



# 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.

**Zoom meeting**

**Jan 9, 2021**



## Prez says: Happy New Year Woodturners!

As we shake the dust of 2020 off of our collective boots, and begin to see the light at the end of the tunnel regarding pandemics and elections. It's time to look forward to change, a time of healing and hopefully, unity. I wish you and yours a very Happy New Year, and pray you remain well and prosper.

Administrations are changing, both in our country and our club. Hail and Farewell to the outgoing President, Mr. Bill Preston. We are grateful for the example you set and all the hard work for the past two years. Bill moves on to a new post as a co-chair of Program Director alongside another former president, Dennis Lorenz. As the in-coming President I can't help but look back at how others performed the office. Charles Brooks, Paul Coppinger, Dennis Lorenz, Wayne Smith, Bill Preston, and others, all set a high bar of leadership and dedication to our club. I am grateful for the blue print they left behind.

This year promises to bring its own set of challenges to our nation and our club. In order to meet those issues to the benefit of all, I am asking for your help identifying those things that we need to change as a club, and help find innovative solutions. Only through a collective effort can we continue to grow the club, and better serve each other. (the soap box has now been removed, cut into staves, glued, and mounted on my lathe)

Now, on to business. Our club membership generally stands at about 70 members in recent years. Currently, we have **53** that have paid their club dues for 2021. With two ways to pay, both by check and credit card, it is easier than ever to support the club through paying your dues, even from the comfort of your own couch! If you have paid your dues, which is still at \$36 a year, Thank You! If you haven't, then please do so as soon as possible.

We don't know when club meetings will again be possible at the TJC facility here in Tyler. (Wasn't that the catch phrase for all of last year? **"We don't know"**) ALL OF US want to be able to meet face to face, shake hands with old friends and new ones, show our work, see each other's work, and learn something new. With the advent of vaccines, we must be hopeful that we can be back to our old, improved, selves by the summer. Frankly, I think that is a bit optimistic, but will work towards that goal. Of course, it is up to TJC as to when we will have use of the space. In the meantime, while it is certainly not ideal, the monthly ZOOM meetings put together by Kelvin Burton and Ken Wurtzel are the best we can manage for a meeting of like minds.

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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@thecoppingers.net](mailto:paulcop68@thecoppingers.net)

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

**For Sale:** Powermatic 3520C wood lathe. (New price about \$4000.00). \$2000.00

Delta 10" Table Saw model Delta 10" Professional 36-650. (New Price about \$600.00) \$300.00

Rigid 13" Planer model 7P1300. (New price about \$460.00) \$200.00

Grizzly Band Saw Model G0555. (New price about \$1100.00) \$500.00

Contact Denny Burd at **903-850-2737**.

**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**

## 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](mailto:dlorenz67@gmail.com)

**For Sale:** Craftsman 10" radial Arm Saw \$75 It runs and has not been abused, can be seen at my shop.  
**John Hodge** 1007 Riveria Dr.; Grand Saline, Texas.  
**903-962-5620**

## Upcoming events:

Online meeting Jan 9<sup>th</sup> Kelvin Burton demonstrating Turning and Coloring spalted wood

Online meeting Feb 13<sup>th</sup> Dennis Ford demonstrating End Grain pith centered vessels

An example of what Kelvin will be demonstrating



# Pictures of recent Work

Ornaments by Bill Preston



Mike Connolly



John Wood



Dennis Ford



Bill Preston's shop



## 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.

### Mentor List

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John Wood	936-875-6100	Lufkin	<a href="mailto:twowood6@yahoo.com">twowood6@yahoo.com</a>

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### 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)

Prez says (Continued from page 1)

I know that not everyone is comfortable with a computer, or Zoom, but I still urge you to try it, participate as best you can, and keep in touch with us. Like your mama said. "It may not taste good, but it is good for you!"

With the new year comes opening a new set of books. That includes the ledger of the Beads of Courage Program. One good thing that came out of our forced isolation last year was that it gave some of us time to devote to turning BOC boxes. If you were one of the people who did so, then hopefully you gained more than you gave. I don't believe there is a higher purpose for our craft than to help a child, and a family in need of support. If you couldn't lend a bit of your wood and your talent last year to this worthy cause then this year provides us all with another opportunity. I've been fortunate enough to have visited a few of your shops in the area and have seen some boxes in production. I know we'll step up again this year and give a good showing.

Speaking of showing. I know for a fact, with some exceptions, that you haven't stopped turning. So why is our ZOOM "Show and Tell" not flooded with pictures of your work? Are you holding it all to show when we meet again in person? Just how long do you think THAT meeting would be? I urge you to send your pictures to Kelvin and let us put them up on the screen and have you talk about them. When I was in the club only a short time I thought my pieces weren't good enough to show. One of the members I hold in high regard told me that "That is the wrong attitude to have. How are you going to get better if people don't see the work and offer suggestions on how it could have been better? Not unsolicited critique, but just honest, friendly, opinion. By showing your work, you encourage others to show theirs, and we learn from each other". I've been showing crappy pieces ever since.

This month's demonstration will be by Kelvin Burton having to do with coloring spalted wood. Kelvin is a talented turner who is not bogged down by traditional method, and is constantly expanding his knowledge of all aspects of the craft. It promises to be an interesting morning, so tune in to the Zoom meeting on Saturday. You can start signing in to the meeting at 8:30, and we will start promptly at 9, ready or not.

Next month will feature Dennis Ford doing the demo. A fine turner and teacher, I am hoping that when we get back to our "Hands On" classes that Dennis will consider doing it again.

In the meantime, keep **turning**, keep **learning**, and **Godspeed**.

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Dennis Ford's shop (The least cluttered wall)

