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Meeting at TJC West

June 10, 2006 @ 9:00 a.m.

Calendar of Events

- May 31, 2006
SC TJCW Rm.101
- June 10, 2006
Regular Meeting
- June 28, 2006
SC TJCW Rm.101
- July 8, 2006
Regular Meeting
- August 2, 2006
SC TJCW Rm.101
- August 12, 2006
Regular Meeting
- August 30, 2006
SC TJCW Rm.101
- September 9, 2006
Regular Meeting
- Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 2006
Temple, TX SWAT
- October 4, 2006
SC TJCW Rm.101
- October 14, 2006
ETWA Picnic Meeting
Turnathon
- October 25, 2006
SC TJCW Rm.101
- November 4, 2006
Regular Meeting
- November 10-11, 2006
Wood Carvers Exhibit @
Rose Garden
- November 29, 2006
SC TJCW Rm.101
- December 9, 2006
Regular Meeting
- January 3, 2007
SC TJCW Rm.101

The Prez says

I can't begin to express my appreciation and wonder for the talent we have right here in our club. Paul Coppinger did a thorough and interesting demonstration on finishes. I look forward to checking out the recording of this demo when I need a refresher on this subject. Some of you might know that Paul is colorblind. Rather than a limitation, Paul has used his knowledge in finishing to perfect his talents in shine and texture rather than depending on color to accent his pieces. This is much the way photographers turn to black and white to really exhibit the artistry of their work.

The SWAT 2006 registration forms are now available. Go to the SWAT link on our website to download the form. You will hear updates for the next several months but don't procrastinate. You save money for early registration. Remember that our own Walter Tate is the President of the 2006 SWAT symposium. <http://www.swaturners.com/>

It's not too early either to start thinking about the Club Challenge and picnic coming up this fall. Cecil Cox will be putting this year's event together. Expect to hear more from him soon because it takes awhile to get a good event set up. The Club Challenge is an excellent time for our beginning and intermediate turners to show their stuff in a friendly competition. It's also a good excuse to get our wives out for a good picnic. There will be some nice tools awarded to the winning team.

We are going to start giving some of the highlights of the Steering Committee meetings each month in the newsletters. I know much of it will be boring, but I do want to keep all of you informed as well as interested. We missed last month so here is what we talked about on May 3rd.

- The Raffle was discussed and more turning tools will be purchased for the monthly raffles.

- The show-and -tell raffle will become a two for one. A Glaser Gouge will be given as a prize.

- Joseph Armstrong will take over the picture taking at the meetings.

- The club will purchase \$400 in new DVDs and books this in 2006.

- The Club will purchase another 55 gal barrel of Wood Sealer for sale to members.

- ETWA will assist the Hunt county Woodturners club with the Freedom Pen project.

It is also time to start thinking of our charity project. We need to think about small bowls, Christmas tree ornaments and such during this time when we haven't really decided what we are going to do for Christmas presents and other bigger projects. This time, I'd like to get some little quick pieces done because I have so many other things that come up this time of year like yard work and gardening. Planning is everything.

I can't emphasize enough that you all be safe in your shops because, like I said, we have a lot of distractions this time of year. It's all too easy to be in a hurry or to get complacent. As of this writing, yesterday I saw a mangled finger on someone whom I know to be as safety conscience as any of us. Sorry Ed.

See you all Jun 10th.
Cary Grant

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Classifieds

For Sale: Delta 12" Variable Speed Wood Lathe w/Face Shield-Tools & Acc. Excellent Condition \$895.00. Also Delta Wood Lathe Duplicator \$375.00. Prices are negotiable. Items may be seen at Charleston Leaded Glass on Alice St. in Tyler. 903-561-4533 or 903-561-8406. Ask for Buster.

