



# Hunt County Woodturners, Inc.



**January 2010 Volume 5, Issue 1**

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



**HCW Calendar:**  
**Club Meeting**  
*January 14, 2010*  
**Frank Shrode & Clyde Marks**  
**Demonstrators**  
**Using Mini Lathe Duplicator**

**HCW**  
**Open Shop**  
**Dan Henry hosting**  
**January 16, 2010**  
**9 AM-12 PM**

**Message from the President:**

I hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and I would like to wish everyone a safe and Happy New Year. I am looking forward to 2010 and all the activities scheduled for the Hunt County Woodturners. I enjoyed the past year even after having missed the Hunt County Fair. We had a good year as a club both financially and with offerings through demonstrations and open shops. We gained some corporate sponsors and several new members. Hopefully this coming year will result in more increases.

One of the goals for this year is to get even more of the membership involved in the upcoming activities. As VP, Mike Ragsdale has hit the ground running by scheduling demos and open shops for coming months. In support to his requests, we would really appreciate the membership making suggestions for demo topics or open shop projects you would like to see. I am sure there are techniques or projects that you are interested in but those topics as yet may not have gotten the attention that is available. In addition, if you would like to do a demo for a regular club meeting or if you think you could accommodate an open shop session in your shop, please notify one of the board members. Also, all members of the Hunt County Woodturners are welcome to sit in on the monthly board meetings...1st Thursday of the month...7:00 PM....at the church.

Currently, we have several events or dates set for club activities in addition to the regular club meetings and open shops. Some of these include: Quarterly Challenges for February, May, August and November; Robert Rosand's visit in April; Hunt County Fair in June; SWAT at Waco in August; and toy deliveries in December. Some of these events are shown in the 2010 calendar. Hopefully each member will be able to offer their assistance to make each of these and other events a success for the club.

The drive is now in high gear for membership renewals. There was a club membership application in the December newsletter. There will be one available with this newsletter and also on the Treasurer's table at the meeting. Please fill out a new application blank and submit with your dues as soon as possible. I think the \$30 annual dues are a very good deal. The fellowship alone is worth the \$2.50 a month!! Another great benefit is the \$48 membership to AAW. If you have not yet joined, please look into this opportunity. Mike Kizer will have brochures at the Treasurer's table or you can go to the AAW website for more information.

See you at the club meeting this coming Thursday!

Frank Shrode  
 President

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**UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS:**

**2010**

**January 14, 2010  
HCW Meeting**

**January 16, 2010  
Open Shop**

**February 11, 2010  
HCW Meeting  
Quarterly Challenge Due**

**February 13, 2010  
Open Shop**

**March 11, 2010  
HCW Meeting**

**March 13, 2010  
Open Shop**

**April 8, 2010  
HCW Meeting**

**April 10, 2010  
Open Shop**

**April 24, 2010  
Robert Rosand Demo**

**April 25 — 28, 2010  
Robert Rosand Hands-on**

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:**

A new year has arrived! This year the Board. has a new face with Mike Ragsdale serving as Vice-President. Frank Shrode is President. Mike Kizer is Treasurer. Dan Henry is SWAT Director. Yours truly, Fred Uphoff, is Secretary/Newsletter Editor. We say thanks to Sheryl Kendall who retired after two years as Club Treasurer.

The Christmas Party was a huge success. The Silent Auction brought in \$1282.00. With a lot of hard work from Dan Henry he did manage to sell all of the Penny Raffle tickets. The winner of the Grizzly Bandsaw was Art Hendrix. Antonia Messina-Gates won the Hunter Tool. Sheryl Kendall won the Craftsman Circular Saw. Bob Calvert was awarded Wood Turner of the Year. Our thanks to Margie Hendrix for putting the party together and everyone who participated.

Members your dues are now past due! Remember to fill out a new membership form this year. To those members who have already paid for 2010 see me for your new membership card.

There will be numerous signup sheets this month at the back table. We are looking for people to be Club Demonstrators and also to hold Open Shops.

