



# THE TURNING TIMES

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The Turning Times is published monthly as an information source for members of the East Texas Woodturners (ETW). ETW is a chapter of The American Association of Woodturners (AAW) and is committed to serving woodturners in the East Texas area surrounding Tyler, Texas. The ETW Chapter joins with the AAW in its dedication to providing education, information and organization to those interested in woodturning.

## Meeting at TJC West

December 13, 2014



### The Prez says:

Here we are Christmas time 2014. The sad news is we lost a very private, longtime member this November 19th. Norm Dixon has been a long time member of our club, loved and respected by all. I talked with his wife Dorothea, today and she said that Norm was battling Cancer for some time. He went into the hospital to remove some fluid from his

lungs. It was supposed to be a very simple procedure. Norm never fully recovered. He spent an additional nine days there. He passed away quietly with all the dignity he always possessed. Dorothea asked in lieu of flowers, please reach into your hearts and pockets and donate to the St. Jude Children's Hospital. Remember Norm's smiling face and subtle humor. Norm's remains were cremated, half of his ashes will be scattered here in the US and the remainder to be scattered throughout his beloved England. Please remember our Brother Norm and his grieving widow Dorothea, in your prayers. On a lighter note, I hope everyone is signed up for the Christmas party. See you there.

As you know we have elected a new president and vice president. I hope you give them both your continued support and cooperation. I want to personally thank each and every one of you for having elected me to be your president for the year 2014 and for all your support throughout the year. I have been very humbled to represent the membership this past year. Thank you all.

So for the last time in this newsletter I say farewell my friends, be well, stay safe throughout the holiday season.

Your President J. J. Altier

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### CLUB CALENDAR:

December 13, 2014 Christmas party 9:00 am

January 7, 2015 Steering committee meeting 1:00 pm

January 10, 2015 Regular meeting (Demo by Tom Crosby on use of skew)

## CLASSIFIEDS

Classified Ad Policy: Classified ads run for 3-months unless the editor is notified they are no longer needed. At the end of the 3-month period, the ad will be dropped from the newsletter unless specifically renewed prior to the period expiration.

**For Sale:** Woodturning Aprons – Made of material that sheds those pesky shavings - \$25.00. Please contact Kay Leonard at 903- 592-6009 or at

I have a Craftsman Lathe 12-42 mounted on a table with cabinet below. It's about 15-20 years old and works good. This is what I started on.  
**Free** - call Jim Grigsby in Canton at 214-686-0125.

**For Sale:** Bulldog Chuck, BD275, with standard and pencil jaws. Bought at SWAT in August, and I just don't care for it. With the 2nd set of jaws, paid \$179, take \$125. Comes in original box, with wrenches, worm screw, etc.  
Mike Connolly 903-520-2392, call or text, pictures available

**For Sale:**  
Delta 460 midi-lathe with electronic variable speed control with Nova chuck, two robust tool rests and other stuff that came with it. The lathe is in excellent condition. I used it for about two years. It is on a rather sturdy wooden stand. The whole thing goes for \$500.  
John Hodge 903-962-5620  
[jlphodge@aol.com](mailto:jlphodge@aol.com)

For Sale or donation to worthy cause. \$10 or whatever you can afford.  
Issues 1 thru 20 of Wood magazine. Includes three copies of #8! Issue #1 dated Sept/Oct 1984.

**Personalized Turning Classes:**  
Paul Coppinger - Mineola - 903-638-6008  
[paulcop68@thecoppingers.net](mailto:paulcop68@thecoppingers.net)

Generally in good condition. I just do not want to throw them away.  
Rick Thelen  
903 283 0506

### Christmas Party Information

Be sure and join us for our annual Christmas Party on Saturday, December 13, from 9:00 to noon.

Each member will be given one ticket at the door and several drawings will be held during the morning for gift certificates and turning blanks.

Also, we will be doing the monthly, quarterly, and annual raffles.

Lunch will be served along with a lot of fellowship all morning.

Please bring 2 - 3 items for a "show" table.