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Library – Library - Library

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The 15th Annual SW Association of Turners (SWAT) Woodturning Symposium

It is time to start making plans to attend the 15th Annual Southwest Association of Turners (SWAT) Woodturning Symposium, to be held in Temple, Texas, on September 29 and 30 and October 1. This Texas and southwestern tradition is the second largest woodturning symposium in the United States. The symposium is sponsored by the AAW chapters in Texas and Oklahoma, and has drawn 500 plus attendees in each of the last two years. The event this year will be under the leadership of President Walter Tate and the Board members representing each of the sponsoring clubs.

The SWAT Symposium is a great opportunity to try the symposium experience at a significantly lower cost than the AAW national symposium. The national lead demonstrators for 2006 are Dave Hout (metal spinning and basic bowl turning). Andre Martel (hook tool and hollow forms). Andi Wolfe (pyrography and multi-layer coupling) and David Nittman (Native American basket design). Although they haven't been named yet, there will also be a regional lead demonstrator and a large number of regional demonstrators. As with last year, there will also be a separate demonstration room devoted strictly to pen turners.

There will, of course, be an Instant Gallery and many vendors. The Instant Gallery will give you a chance to show off some of your best work and see what other turners are doing.

The vendor's room will give you a chance to get to know the folks that you only normally deal with through catalogues and their web sites. Plus, this is a chance to see and try out (and, yes, buy) some of the toys that you have been wishing for. Another highlight of the annual SWAT Symposium is the two-for-One Raffle. Your raffle tickets go into a bin to be drawn at the banquet on Saturday night for an excellent piece of woodturning art. Winners' tickets then go back into the bin and are eligible to win tools, wood and other goodies at lunch on Sunday. Such a deal!

(SWAT) continued

Joanie Genender is hard at work planning another Ladies Program. These activities, including tours, shopping and a Ladies Gallery, have greatly enhanced the event for the spouses who now have a chance to visit and get to know one another. As she has in the last two years, Joanie is planning a dinner and entertainment for couples on Friday evening.

So start thinking about your plans for the fall and put the SWAT Symposium on your calendar. For further Information on the Symposium, go to the SWAT web site, www.swaturners.org See pictures of SWAT logo and demonstrators below.

Return To The Community

During our AAW Symposium each year, we have a "return to the community" project. This year in Louisville, we will collect Christmas ornaments. They will be delivered to Kosair Children's Hospital in Louisville. Each year the hospital collects ornaments and decorated trees and auctions them or sells them outright to raise money. Last year they raised almost \$400,000. To help the kids in need. Have your chapter turn as many Christmas ornaments as they can and either bring them to the symposium or mail them to Greg Streif, 7308 Abbott Glen Dr., Crestwood, KY., 40014 gregstreif@insightbb.com This is a great opportunity for your chapter members to have some real fun while building their turning skills and at the same time, help sick kids in need. What a deal! If you have any questions, contact Greg as shown above. Thanks, John Hill – Chairman AAW chapters and membership committee Johnrhill@charter.net 828-645-6633

SWAT News

Things are moving along on the planning for this year's SWAT Symposium to be held in Temple, September 29th through October 1st. SWAT President, Walter Tate and his fellow Executive Committee members and their many volunteer Chairmen and their committees are all working away on the details necessary to make this event the best Symposium ever.

The Regional Lead Demonstrator has been identified as Clay Foster. Clay will join previously named National Lead Demonstrators David Nittmann, Andi Wolfe, Dave Hout and Andre Martell. Demonstrator Selection Chairman reports that they have a nice selection of regional demonstrators from which to choose and hope to have the slate defined shortly. As reported last month, Joanie Genender has put together another fine Ladies Program. So for all of you guys who are planning to drag your wife along to Temple, open up the SWAT web site, www.swaturner.org and let her see what is available.

Host Committee Chairwoman, Betty Hager, has put together a listing of available lodging in Temple, and that is also posted on the SWAT web site. The publicity and registration brochure is in preparation, and should be out by the end of May, and will include a Registration form. So mark your calendar, and start making your plans for late September.

