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Meeting at Center Point Energy Entex, 7008 S. Broadway, Tyler, TX

April 10, 2004 9:00 a.m.

## THE PREZ SAYS

### YOUR STEERING COMMITTEE NEEDS HELP!

We are probably going to loose our meeting space due to consolidation of facilities at Centex. If there is any way the management can work it out we will be able to stay, however it may be beyond Mr. Carl's control. As of now we just don't know what will happen for sure or when, it could be tomorrow. If anyone knows of a place where we can meet we desperately need to know about it. If we loose the space we have now and can't find another one we will have two choices, disband the club or rent a space. Our research at this point indicates that rent for a space for one day a month will run about \$100 – 150 . If that happens dues will have to increase dramatically, twice or three time what they are now. Let us hear from you if you have a solution or suggestion.

Looks like quite a few of you have not renewed your dues yet. If you want to continue to be a member and get the news letter and check out books and video tapes you must get your money to Archie or me this month. If you don't you will be wondering where your newsletter is next month and why your name is not on the checkout list in the library.

Enough of the serious stuff now for the fun.

Thanks to Steve (Teach) Green for an outstanding demonstration. What a great introduction to turning for the new members. It was also a great reminder of the basics for those who have been turning for a while. Sometimes you forget the simple things that are the foundation for more complicated work. Steve, I do have one question. Where were you when I thought a banjo had strings on it and the best use for Super Glue was fixing broken finger nails? Your demo could have saved me a hard year.

The raffle this month will have a 1/4" Bowl gouge, safety glasses, 6 piece measuring set, long flex flash light, diamond grinding wheel dresser, and a large block of Ebony, courtesy of J. J. Altier.

We start a new three month raffle, the prize is a Vacuum system, complete except for whatever is needed to connect it to your lathe and you get help to do the connecting. If you don't have one of these you REALLY need one, if you have one a spare would sure be nice and this one is portable.

Don't forget about the Christmas raffle, only 9 more chances to buy tickets for the Stronghold Chuck with an extra set of jaws. We are talking over \$300 for a \$1 chance.

I think most folks liked the new format for the meetings. Some did think that the break was a little too long so we will try cutting it back a few minutes. If there are any other changes that you would like to try please let me know, as I have said before this is your club

The Show and Tell table was a little bare last month. Bring in your works of art to amaze and thrill and your disasters to console and inform. We all like to enjoy beautiful things but we learn from the problems. I know that I feel better when I find out I'm not the only one that goofs. Also, if you have a problem piece you could use a little help with bring it, we may all learn something, Maybe we should change the name to Show and Learn. The giveaway for this month's meeting is a beautiful block of Ambrosia Maple from Woodcraft.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you there on Sat

Tom

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## March Meeting



Mark Anthony  
Mesquite Mesquite



Judson Malone  
Dogwood



Ken Tamell  
Sycamore



Leslie McLinn  
Segmented Maple & Purple Heart



Willis Martin  
Hackberry & Walnut



Ed Heuslein  
Cedar



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### Steering Committee Meeting April 1, 2004

Members present Tom Crosby, Ed Heuslein, Mark Anthony, John Leonard, J.J. Altier, and Joseph Armstrong

Discussed available options for a new meeting place. Decision was to ask the members for advice.

Discussed Toys for Tots and Freedom Pen activities.

### Free Wood

C.G. Fields has a large supply of oak, cedar and cherry. He will cut the logs to length (approximately 3" longer than the diameter) and bring them to the **May** meeting for all to share. Come prepared to take home some wood. Thanks C.G

### Tip

To remove stains caused by working with mesquite, use lemon juice.

### Editor's Corner

Well, the newsletter is a lot late this month and I apologize. It will not happen again.

For the curious, five weeks ago I had a tablesaw accident. This is why my left hand is bandaged. It still aches, but now the throbbing is gone until I bump it on something. Unfortunately this happens way too often. To see a visual reminder, please visit my website. **WARNING** it is vivid. Please be careful.

my site: <http://web2.airmail.net/~jarmstr/>

Did you notice our website is now printed in the newsletter? I can't encourage everyone enough to visit.

We have two community projects planned, Cars for Tots and Freedom Pens. Volunteers are needed in order for these to be successful.

Please stop and let me know how you like our newsletter. Also, let me know of any ideas you may have to make it better.

See you on Saturday,  
Joseph Armstrong

I just returned from Temple, TX where I spent the night camping at the local COE campground, 9 mi W of downtown Temple. Wonderful campground, and would recommend it for anyone that wants to camp with wild deer (I saw about 60-75 but was only there one night), wild turkey (about 15-20) and right on the lake. Large campsite – can take large rigs too.

On my way home, I went by the facilities that will house our woodturning symposium. I even met the director who took me on a tour! I think that this will be a nice facility! He also mentioned that RV's can park in the rear of the facility at NO charge (dry camp). They are working to install power/water and if available by October there will be a small charge for hookups. Now you can park your RV where it is DRY and walk into the building from the rear entrance. There is plenty of parking for autos too. Just off exit 303 of I35.

Workmen are busy remodeling all of the bathrooms, new floor tile, etc. Folks are VERY interested that we have a great symposium and will do all in their power to see to it.

I'm ready.....Don Walworth

## Member Classifieds

### For Sale

Craftsman 12 inch bandsaw - \$195  
Delta Mdl: 22-540 12 in x 5.9 in Planer - \$195  
Poulan Model 2050 14 in chainsaw (2.0ci) \$45  
½" Round Skew - \$20  
Contact: John Leonard 903-592-6009

Delta Sawbuck (10" Compound Sliding Mtr/Stand)  
Hitachi Re-Saw Bandsaw w/3" Blade  
Delta Bandsaw 14" w/riser block & 1HP Baldor  
Boyce Crane shaper rev ¾" spindle w/cutters  
Rigid 14" bandsaw  
All items are new or like new.  
Lynn Pratt 903-581-0769

### New Members

*Nancy Burris – Rusk*

*Marvin Davis – Flint*

*Marion McDaniel – Dallas*  
*Doug McGarvey – Longview*

*Dave Thomas – Longview*

*Carrie Veenstra - Arlington*

### March Attendance

42 Members

7 Visitors

## S.W.A.T.

As everyone is aware, the annual Southwest Association of Woodturners Symposium will be held in Temple, Texas this year on October 1, 2 and 3.

One of the facilities that will be utilized is the Temple Cultural Center. The director of that center has offered to set up an art exhibit of woodturnings on display for 60 days prior to the Symposium.

Each Chapter in the state has been asked to submit two pieces for this display. Each item submitted is to be of "gallery" quality and selected by the submitting Chapter.

The overall purpose is to provide a first class art exhibit allowing area residents to gain an appreciation of woodturning.

The East Texas Woodturners Club will be asking for pieces to be submitted for this exhibition in the near future. Each piece is restricted in size to 10" diameter by 13" height.

**The 13th annual 2004 SWAT  
Symposium will be held on  
October 1, 2, & 3, 2004 at the  
Mayborn Center in Temple TX**

**May Meeting  
Saturday, May 8, 2004  
9:00 a.m.**

### Hardwood Barn Woodworkers Day

**April 17, 2004**

**9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Serving hamburgers and hotdogs for lunch. Eight new woods in stock, some in boards, others in bowl blanks.

Questions? — Ask Ed

## Volunteer Opportunites

### *Cars For Tots and Freedom Pens*

For more information please see Tom Crosby or Mark Anthony

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