### Mineola Open Shop Turning Day

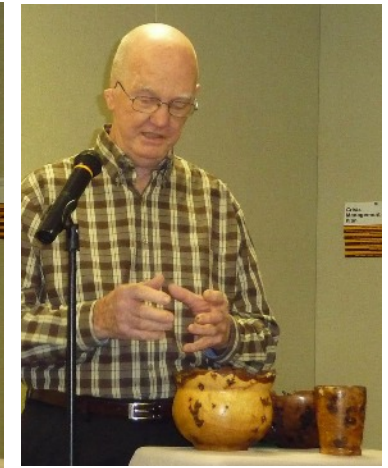
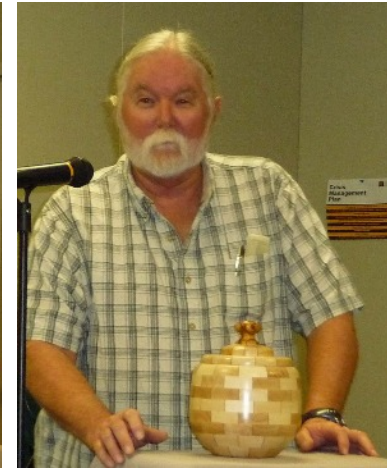
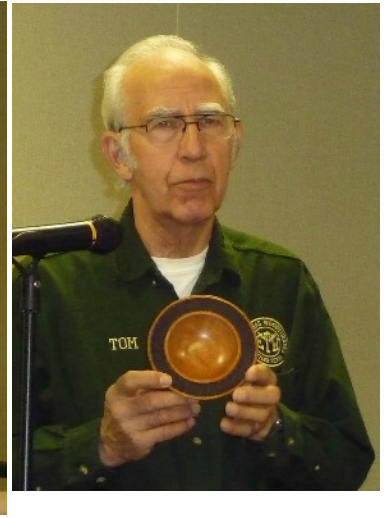
**We will NOT have a MOST day in December**

**Turning, Fun and Fellowship**

**If we're not having fun, we're not doing it right!**



November 2014 Meeting Pictures







## New Officers

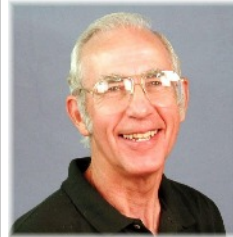
At the monthly meeting of East Texas Woodturners on Nov. 8, 2014 the following officers were elected to serve for 2015:

President	Dennis Lorenz
Vice President	Worth Holmes
Treasurer	Walter Tate
Secretary	Jack Day
Program Chairman	Ken Terrell
Librarian	Tom Crosby

## Welcome New Members

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Flint 75762  
903-253-2880  
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7948 County Rd 48  
Tyler  
903-526-4008  
903-780-2019  
dailey2lj@yahoo.com



## LIBRARY NEWS

The library will NOT be open to check out items at the Christmas Party.



It will be open for RETURNS. We request that you return all items you have at home so that we can check our inventory. Also please give us a note with the title of woodturning DVD's or books that you would find interesting, which we do not have in the library. We will get as many as funds will allow.

We have enjoyed being your librarians in 2014 and look forward to working with you in 2015. If you have not taken advantage of the library, you are missing a great tool to improve your turnings.

We wish each of you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a great New Year.

Marjorie and Tom

## Mentor List

Mark Anthony	903-963-7128	Van	<a href="mailto:emark.anthony@gmail.com">emark.anthony@gmail.com</a>
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Ken Terrell	903-839-4735	Whitehouse	<a href="mailto:kpterrell@suddenlink.net">kpterrell@suddenlink.net</a>

## Shaping / Sharpening your bowl gouges Dennis Ford

Woodturners have a dizzying array of turning tools and sharpening systems available. Most of us have a few tools that we use very often and several (or many) other tools that we use only rarely. There are usually a few (often more) bowl gouges in each turners tool rack.

Discussing what the grind should look like and how to achieve that, can produce spirited conversations among experienced turners and confusion among beginners. A beginner looking at other turners tools or listening to discussions will be exposed to many grind shapes and bevel angles. They may hear that "it is the turner, not the tool" and get the idea that almost any grind shape can be used as long as the tool is sharp. Unfortunately it is not that simple; I often see gouges with grinds that make turning more difficult than it needs to be. The most common problem seems to be a swept back grind with a blunt bevel at the tip and very steep wings (a catch waiting to happen).