Charles Kay
SWAT Publicity Chairman

Louisville AAW Symposium

You have 55 BIG reasons to register to come to the Louisville AAW Symposium. For door prizes, how about FIVE One-way 2436 Lathes free, thanks to special pricing from One-way Manufacturing or FIFTY \$100 gift certificates donated by Packard Woodworks?

The AAW Symposium in Louisville is fast upon us. It will be Thursday, June 22, 2006 through Saturday the 24th. There are always many great reasons to attend:

There will be 30 world class demonstrators putting on 150 rotations in eleven demonstration rooms. There will be a room where Bonnie Klein and Nick Cook will teach hands on classes to young people ages 10 through 17. The youth can register FREE when accompanied by a fully registered adult. As we did last year, we will give away 25 JET Midi lathes with stands, 25 sets of Crown tools, 25 Nova Midi-chucks and 25 face shields to 25 of the lucky youths. (Bring your kids or grandkids).

See the world's largest instant gallery of over a thousand spectacular pieces. Visit the Trade Show filled with the world's largest assortment of woodturning tools, equipment, wood, etc. There will be three panel discussions featuring world famous artists J. Paul Fennell, Binh Pho, David Ellsworth, Graeme Priddle, Curt Theobald, Clay Foster, Albert LeCoff, Kevin Wallace and Giles Gilson. We will have a great banquet and live auction.

There are three great woodturning exhibitions within blocks of the symposium. Louisville has more to do than we can list here. I visited this last weekend and loved it. For more information, go to <http://www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2006/> John Hill – AAW Chapters and Membership Chairman Johnrhill@charter.net 828-645-6633

Chapter Collaborative Challenge 2006

During the 2006 American Association of Woodturners 20th Annual Symposium in Louisville, Kentucky, the Chapters and Membership Committee will again sponsor a Chapter Collaborative Challenge.

Each AAW Chapter is invited to submit one collaborative work created by as many chapter members as possible, with a minimum of six participants. If your chapter has never done this, you will find it to be a great way to infuse new ideas and excitement into your chapter activities. Basically, have at least 6 members work on a project that meets the size requirements in the rules and bring the finished piece to the Louisville symposium. There are three categories, Fantasy, Artistic, and Mechanical/Technical. In past years, there have been really creative projects presented.

If you are not already working on this project, now is the time to start.

If you have any questions, just let me know.

John Hill – AAW Chairman of Chapters and Membership Committee. 828-645-6633 johnrhill@charter.net

CLUB SHIRTS!

There have been enough orders placed that I plan to proceed with making a shirt order after the June meeting. You can still place your order at the June meeting and I will also be accepting payment then. That way I can have the shirts completed and delivered in time for those of you who plan to attend SWAT in Sept/Oct.

If you have not already paid, please either mail a check or pay at the next meeting. If paying by check, please make it payable to M. Crosby. The following is a list of prices in case you have forgotten.

Polo – S-XL \$23.00, 2X \$24.00
Long Sleeve Twill – M-XL \$29.00, 2X-\$30.00, 3X-4X \$31.00
Short Sleeve Twill – M-XL \$28.00, 2X-\$29.00, 3X-4X \$30.00
Tee – S-XL \$18.00, 2X-3X \$19.00
Sweat – S-XL \$20.00, 2X-3X \$21.00

Please contact me by e-mail ctomsturnings@aol.com or see me at the next meeting to get your name on the list if you would like to order.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you – Marjorie Crosby

NEEDED ITEM

Needed, 1 and 2 gallon plastic containers for our Anchor Seal program. Please no milk bottles. They are not strong enough and the Anchor Seal is white like milk and we don't want a child to drink some Anchor Seal. The soap bottles are very good even if they are a little small as I can get a gallon in them by filling them to the top. I have had to buy some bottles which increase the price of the Anchor Seal by \$2.00 per gallon. Please bring the bottles to the June meeting (actually any meeting when you have one or more) and if I am not there, which is a possibility, give them to Cary Grant or Ed Heuslein and I will get them from them.

