

# THE TURNING TIMES

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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**

**August 9, 2003 @9:00 a.m.**

## De Prez Sezs

Well another Club Challenge is now history and Congratulations to Norm, Willis and Mike for getting the vote for best work. I hope that everyone had as much fun as I did. Yes Mr. Brooks the team I was on came in second so I know you are happy.

Isn't it interesting how different minds work? Five teams had the same stuff to work with but the results were so varied. I'm glad that I didn't have to vote for a winner, what a hard choice.

Thanks once again to Gene Kircus for bringing this idea to the Club.

As usual bring money to the meeting this month; the raffle items are, Dust-Be-Gone mask, #2 Morse taper cleaner, diamond credit card hone, Flex-light, Super thin CA glue and persimmon bark dust, and a gallon of Anchor Seal. Also we start a Quarterly raffle for a David Ellsworth bowl gouge, and the Christmas raffle is more that half over so don't forget to get a few tickets for that. We are having great response to the raffles; that means we can have more and better stuff. If you have a suggestion from your wish list that you would like have a chance at please let me know.

Don't forget to bring your latest stuff for show and tell. We have a couple of extra nice pieces of wood this month, from Woodcraft a beautiful blank of Afzelia Xylocarpa Burl for a vase or Finial box, and from The Hardwood Barn a great piece of Canarywood. Don't miss a chance or one of these; you just have to bring in one piece to get your ticket.

The Bank of America show starts on 30 July and runs to 27 Aug. Be sure to visit the Bank in downtown Tyler and see just how good our stuff looks.

If you haven't signed up for the TTT-SWAT symposium in Wichita Falls on Labor Day weekend you need to get your entry in soon. You definitely DO NOT want to miss this. This is going to be the best one yet. If you have never been to a symposium like this you just don't know what you have missed. The facility is wonderful and you will see some of the best turnings in the world. If you just like to look at turnings it is worth the trip. If you need ideas or inspiration for your work you will find more

than you can ever do. Also our Club is in charge of the Instant Gallery this year and with Ken Terrell in command you know that it will be a class act all the way.

If you don't belong to the American Association of Woodturners, Why not? This is a great organization. If it were not for AAW we probably would not have the club we have now. They provide much assistance to clubs worldwide and greatly increase the interest in woodturning. This leads to more people being interested which leads to more demand for equipment which leads to more competition and better equipment and on and on. You also get a subscription to the American Woodturner magazine that has informative articles on how to do things as well as where to get things and a gallery of outstanding turnings. So if you don't belong give serious consideration to joining.

You need to plan ahead for Sat, 1 Nov, when we are planning to have our next Basic Turning seminar. Mark Anthony is in charge this year so if he asks for help be ready. We will have lathes set up with someone at each to give you help on whatever you want and some basic instructions and tips. These are always enjoyable experiences.

At the meeting on Sat the 9<sup>th</sup> of Aug. John Lenoard is going to show us how to make those beautiful candlesticks. You don't want to miss this demonstration by one of our best turners.

I'll see you there, TOM

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## NOTICE

If you want a club shirt of any kind you need to let Tom Crosby know at the Aug meeting. We have a few orders now but not enough to justify an order. This will be the last chance to get shirts this year. Also if you would like a patch of the club logo they are available for \$9 each or 2 for \$16. The patches can be ordered any time.

## Turn & Learn Open Shop

As an addition to our mentor program a Turn & Learn open shop was held at Tom Crosby's shop on Sat 26 July. Willis, Martin, Clint Surlles, Joseph Armstrong, Jimmy McCreary, Ed Heuslein and Mark Anthony came to turn and talk. J. J. and Linda Altier dropped in just to see what was going on but Linda turned and J.J. talked for a while too. It is always fun and informative to get together and make chips and conversation. There will be more of these in the future.

JULY WINNERS: NORM, WILLIS, & MIKE



## 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.



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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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