**Tickets are now on sale for the Bob Rosand Demonstration on April 24. You do need a ticket to attend this event and you do need to purchase your ticket soon. Ticket prices are \$25.00 including lunch. We are setting up 4 days of hands-on turning at Mike Kizer's shop. Hands-on classes are \$125.00 per person per day. These classes will be limited to 6 people each day and will include lunch.**

**Sunday April 25 class will be an Oil Lamp and Ring Holder, if time permits tool sharpening and a small bowl may also be added.**

**Monday April 26 will be a slightly more advanced class consisting of a Christmas Ornament along with tool sharpening and small bowl.**

**Tuesday April 27 will be an Acorn Ornament with tool sharpening and small bowl.**

**Wednesday April 28 will finish out this series and will consist of a Bird House and Bell along with tool sharpening and possibly a small bowl.**

**This opportunity doesn't come around often at HCW, so let's support this event and signup!**

**Tickets for the Saturday demo and hands on signup sheets will be available at the January meeting. To ensure you get the event of your choice, plan on buying the Saturday Demo tickets and signing up for the hands-on demo at the January meeting.**

Remember the Quarterly Challenge which is due in February is something from a 2"x4"x8' or 5.33 board feet. It can be from any wood species.

**Board minutes: January 7, 2010****Upcoming Club Events for 2010:**

The Board discussed this year's events and demonstrations that are currently known. April, Bob Rosand will be here in Greenville. June will again be the Hunt County Fair. This year August will be the SWAT Symposium. Other events were discussed, but dates were unknown. Mike Ragsdale will do follow up checking on these events.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Mike Kizer reported he has secured from Sheryl Kendall the necessary paper work needed to change the bank account for this year, since he now is the new treasurer for the Club. He also reported that the financial status of the Club is positive. Several budget items still need input for 2010.

**AAW EOG Grant Proposal:**

Bill Klopping presented the EOG grant proposal to the board. Some minor wording was changed. The board approved sending the updated proposal to the AAW.

**Approval of Board Appointed Positions for 2010:**

The elected Board of Directors approved the following positions and people for 2010: Audio/Visual, Clyde Marks; Facilities Coordinator, Fred Groves; Historian, Margie Hendrix; Librarian, Sammy Thomason; Publicist, Bill Klopping and Webmaster/Events Coordinator, Johnny Campbell.

**Library:**

The Board approved spending \$250.00 to purchase items to add to the Club library. These can be books, DVD's or both. Members are encouraged to make suggestions what items they would like to see added.

**Update on Bob Rosand Demo and Hands-on Classes:**

On Saturday April 24<sup>th</sup> at the Church Bob Rosand will present an all day demonstration. The cost is \$25 per person, this will include a lunch. Signup sheets and tickets are available. The hands-on instruction classes will be April 25, 26, 27 and maybe April 28. The third and fourth day may be cancelled if members don't signup. All hands-on classes will be held at Mike Kizer's shop. These classes are \$125 per person per day and will be limited to six (6) people per class. All classes will start at 9:00 AM including the demonstration.

**Beads of Courage Bowls and Boxes:**

Frank Shrode is encouraging all members to make at least one bowl or box for this worthy cause. The HCW started doing this project in 2009.

**SWAT:**

Dan Henry reported that the SWAT Board will meeting on January 23 in Waco. The HCW Board approved of sponsoring a room at the SWAT Symposium this year.

Respectfully submitted by:

Fred Uphoff, Secretary

**Wood of the Month****Hackberry**  
(*Celtis occidentalis*)**Common Names:**

Bastard Elm, Common Hackberry, False Elm, Hackberry, Hacktree, Hoop Ash, Nettle tree, Sugarberry, Western Hackberry

**Locations where grown:**

United States and southern Canada.

Hackberry is widely distributed in the eastern United States from the southern New England States through central New York west in southern Ontario to North and South Dakota. Northern outliers are found in southern Quebec, western Ontario, southern Manitoba, and southeastern Wyoming. The range extends south from western Nebraska to northeastern Colorado and northwestern Texas, then east to Arkansas, Tennessee, and North Carolina, with scattered occurrences in Mississippi, Alabama, and Georgia. Because Sugarberry (*Celtis laevigata*) and Hackberry are so similar, it has been difficult to establish the exact range of either species in the South. Parts of their ranges overlap, with Hackberry probably restricted to the upland and Sugarberry occupying the bottom land.