Thanks, John Leonard

AAW Symposium Demonstrators

If you're interested in demonstrating at the AAW's 2007 symposium, the application deadline is August 31, 2006. The symposium, to be held June 29th to July 1st in Portland, Oregon, is the AAW's largest annual event and generally attracts more than 900 woodturners.

For more information and a demonstrator application, contact the AAW offices at 651-484-9094 or www.inquiries@woodturner.org.

Carl Voss – AAW American Woodturner Editor

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TELEPHONE SCAM

Recently one or more people have received telephone calls to join the AAW or to subscribe to the AW Journal (magazine). Here are the facts: The AAW does not do any telemarketing or phone soliciting for membership. The AAW does not do any telemarketing or phone soliciting for magazine subscriptions.

TELEPHONE SCAM (continued)

The AAW does not endorse any agents to solicit AAW membership or magazine subscriptions. Any such telephone call you receive to this effect is a form of "phishing", where an unscrupulous person is trying to get your credit card or other personal information for their illegal usage. You should not give out your credit card number or personal information as a general policy unless you initiate the phone call to a known business.

Please forward this message to all of your chapter members.

Thanks

John Hill, Chairman AAW Chapters and Membership Committee 828-645-6633 www.johnhill@chapter.net

2006 Programs

We meet the 2nd Saturday of each month at Tyler Junior College's West Campus on West Loop 323 and Robinson, 9am. To Noon. The following is a list of the scheduled programs for those dates.

June 10, Dan Henry "Open Segmented Tea Lamp"

July 8, Larry Hancock "Hollow Vessel Turning"

Aug. 12, To Be Scheduled

Sept. 9, Ken Terrell "Small Lidded Hollow Vessels"

Oct. 14, Club Challenge and Yearly Picnic

Nov 11, Steve Hagler "Bird House Ornaments"

Dec. 9, To Be Scheduled

Masters Class

Clay Foster will be teaching a woodturning "Masters Class" at Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, this July 30th through August 5th. The title of this course is "Go Figure! Figurative Art & the Turned Object". From cave walls to teapots, the human figure and its components have been a recurring theme for centuries. This class will begin with a survey of figurative art. Then you design, plan and create a variety of turned objects with references to the human figure. You will begin by turning kitchen utensils or tools handles and graduate to more decorated objects such as lidded boxes, masks, sculptural objects and vessels with mixed media adornment.

The emphasis will be on design development and planning. This class will be for intermediate to advanced-students must be able to turn bowls, vessels and spindles without instructor supervision. There are still several openings in this class.

Clay is a full-time wood artist working near Krum, TX. and has been turning for 46 years. He is a founding member and past VP of the AAW. His work is in many collections, including the Detroit Institute of Art and Yale University. You can see Clay's work at:

<http://www.home.earthlink.net/claypen/index.html>

Masters Class (continued)

If you are interested in taking this class with Clay, contact Arrowmont at <http://www.arrowmont.org/registration/commerce.pl>

Or call 865-436-5860. Clay Foster – Studio artist and teacher
940-466-9777 claypen@earthlink.net

From The Editor

Each month I send out an email to everyone requesting information for the upcoming newsletter. If anyone has anything to sell, general information they would like to share, or a funny story about a woodturning experience, please send it to me. I would love to include it in your newsletter. This is **your newsletter** and I want to make it entertaining, as well as informative. **Peggy Ross, Editor**

AAW Symposium Room Assistants

Please help your fellow AAW members in making the 2006 Symposium the best ever by volunteering to assist a Demonstrator. The primary responsibility is operating the Video camera, which is vital to the success of each demonstration. Demo assistants will attend a short session to receive the director's instructions, familiarization with the camera and projector, and will receive a Tee shirt that identifies you as one of the team. Besides, you will have the best seat in the house!

Most of you know that the AAW Symposiums have few paid workers. The big show is due to the hard work of hundreds of volunteers. Join in the fun of making the Louisville Symposium happen.

