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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 John Leonard's Shop

March 11, 2006 @ 9:00 a.m.

The Prez says

Hello Turners. Ken Terrell's "Question and Answer Session" turned out to be a big success. I think the questions would not have stopped if we had stayed all day. Of course the majority of questions involved finishing. This tells us we must look into increasing our knowledge in this area. I am going to ask Tom Crosby to look for additions to the library, which will help in this area.

Many thanks to John Leonard for sharing his knowledge about sanding techniques. We will see more of this knowledge this month when John presents the "Wet to dry" program at his shop.

Remember, March's meeting will be held at John Leonard's shop due to TJC being closed for Spring Break. The map to John's place is on the website. Parking is beside the driveway in the front yard. There will be people posted to guide you. Please do not block the drive. **Bring a chair** or be prepared to stand for three hours. The library will be available for checkouts and you may also return items you have out.

March is a busy month for all of us. Some will be going to the Grapevine Woodcarvers show. Others are involved with the younger generation during spring break. The Back to Basics, New Turners Seminar will be held on March 25th at the Skill's Center next to where we usually meet at TJC. While we are not doing the Oklahoma Forest Heritage Center Exhibit,

it is beginning this month through May 5th and the Tulsa Woodturners gladly welcome you to visit this year.

We have been working hard to make sure that the raffles for 2006 are the best ever. Remember if you arrive after the meeting has started the Raffle desk and the Secretary desk are closed until the break. Please quietly take your seat until the break.

This will be an exciting meeting and there will be plenty of temptation to talk during the demonstration. Please go outside if you need to talk to someone. John has a big yard.

I want to thank John in advance for hosting this meeting. He is going above the normal call of duty for us. A lot is going on for him right now and he is still putting his time in for us when many would have taken a break. We are already looking for individuals interested in helping with the Club's administration for 2007. Remember John's dedication as an example when you consider if you wish to be more involved.

At the February meeting, I made an announcement that Klingspor's had offered a 35% discount to Club members. This information came directly from Klingspor Abrasives. After some confusion by myself and some of our members, I called Klingspor and was informed that there are two Klingspor entities, Klingspor Abrasives the Wholesale division and Klingspor's
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Calendar of Events

April 08, 2006

Regular Meeting

May 13, 2006

Regular Meeting

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Classifieds

For Sale: Delta 12" Variable Speed Wood Lathe w/Face Shield-Tools & Acc. Ex. Condition \$895.00. Also Delta Wood Lathe Duplicator \$375.00. Prices are negotiable. Items may be seen at Charleston Leaded Glass on Alice St. in Tyler. 903-561-4533 or 903-561-8406. Ask for Buster.

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From The Editor

Each month I send out an email to everyone requesting information for the upcoming newsletter. If anyone has anything to sell, general information they would like to share, or a funny story about a woodturning experience, please send it to me. I would love to include it in your newsletter. This is **your newsletter** and I want to make it entertaining, as well as informative.

The Library News

Tom and Marjorie want to remind you to please return everything you checked out from the library. If for any reason you can't return an item, please let them know. 903-567-4701 or ctomsturnings@aol.com

Christmas Party For 2006

We would like to know how many of you would like to have a Christmas Party this year. In anticipation, Kevin Stevenson has reserved a private dining-room at The Emerald Bay Country Club. It would be, December 15, 2006, between 6pm & 9pm. We have two menu choices, **A:** Chicken & Chicken Fried Steak, two vegetables, salad and desert. Includes Tea & Coffee \$10.-\$15. Per. person. **B:** Chicken & Rib-eye Steak, two vegetables, salad and desert. Includes Tea & Coffee. \$15.-\$20. Per person. Please let Kevin Stevenson know your preference at the March 11, 2006, meeting. We must know now so we can either keep our reservation at the Country Club or cancel it. You may also email Kevin @ rklastev@aol.com.

2006 Programs

We meet the 2nd Saturday of each month at Tyler Junior College's West Campus on West Loop 323 and Robinson, starting at 9am. The following is a list of those meeting dates and the scheduled programs.