The simplest shape is the "traditional grind". This is my preferred shape for a "bottom feeder" gouge. This can be sharpened using the tool rest of a grinder (platform) or a jig that supports the handle end; either way involves setting the angle and rotating the tool about its axis. Note: for blunt angles above 75 deg or so; supporting the handle end only can be dangerous as the tool tip can be pulled into the grinding wheel.

The "swept back" grinds go by many names, one difference being how far the wings are swept back. All of these are three dimensional shapes and require three dimensional motion of the gouge while grinding. Many jigs are available to make this process easier, some have several adjustments, some appear simple. A common misconception is that a jig defines the shape of the grind eliminating "user errors". Once adjusted, a jig keeps the bevel angles repeatable, IF the user grinds the same shape. Using the same jig for different grind shapes can produce less than optimum results.

I use a platform for grinding (some call this free-hand) and am unable to help with setting up a jig but here are websites with useful information on this subject: (you may have to copy and paste into your browser)

[honoluluwoodturners.org/16\\_tips/sharpening\\_demyst.pdf](http://honoluluwoodturners.org/16_tips/sharpening_demyst.pdf)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=31pzViUhJuQ>

### **East Texas Woodturner's Raffle Items**

Tickets can be purchased for each raffle at the monthly club meetings and are priced at \$1 each or 6 for \$5

**December 13 2014:**  
(Monthly items are subject to change based on availability)

Thompson 1/2" detail gouge	
RM Wood Deluxe Chatter tool	Morse taper Cleaner
P & N 3/8" bowl gouge	Pittsburg engineer measuring tool set

**Quarterly item:**  
Glen Lucas 3/4" bowl roughing gouge

**Annual item:**  
Trend air shield Pro filter system

### **Membership renewal**

Membership renewal began in November. Dues remain at \$36.00 per year. Membership forms can be downloaded from the club website. Please print the form on your computer and bring it to the meeting filled out with your check or the correct cash. If there are no changes you can fill in your name and sign the form.

### **Set-up / Clean-up Volunteers for December meeting:**

**Set-up:** Cindy Smith, Dennis Lornez, Jose Alanis, Jack Day

**Clean-up:** Cindy Smith, Mike Tate, Rex Parkinson

## East Texas Woodturner's Supporters

The following businesses have graciously provided support for the activities of the East Texas Woodturner's club. Please show your gratitude by giving them your business when possible.

### Craft Supplies USA

1287 E. 1120 S., Provo, UT 84606

1-800-551-8876

FAX: 801-377-7742

<http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com/>

### Hartville Tool

13163 Market Ave N Hartville, OH 44632

800-345-2396

<http://www.hartvilletool.com/>

### Johnson Wood Products

34897 Crystal Rd., Strawberry Point, IA 52076

563-933-6504 CST

<http://www.johnsonwoodproducts.com/>

### Klingspor's Woodworking Shop

3 Locations in North Carolina

1-800-228-0000 EST

<http://www.woodworkingshop.com/>

### Packard Woodworks

P.O. Box 718, Tryon, NC 28782

1-800-683-8876

FAX: 828-859-5551

<http://www.packardwoodworks.com/index.html>

### Rockler

Promenade North Shopping Center

800 North Coit #2500

Richardson, TX 75080

(972) 613-8848 CST

<http://www.rockler.com/>

### Thompson Lathe Tools

5479 Columbia Road North Olmsted, OH 44070

440-241-6360 CST

<http://www.thompsonlathetools.com/>

### Woodcraft

Suite 145 601 W. Plano Parkway Plano, TX 75075

(972) 422-2732

<http://www.woodcraft.com/stores/store.aspx?id=317>

### Woodline.com

111 Wheeler St., LaVergne, TN 37086

615-793-0474 CST

<http://www.woodline.com/>

### Wood World

13650 TI Blvd. #101, Dallas, TX 75243

972-669-9130 CST

<http://woodworldtx.com/>

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(MOST Day)

**MOST day will be August 16th**

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## ANCHOR SEAL FOR SALE

The Club has Anchor Seal end grain sealer for sale at most Club meetings. It is available in 1 and 2 gallon jugs at \$10.00 per gallon. To obtain it, pay our treasurer, Walter Tate, and then see Dennis Lorenz. If you need some between meetings, contact Dennis at 903-565-0651 or [dlorenz67@gmail.com](mailto:dlorenz67@gmail.com)