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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

May 13, 2006 @ 9:00 a.m.

Calendar of Events

- May 3, 2006 Wed. @3pm
SC TJCW Rm.101
- May 13, 2006
Regular Meeting
- June 1, 2006
SC TJCW Rm.101
- June 10, 2006
Regular Meeting
- June 29, 2006
SC TJCW Rm.101
- July 8, 2006
Regular Meeting
- August 3, 2006
SC TJCW Rm.101
- August 12, 2006
Regular Meeting
- August 31, 2006
SC TJCW Rm.101
- September 9, 2006
Regular Meeting
- Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 2006
Temple, TX SWAT
- October 5, 2006
SC TJCW Rm.101
- October 14, 2006
ETWA Picnic Meeting
Turnathon
- October 26, 2006
SC TJCW Rm.101
- November 4, 2006
Regular Meeting
- November 10-11, 2006
Wood Carvers Exhibit @
Rose Garden
- November 30, 2006
SC TJCW Rm.101
- December 9, 2006
Regular Meeting
- January 4, 2007
SC TJCW Rm.101

The Prez says

What an excellent demonstration by Mr. Brian Laing. It's wonderful that we can attract such talented individuals like Brian. It was also great to be back home at TJC. Although attending a meeting at John's shop was a treat, for us, not John, we just can't get our normal attendance when we are away. The Back to basics Seminar was a success; at least according to the feedback I received both verbally and in writing. As a consequence of the seminar and interest from Mr. Laing's demonstration we have facilitated five or six "shop dates" with our mentors for instruction on basic bowl turning. The other area of interest we have identified from the seminar is proper sharpening and shaping of our tools. The AAW has just sent a DVD to its members called "Woodturning: Fundamentals of Sharpening". We will see that disk in our library and possibly we will see highlights of it during future meetings coinciding with Question and Answers sessions.

Two big symposiums are coming up, which I hope, will interest some of you: Utah Woodturning Symposium is Jun 15-17 and the AAW Louisville Symposium is Jun 22-24. Some other items of interest are the Dallas Area Woodturners are sponsoring a demonstration by an Australian Master turner, George Hatfield. This event will take place from 9am till 3pm on Sat. May 6th. There will be a \$25 cover. Then on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday George will give hands on classes. The tuition there will be \$100 per day.

Closer to home, will be a demonstration May 13, by Paul Coppinger "The Art of Finishing" This event will be free as well as informative and it will be held at TJC during our regular meeting. Paul has put a lot of research into finishing techniques and this will be a demonstration not to miss, and you can look forward to a lively Q&A session after.

Don't forget our raffles. You have a chance to win an almost lifetime supply of sandpaper as well as some really useful items.

The quarterly raffle coming up is a nice eight piece-turning tool set in a handsome wooden display case and the yearly raffle is a Jet VS lathe.

One of our members received a really nice letter from a serviceman in Iraq this month that had received a freedom pen. I hope Willis will share it with you at the meeting. Just don't forget that the "Freedom pen" project is still going on as well as the "Christmas ornaments for charity" program we are just starting. If you are ever at a loss as what to turn next, think about these projects. See you at the meeting May 13th and don't forget to bring a show and tell item.

Cary

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.

- May 13, Paul Coppinger "The Art of Finishing"
- 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

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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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Swat Demos

Just a reminder to spread the word that we're looking for demonstrators for SWAT. I've heard from a few who are interested, but I have received just three applications.

Thanks,

Drew Shelton

SWAT Demo Committee Chairman

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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.