To volunteer, send an email to AAWhelp@hockenbery.net

Please include: Your name, phone number, e-mail address and number of sessions you will take. You may offer to assist in one to three sessions. Volunteers will receive machine-generated reply followed by an e-mail from James Darnell who is working hard to organize the demonstrator assistants.

James and I both thank you.

Al Hockenbery – AAW Board of Directors

May 31st Steering Committee Meeting

The following subjects were discussed at the May 31st Steering Committee Meeting:

- **Tom Crosby and John Leonard have been looking at new materials for the library. Tom and Marjorie are still open to suggestions for new videos. If you have any videos that you would like to see in the library, please let them know.**
- **Input is needed on whether VHS tapes should continue in the library or if all should be DVDs.**
- **Steering Committee discussed the possibility of participating in an “empty bowl” project benefiting the Food Bank, PATH and another Church group in Tyler. A lot of bowls will be needed, and will either be raffled off or given as prizes. This will be explained in more detail at the June meeting. If you bring bowls, you will receive raffle**

Steering Committee Meeting (continued)

tickets for a nice bowl gouge to be drawn at the end of the project.

- **The mentor list is being updated. Anyone wanting to serve as a mentor, contact Cary Grant.**

AAW Survey

The AAW is taking a survey to help the board know what the members want. We need your input on a range of topics to help us set goals and implement programs. Please go to: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=840992174112> and fill in the survey. It only takes a couple of minutes. It is your organization, so let us know what you think.

Thanks

John Hill – AAW Chapters and membership committee
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Results of the AAW Chapter Newsletter and Website Contests

The time has arrived and the judging has been done. It is time to announce the winners. The judge for the Chapter Newsletter contest was Philip Roybal, last year's winning editor from Silicon Valley Woodturners. This year we had 27 chapters enter, up from 18 the year before. Philip said that all of the entries were great but when he applied the strict guidelines for the contest, the following chapters were the winners.

First Place: Central Texas Woodturners' The Chip Pile, edited by Charlie Kay.

Second Place: North Carolina Woodturners' North Carolina Woodturner, edited by John Uteck.

Third Place: North Coast Woodturners' North Coast Woodturners Newsletter, edited by Brian Becker.

The judging for the Chapter Website contest was done by having each webmaster that submitted an entry be randomly assigned 5 other websites to judge using the criteria announced in the contest. When all 18 webmasters turned in their scores for the chapters that they judged, the total scores were tabulated and the winners are:

First Place: Woodturners of North Texas. Webmaster: Billy R. Boehme. Website: www.wntx.org

Second Place: Alabama Woodturners Association
Webmaster: Harold Jones, Website:
www.alabamawoodturners.com

Third Place: Central Indiana Chapter of the AAW.
Webmaster: James Purciful. Website: www.cicaw.org

Visit the winning websites to get some great ideas for improving your chapter's website.

Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all that entered.

John Hill – AAW Chapters and Membership Chairman
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Club Photography

I spoke with James Patrick regarding the Show & Tell photography each month. We propose the following primary duties:

James Patrick – Member Profiles
Joseph Armstrong – Show & Tell

We will back up each other in case one can't attend the meeting.

If there are no objections, then this will take effect immediately.

Joseph Armstrong

Progress Report on William Holmes

I successfully completed the final chemotherapy session at Scott-White in Temple last Tuesday and Wednesday, and I am pleased to report that my oncologist is encouraged with my progress.

Because of the timing it is most likely that I will be in quarantine at the time of the June ETW meeting because of low WBCs (white blood counts) and a virtual non-existent immune system, but I should be feeling pretty good by the following week.

On June 28th I will have a PET-scan to determine the extent to which the lymphoma is in remission, and it is the expectation of both the oncology team and myself that I will be completely clear.

I want to thank all of you for your continued support and especially those who have made it possible for me to keep our club records straight. The records are as complete as I can make them based on the information I have received as of, June 1, 2006.

Thanks again, Bill

Mentors List

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**May 13th Meeting &
Show & Tell**



**Demonstration by Paul
Coppinger on "The Art of
Finishing"**

