



# GCWA Newsletter

April 1999

## President's Corner

Hello, all!

Here we are into the fourth month. How time flies.

The tool show went well with Carl Blair, Bill Berry, Luna Ford and all the other folks that helped out. We hope to see the tool show again next year. Thanks to all the people that made it possible.

Thanks to Brad and Woodcraft for hosting the meeting last month and all the employees for putting up with us. Hope to see you all soon.

Now we must look at the next big event coming up: spring retreat. Just a few days away (30). That will be here before you know it. If you intend to work and play at the retreat, you need to start getting it all together. This is the time to really get involved with the club, with all your friends and fellow woodturners to have a great time. If you would like to work the weekend at the retreat we could use you and your lathe. Please contact Murray Powell or someone on the retreat board. They will be glad to help you out.

The bring backs for last month will need to be at this month meeting. With the tool show last month we postponed the bring backs, so if you have one (you know who you are) lets bring them and get back on schedule.

My term is in it's last months. You will see one more newsletter from me. Then I will sit on the board and listen and give my thoughts. I hope to see some good turn outs on this year's election. We have a good crew to choose from. Fill out your ballots and turn them in.

Let's all keep up the good turning. We will be looking to see them at the meeting.

-Bobby Bridges

## Retreat III

May 15-16, 1999

Montgomery County Fairgrounds  
Conroe, Texas

Preparations for our Third Annual Spring Retreat are definitely gaining momentum! Many of you have already signed up to help out by bringing your lathes and volunteering to be instructors and/or demonstrators. As well, we have some wonderful responses to requests for Raffle donations - I am especially excited that Craft Supplies has given us two Gift Certificates for their 3-day courses. Each of these is valued at \$300.

To remind you, the GCWA Retreat is two days of hands-on woodturning. There will be a total of five sessions, with small classes for all levels of skill. We'll have one session on Saturday and Sunday mornings (8:30-11:30am); two sessions on Saturday afternoon (12:30-2:30pm, and 3-5pm), then one session on Sunday afternoon (12:30-2:30). Then, after the cleanup is done on Sunday, we'll have the Raffle. To say it again, I honestly believe that the annual Retreat Weekend is the best and finest thing that we do as a Club, and I sincerely hope you have already made plans to be with us in Conroe.

### Areas Of Great Need

As well as things are going, we still need help in certain areas:

1) We still need more lathes. Lathes! More Lathes! Please note that we will now have two outlets for 220volts, so we can power larger machines. We need every lathe we can find!

2) We need volunteers to help transport equipment to Conroe. For instance, Jeff Schrader has offered his lathe and grinder, but he needs help getting it from

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## GCWA Retreat III

Hands-on Learning

Montgomery County Fair-  
grounds

May 15-16, 1999

GCWA is affiliated with the American Association of Woodturners. GCWA meetings are usually held at 9:00 a.m. on the 3rd Saturday of each month. Check the last page for our Calendar of Events. Annual dues are \$18. Dues may be mailed to Helen Young, 2502 Esther Ave., Pasadena TX 77502-3239. Make your check payable to GCWA or Gulf Coast Woodturners Association.

his home, near Katy. Please volunteer your truck and/or muscles.

3) We need for you to hit up your local Home Depot, hardware store and wood supplier for raffle items. If you have a personal relationship with a store, please ask them to donate a raffle item.

For all these needs, we'll have sign-up sheets at the next meeting. Please help us make this the biggest and best! (Hmmm ...Did I mention that we need your lathe for the Retreat?)

- Murray Powell

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### For Sale

Delta Lathe (46-700) pivot head 12" swing - 40" between centers. Comes with all the standard equipment, 6&12 toll rest, an outboard too rest, spur drive, live center, and some face plates. I also have a few Nova chucks (1"-8TPI) to fit it but will sell them separately. \$375 for the lathe and accessories, \$75 per chuck. Max Wohlgemuth, 281-476-9860, mwohlgemuth@deer-park.isd.tenet.edu

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### Want to Purchase

16" x 54" inside with 24" outside Delta (DL40) Lathe, model no. 46401 built in 1987 with digital R.P.M. control, 110 volts AC. MUST be in "REASONABLY GOOD CONDITION". Will talk money after I see the lathe. Call Howard D. Moore @ 409-756-1783.

### Member News

Dale Barrack and Willow Ridge Studio were featured at Scarborough Fair, Saturday, April 10th. If you missed the March meeting, you didn't get the information in time to see the exhibit. Way to go, Dale.

-Helen Young

### Show & Tell Winners

I would like to take a moment to thank all the members who helped setup, demonstrate and cleanup at The Woodworking Show in the AstroHall. The show went very well. The management of the show complimented us on the appearance of our booth and the safety features we used to protect the viewers. Now on to the show & tell winners.

In the beginners group, 1st place went to Kerrie Greenawalt for a rosewood box. 2nd place to Frank Massaro for a hickory vase. 3rd place to Will Powell for an ash bud vase.

No intermediate winners were reported.

