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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 8th, 2010

### The Prez Says:



Hello ET Turners,

Things I hate-This month I want to vent about things I hate, things that really frustrate me, things that don't make sense. Here are just a few:

- Bar codes on every piece of fruit you buy at the grocery store
- Saying "VIN Number"
- Weekend News programs that talk about the news of the week instead of new news
- Stuff in containers with seals under the lid
- Reward cards at grocery stores that claim they are giving you, the special customer, a discounts, after raising prices
- Stores that make you pay a membership fee to buy from them
- Newspapers with stick-on ads in the middle of the headlines
- Daylight Savings Time Change-over
- Paying to park in Texas
- Woodworking shows that charge admission to look, touch and buy

- Wasting finish because it cures in the container.

Well, I can't do much about most of these, but there is something I can do about the last item, finish curing in this container. Reactive finishes like varnish & tung oil will begin the oxidation process after exposure to air. After application, this is desired to produce a protective finish on our turnings. Problem is, air also gets into the storage container and begins the same curing process in the container. This is how the finish is wasted as it hardens in the container. I have found two good solutions that prevent or retard the curing and subsequent loss of the finish:

1. Immediately after opening the container, pour into beer bottles filling up into the neck...for me this requires me to depend on beer-drinking friends because I don't. Then, insert a VacuVin stopper into the bottle and extract any air using the vacuum pump. The VacuVin pump and 3 stoppers are available at Bed Bath and Beyond for under \$20. Be sure to label the bottles showing what is inside and dating is also a good idea. This is not 100%. I still loose the last little bit in the bottle.

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### Calendar of Events

- May 8, 2010**  
Regular Club Meeting
- May 6-8, 2010**  
Utah Woodturning Symposium  
Orem, Utah
- May 15, 2010**  
MOST Day, PAC Shop
- June 2, 2010**  
SC Mtg. TJC Rm 101
- June 12, 2010**  
Regular Club Meeting
- June 19, 2010**  
MOST Day, PAC Shop

Thanks for making the 2010 membership renewal effort a huge success. The Official Roster for 2010 lists 129 members. – **Bill Holmes**

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## 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 [kay199417@gmail.com](mailto:kay199417@gmail.com)

**For Sale:** Craftsman 20" Scroll Saw, 2 speed w/motor, wooden stand. \$125.00. **Charles Brooks**, 903-216-5564

**For Sale:** DeWalt 12 inch compound miter saw Model DW705 [New \$330] Sell \$150, Oneway diamond grinder wheel dressing jig [New \$66] Sell \$30, Craftsman tablesaw Model # 137.221960 "2.5 HP" \$65, Craftsman permanently lubricated air compressor Model # 919.165230 "5.5 HP" 25 gallon tank -\$100, Craftsman 6.0 Hp 22 inch rear discharge self propelled rotary lawn mower Model 917.377150 - \$95, Craftsman 6.0 HP rear tine tiller Model # 917.293310 - \$150, and Craftsman 3.8 HP 9 inch edger/bevel cut Model 536.772210 - \$75. Contact **John Leonard**, 903-592-6009.

**For Sale:** Gatco Edgemate Knife Sharpening System. I have two, one can be yours for \$25 (\$43 new). Easy to use and gives an excellent edge. Like new and just like this one [click here](#)  
**Mike DeLong** [mpdelong@suddenlink.net](mailto:mpdelong@suddenlink.net)

**Wanted:** Toolrest extension for a Delta 46-700 lathe. Either part #'s 46-706 or 46-430. I am able to pay up to \$25 if someone has either of these hanging around somewhere! **Kelvin Burton** 903-963-5069 or [kelvin@burtonclan.us](mailto:kelvin@burtonclan.us)

**Wanted:** Pen and small turning projects equipment including mini lathe. Please email me with offers and prices. **Don Wade** [azledon@msn.com](mailto:azledon@msn.com)

## 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 \$9.00 per gallon. To obtain it, pay our treasurer, Archie Stivner, and then see Cecil Cox. If you need some between meetings, call Cecil at 903-882-5311.