**Uses:**

Hackberry resembles ash and elm and has similar uses, such as:

Bedroom suites, Boards, Boxes and crates, Building materials, Cabinetmaking, Carving, Casks, Chairs, Chests, Concealed parts (furniture), Cooperages, Decorative veneer, Desks, Dining-room furniture, Dowel pins, Dowels, Drawer sides, Dressed boards, Farm implements, Figured veneer, Fine furniture, Floor lamps, Furniture, Furniture components, Furniture squares or stock, Hat racks, Interior construction, Interior trim, Kitchen cabinets, Living-room suites, Lumber, Millwork, Office furniture, Packing cases, Paneling, Plywood, Radio - stereo - TV cabinets, Rough boards/dimension stock, Rustic furniture, Sporting Goods, Stools, Tables, Truck bodies, Turning, Utility furniture, Vehicle parts, Veneer

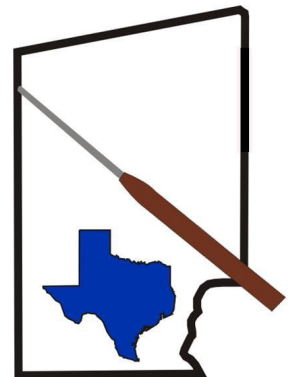
**Comments:**

Hackberry has straight or sometimes interlocking grain and a fairly uniform texture. Hackberry has yellowish gray to light brown heartwood and pale to greenish yellow sapwood. The wide sapwood is usually discolored with blue sap-stain and is pale yellow to grayish or greenish yellow. It works easily with machine or sharp hand tools. A good carving wood. Pre-drilling is recommended when using screws or nails. Glues, stains and finishes well using natural finishes. The fruit is small (0.25-0.39 mm) in diameter, edible in many species, with a dryish but sweet, sugary consistency, reminiscent of a date.

Hackberry (*Celtis occidentalis*) is considered to be the most allergenic tree of all hackberries in causing hay fever. Hackberry pollen season generally extends from March to May.

**Reference:**

USDA Forest Service, Forest Products Laboratory, Madison, Wisconsin



Highlights from 2009 Christmas Party

*A great time was had by all*



The *Ones* who made sure everything was ready



Thank you Craig and Wood World



The Silent Auction Filled Many Tables



Thanks Mike



Thanks Sheryl




Dan Henry says if you need saw blades sharpened try this place

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**Shop Hint from Bill Klopping:**

I came up with a quick way to easily label those small disks of sandpaper that you put on rotary sander tools - those small sandpaper disks that almost never have the grit number labeled on the back.

As I tend to reuse the disks a few times before discarding them it helps a lot to have the grit labeled on the back so I can discriminate between very used 220 and slightly used 320 or 400 grit. In the past I used a sharpie to write the grit onto the back of disks. This took a non-trivial amount of time to write the grit numbers on the back of each of the small disks.



I recently found a 6 digit "Numbered" stamp at Staples for \$ 4.29 that you can set to whatever number grit you need and quickly stamp it on the back of the disks (using a standard ink pad). The stamp I got can legibly put the grit number onto a 1" or larger disk. I didn't see any evidence of the ink rubbing off onto the adjacent paper if I let it dry for a few seconds. It just took a couple minutes to label all the disks in a 25 pack of 1" disks - a considerable time savings over hand writing the grits on each piece - not to mention that the stamped numbers are more readable than when I hand write them.

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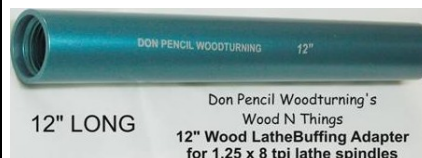
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## American Association of Woodturners

December 2009 AAW Board Letter

Message from Bill Haskell

As associations go, the AAW is a very successful one that has grown steadily from infancy 24 years ago to the large and very active organization we are today. Aside from the basic interest in and enthusiasm for woodturning itself, there is no doubt in my mind that a primary reason for the AAW's success has been the involvement of its members. This is an organization of over 13,500 members that has a small paid staff, and a relatively small budget. How can so much in the way of programs, activities, and benefits be offered and carried out with limited resources? I believe the answer is: ***VOLUNTEERS!***

Here is a short description of the various volunteers that keep the AAW running. The [AAW board of directors](#), put in a tremendous amount of time and effort over their three year term. Directors are often re-elected to serve a second term. Serving as a board member can be a very demanding unpaid part-time job. Then, there are a whole host of other jobs fulfilled by volunteers. Some serve in various capacities on the [19 AAW committees](#). Some volunteers carry out the duties of website and forum moderators. The [Professional Outreach Program \(POP\)](#) committee, and its members, have made a major contribution in developing and producing programs. The [AAW insurance programs](#) and the new [website sales venue](#) were created and now overseen by volunteers.

