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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

April 12, 2008 @ 9:00 a.m.

## Calendar of Events

- April 12, 2008**  
Regular Club Meeting
- April 30, 2008**  
SCTJWC Rm. 101
- May 10, 2008**  
Regular Club Meeting
- May 22-24, 2008**  
Utah Woodturning Sym.  
Orem, UT
- June 4, 2008**  
SCTJWC Rm. 101
- June 11-13, 2008**  
Hands On Classes with  
Alan Leland
- June 14, 2008**  
Regular Club Meeting
- June 20-22, 2008**  
AAW Symposium  
Richmond, Virginia
- July 2, 2008**  
SCTJWC Rm. 101
- July 12, 2008**  
Regular Club Meeting
- July 30, 2008**  
SCTJWC Rm. 101
- August 9, 2008**  
Regular Club Meeting
- August 16, 2008**  
Club Shop Day  
(Paul Coppinger shop)
- September 3, 2008**  
SCTJWC Rm. 101
- September 13, 2008**  
Regular Club Meeting
- October 1, 2008**  
SCTJWC Rm. 101
- October 11, 2008**  
Regular Club Meeting
- October 17-19, 2008**  
SWAT Symposium  
Waco, TX
- October 29, 2008**  
SCTJWC Rm 101
- November 8, 2008**  
Regular Club Meeting

SCTJWC = Steering Committee Meeting @ TJC West Campus

## THE PREZ SAYS

Hello ET Turners,



It was sure a surprise to a lot of us to see a “Three Cornered Bowl” come out of a cube, but we have learned not to expect anything less from **Tom Criswell**. It was definitely a great demo that generated lots of interest as does all of Tom’s demos. Thank you Tom for bringing in new ideas.

April 12 we will get to see **Tom Crosby** demo some of his tricks that he uses to create his unique pieces with a program titled “This & That” or did he say “Dis ‘n Dat”? Anyway, it will be an enjoyable and entertaining demo.

**Editor’s Note:** Tom Crosby has asked me to pass along the following suggestion – *based on past demonstration experiences, I recommend the members sitting in the first row bring faceshield protection.*



The Setup/Clean Up Crew for April 12 is **Bobby Barron, Jose Alanis, Charles Howser, Tom Canfield, Jack Day, Joe Cass and Wendell Kahler**.

We would like to have several volunteers to be “Greeters” to meet & welcome visitors and explain things like library checkout rules, monthly raffles, quarterly raffles. Please contact **Cecil Cox**, Volunteer Coordinator or me if you would like to help with this.

Remember that May Show & Tell will be for our “oops” pieces, the ones that we messed up on. A lot of times these pieces are just another design

opportunity. Go ahead and bring your successes, but we will only discuss the “oops” (depending on the number of items that we have).

We will talk more about this next month, but as of now we will not have Show & Tell on June 14 or any type of business. We will double up the raffle items for the July meeting, and have the quarterly raffle in July also, so save that raffle money until July. This is due to the fact that Alan Leland’s demo will start at 8:30am and run until 11:30am. We have to be out of TJC by 12:00 on this date, and we will need everyone to help with Clean Up so we can accomplish this (for this date only).

Keep a sharp tool and let the chips fly, – **Charles**

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## Welcome New ETW Members

ETW had one new member signup at the March 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. Please welcome **Buddy Morphis** to the club. – **Bill Holmes**

## 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 either 903-592-6009 or at [jd11938@gmail.com](mailto:jd11938@gmail.com)

**Woodworking Tools For Sale:** Craftsman 13" thickness planer with stand and retractable casters Bought new in late 2002/early 2003 and comes with owner's manual and instructions. I also have a 12" Drill Press for sale. Kevin Stevenson - 903-570-1724 (CELL) or 903-825-1105 (HOME) [Kevin@unitedcountrylakepalestine.com](mailto:Kevin@unitedcountrylakepalestine.com)

**Anchor Seal:** 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.



**Cole Jaws For Sale:** Cole jaws for a Nova chuck with homemade rings to accommodate bowl OD's from 4-3/4" to 10-15/16" diameter, \$75. Chuck shown in picture is not included.

Ben Gallagher [bfgallagher@cablelynx.com](mailto:bfgallagher@cablelynx.com)

**Poulan Wildthing Chainsaw For Sale:** 18 inch bar; one used and two new chains; carrying case. Runs and cuts good. \$100 John Leonard 903-592-6009.