Library – Library - Library

We are just about through reorganizing the library for the club and would like to thank all of you for your cooperation. Please remember to return any checked out items at the next club meeting unless other arrangements are made with the librarians. This will give all club members an opportunity to make use of these materials. Also, if there is any specific item that you would like to have made available through the library, please let us know and we will put it on the "wish list." If you have any pertinent books, magazines, videos, cds, etc., that you no longer have any use for and think other club members might be interested in, we do accept donations on behalf of the club. Again, thank you for your cooperation – Tom and Marjorie 903-567-4701 or ctomsturnings@aol.com

Christmas Party For 2006

We would like to know how many of you would like to have a Christmas Party this year. In anticipation, Kevin Stevenson has reserved a private dining-room at The Emerald Bay Country Club. It would be, December 15, 2006, between 6pm & 9pm. We have two menu choices, **A:** Chicken & Chicken Fried Steak, two vegetables, salad and desert. Includes Tea & Coffee \$10.-\$15. Per. person. **B:** Chicken & Rib-eye Steak, two vegetables, salad and desert. Includes Tea & Coffee. \$15.-\$20. Per person. Please let Kevin Stevenson know your preference as soon as possible. We must know right away so we can either keep our reservation at the Country Club or cancel it. You may also email Kevin @ rklstev@aol.com.

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.

(SWAT) continued

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!

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

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/svm/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

Texas Technology Student Association Contest

I am contacting you today to ask for your help with a very important event coming up in Waco, May 4, 5 and 6th. The Technology Students Association is an organization of students from 7-12th grades of more than 400,000 strong nationally, interested in all areas of technology from manufacturing to engineering. We will have everything from pens and pencils turned to full roll-top desks in the woodworking area. Technology has come a long way in the years you and I were in shop classes, we now have biotechnology projects and CNC and engineering projects that students have worked on all year.

Texas Tech. Student Assoc. Contest (continued)

The students of Texas need your help. If you and/or your members would be willing to come to the Waco Convention Center on the evening of May 5th at 6p.m. to help judge these great projects, the students would be very grateful.

If you need a room for Friday night I may be able to help with that, so if you can get a group of highly qualified friends together, let me know.

Please let me know if you can help the youth of Texas, you will be amazed at the work these students are doing. For more information on Texas TSA see our website at www.texastsa.org, or call me at 281-996-2605.

Thank you for your time.

Terry and Mary Zimmerman
Texas TSA Contest Directors

Brown Recluse Spider Season

Please pass this on to your relatives and friends!

In light of Rick Huckaby having a very bad experience last year with a Brown Recluse Spider here in Levelland, it's worth reminding everyone to be spider aware. I've always been told they had a "fiddle" shape on their backs...I always assumed the fiddle would be on the bigger part of the body. To identify one, look closely at the head and it's darker color and how that color continues onto the smaller part of the body with a line coming out from that and you can see the shape of the fiddle...this scares me though, because at first glance it just looks like a regular ole spider to me...

I don't know if I could tell the difference. Its summertime and cleanup is going on.

Be careful where you put your hands. They like dark spaces and woodpiles. Also cool areas in the attic. If you must clean your attic, go up about thirty minutes ahead and turn on the lights.

BROWN RECLUSE SPIDER – A NASTY SON-OF-GUN!

Steve Green

CLUB SHIRTS!

For those of you interested in ordering a club shirt, the following is a size/price list:

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. When I get enough I will contact you for payment prior to my placing the order.

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

Thank you – Marjorie Crosby

Steering Committee Meetings

As suggested at the March 30th Steering Committee Meeting, where only four members showed up, I have arranged with Candice Montgomery, the new building administrator, to move our meeting to Wednesday, May 3rd at 3:00pm.

If this works, we have the option of moving the regular meeting date for the rest of the year.

This is a one week notice. I hope it is soon enough for everyone. If you have agenda items, please send them to me.

Cary Grant

Items for May 13, 2006 Raffle

1. Dust separator for dust console valued @ \$30.00
2. Box of assorted grit, Kinspore sand paper valued @ \$30.00
3. 4 piece diamond sharpening set valued @ \$30.00
4. 1 quart Deft clear wood finish valued @ \$15.00
5. 10 pack of sanding sponges valued @ \$13.00
6. 1 PSI super center MT2X5/8 valued @ \$20.00
7. 1 center finder valued @ \$10.00

Total Value \$148.00

For the Quarterly raffle on, June 10, 2006 there will be:

1 eight piece HSS Turning Tool Set in a wooden case. Valued @ \$150.00

Good Luck and I'll see you there.

Archie Stivner,

ETW Treasurer ashighsaw@earthlink.net

April 8th Meeting & Show & Tell



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