



# Hunt County Woodturners, Inc.



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**Meeting and Location:**  
 2nd Thursday of each month, 7PM  
 Crestview Christian Church  
 5605 Wesley Street  
 Greenville, TX 75402



## ***Message from the President:***

First of all I want to offer my thanks for the thoughts of concern and compassion expressed during this past month with regards to my mom's accident. It has really kept Kay and I jumping with the many trips back and forth to Tyler, Greenville and Sulphur Springs. Then on top of all this, I was blessed with a very large kidney stone, too large to pass, which required some surgery to remove. If you notice a little black cloud following me around, it is only typical of the past 5 weeks. Thanks again.

Then, I want to offer another thanks to those members who covered several events or issues regarding the club during my absence. I understand the Wood World event was a success. Congratulations to those taking some of the awards and to the club as a whole for having the largest representation attending the event. You guys always come through.

For those of you that may have missed the email Fred forwarded at my request regarding the issues facing the AAW organization, I hope each of our AAW members will research the issues and vote their persuasion. This is a very important time in the history of the AAW organization and your requested vote is vital. I will address some of this at the regular meeting on Thursday. Bring your questions and surely one of the board members will be able to offer an explanation.

As a reminder, the Quarterly Challenge is this month. The project is to make something with a handle...tools, utensils, etc. Also we will have some different news regarding prizes for the Quarterly Challenge. We will also be seeking club input with regard to Show and Tell. In addition, don't forget the Bowls of Courage project. After this month's gathering the Bowls of Courage we have to date will be turned over to that program.

SWAT is upon us. Just a few more days and we will be enjoying Waco, visiting with friends from other clubs and learning new processes and techniques from some well known demonstrators from across the country. I look forward to seeing many of you there. We still need some folks to sign up as room assistants and if you can fill one of the slots, please see Fred at the sign up table Thursday night.

See you at the meeting...come early and tell us a tall tale!

Frank Shrode: President

**This Month:**  
**Club Meeting**  
**August 12, 2010 7 PM**  
**Dan Henry Demonstrator**  
**Pen Wizard**  
**Quarterly Challenge Due**  
  
**Open Shop**  
**August 14, 2010**  
**Bill Kloepping hosting**  
**9 AM — ????????**

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**UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS:**

August 12, 2010  
HCW Meeting  
Dan Henry Demo  
Quarterly Challenge

August 14, 2010  
Open Shop  
Bill Kloopping Host

August 27-29, 2010  
SWAT in Waco

September 9, 2010  
HCW Meeting  
Marion McDaniel Demo

September 11, 2010  
Open Shop  
Bob Calvert Host

September 10-12, 2010  
Masters at Work  
Beavers Bend State Park  
Broken Bow OK

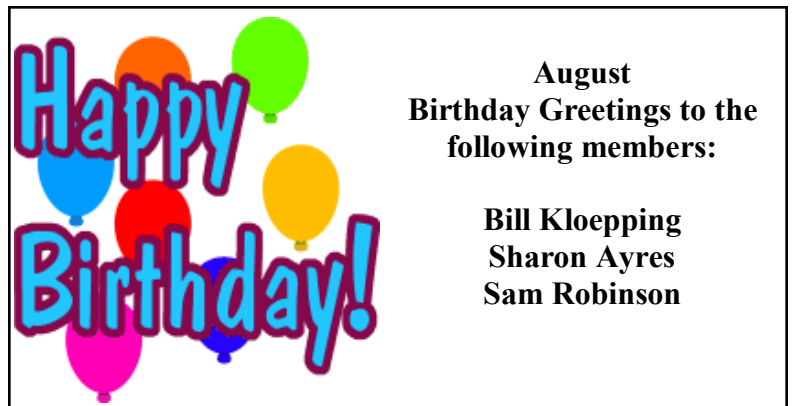
October 14, 2010  
HCW Meeting  
Marion McDaniel Demo

October 13, 2010  
Open Shop  
Joe Grimes Host (CMHS)

November 11, 2010  
HCW Meeting  
Howard Hale Demo  
Election of Officers  
Quarterly Challenge

November 13, 2010  
Open Shop  
Mike Kizer Host

December 10, 2010  
Christmas Party



August  
Birthday Greetings to the  
following members:

Bill Kloopping  
Sharon Ayres  
Sam Robinson

HCW Board of Directors meetings are held at Crestview Christian Church on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM.  
Board meetings are open to all members.

