



THE TURNING TIMES

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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

February 8, 2020



Woodturners...As always I hope each of you had many good days in January...actually every day is a good one although some days are much better than others and occasionally a day might not be one of our best. I write these remarks late on a Saturday (Feb 1) evening attempting to make the deadline requested by editor, Dennis Ford. I am running late as usual. Tomorrow will be Ground Hog Day and also Super Bowl Sunday...probably the football game will receive much more attention than the ground hog. I'm not a professional sports fan but will be pulling for Mahomes and Kansas City tomorrow even if I do not watch much of the game.

Now to woodturning issues and events...first of all a few "Thank You's" to some of our extraordinary members who's volunteer efforts are super. Kelvin Burton serves as our program coordinator and is also our representative to the SWAT Board of Directors. Kelvin has done a great job in lining up demonstrators for the next several months with two out of area presenters in March and April. Please note the March and April meetings will be on the 3rd Saturday of those months due to Spring Break at TJC in March and Easter weekend in April (meeting dates will be March 21 and April 18).

Kelvin along with Ken Wurtzel, John Dove, and a few others are doing lots of work on technology and audio/visual issues for the club and we should see some changes – improvements – in the near future including remote, on-line, interactive demos from very well known woodturners. The technology group at TJC was slow in responding to our request for assistance at first but is now working closely with our group on these issues.

SILENT AUCTION....during the February meeting (prior to the demo) we will be having a silent auction of the items that were in our storage unit and that are no longer needed by the club. So bring your checkbook or extra cash (sorry, we cannot do credit/debit cards) and go home with a bargain on just the item you were wanting for your shop. The auction will include a set of carving tools, basic turning tools, a Delta bench top planner, heavy duty legs for a lathe stand (or possibly other tools), 2 hydraulic jacks, another tool stand, 2 movable shelving units, a blue tarp, a portable PA system, and possibly a few other items. All proceeds will go into the club bank account to benefit club activities. We will still do all of the normal items at the meeting – raffle items, Show & Tell Gallery, etc.,....so bring your items to show and maybe that BOC box you have finally turned. **Hope to see you on February 8th in Tyler at the club meeting.**

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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.

Personalized Turning Classes

Paul Coppinger - Mineola - **903-638-6008**
paulcop68@thecoppers.net

LESSONS: Woodturning classes my shop.
Please call afternoons for more info **903-216-5564**. cbrooks@suddenlink.net
Charles Brooks (Whitehouse, Texas)

Mineola Open Shop Turning Day

The next **MOST** day will be
February 22

NOTE that this is 4th Saturday

Turning, Fun and Fellowship

If we're not having fun, we're not doing it right!

For Sale: I have a 1950's model Rockwell Delta table saw with a 6 inch Delta jointer.

Table and jointer are on the same stand. This is a heavy duty unit made in the USA. 220 volt. I want **\$400.00** for it.
David Largent 903 852 7928

For Sale: I have 2 antique lathes, 1 Parts lathe that I am interested in selling at this point. I also have some other wood working equipment, modern and antique that I may start to sell shortly. Frank Kay 2509 Balsam St. Longview, Tx 75605 rlfmkay@sbcglobal.net

Note from Rockler store in Garland TX

Garland Rockler has instituted a program to support the Guild. Besides each member getting a 10% discount, the store will track those sales and each time we have 20 members make purchases, Rockler will cut the club a \$20 gift card. I hope that will also help the club provide additional benefits for their members. **Bill Gebhardt** Garland Rockler Manager

ANCHOR SEAL FOR SALE

The Club has Anchor Seal end grain sealer for sale at most Club meetings. It is available at \$15.00 per gallon. To obtain it, pay our treasurer, **Walter Tate**, and then see **Dennis Lorenz**. If you need some between meetings, contact Dennis at **903-565-0651** or dlorenz67@gmail.com

Upcoming events:

Regular Meeting Feb 8, 2020 Bill Preston demonstrating

Regular Meeting March 21, 2020 (note that this is the 3rd Saturday) Johnny Tolly demonstrating Beads of Courage 2