March 11, John Leonard "Wet to Dry"

April 8, Brian Laing "Basic Bowl Turning"

2006 Programs, (continued)

May 13, Paul Coppinger “The Art of Finishing”
June 10, Dan Henry “Open Segmented Tea Lamp”
July 8, Larry Hancock “Hollow Vessel Turning”
Aug. 12, To Be Scheduled
Sept. 9, Ken Terrell “Small Lidded Hollow Vessels”
Oct. 14, Club Challenge and Yearly Picnic
Nov 11, Steve Hagler “Bird House Ornaments”
Dec. 9, To Be Scheduled

Back to the Basics Day

A day spent getting “Back to the Basics of Turning”. All club members are encouraged to join us from 9am-4pm. Lunch will be catered. March 25, 2006 TJC West (Trades Building, east of our normal meeting building)

Nick Cook is the WNT Spring Demonstrator/Instructor

The wood turners of North Texas will be hosting Nick Cook as their Annual Spring Demonstrator/Instructor. He will be in Fort Worth for an all-day demonstration on Saturday, April 22nd and the rest of the time he will be teaching hands-on classes on April 21, 23-25th. The all-day demo will be held at the R. D. Evans Community Center at 3200 Lackland Road, Fort Worth, TX 76116 (Mapsco page 74, Grid 3). The cost for the demonstration is \$10. and club membership is not required. The hands-on sessions will be \$75. Per day. Classes will be conducted at Stormy Boudreaux’s shop and at Woodcraft/Fort Worth.

The hands-on class curriculum will be based on the interests of the individual members of the class. Nick is probably one of the most versatile turner/instructors in the USA and will teach to your individual needs. If you are interested in taking one or more days of the hands-on classes, contact John Horn at 817-485-7397 or e-mail johnhorn@flash.net.

Nick Cook owns and operates the only full service woodturning studio in the metropolitan Atlanta area. He turns a variety of work including one-of-a-kind bowls and vessels along with his unique gift items—wine stoppers, baby rattles, rolling pins, spinning tops, honey dippers, and the like. His work can be found in gift shops and galleries from coast to coast. He also provides turned parts for local furniture makers and millwork shops.

The 15th Annual SW Association of Turners (SWAT) Woodturning Symposium

It is time to start making plans to attend the 15th Annual Southwest Association of Turners (SWAT) Woodturning Symposium, to be held in Temple, Texas, on September 29 and 30 and October 1. This Texas and southwestern tradition is the second largest woodturning symposium in the United States. The symposium is sponsored by the AAW chapters in Texas and Oklahoma, and has drawn 500 plus attendees in each of the last two years. The event this year will be under the leadership of President Walter Tate and the Board members representing each of the sponsoring clubs.

The SWAT Symposium is a great opportunity to try the symposium experience at a significantly lower cost than the AAW national symposium. The national lead demonstrators for 2006 are Dave Hout (metal spinning and basic bowl turning). Andre Martel (hook tool and hollow forms). Andi Wolfe (pyrography and multi-layer coupling) and David Nittman (Native American basket design). Although they haven’t been named yet, there will also be a regional lead demonstrator and a large number of regional demonstrators. As with last year, there will also be a separate demonstration room devoted strictly to pen turners.

There will, of course, be an Instant Gallery and many vendors. The Instant Gallery will give you a chance to show off some of your best work and see what other turners are doing. The vendor’s room will give you a chance to get to know the folks that you only normally deal with through catalogues and their web sites. Plus, this is a chance to see and try out (and, yes, buy) some of the toys that you have been wishing for.

Another highlight of the annual SWAT Symposium is the two-for-One Raffle. Your raffle tickets go into a bin to be drawn at the banquet on Saturday night for an excellent piece of woodturning art. Winners’ tickets then go back into the bin and are eligible to win tools, wood and other goodies at lunch on Sunday. Such a deal!

Joanie Genender is hard at work planning another Ladies Program. These activities, including tours, shopping and a Ladies Gallery, have greatly enhanced the event for the spouses who now have a chance to visit and get to know one another. As she has in the last two years, Joanie is planning a dinner and entertainment for couples on Friday evening.

So start thinking about your plans for the fall and put the SWAT Symposium on your calendar. For further Information on the Symposium, go to the SWAT web site, www.swaturners.org See pictures of SWAT logo and demonstrators below.

1. SWAT Logo
2. Andi Wolfe
3. Andre Martel
4. Dave Hout
5. David Nittman



Return To The Community

During our AAW Symposium each year, we have a “return to the community” project. This year in Louisville, we will collect Christmas ornaments. They will be delivered to Kosair Children’s Hospital in Louisville. Each year the hospital collects ornaments and decorated trees and auctions them or sells them outright to raise money. Last year they raised almost \$400,000. To help the kids in need. Have your chapter turn as many Christmas ornaments as they can and either bring them to the symposium or mail them to Greg Streif, 7308 Abbott Glen Dr., Crestwood, KY., 40014 gregstreif@insightbb.com This is a great opportunity for your chapter members to have some real fun while building their turning skills and at the same time, help sick kids in need. What a deal! If you have any questions, contact Greg as shown above. Thanks, John Hill – Chairman AAW chapters and membership committee Johnrhill@charter.net 828-645-6633

Louisville AAW Symposium

You have 55 BIG reasons to register to come to the Louisville AAW Symposium. For door prizes, how about FIVE Oneway 2436 Lathes free, thanks to special pricing from Oneway Manufacturing or FIFTY \$100 gift certificates donated by Packard Woodworks?

