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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

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

Calendar of Events

- July 12, 2008**
Regular Club Meeting
- July 26, 2008**
Freedom Pen Turnathon
Wood World – Dallas
- July 30, 2008**
SCTJCW Rm. 101
- August 9, 2008**
Regular Club Meeting
- August 23, 2008**
Club Shop Day
(Paul Coppinger shop)
- September 13, 2008**
Regular Club Meeting
- October 11, 2008**
Regular Club Meeting
- October 17-19, 2008**
SWAT Symposium
Waco, TX
- October 22, 2008**
SCTJCW Rm 101
- November 1, 2008**
Regular Club Meeting
- December 13, 2008**
Regular Club Meeting
Christmas Party

SCTJCW = Steering Committee Meeting @ TJC West Campus

THE PREZ SAYS

Hello ET Turners,

What a fun month! Forty members participated in and enjoyed **Alan Leland's** five one-day workshops. **Allen** finished off the week on Saturday with an all-day club demo, spending the morning at **TJC**, and the afternoon at **John Leonard's** shop, and I personally received a surprise big **70** from my daughter and grandson with all of our immediate family present. Hard to beat a month like this.



Everyone I've talked to that attended the workshop had a great time and picked up valuable information from Alan. A great **BIG THANK YOU** to **Paul and Donna Coppinger** for hosting the workshop, to **Mike DeLong** for assisting Paul, to **Ken Terrell** for handling all the details in getting Alan here and taking care of scheduling the classes, to **John Leonard** for hosting the Saturday afternoon demo. And not to be left out, a **BIG THANK YOU** to all the members who helped in clean up and getting us out by 12:00.

For the July demo, we welcome back **Steve LeGrue** from Houston. Steve did a demo for the club when we were downtown, and it was a great experience. He will be demonstrating "The Friendly Skew" program. Steve owns "The Cutting Edge" store in Houston and teaches classes in the facility. This will be another outstanding demonstration on using the skew and on woodturning.

The Setup/clean up volunteers for July 12 demo are: **John & Dotti Robertson, Bobby Barron, Jack Day, Tom Crocker, Archie Stivner, and Jeff Long.**

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

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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**



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

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

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.

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.



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



One of Alan Leland's beautiful and delicate Christmas ornaments.

East Texas Woodturner's Raffle Items

The July raffle will be extra large since it includes items that would have normally been raffled off in June. So bring some extra money and take a chance on winning some goodies. The quarterly raffle will also take place at the July meeting and the prize is quite fitting in light of the sharpening instructions we received from Alan Leland last month.

July 12, 2008:

(Monthly items are subject to change based on availability)

Salt & Pepper Mills	Diamond Credit Card Sharpener
Clock Movement	Confetti Lights
Beall Tap (1"-8tpi)	Potpourri Pewter Top
Niles Wine Stopper Kit (2)	Spindle Gouge Kit
Kay Leonard Smock	Dust Masks
Crown Parting Tool	Plastic Squeeze Bottles

Second Quarter 2008 (July):

Wolverine Sharpening System + Vari-Grind Jig

Annual 2008: Jet Variable Speed Mini Lathe

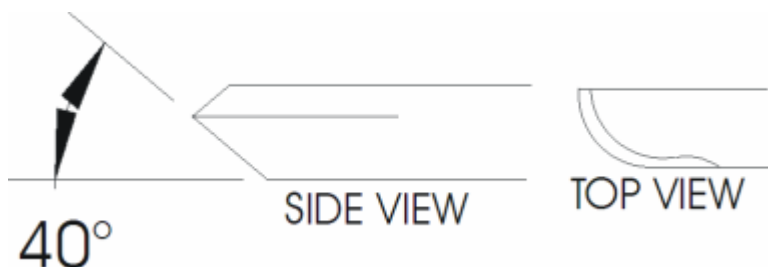
East Texas Woodturner's 2008 Program Schedule

<u>July 12, 2008</u>	<u>Steve LaGrue</u>	<u>The Friendly Skew</u>
Aug. 9, 2008	Paul Coppinger Mike DeLong	Miniture Hollow Vessels - KISS
Aug. 23, 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

NEGATIVE RAKE OR DUAL BEVEL SCRAPER

The negative rake or dual bevel scraper is much easier to use for removing tool marks from end grain hollowing, such as boxes, than a regular scraper. It will NOT catch, even pushed directly into end grain of woods like Bois D'Arc. It also works on cross grain bowls, but the difference is not as noticeable.