April 16 & 17 Hands on Classes with Mark Sillay

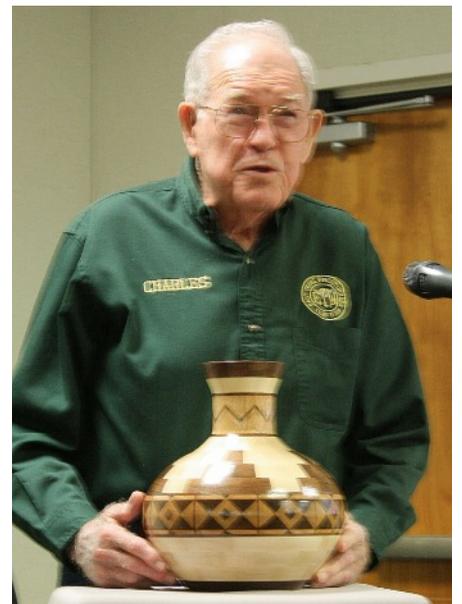
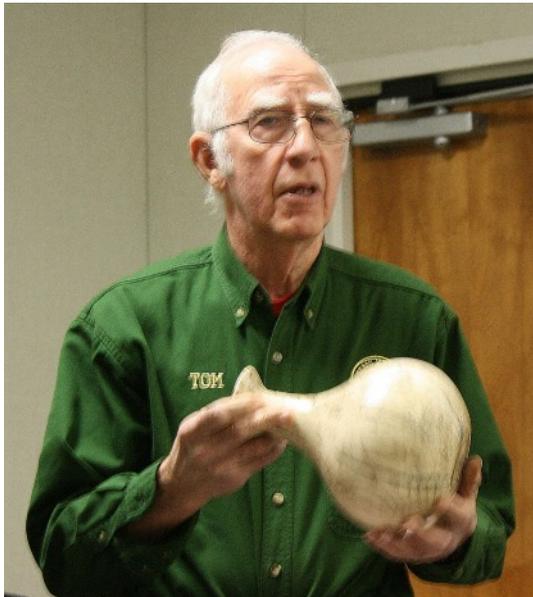
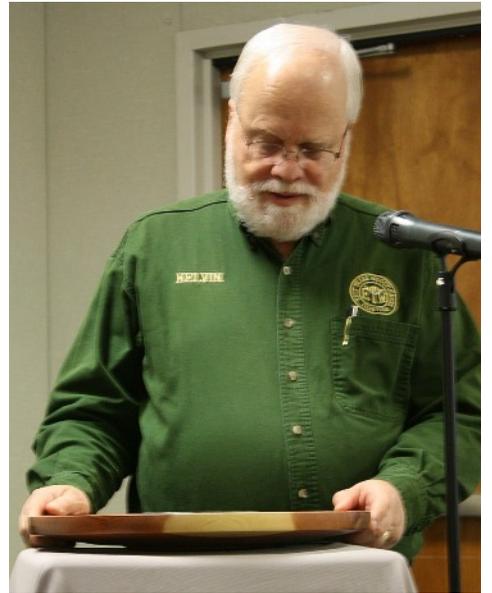
Regular meeting April 18th with Mark Sillay demonstrating

Set-up / Clean-up (Mike Connolly)

I hope the team you rooted for in the Big Game won!

But, let's face it, the real winners this month are these people who volunteered to help with the Set Up/Clean Up of this this month's meeting. **Dennis Ford, Joe Denney, Kelvin Burton, Worth Holmes and Loran Dailey**. Look forward to seeing you guys at 8:00, and later in the meeting giving everyone else the chance to be a winner too!

January Show & Tell



East Texas Woodturners Fact-Sheet

We meet once a month (usually on the second Saturday) at 9:00 AM at Tyler Junior College West, room 104. At our monthly meetings, there is a show and tell table, an open library (hundreds of DVDs and books), 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 15 mentors that will help you with turning situations. There is also information on ETW's vast library resources (see “Library”). And for dues information, 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 2015 meeting had about 850 attendees, 50 vendors, a variety of demonstrations, and a gallery of beautiful turnings. 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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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.