In the advanced category, items from one piece of wood, 1st place went to Dale Barrack for a cherry bowl. 2nd place to Murray Powell for a wire-brushed bowl. 3rd place went to Dave Greenawalt for a goblet.

Advanced category from multiple pieces of wood, 1st place went to Bill Hubbard for an elm turning. 2nd place to Bill Hubbard for a bowl, and 3rd place to Dave Greenawalt for a gavel.

Thanks to Jim Keller and Andy Chen for judging this event.

-Carl Blair

### Election Time

GCWA members in good standing will receive ballots with this month's newsletter. We ask that you cast your vote for the candidates of your choice. This year our candidates are:

President - Thomas Irven

Vice-president - Murray Powell

Dale Barrack's Board position is open, and three candidates will be seeking election to that position: Chuck Garret t, Willie Hooper and Steve Russell.

The Board of Directors has the onerous task of planning the monthly meetings, directing the operation of GCWA, gathering, hauling, and transporting all the meeting paraphernalia you take for granted unless someone forgets to bring it. In addition to the monthly meetings, the Board meets six (6) times a year to discuss the direction of the club.

Please give careful consideration to your choice of candidates. You might want to talk to these folks and see what ideas they will be presenting.

Jim Keller and By Reed served on our Nominating Committee. We appreciate all their hard work.

Please mail your ballots to Helen Young or bring them to the meeting. The deadline for ballots will be the April meeting, and newly elected officers will take office June 1st.

## 1999 GCWA Spring Retreat

The member registration fee for the entire weekend includes participation in all events, including demonstrations, hands-on events, Instant Gallery, and scheduled meals on Saturday and Sunday.

Spring Retreat registration is restricted to GCWA members and their spouses. If you want to register a friend, include \$18 GCWA membership dues.

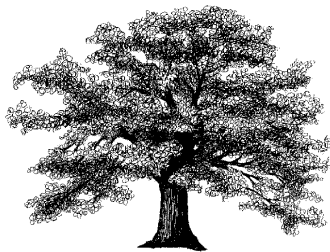
Registration: GCWA Member and each additional family participant will be \$25. for both days or one day. Fees will not be prorated.

Non-participating member will be charged for meals only, \$10 per meal.

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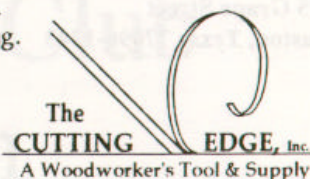
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# Calendar of Events

**April 17, 1999** ~ 9:00 AM ~ GCWA meeting @ The Cutting Edge

**May 3, 1999** ~ 7:00 PM ~ First Monday at The Cutting Edge, 7123 Southwest Freeway on the north (inbound) feeder road, just north of Bellaire Blvd.

**May 11, 1999** ~ 7:30 PM ~ Executive Board Meeting @ The Cutting Edge.

**May 15-16, 1999** ~ GCWA 3rd annual Turning Retreat, Hands-on Learning, Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Conroe, TX.

**June 7, 1999** ~ 7:00 PM ~ First Monday at The Cutting Edge, 7123 Southwest Freeway on the north (inbound) feeder road, just north of Bellaire Blvd.

**June 19, 1999** ~ GCWA meeting @ Austin Hardwoods

**July 17, 1999** ~ GCWA meeting @ Woodwright Woodworking

**August 21, 1999** ~ GCWA meeting @ Woodcraft

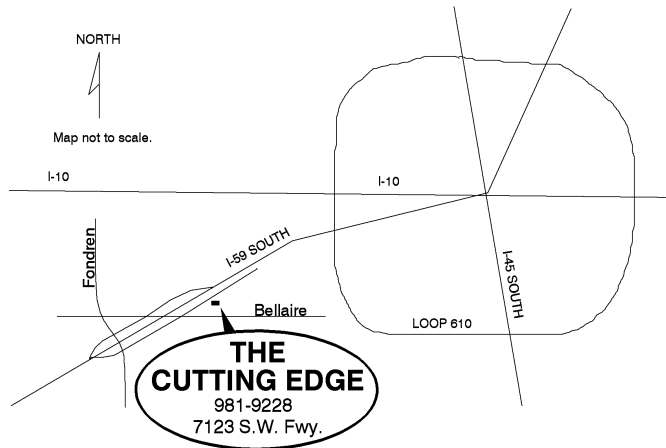
**September 18, 1999** ~ GCWA meeting @ The Cutting Edge

**October 9-10, 1999** ~ Texas Turn or Two, Maricopa Ranch

**October 16, 1999** ~ GCWA meeting - open

**November 20, 1999** ~ GCWA meeting - open

**December 18, 1999** ~ GCWA meeting - open



## This Month

**April 17, 1999** ~ 9:00 AM ~ GCWA meeting @ The Cutting Edge, 7123 Southwest Fwy, 713-981-9228.

Seating is a bit short, so bring your chair or camp stool to the meeting. Don't forget your safety glasses, too.

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