**Trailer Wheel For Sale:** 16 inch White Spoke 5 Hole Trailer Wheel and mounted tire. Would make a good spare if needed. \$20. Tom Criswell 903-509-1042 [tmcriswell@yahoo.com](mailto:tmcriswell@yahoo.com)



**Bandsaw For Sale:** 10" Delta Bandsaw. Less than a year old. Complete with manuals, & 4 blades 1/8" to 1/2". \$100 Casey Weldon, 903-765-2945

**Wanted To Buy:** Nova or Oneway chuck for Jet Mini Lathe. Don Griffin 903-753-8706

## 2008 ETW MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Our membership renewal drive began on November 1, 2007, and concluded at the end of our regular club meeting in March. Anyone who renewed or joined ETW by the March deadline will be included in the club directory which is being assembled by **Ed Heuslein**, and should be ready for distribution at the April 12 meeting.



At the end of the renewal drive, ETW had 98 members, 20 of whom were new members who joined ETW after November 1. In some instances certain individual family members are considered members as well, and the membership of ETW swells to around 120 when that scenario is used.

It should be noted that dues may be paid during the remainder of the year, and that new members are accepted into ETW at any time.– **Bill Holmes**

## Membership Cards

If you have paid your ETW 2008 dues and did not receive a membership card, please contact Bill Holmes or stop by the Secretary's table at the April 12th meeting to receive one. The card is sometimes required by local retailers who offer club members discounts (i.e., Rockler in Mesquite) – **Bill Holmes**

## East Texas Woodturner's 2008 Program Schedule

<u>Apr 12, 2008</u>	<u>Tom Crosby</u>	<u>Odds And Ends</u>
May 10, 2008	John Leonard	Coring Technique
June 14, 2008	Alan Leland	Green-Wood Turning
July 12, 2008	Steve LaGrue	The Friendly Skew
Aug. 9, 2008	Paul Coppinger Mike DeLong	Miniture Hollow Vessels - KISS
Aug. 16, 2008	Membership	Shop Day (Coppinger Shop)
Sept. 13, 2008	Ken Terrell	Finial Boxes
Oct. 11, 2008	TBD	TBD
Nov. 1, 2008	Norm Dixon	TBD
Dec. 13, 2008	Membership	Christmas Party

## ETW APPAREL INFORMATION

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

**POLO** – S-XL \$23.00; XXL – XXXL \$24.00

**LONG SLEEVE TWILL** – M-XL \$29.00; 2X-3X \$30.00; 4X-6X \$32.00

**SHORT SLEEVE TWILL** – M-XL \$28.00; 2X-3X \$29.00; 3X-6X \$31.00

**TEE** – SM-XL \$18.00; 2X-3X \$19.00

**SWEAT** – S-XL \$20.00; 2X-3X \$21.00

**CAP** - \$12.00

If you want to order a shirt, contact me by e-mail [ctomsturnings@aol.com](mailto:ctomsturnings@aol.com) or see me at the next meeting to get your name on the list. When I get enough I will contact you for payment prior to my placing the order. Any questions please contact me. Thanks **Marjorie Crosby**

**NOTICE:** This will be the only time in 2008 to purchase the above club apparel.

## Empty Bowls Banquet Report

On March 29 the Empty Bowls dinner and raffle was held at Marvin United Methodist Church. Attending from East Texas Woodturners were Danny King, Jerry McQueen, Ed Heuslein, Tom and Margie Crosby my wife Kay and I. The silent auction consisted of a single table of ceramic bowls and 15 or so of our turned items. It was a sight to behold, wood everywhere you looked. You folks sure do nice work. We had nine pieces in the live auction that brought in \$2570.00. A fluted bowl that Ken Terrell donated sold for \$800.00. All together they raised \$20,000.00 to fight hunger in East Texas. It was my pleasure to accept a plaque of appreciation for the Club. I wish you could have been there. It was a great night for our Club and the hungry of East Texas. – **John Leonard**

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## Helping Others In Tyler

**Tyler Morning Telegraph** (April 1, 2008): RAVES to the Tyler community for your support of Empty Bowls. This hunger awareness and relief event raised \$20,000 for three vital relief agencies in our community: St. Paul Children's Foundation, PATH and the East Texas Food Bank. We appreciate all of the artists who created over 400 hand-crafted bowls for the auction. We are especially grateful for our three major bowl sponsors: the East Texas Woodturners, Piddlin' Pottery and Bonner Elementary School.