This tool is formed by taking a regular scraper and grinding a bevel on both top and bottom of the tool. Any shape can be used. The intersection of the bevels can be from the center of the tool to about 2/3 up from the bottom. An angle of approximately 40 degrees works best. An angle of 70 or 80 degrees, as is usually used on a scraper, does not work.



When sharpening, finish with the top of the tool up, this will leave a burr in the cutting position. Only the bottom bevel needs to be ground until the top bevel becomes less than about 1/8 to 1/16 of an inch. If desired the tool can be sharpened with the top and bottom reversed thereby enabling you the use it in a reverse direction. The tool is used flat at about the center of the piece. It is not used below center as with a regular scraper. – Tom Crosby

SWAT 2008

The Southwest Association of Turners (SWAT) will hold the annual symposium in Waco, Texas on October 17 – 19, 2008. For those of you who are not familiar with SWAT, let's use a comparison. Think about your favorite club demonstration since you've become a member. Now multiply that by about a hundred and that's what you'll be in for. International turners from around the world as well as regional turners from within the SWAT affiliated clubs will dazzle you with their turning techniques and teaching abilities. These are people who love to share – no secrets in the woodturning world. All of this can be yours for only \$125.00 each. That's for all three days!! And, it includes lunch for all three days. Now, you can't beat that with a stick! There are raffle prizes, including a Powermatic 3520b lathe, and opportunities to purchase those "must have" tools, woods, and supplies from all of the vendors who will be there (and most of them give at least a 10% discount). The Instant Gallery, under the care of the East Texas Woodturners club and under the tutelage of our own John Leonard, is worth the trip in itself. So, plan to join us. You won't regret it. Registration as well as accommodation information is available at www.swaturners.org. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions. – **Ed Heuslein**



Who was that masked man, and why were his feet green?

Leland Class Pictures

Visit <http://picasaweb.google.com/mpdelong/LelandClasses> to see random pictures taken during the five days of the Alan Leland's classes. – **Editor**

Wood World's

Annual Freedom Pen Turnathon

July 26, 2008 9:00 AM till 4:00 PM
13650 TI Blvd #101, Dallas, TX 75243
972-669-9130

East Texas Woodturners Mentor Program

The Steering Committee is concerned that the club's Mentor Program is not being used to its fullest capabilities. In that light, the Steering Committee has established a Mentor Program chairman, Ed Heuslein, to oversee the program and establish guidelines in its use. Below is a simple set of requirements that has been adopted as official club policy.

Please, call a mentor. Get some help on that little turning, finishing, or tool sharpening problem you've been having. We're here to help. – **Ed Heuslein**

Mentor Program Requirements

Requirements to be a mentor are few and simple. You:

1. Must volunteer.
2. Must submit a request, orally or in writing, to a Steering Committee member.
3. Must be a member in good standing (current year's dues paid).
4. Must renew dues by the March meeting each year.
5. Must be willing to mentor at your own shop or the other person's shop if necessary.
6. Volunteers will be discussed and approved or disapproved by the Steering Committee.
7. **The Steering Committee has final authority to approve or remove you as a mentor.**

Narrow Cut-off Tool Tip

My narrow cut off tool is only a 1/16 in. thick. When I use it to cut off pieces it gets very hot. I found that by putting carnauba wax (I use Johnson's floor wax) on the sides before starting the cut, the heat build up is minimal. – **Robert Trimmell**

June 2008 Meeting



Alan Leland provided the June demonstration.



Preparing to turn a wet Maple bowl blank.



First shaping the outside of the wet blank....



then removing wood from the inside of the bowl.



Alan discussed the various ways to dry a wet bowl blank....



and the use and sharpening of various edge tool bevels.



Those attending the afternoon session at John Leonard's shop were treated to some *up-close-and-personal* instruction.



Alan working on one of his very delicate icicles for a Christmas ornament.

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
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Saturday 9:00am to 6:00pm
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(972) 613-8848

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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

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