

THE TURNING TIMES

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Visit us at www.easttexaswoodturners.org

Meeting at First Christian Church

July 13, 2024



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The Prez says:

Well as the old saying goes, "Spring has sprung and fall has fell summer is here and boy is it **HOT**." For those of you that have A/C in your shop it's not too bad, for those of you that don't, I'm sorry.

It's time again for our monthly meeting and unless there is a power outage or somebody forgot to pay the bill we will be cool. This month's demonstration will be a hands-on - - on tool sharpening. We will have three demonstrators with grinders to show how to sharpen tools. Dennis Ford will show how he sharpens without using any jigs and just a platform. Paul Coppinger and Danny King will be showing how they sharpen using the Wolverine system. If you're like me and you just can't seem to get a good edge on your tools or you are just getting started and want to learn how to sharpen this is the meeting that you will want to attend. If you want to learn you will need to do two things, bring the tools you want to learn to sharpen and safety glasses or a face shield. Even if you want to get up close and watch you will still need glasses or a face shield. Safety first.

I hope to see you Saturday July 13 at 9 am and don't forget to bring your show and tell items and Beads of Courage boxes if you have any. Also don't forget MOST at Paul's shop in Mineola on the 20th from 9 till noon. Bring some wood and tools and turn something or just watch. Those that are turning are always willing to answer any questions.

David Chrisp

Mineola Open Shop Turning Day

The next MOST day is tentatively scheduled for:

July 20, 2024

Turning, Fun and Fellowship

If we are not having fun, we are not doing it right

ANCHOR SEAL FOR SALE

The Club has Anchor Seal end grain sealer for sale at most Club meetings. The cost is now \$20 for members or \$25 for non-members per gallon. **Dennis Ford** is the person to get it from, pay our treasurer, **Dennis Lorenz**. If you need some between meetings, contact Dennis Ford at 936-676-9652 or dennis@denniswoodart.com Note that Dennis Ford lives in Lufkin not Tyler

CLASSIFIEDS

<u>Classified Ad Policy:</u> 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.

ANNOUNCING!! A new website for one of our members. Please check it out at: drdonswoodturning.com.

Thanks, Don Cutler

For Sale: 5 HP, 60 gallon, twin piston air compressor. This is a beast of a compressor! 220V, 30 amp circuit required (21 A running current). It is on wheels and can be moved easily, but it is very heavy to lift. \$800

Ken Wurtzel 267-884-9326 Bullard, TX

For sale:

Porter Cable Variable Speed, 2hp Plunge Router With Vermont American Table and 27 Shaper/Router Bits (most unused). All in excellent condition \$250

Paul Coppinger 993 312 3052

Personalized Turning Classes

Paul Coppinger - Mineola - 903-638-6008 paulcop68@thecoppingers.net

LESSONS: Woodturning classes my shop. Please call aftenoons for more info **903-216-5564**. cbrooks@suddenlink.net

Charles Brooks (Whitehouse, Texas)

For Sale: Craftsman lathe see picture below. All including cabinet can be had for \$100! Contact **Don Cutler** for details. **903-521-0729**



June Show & Tell pictures









East Texas Woodturners Fact-Sheet

We meet once a month (usually on the second Saturday) at 9:00 AM at The First Christian Church, Tyler in the Conference room. At our monthly meetings, there is a show and tell table, a raffle for tools and/or gift certificates, and a demonstration. Oh, yeah – there is always lots of discussion and opinions – don't be afraid to ask!

Please visit our web page at http://www.easttexaswoodturners.org/ - also, find us on Facebook – look for East Texas Woodturners. Take a look at the "Mentor Program" on our web page to see contact information on mentors that will help you with turning situations. There is also information on ETW's vast library resources (see "Library"). And for dues iformation, click on "Membership Form".

Also once a month (usually one week after our normal meeting), a lot of us gather at Paul Coppinger's shop in Mineola for MOST (Mineola Open Shop Turning). This is a come-and-go "hands-on" event, where you can turn on one of seven mini lathes, ask questions, or just watch. See "MOST Day" on the web page.

ETW participates in the "Beads of Courage" program – this is a national program where kids undergoing various medical procedures (usually cancer) are awarded beads for these procedures and need a container for their beads. See http://www.beadsofcourage.org/ for additional information.

SWAT (Southwest Association of Turners) has an annual symposium in August – it is a 2-1/2 day event usually held in Waco at the convention center. The 2022 meeting had over 800 attendees, 32 vendors, a variety of demonstrations, and a gallery of beautiful turnings. ETW is responsible for the Art Gallery See http://www.swaturners.org/ for more details and cost information.

Member discounts are available from several vendors – please ask the vendor if a discount is available. Please remember that most discount lists are usually updated only once a year, after the dues are collected in the Spring.

Have questions? See the Newsletter for club officer contact information.

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http://woodworldtx.com/

East Texas Hardwoods

Pittsburg Texas Joe Hallonquist Cell- 936-577-4306

Carter & Son Toolworks

Woodturning Tools 206-878-7672 http://www.carterandsontoolworks.com/

(see Dennis Lorenz or Paul Coppinger for discount code)

Hands-on Sharpening

Hopefully we will have lots of participation Saturday (July 13) with the "hands on tool sharpening" meeting.

If you are looking for options on bowl grind shape, go back to the May 2023 newsletter and read the article on page 6. With that said, I recommend that you choose a grind shape and stick with it until your successes outnumber the catches you get with it. That will make learning the next shape easier and will enable you to determine when to use one and when to use the other. I also recommend that beginners avoid the extreme grind angles and extra long side grinds until they get some experience using the "normal" grinds.

I will be set up with platforms on my grinder, not a jig. If you are interested in grinding gouges with a platform, I will show how I do it and help you try it. Most people use a jig for bowl gouges and spindle gouges, scrapers and parting tools are easier on a platform. Please note that the jig helps you get consistent results, it does NOT work without YOU.

The goal of this program is helping you get better at sharpening, a side benefit could be sharp tools to take home. Bring some tools to sharpen!

Dennis Ford

Pictures and text via email from Worth Holmes





Latest shop playing... It is made out of maple burl and bamboo wood. The bamboo is great for turning finials. It is very hard and straight grain.

I plan on finishing it with poly. Wall thickness of the burl is about ½", except the outer edge is about 3/8". My hollowing tools would not let me get that far out when the hole was only 5/8" in diameter.

Editor's note: I hope we see this piece at a meeting with the finish applied, it should bring out the burl figure.

SWAT

I hope many of you will be at SWAT and helping with the Art Gallery. It is always an inspiring experience. East Texas Woodturners gets \$1000 per year for running the Art Gallery at SWAT, this is a significant portion of our budget, we can use your help. If you plan on going to demonstrations at SWAT, you need to register. It is much less expensive to register online. Online registration ends July 31, don't delay too long. It is not necessary to register if you only want to visit / help the Art Gallery and spend money at the Vendors.

The demonstrator information and the demonstration schedule for SWAT is online at www.swaturners.org

Dennis Ford