**HCW Mission:**

Hunt County Woodturners, Inc. ( a Texas non-profit corporation) also known as Hunt County Woodturners (HCW), is organized exclusively for educational purposes, and its mission is to educate woodturners and the public in and about the art and craft of woodturning. This mission is accomplished by encouraging and facilitating the establishment of training programs for woodturners; by disseminating information about sources of material and equipment; by exposing the art of woodturning to the public; and by serving as a center of information about woodturning for members, galleries, other interested groups, and the general public. Further, the Corporation is organized exclusively for educational purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Financial records are available for inspection upon request.

**Editors Notes:**

Our thanks to Katrina Thiele of Gilmer Rocks, for showing how to use crushed rocks as an embellishment in woodturning at the July meeting.

Thanks to Dan Henry for hosting the July Open Shop.

The Hunt County Woodturners extend their deepest sympathy to Bob Calvert and his family on the loss of his brother, sister-in-law and nephew recently.

Remember the Quarterly Challenge this month! A “handle of some sort” made on the lathe. It can be for anything; tool, shovel, ice cream scoop or whatever else one needs a handle for as long as it is turned on the lathe.

**This month is [SWAT](#) in Waco on August 27 — 29. Clyde Marks is still needing room attendants. See Clyde if you can help.**

Craig Fyock reminds everyone going to SWAT to enter a Beads of Courage Bowl for the contest being held at SWAT this year.

If members have noticed that this issue is smaller than usual, it is due to the fact I had a computer melt down last week. I have a new computer and have to learn a new computer operating system. I did have all of the HCW files saved on CD's, but not all files work with this new Windows operating system. I'm having to recreate them on a needed basis. I'll try to do better next month!

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**Board minutes: August 5, 2010**

**AAW Situation:**

The Board discussed the current situation of the AAW concerning the firing of Executive Director, Mary Lacer and the subsequent fallout of a recall election of the current AAW Board due on August 28. The HCW Board determined that this needs to be presented to the HCW membership for discussion at the August Club meeting.

**SWAT Report:**

Dan Henry reported he and several HCW members will be attending a meeting in Waco on August 7 to finalize plans for the upcoming SWAT Symposium on August 27-29. The Board encourages all members to try to attend this annual event. Early registration indicates that this year will have the largest ever in attendance.

**Wood World Freedom Pen Turnathon Review:**

Saturday July 31 was the annual Freedom Pen Turnathon at Wood World. Members from numerous woodturning clubs were in attendance. The HCW club had 33 members and again won the \$100 gift certificate for most members. Dan Henry was awarded ‘Woodturner of the Year’ plaque and Rhonda Stelly won ‘Best Natural Pen’ award. Nearly 400 pens were turned this year.

**A/V Training Classes for SWAT Attendants:**

Clyde Marks reported that after this month's Club meeting there will be a brief training session for those who have sign up as room attendants for SWAT regarding duties that need to be done.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Mike Kizer reported this month's expenses and balance. The report will be available at the Club Meeting.

**August Quarterly Challenge:**

The Quarterly Challenge due in August will be a “handle of some sort” made on the lathe. It can be for anything; tool, shovel, ice cream scoop or whatever else one needs a handle for as long as it is turned on the lathe.