## ETW 2010 Program Schedule

May 8, 2010	Charles Brooks	Sculptural Details
June 12, 2010	Danny King	Pen Turning
July 10, 2010	Paul Coppinger	Rolling Pin with Stand
Aug. 11-13, 2010	Michael Mocho	Hands-On Classes
Aug. 14, 2010	Michael Mocho	Altered Turnings

## 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

### **May 8, 2010:**

(Monthly items are subject to change based on availability)

P&N 5/16" Detail Gouge      P&N 3/8" Bowl Gouge  
Amboyna Burl 3" x 3" x 14" (Gorgeous)

**Second Quarter 2010 (June):** Thompson 3/8" V-Bowl Gouge, 3/8" Spindle Gouge and 1/4" Detail Gouge with 3 Ash Handles.

**Annual 2010 (Dec.):** Oneway Stronghold Chuck with 1" & 1-1/4" Inserts; #1 (Spigot), #2, and #3 Jaws

## May 8, 2010 Setup/Cleanup Roster



The following members have generously volunteered to handle the setup and cleanup chores for the next meeting. Please thank them and consider volunteering to help at future meetings.

<b>Mike DeLong</b>	<b>Steve Hagler</b>
<b>Mark Anthony</b>	<b>YOU</b>
<b>YOU</b>	<b>YOU</b>

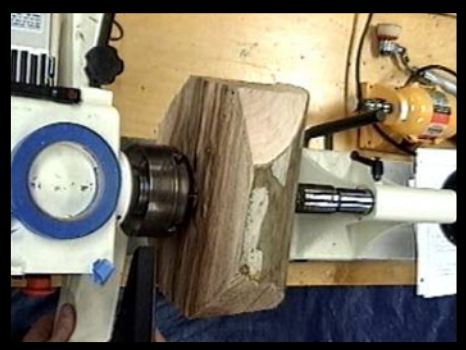
## CLUB SHIRTS - ATTENTION

I will be finalizing the shirt order at the May meeting. For those of you who have ordered, please pay me at that meeting. For anyone who is interested in ordering, this will be the time to do so for 2010. The following is provided for your information:

### **Size and Price list:**

Polo – S-XL \$22.00; XXL \$23.00  
Long Sleeve Twill – M-XL \$31.00; 2X-3X \$32.00; 4X-6X \$33.00  
Short Sleeve Twill – M-XL \$30.00; 2X-3X \$31.00; 4X-6X \$32.00  
Tee – SM-XL \$15.00; 2X-3X \$16.00  
Sweat – S-XL \$18.00; 2X-3X \$19.00  
Cap - \$12.00

I will be accepting payment at the May meeting. If you have any questions please contact me. **Thanks - Marjorie Crosby**  
[ctomsturnings@aol.com](mailto:ctomsturnings@aol.com)



**8-Sided Platter  
with Helpful Hints  
By Robert Trimmell**



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2. Spray Bloxygen into the container after opening. Bloxygen is a heavier-than-air gas available at most woodworking/woodturning stores. It will seal the finish from the air and hence prevent curing.

Another trick used by many is putting marbles into the container to raise the level of the finish and thereby forcing most of the air out. My experience has been that when you use all the finish, you have a bunch of marbles stuck together in the container.

I feel better now and hope these tips help.

Thank you **Robert Trimmell** for a very good demo on making 8-sided platters. I especially liked showing how to prep a log with a chainsaw. I had several comments from members saying they had never seen a demo on how to do that. Next month, **Charles Brooks** will demo how to add sculptural details to our turnings.