The AAW Symposium in Louisville is fast upon us. It will be Thursday, June 22, 2006 through Saturday the 24th. There are always many great reasons to attend:

There will be 30 world class demonstrators putting on 150 rotations in eleven demonstration rooms. There will be a room where Bonnie Klein and Nick Cook will teach hands on classes to young people ages 10 through 17. The youth can register FREE when accompanied by a fully registered adult. As we did last year, we will give away 25 JET Midi lathes with stands, 25 sets of Crown tools, 25 Nova Midi-chucks and 25 face shields to 25 of the lucky youths. (Bring your kids or grandkids).

See the world’s largest instant gallery of over a thousand spectacular pieces. Visit the Trade Show filled with the world’s largest assortment of woodturning tools, equipment, wood, etc. There will be three panel discussions featuring world famous artists J. Paul Fennell, Binh Pho, David Ellsworth, Graeme Priddle, Curt Theobald, Clay Foster, Albert LeCoff, Kevin Wallace and Giles Gilson. We will have a great banquet and live auction.

There are three great woodturning exhibitions within blocks of the symposium. Louisville has more to do than we can list here. I visited this last weekend and loved it. For more information, go to <http://www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2006/> John Hill – AAW Chapters and Membership Chairman Johnrhill@charter.net 828-645-6633

The Prez Says (Cont'd)

Woodworking shop whose catalog we were sent. Klingspor Woodworking is offering a 10% discount to Club members. The catch is that you must have your name submitted by the Club as a member, which we have done, and you must sign in for a personal account on the website. The discount will be automatically figured for you if it is greater than other discounts offered. While this is a little more complicated than they led me to believe, the discounts are real if you play by their rules. You will see some of their products in the upcoming raffles. The offer by Klingspor Abrasives was actually directed at bulk orders by the club. We will continue to actively seek discounts for our club members. See you Saturday at John's shop and bring a chair.

Cary

Tips For Tools

“When turning our grinder off, to keep from having to wait for many many seconds for it to stop, try using that “Sandpaper Cleaner” to stop it. You know the one that is made of rubber. If you don't have one, use an old tennis shoe!”

“We all need our grinders for sharpening out tools. Most of us also use the grinders for other things. Be careful! Do NOT use your grinder to grind aluminum or other non-ferrous metals. Aluminum is the worst as its residue can get mixed in with ferrous metal (tool steel) shavings and cause a fire! Also, non-ferrous metals get mixed into the grit of the wheel then can expand and cause the wheel to crack. These are real problems, so please be careful. Use a sander on non-ferrous metals and save the grinder for your tools.”

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Chapter Collaborative Challenge 2006

During the 2006 American Association of Woodturners 20th Annual Symposium in Louisville, Kentucky, the Chapters and Membership Committee will again sponsor a Chapter Collaborative Challenge.

Each AAW Chapter is invited to submit one collaborative work created by as many chapter members as possible, with a minimum of six participants. If your chapter has never done this, you will find it to be a great way to infuse new ideas and excitement into your chapter activities. Basically, have at least 6 members work on a project that meets the size requirements in the rules and bring the finished piece to the Louisville symposium. There are three categories, Fantasy, Artistic, and Mechanical/Technical. In past years, there have been really creative projects presented.

If you are not already working on this project, now is the time to start.

If you have any questions, just let me know.

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Golden Triangle Woodturners

The Golden Triangle Woodturners usually meet the first Monday of each month in the East Craft Room of The Center for Visual Arts at 400 East Hickory in Denton, Texas at the corner of Bell Avenue and Hickory Streets. The next meeting will be on **Monday, March 6th at 7:00 PM.**

The program will be given by Dale Green of Fort Worth, an outstanding woodturner who specializes in segmented turning. He will bring a vessel made of 1067 pieces to show as a part of his demonstration of segmented turning techniques. For more club information, consider reading the newsletter at:

<http://www.goldentrianglewoodturners.org/>

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting on Monday, March 6th.

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