

Treasure Life Beads

- Treasure Life Beads is one of the community initiatives the Edmonton Woodturners Guild supports.
- Our members turn lidded boxes for the children at the Stollery Children's Hospital to store the beads they receive to signify various steps in their treatment and recovery.
- In the program, each time a patient undergoes a medical procedure, such as a needle, blood test or CT scan, the child receives a bead. Together, the beads form part of a chain.
- The beads provide young kids with an avenue to document their treatment and talk about what they are going through.

The specifications for the Treasure beads lidded boxes are:

- Interior Dimensions-approximately 6" diameter (5" minimum)
- Height-approximately 5" high (4" minimum)
- Other recommendations are
 - Lids are easy to open
 - Knobs and Finals are not to elaborate, so pieces don't break off
 - A wider base so the box doesn't tip over
 - Safe finishing products and process. Clear finishes or stain. No paint.
 - All domestic woods are ok. "Be wary of exotics due to potential toxic effects or allergies.
 - Burning or Pyrography is acceptable
- Please include a personal message of encouragement, write a joke, draw a picture or just sign your name on a card.
- Leave finished boxes with Bill Nestor. He will make arrangements to deliver the boxes.
- For further information about EWG's involvement in the Treasure Life Bead Program contact Bill Nestor at bnestor@hotlinkwireless.com or 780-967-3279