We also thank all of the restaurants and businesses who provided soups and bread for the dinner. This annual event reminds us that many in our community go to bed hungry with empty pantries, empty refrigerators and empty bowls. We have a wonderful opportunity to help others by simply sharing what we have and making our community a better place to be!

*Melissa Wilkins Brigman  
Director of Missions  
Marvin United Methodist Church  
Tyler*

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## Cold Tip

Ever use epoxy? I do all the time. I use the 5-minute type which starts setting up after about 3 minutes. In the past, when I have a lengthy project, like inserting abalone inserts into a turning, I've been making several batches so it doesn't set up on me while I'm working. Well, no more. Here's the tip: Take a cold aluminum beverage can from the fridge - juice, soda, beer, whatever. Turn it upside down and you'll notice the bottom is concave. Mix your epoxy in the bottom of that cold can. It won't set up for a long time while in the cold can. It will be very thick while mixing it in the can, but don't worry as once you take a little dab and use it, it just starts melting into place, then sets up as normal.

– **Ed Heuslein**

## Call For Help From the AAW

The AAW recently called on all woodturners to help former AAW President Phil Brennon. Phil spent five productive years as an AAW board member and two years as AAW President. He is an accomplished turner and teacher from Chino Valley, Arizona, and co-owner of Van Gogh's Ear, a successful crafts gallery in nearby Prescott. He has also written many articles for both American Woodturner and WOOD Magazine.

Phil has been battling severe medical problems caused by an ill-performed chiropractic procedure in 1982. A recent emergency surgery has left him paralyzed from the neck down. Phil's family is optimistic that he will regain movement in his hands and legs with time – the doctors say it can take up to two years to see what movement will be regained.

In spite of healthcare insurance, the uncovered medical and therapy expenses have exhausted the Brennon's finances. The AAW urges all woodturners to help this generous and caring woodturner by contributing any amount to the following account setup for this purpose:

Brennon, Account 778853713  
Chase Bank AZ1-0536  
31 Butterfield Road  
Chino Valley, AZ 86323

More detailed information can be obtained from the AAW website: <http://www.woodturner.org/>

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## Alan Leland Sessions Update

June 9-14, 2008

Just a reminder of our upcoming June "Hands On" Alan Leland classes. For anyone that is not scheduled for one of the classes we are still taking names for alternates. Should any of you be interested please contact John Leonard (903-592-6009) or Ken Terrell (903-839-4735). – **Ken Terrell**

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## 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

### April 12, 2008:

Dust-B-Gone Mask  
Potpourri Cloisones  
Renaissance Wax  
Ornament Holder  
Diamond Wheel Dresser  
Ruth Niles Threaded Bottle Stoppers  
Air Grinder – Random Orbital

### Second Quarter 2008:

Wolverine Sharpening System + Vari-Grind Jig

Annual 2008: Jet Variable Speed Mini Lathe

April 2008 Meeting



Tom Criswell and some samples of nested 3-cornered bowls.



Tom's 3-cornered bowls side-by-side – gorgeous!



Tom started with a cube of Spalted Hackberry.



He shaped the outside of the bowl first.



Then he removed the inside – watch those fingers!.



A beautiful Spalted Hackberry 3-cornered bowl almost done.



The March meeting had a good Show & Tell display.



A big **THANKS** to Mark Anthony for filling in for Ed.

## 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.

### WOODCRAFT

1430 Marsh Lane  
Addison, Texas 75001  
(972) 241-0701

Monday-Friday 9:00am to 7:00pm  
Thursday 9:00am to 9:00pm  
Saturday 9:00am to 6:00pm  
Sunday 11:00am to 5:00pm



### ROCKLER

18661 Interstate Hwy. 635 Suite 400  
Mesquite, TX 75150  
(972) 613-8848

Monday-Friday 9:00am to 7:00pm  
Saturday 9:00am to 6:00pm  
Sunday 10:00am to 5:00pm

### Craft Supplies USA

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

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

Monday-Friday, 7:00am to 6:00pm, MST

### Packard Woodworks

P.O. Box 718  
Tryon, North Carolina 28782  
1-800-683-8876  
FAX: (828) 859-551

<http://www.packardwoodworks.com/index.html>

Monday-Friday, 8:30am to 5:00pm, EST

### Johnson Wood Products

34897 Crystal Rd.  
Strawberry Point, Iowa 52076  
563-933-6504

Wood Turning Blanks, Bowl Blanks,  
Sculpturing and Carving Blocks, Fancy  
Gunstock Blanks, Special Cuttings

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