners

[www.dallaswoodturners.com](http://www.dallaswoodturners.com)



Volume 20 Number 2

February 2016

**Next DAW Meeting at 7:00pm at WoodWorld on Thursday, February 18**

## February 18 Meeting Demo: Donnie Chesser

This month's demonstrator will be own Donnie Chesser. Donnie has cerated a unique method for making Christmas ornaments and he will share that with us this month. A slideshow of his gallery photos is now playing on the DAW Homepage. These ornament designs range from fairly simple to extremely complicated, as seen below.



*A few of Donnie's ornaments*

## From the Pen of the President

First, I truly want to thank the membership of the support that has been given to Empty Bowls and Beads of Courage over the past year. As a club, we donated more in 2015 than we did in 2014. I couldn't be more proud of the support and the willingness to give of your time and money to these two great programs.

I still consider myself to be a new turner. I have been turning for 5 years. I still make mistakes and do things that make me scratch my head. I also make things that, when I step back, I am amazed by how far I have come in that short time. I love this hobby and try to turn something everyday.

This week, I learned the hard way, how dangerous this hobby can be. Last Sunday (Super Bowl Sunday) I was out on the lathe roughing out bowls. The second one I was working on was a big piece of green Hackberry. To make a long story short, it came off the lathe and hit me in the mouth. The results were a two-hour visit to the ER and 9 stitches. It was a very painful experience.

Looking back at what happened, I realized it could have been avoided by practicing better safety methods. I learned from the experience and will not make that very dangerous and stupid mistake again. If I have one plea this month, it is to practice safe turning. What we do as a hobby can hurt us and even take our lives. When others teach you to how to turn safely, please listen. It doesn't make you any less of a turner, in fact it will make you a better turner. When you practice safe turning, as the weather warms up, you wont regret it!

As my commitment to empty bowls continues, I will have my donation for the month. Will you have yours? I can't wait to see all your beautiful bowls on the donation table this month! Get Turning!! -David Young

## **Michael Hosaluk Visit January 21-24** by Hugo Privett

We had a great response to the Hosaluk classes, with all classes full each day! I think everyone learned some great spindle turning techniques that are also useful in bowl turning.

We want to thank all of the helpers that volunteered during the classes! It made the multiple curriculums go very smoothly.

The Demo on Thursday night was fun and interesting, with two freshly turned tops spinning at the same time!

On Friday, we had the privilege of having dinner at Murray and Carol Stein's house....."What we had there, was NO FAILURE TO COMMUNICATE"! It was great listening to these two Masters comparing ideas for art pieces....and Carol is a fantastic cook!

## **Empty Bowls and Beads of Courage** by Lou Boudreaux

The annual North Texas Food Bank Empty Bowls lunch will be from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM on March 11, 2016 at the Myerson Symphony Center. A \$40 admission ticket allows attendees to sample a wide range of soups and bread prepared by some of Dallas' best chefs, and chose a ceramic or wood bowl made by Dallas area potters and wood turners. DAW members are encouraged to attend this event whose proceeds will provide thousands of meals for the needy served by the North Texas Food Bank. Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$40 at [www.ntfb.org](http://www.ntfb.org) .

2016 was a very good year for Empty Bowls, 32 people contributed a total of 360 bowls for this worthwhile charity. John Holderman was the largest contributor with 73 bowls. Sixty-eight bowls were donated at our January meeting.

### **BEADS OF COURAGE**

Four boxes for Beads of Courage were donated at the January meeting, bringing our total for the year to 71. Lou Boudreaux was the leader with 16 boxes, but our total was significantly boosted by the 28 boxes from Hunt County Woodturners.

Twenty Beads of Courage kits for submittal at SWAT were distributed on January 30. The kits were made by Jon Searles and Lou Boudreaux, material was paid for by DAW. Thanks to Wood World for their generous discount on wood.

### **EMPTY BOWLS/BEADS OF COURAGE DRAWING**

The DAW drawing to promote participation in Empty Bowls/Beads of Courage will be at our February meeting. Three lucky members will each receive \$100 for their contributions to Empty Bowls and Beads of Courage in 2015.

## **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 **not** expect the WoodWorld folks to sell you Anchorseal.

## Open Shop Schedule by Hugo Privett

### February

The next Open Shop will be Saturday, February 20, 2016 and will start at 9:00 a.m., at Wood World. We will continue making bowls and practicing our beads and coves in spindle turning.

We could use a few volunteers to help instruct members on fine spindle turning. \*

### March

On March 19th, the Open Shop will be the same theme, with a warm up turning a sphere and then turning bowls.

### April

On April 23rd, we will have the typical Open Shop Activities and, (weather permitting), we plan to have a back -lot tool swap meet. Bring your tools to sell, donate, or give away! No wood Please!

Bring Photos of Machinery that is too large to bring to the tool sale.

If you think that you might be interested in selling/buying used tools, call Hugo Privett @ **214-517-4864**, or email: **[hugcam8257@gmail.com](mailto:hugcam8257@gmail.com)**....so that we can get an idea of what degree of interest.

### May

For the May 21st Open Shop, we will do maintenance and service on the D.A.W. Jet 16 x 42 Lathes and fill Anchorseal Bottles. More about these activities in future Newsletters.

\*We will continue keeping a list of volunteers for the 2016 S.W.A.T. Registration Scholarships.


### . Find Us On Facebook



Do you want to stay in contact with all the Wood Turners in the Club? Do you want to show off your recent work? Do you have a question that you need to ask a fellow turner? Now you can!! Just search Dallas Area Woodturners on Facebook and become a fan today! Also if you have photos you want to be posted just forward them to [Chefdavidyoung@gmail.com](mailto:Chefdavidyoung@gmail.com)!

## Club Supporters


These businesses shown below are regular supporters by providing meeting space, donations, selling raffle prizes to the club at cost. Please show your appreciation by frequenting them.



**Wood World  
of Texas**

**Craig Fyock**  
13650 TI Blvd #101  
Dallas, TX 75243  
972-669-9130  
972-669-9193 Fax

Craig@woodworldtx.com  
www.woodworldtx.com



**WOODCRAFT**  
Helping You Make Wood Work

**Scott Wheeler**  
Manager

Franchise Independently Owned & Operated by  
**Woodtools of Texas**

601 W. Plano Parkway  
Plano, TX 75075

(972) 422-2732  
Dallas-retail@woodcraft.com

**WWW.TURNINGWOOD.COM**  
better woodturning through technology



The BEST Sanding Disks  
for woodturners  
Grits from 80 thru 3000  
velcro backed in 2" and 3"  
(972)424-7958

**TIM SKILTON VELCRO BACKED  
SANDING PADS NOW AVAILABLE!**

the best doesn't have to cost the most

The Dallas Area Woodturners (DAW) recognizes certain activities performed by members of the American Association of Woodturners at the shop of any club member, as being sponsored by DAW. This sponsorship is intended to apply to any activities or undertakings addressed in the monthly DAW newsletters, on the DAW website or at DAW monthly meetings or communicated to members of DAW and include, but not limited to, activities taking place at any location.

Editor: Ken Rodgers [krodg505@tx.rr.com](mailto:krodg505@tx.rr.com)