Craft Supplies USA

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

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

Hartville Tool

13163 Market Ave N Hartville, OH 44632
800-345-2396

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

Johnson Wood Products

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

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

Klingspor's Woodworking Shop

3 Locations in North Carolina
1-800-228-0000 EST

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

Packard Woodworks

P.O. Box 718, Tryon, NC 28782
1-800-683-8876
FAX: 828-859-5551

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

Rockler

584 W Interstate 30
Garland, TX 75043
(469) 329-0971

<http://www.rockler.com/retail/stores/tx/garland-store>

Thompson Lathe Tools

5479 Columbia Road North Olmsted, OH 44070
440-241-6360 CST

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

Woodcraft

Suite 145 601 W. Plano Parkway Plano, TX 75075
(972) 422-2732

<http://www.woodcraft.com/stores/store.aspx?id=317>

Woodline.com

111 Wheeler St., LaVergne, TN 37086
615-793-0474 CST

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

Wood World

13650 TI Blvd. #101, Dallas, TX 75243
972-669-9130 CST

<http://woodworldtx.com/>

East Texas Hardwoods

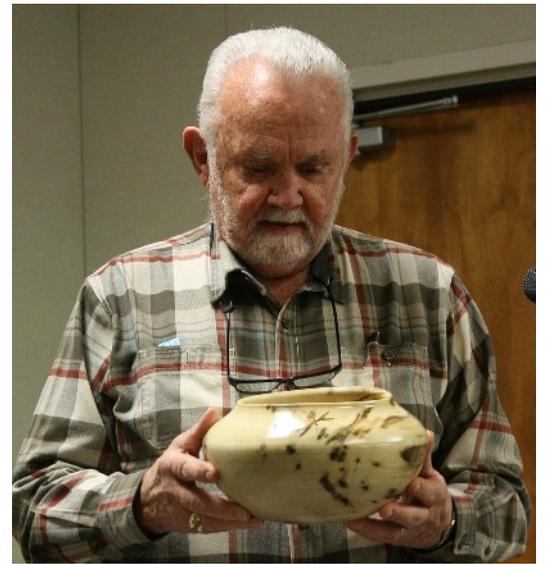
Pittsburg Texas
Joe Hallonquist
Cell- 936-577-4306

Carter & Son Toolworks

Woodturning Tools 206-878-7672

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

(see Dennis Lorenz or Paul Coppinger for discount code)



April Hands on Classes (Kelvin Burton)

For 2 days in April (16th & 17th) Mark Sillay will be teaching a class on Tool skills including his Wood Slicing technique as well as Offset turning. Included will be a project to make an offset Twig Pot. He will also demonstrate how to apply a CA finish to your turnings.

The cost of a one day class is \$100 which includes wood. The classes will fill up very quickly as there are only 8 openings on each day! You can email Kelvin now (kelvin@burtonclan.us) to book your slot!

Mark has a number of videos on Youtube, just search for either Mark Sillay or Mark Silay (some are misnamed!).

Thanks

What a great club we have. People share their talents and knowledge. I even got a big sack of pen blanks from one nice man.

Learning to turn is a slow process made much easier with the encouragement from you all. You all inspire us newbies with your great art.

Thanks for making MOST and our club such a great thing.

Joe Chase.

Beads of Courage from Mike Connoly

I get asked a lot about the guidelines for Beads of Courage boxes, so I thought it appropriate to include them in this month's newsletter. Please **PAY ATTENTION** to what the guidelines are. I would hate for any of our contributors to the program not have their box used because they didn't conform to the minimum guidelines.

I met with Melinda Goff, the program administrator at Children's Hospital in Dallas, and she was just ecstatic that we were contributing directly to the program. Three different departments use the BOC boxes. Pediatric Cardiology, Trauma, and Oncology. This program covers a lot of ground, so they need all the help they can get. With the wet season upon us you're staying in the shop anyway. Put a BOC on the lathe and let's help out a kid.

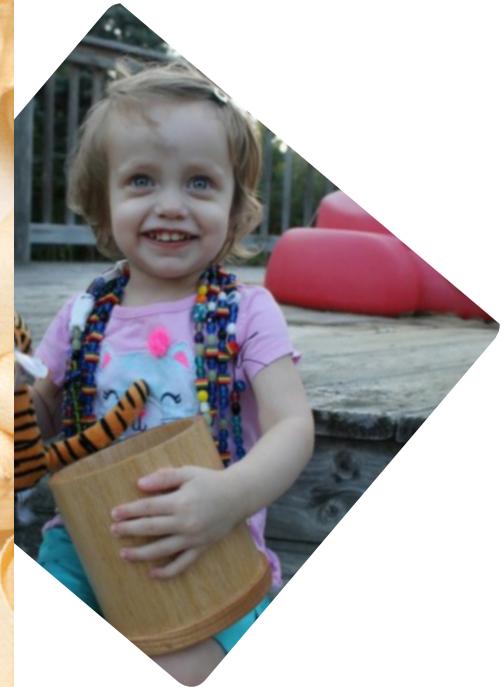
BEAD BOWLS/BOXES GUIDELINES:

Beads of Courage members may receive thousands of beads. It is desirable for your boxes to hold them all. As a result, turned or rectangular lidded boxes need to be large. Larger is better! *Recommended interior dimensions for turned boxes are: 6" diameter (5" min.), 5" height (4" min.). Recommended interior dimensions for flatwork boxes are: 4" x 6" x 4".*

Box bases should be wide enough so the box is stable and does not tip over easily. Lids for Beads of Courage boxes should be easy for small or ill children to remove or lift. Any finials should be easy for a small child to grasp and not too elaborate so they don't break. Avoid excessively elaborate designs that may easily break or be damaged; remember, hospital rooms have limited storage space.

Finishing of boxes is extremely important! Beads of Courage members who receive these boxes are susceptible to germs/infections/mold. Bowls that have not been properly sealed can harbor mold. Please take the time to ensure you are using a safe finishing process that does not contain toxic materials. Also do not use finishes like linseed oil that take a long time to outgas.

All kinds of wood are beautiful! Please refrain from painting Beads of Courage boxes. Instead, highlight the beauty of the wood with clear varnish, a stain, and/or burning.



Pictures of items from Storage Unit (for Silent Auction)