The attorney we turn to for legal counsel and the marketing professional we seek advice from volunteer their support and time. Website management and software programming are major efforts, and many of those hours are accomplished by volunteers. Planning for and implementing the myriad tasks involved with an event of the magnitude of [our symposium](#) is done by a large cadre of volunteers. There are dedicated volunteers who organize an outstanding youth program. Others volunteer in the St. Paul office and [Gallery of Wood Art](#). Volunteers also man the AAW booth and information tables at the annual [SOFA](#) (Sculpture Objects & Functional Art) fair in Chicago, considered the world's foremost exposition of contemporary decorative arts and design.

Have you ever thought about thanking any of these volunteers?

These contributions of time, effort, and expertise are essential ingredients to the success of AAW's programs. For all those who have offered their services to the AAW in this way, a very ***HEARTY THANK YOU!*** Your efforts are greatly appreciated. The AAW couldn't be what it is today without you.

For those who would like to offer their help in some way, I encourage you to [give the office a call](#), or contact a director, and discuss your interests and where you think you can be of assistance. You can be an active part of and a helping hand on our fantastic AAW team of volunteers. All AAW members are encouraged to help the organization in recruiting members and sharing their talents in the education of others.

The new year 2010, is just ahead of us with all its potential and opportunity. On the board of directors, we have two new members: Warren Carpenter and Kurt Hertzog. All of us should be thankful for the contribution they will make and welcome them to the board. A special thank you for all their service and effort is extended to the retiring board members, Frank Amigo and Al Hockenbery. Tom Wirsing will be the new board president next year. I wish him well, and know that he will receive everyone's full support for what I know will be effective and successful leadership for our great organization. A heart-felt thank you to all who have supported the AAW and me this past year.

Wishing you and yours a special Christmas and Holiday Season,

Bill Haskell, President

American Association of Woodturners



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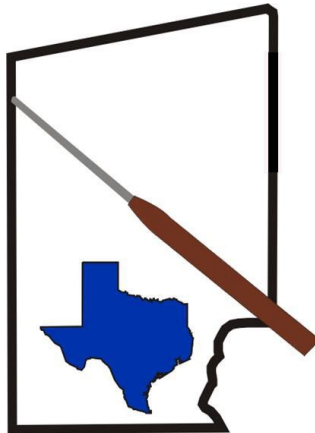
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Woodturners, don't forget to check out **The American Association of Woodturners**. Hunt County Woodturners Inc. is a Chapter of this fine organization and each member should seriously consider becoming a member of AAW. The insurance protection alone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

<http://www.woodturner.org>



**Join the fun, become a member today Hunt County Woodturners, Inc.**

Membership is renewable annually for a calendar year, and covers individual and family **at the same address**. The membership cost is \$30.00. Please pay at the meeting, or an application form may be downloaded from our website and sent along with the appropriate remittance to:

Hunt County Woodturners, Inc  
Mike Kizer, Treasurer  
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**Dues are prorated for new members at \$2.50 per month**

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Application Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dues Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

Dues \$30.00 per calendar year  
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*Hunt County Woodturners, Inc.*

*Membership Application and Bio Information*

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
**First MI Last Home Phone**

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Street Work Phone**

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Birth Month and Day: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Family Members**

**Name Relationship**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear of HCW? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been woodturning? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your woodturning specialty or preference? \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to learn about woodturning regarding: (Circle all that apply)

- |         |           |            |            |
|---------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Design  | Tool Care | Finish     | Sharpening |
| Carving | Bowls     | Spindles   | Miniatures |
|         | Pens      | Toy Making |            |

Other (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Would you be a Club Mentor? Yes or No \_\_\_\_\_

(see Secretary for Mentor form)

Would you be interested in learning from a Mentor?

Yes No (topic or interest) \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this form to Treasurer:**

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