Hope to see you there. – PAC

### **Robert Rosand Demonstration Review**



[Click for more pictures](#)

**Robert Rosand** has been turning pieces of wood into beautiful bowls, ornaments and boxes for over twenty years in his shop in Pennsylvania. I am really glad that I was able to attend his demonstration put on by the **Greenville Woodturning Club**. Mr. Rosand is a great demonstrator and well known for his beautiful Christmas ornaments. He demonstrated several small projects; two bird houses, a candle stick holder, a ring holder, a small bowl, a weed pot, a Christmas ornament, tea light holder and a two piece goblet.

The thing I liked most about the demo was all the little tricks that he used in perfecting his pieces. It was obvious that after making thousands of these pieces, that he had developed many improvements in his original design. In a way I learned as much in this one day demo as I did in a whole day a SWAT, and only for a \$25 fee.

Mr. Rosand also taught me a lot about the skew, and it was his main tool. I now realize the versatility of the skew and look forward to trying it out more.



In summary, I learned a whole lot of new ideas from a veteran turner that probably took him years to perfect. – **Nathanael Landry**

**Sharpening Tip:** While in a recent class with **Stephen Hatcher**, he put water in a spray bottle that he kept by his grinder. Instead of having a messy bucket of water full of flies and wood chips to cool his tools, he sprayed them to cool them off. It keeps the area clean and looking much better. – **Joe Barreth**



### **Empty Bowls 2009-2010 Wrapup**



Our 2009-2010 Empty Bowls project ended with the banquet on April 17th. ETW donated pieces accounted for \$5,072 of the \$10,500 raised at the banquet. The ETW contribution is estimated to provide about 42,000 meals to those in need of help.

**WELL DONE!**

A big THANK YOU to those who so generously donated items to make this project such a success. – **Ken Terrell**



Denny Burd's reaction to someone bidding \$500 for his open-segmented vessel donated to Empty Bowls.

**Congratulations Denny!**



**Ralph E. Halvorsen (1922-2010)**

Long-time East Texas Woodturners member **Ralph E. Halvorsen** passed away on April 17, 2010.

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### Editor's Show & Tell Favorite

**Mahogany/Maple/Bloodwood  
Segmented Vessel  
By Don Stokesberry**

The April Show and Tell pictures can be viewed on the East Texas Woodturner's website at <http://www.easttexaswoodturners.org/>

## Mineola Open Shop Turning Day (MOST Day)

**May 15, 2010**

**Projects:** All the previous month's projects, or anything else you wish to do.

**Paul Coppinger's Shop in Mineola**  
(see website for map)

**Turning, Fun and Fellowship**

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

### LATE BREAKING NEWS

*The Turning Times* large staff of investigative reporters has learned that **Tom Crosby will be demonstrating basic segmented turning methods at the May 15th MOST Day.**

### ETW LIBRARY NOTE



Since we have a lot of new members, here is how the library works. We maintain an extensive woodturning library. There are videos, DVDs, Books and Magazines covering almost every type of woodturning ever done. List of the items are on the tables for you to search for something interesting. Help is available if you have a problem or question.

A member can check out up to 3 items at a time. The items are due back at the next meeting. If you will not be able to return the items on the second meeting please send them to us. Remember others are waiting for what you have.

To ensure the best experience for you, we use originals of all commercial items. If you damage or lose an item you are responsible for replacing it with another one or the cost of it..

This is your library; we hope you will make good use of it. All comments, suggestions and request are welcome. We are here for you, Tom & Marjorie Crosby 903 288 7378 [ctomsturnings@aol.com](mailto:ctomsturnings@aol.com)

## 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.

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Addison, Texas 75001  
(972)-241-0701 CST

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

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Thursday 9:00am to 9:00pm  
Saturday 9:00am to 6:00pm  
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### Thompson Lathe Tools

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Saturday 9:00am to 6:00pm  
Sunday 10:00am to 5:00pm

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1287 E. 1120 S., Provo, UT 84606  
1-800-551-8876  
FAX: 801-377-7742

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### Packard Woodworks

P.O. Box 718, Tryon, NC 28782  
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