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THE TURNING TIMES is a 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 Center Point Energy Entex, 7008 S. Broadway, Tyler, TX

October 11, 2003 @9:00 a.m.

THE PREZ SAYS

Did you ever have one of those days where everything went right and there was no one around to see it? Well Friday the 13 came on Saturday in September. What a demo! I bet you won't forget that one, I know I won't.

I tried the strapping tape method again and it still did not work right, then I looked at Bill Berry's instructions and saw that you are suppose to use a steady rest also, the tape is just to hold the turning to the jam chuck. Sometimes it is good to look at the instructions first!

You have got to admit that the Vacuum Chuck worked great. If you ever use one you will wonder how you got along without it. If you are thinking about getting one or if you have questions about using the one you have let me know. We do have some very knowledgeable members that will be glad to help you.

Ask Walter Tate, he came over and tried mine and was very impressed, you are certainly welcome also.

If you have never done a demo you should really do one, it is the best learning tool there is. I always learn something when I do a demo. Sometimes it is while I am getting ready that I learn something new. Sometimes it is while I am doing the demo and I learn something I shouldn't do. However it goes I always have a good time.

October is going to be a big month for the Club. We are having a get together / cookout at Mark Anthony's on Oct 10th, the Friday before the meeting, unless the weather refuses to cooperate. Since the parking will be on the grass if there is a big rain the day before or that day we will have to reschedule. If that does happen and you don't know for sure if it is a go or not give Mark or me a call. Bring your lawn chairs and if you fish you can bring your gear; there is a pond next to the house. Everybody is invited to come and bring the family. This should be a good

time for everyone. Show up about 5 or 5:30. See you there! (See attached map for directions.)

The meeting on Oct 11th, will feature Larry Hancock. As many of you know Larry is one of the premier turners in the part of the world. He will be doing Southwest style turnings. If you haven't seen him work before you are in for a real treat. You really don't want to miss this.

Be sure and bring something for the Show and Tell this month. For the drawing we have a 4X6X6 blank of Maple Burl from Canada, one of the best pieces of wood we have ever. The guys at Woodcraft really outdid themselves this month. I was very tempted to keep this one and put something else in its place.

The raffle this month will be for a 3/8 Spindle Gouge, Can of Wax, Diamond Credit Card hone, center finder rule, Hut Crystal Coat, great for those Christmas ornaments, and a \$15 Gift certificate from Craft Supplies. This is the last month on the 3-month raffle for the Ellsworth Gouge, and time is getting short to get your chances for the Wolverine sharpening system with grinder.

Ann tells me that she is not going to be able to continue as Sec/newsletter editor next year. We need some help on filling this position; this is a most important job. I know that Ann will be a hard act to follow but I promise you if you volunteer you will get all the help you need. Also, Joe says that he will not be able to be Treasurer next year so we need someone to fill that vacancy too. Your Club Officers REALLY NEED YOUR HELP finding replacements for these jobs. Lets hear from some volunteers this is YOUR CLUB!

Also if there are any other offices that you are interested in (especially Prez) I am sure that we can get you elected.

Looking forward to seeing you Fri and Sat.

Tom

THE HARDWOOD BARN

WOODWORKERS DAY

Anyone interested in joining us for our monthly WOODWORKERS DAY is welcome. Traditionally held the **third Saturday** of each month **from March through November**. We provide an informal atmosphere for those of you who turn wood just for the pleasure of it. Whether you want to bring your lathe and give demonstrations, just watch, or ask questions (remember, the only dumb question is the unasked one). Come join us. **Chef Lois** will again be on hand to delight you with her culinary cuisine, which is hot dogs and hamburgers. So if you find yourself with nothing to do come make sawdust with us and make some new friends. If nothing else the tall stories fly along with the wood shaving. We are located in **Mt Enterprise on Hwy. 259 South**. We start around 9:00AM and end around 2:00PM.

Tom Crosby demo in September



**Our illustrious Prez. Even the great ones have things go wrong. Remember!
Read instructions!!!**

Great job Ed & Paul



Maaaarrvelous! John

John Leonard showed us how to turn these beautiful candlesticks at the August meeting.



It's not as easy as he makes it look. Thanks John

NOTICE: S. "Doc" Gleason will be the Featured Artist for the month of October at the Gallery 1 on Tyler St downtown Longview. This special exhibit will begin with a reception at Gallery 1 on Saturday, October 11 from 3:00pm to 6:00pm. "Doc" will be exhibiting his Woodcarvings, woodturnings, and woodcarved turnings. Souvineer turned pieces of the cut-down old oak trees on Tyler St. will be available for purchase.
Gallery 1 phone number 903-242-9944



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A mentor is someone who enjoys providing training, encouragement, advice, help in building jigs, and other woodturning related help for the rest of our club members. If you are interested in taking advantage of their offers, all you need to do is contact them. They will listen to your requests, decide how they can best help and they will provide you with telephone assistance, invite you to their shop, or come to your shop. This is an offer you need to take advantage of. All you need to do is ask. Phone numbers and e-mail addresses are provided below. You can also talk to them at our club meeting.

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