**August Demo and Open Shop:**

Dan Henry will be the demonstrator for August. He will demonstrate how to use the Pen Wizard to create different patterns on pens. Bill Kloepping will host the August Open Shop. Bill will also be hosting the picnic at noon; he would like to know how many people will be attending so he has enough food available.

**November Quarterly Challenge:**

The final Quarterly Challenge for 2010 will be a ‘hanging ornament and stand’, due at the November meeting. These items will be used as table centerpieces at the annual Christmas party in December. The Board approved of awarding a \$50 Visa gift card to the winner.

Respectfully submitted:  
Fred Uphoff, Secretary



Mike Ragsdale leading the July meeting

Show and Tell



Gary Sanders



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Mike Kizer



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### July Open Shop



Dan Henry explaining his segmented cutting jig to Rhonda Stelly



Fred Groves showing Vincent Soffiatti and his mother, Cynthia the correct way to turn



Mike Ragsdale and Clyde Marks taking measurements of an open segment assembly jig



Frank Shrode and Mike Kizer solving problems

Every month HCW holds an Open Shop where new ideas and help is offered to anyone who shows up. The July Open Shop had one of the largest gathering of members (17) this year. Members are encouraged to attend if possible. Many world problems are solved along with a few woodturning ones.

Bill Kloepping is hosting the August Open Shop and will also have a picnic. Please contact Bill if you plan on attending so he can have enough to eat for everyone.

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The Back Shelf

**Woodturning Full Circle**

by David Springett

Streptohedron. Do you know what that is? Maybe it is some kind of disease that affected only dinosaurs. Nope. It is a solid polygon that was developed in 1969 by C.J. Roberts, who called this bizarre shaped thingamajig a sphericon. The very first one was double cone twisted on its axis. Also it is sometimes called a conicon. Springett takes this concept to a new level using a twisted polygon which he calls the streptohedron. These look and seem very complicated but are actually quite simple to make. An example would be a cylinder which is as tall as it is wide. Split it down the middle and look at the inside and the shape is a square. Hold the split parts in your hands and put the split back together. Now twist the halves to line up the edges which are all the same length. Two positions and you have the cylinder again and the other two positions are way different. The flat on the top and bottom will line up with the rounded edges of the sides. Now you have a streptohedron.

The skills needed are those to make almost any simple turning. Can you make a split turning, one that has a piece of paper glued between two blocks of wood? Can you turn to a diameter and then to length? As Bob the Builder says "Can we build it, yes we can."

There is more to this book than streptohedrons. As in his other books there is a very good chapter on how to make chucks of various kinds. Next are two chapters on puzzle toys which are also simple to make. After the main section of the book there are several chapters about how to use streptohedrons in other turnings. Want to turn a vase with square sides and a square hole? There is a way.

As for me, I expect something to be useful. Not these projects. Fun and interesting to exhibit, but of no practical use. Paperweight, maybe.

To grade this book, I will make it simple. I went to Amazon.com and ordered my own copy. Now time to have some fun.

Sammy Thomason: Librarian



**SWAT Symposium**

**August 27-29, 2010**

**Waco Convention Center**

**Waco TX**

**Membership in HCW, Inc. entitles you to discounts on selected items at the following fine businesses:**

**Wood World, 13650 TI Blvd. Dallas, TX  
(972) 669-9130**

**Rockler Woodworking, 800 N. Coit #2500 Richardson TX  
(Promenade North Shopping Center)  
(972) 613-8848**

**Klingspor's Woodworking Shop, Hickory, NC  
(800) 228-0000, ask for discount**

**Hartville Tool, [www.hartvilletool.com](http://www.hartvilletool.com)  
(800) 345-2396**



Woodturners, don't forget to check out **The American Association of Woodturners**. Hunt County Woodturners Inc. is a Chapter of this fine organization and each member should seriously consider becoming a member of AAW. The insurance protection alone is well worth the dues.

<http://www.woodturner.org>



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Hunt County Woodturners, Inc.**

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**Dues are prorated for new members at  
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