

# North Texas Woodworkers Association

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Newsletter

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Editor's note: Your newsletter is early this month due to the fact that I am on a cruise!!

President **Earl Ashurst** opened the meeting promptly at 7:00PM. The sole visitor was **Travis Glenn** who heard about the club at WoodCraft.

## Announcements

Come to the meeting **March 18th, 7pm**, at **Owen Haggard's Shop**. (see the map on page 3). The program will be **jigs and fixtures**.

**Earl Ashurst** announced the slate of officers for 2003

President – **Walter Schuster**

Vice-President – **Jerry Stevens**

Treasurer – **Jack Edgecomb**

Sec/Newsletter – **Dorothy Truitt**

Programs – **Steve Yauch & Vic Caranna**

Shows – **George Thornton**

Library – **Dale Osborne**

Membership – **Mark Simon**

Webmaster – **Mike McAloon**

**Dan Henry** reported that the Saturday Conference presented by **Homestead Heritage** was excellent and that everyone there learned a lot. The sharpening instruction alone was worth the admission. Also, **Homestead Heritage** presented **NTWA** with a 1-day class to be used to benefit the club. A silent auction was held for this. It went to **Wendell Brough** for \$55.

The **Dallas Art Festival** is seeking craftsmen/artists to display and sell pieces at their spring and fall festivals. If you are interested, contact **Nick Spink** at (214)522-0123. They can also be reached at

<http://dallasartfestival.com/>

## Dues and Other News

**For those of you who are interested in joining NTWA**, you can do so by sending your dues to Bob Jones at the address below. Membership is \$24 per year and is prorated from April. **Dues collection is ongoing**

## Membership Directory

**Bob Jones** has some new NTWA directories available. Please contact him if you did not get our directory. Bob also started a list of members who want one of the great wooden nametags. The wooden tags are \$3 to cover the cost of making the tags.

## E-mails

Members who want the newsletter delivered by e-mail may need to check with **Bob Jones, Dorothy Truitt, or Mark Simon** to make sure that their e-mail address is correct in our database. There are always a few e-mails sent back as undeliverable.

## Web News

Thankfully Mike McAloon has agreed to continue as webmaster for the club. Mike welcomes comments and pictures for the web site. If you have not checked the site lately, take a look.

## Library

The club has an extensive collection of books, magazines, and videos available for club members in **Owen Haggard's** shop. Club members are asked to use the checkout system when borrowing books so that they don't get lost.

## Questions and Answers

There were no questions this month.

### **Show and Tell**

**Orion Adcock** showed how to ebonize walnut. He added rusted steel wool to vinegar and wiped the solution on walnut. The solution reacts with the tannin in the wood to produce a near-black color without covering the grain. The technique will also work with oak. Other woods will vary depending on how much tannin they contain. He also suggested that you raise the grain and lightly sand before ebonizing.

**Pete Yavner** showed a segmented maple and bloodwood rolling pin. He is presenting one to the Mansion at Turtle Creek and said he has been approached about selling them. He builds up the 4" turning blank and turns it round, the cuts it into segments and re-glues it with the segments rotated slightly to create a checkerboard effect.

**Charlie Garrison** showed a set of turned walnut wall shelves. He built up the turning blank with newspaper glued between the halves so that it could be split after it was turned. The shelf was turned as a platter, and the support bracket was turned as a post with a tenon to fit in a hole drilled in the platter bottom with a forstner bit.

**Fred Groves**, inspired by the Homestead Heritage demo, showed a box of accessories for sharpening hand-saws. These included filing jigs, clamps, and setting tools.

**Orion Adcock** showed a spoke shave he made out of ebony.

**Dan Puliese** showed his new "Push Master" which is a tool to set v-nails. He used it to reinforce the miters in the corners of a shadow box.

**Adam Yavner** brought in a small 3-drawer dresser his daughters use for doll clothes. He built it out of scraps of wood and finished it with paint.

**George Tocquigney** showed an antique vise he recently acquire. It was made out of large blocks of wood with metal tracks and screws. It was great to see George out again. The club members have missed him while his health kept him away.

**Charles Grant** showed a nativity set. He built the stable out of small pieces of wood nailed together. He said NOW he is ready for Christmas.

The **Show and Tell** prizes were won by **George Tocquigney** and **Charles Grant**.

The **Bring Back**, a Waterstone holder, plus a small clamp was brought in by **Dale Osborne**. **Bob Jones** won.

### **Program**

**Dr. Robert Baker**, a retired physician who lives in Little Elm, presented the program, **The Secrets of turning Wooden Hats**. He has attended two classes on turning hats and has learned how to do it quite successfully. He described the sequence of steps.

He also briefly described how to turn a baseball cap and showed some examples of each.

He had some wooden purses his wife makes, some very clever bandsaw boxes, and ribbons he has won at the State Fair.

### **Classified**

Club members can place ads in the newsletter for free. Call or e-mail Dorothy.

**Bob Jones** is selling his laser engraver due to his disability. Contact him if you are interested.

### **Woodturning Lathe- \$140**

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**Chuck Fowler** sent an e-mail to let the club know that the Radial Arm Mill Router that he has shown is now operational. You can see the equipment at Chuck's web site <http://www.tenfingerscorp.com/>

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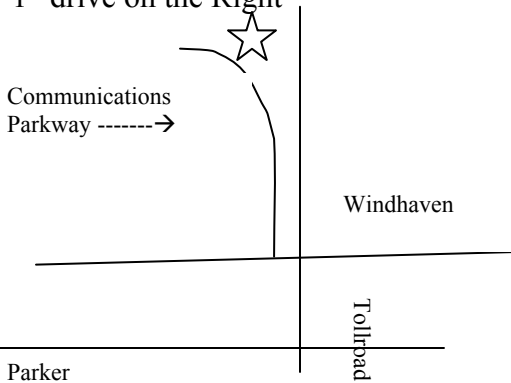
The board serves from April through March of the following year. Bylaws are available upon request. The board meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00p.m. at La Madeleine restaurant at Park and Preston, in Plano.

**NTWA Calendar**

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, @ 7:00 PM @ Owen Haggard's Shop. Program will be jigs and fixtures.**

**Meeting Map**

Take the toll road north, exit on Parker or Windhaven, West on Windhaven, Take 1<sup>st</sup> Rt – Communications Pkwy – Owen's shop is 1<sup>st</sup> drive on the Right



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