

HCW NEWSLETTER

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Hi Folks ,,, Well the Hunt co. Fair is done for another year and it was a big success. The fair netted the club over \$900 in Patriot Pen sales and contributions. Lots of people stopped by the Hunt County Woodturners booth to watch volunteers turn pens, bowls and other items. Many of these folks expressed interest in wood turning and said they would try to attend our next meeting. I was told by a fair official that on the last Saturday the fair set an all time attendance record. And I was also told by Burt Andrew that we got our picture in the Greenville Herald Banner. Club member Sammy Thompson turned hundreds of Tops for the kids to decorate, and we ran out of tops, twice. I would like to thank all the 23 members who worked shifts at the fair and made all this possible. In short, " A good time was had by all."

I spoke with Doug Balzer Friday morning and he said "he was feeling fine". He still has lots of Dr. appointments and rehab to do, but he's very confident that he will fully recover. The only part he's not looking forward to is the dreaded Change of Diet. I'm with you Doug.

Hope to see you all at the June 9th meeting. Neil Brand will be doing the demo at the next meeting. Small Things You Can Sell. Sounds interesting.

Thanks to all ,,, Lee

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Photo Directory

We are putting together our first ever photo directory.
We will be asking you to please send us your photograph.
Please send them to: Burt Andrew (972-757-5488) (bandrew1@att.net)

PYROGRAPHY CLASS WITH JANICE LEVI

Everyone who signed up for the Janice Levi class needs to pay for the classes.
You can pay at this months or next month club meeting or go to the clubs web site and
pay with PayPal.

PRAY FOR:

Kay Shrode &
Frank Shrode

Cheryl Ragsdale and Family

Doug Balzer



REMINDERS

While everyone is at home socially distancing, things can get boring so use this excess of time to call up a mentor from the [mentors list](#).

They can mentor you over the phone, or maybe even a video call. This is the perfect time to practice your woodturning skills and get the help you need to succeed.

When you call if they don't answer, please TEXT and or leave a message so that they know who to call back .

For segmenters, George Freeman has 1in. Square boards that can be cut to different lengths for segmenting. He has this in Pecan, Mesquite, and Walnut.

He also still has his original stock of turning blanks.

His address is 7151 Sandy Lake Rd. Quinlan Tx. 75474

And his phone number is (214-334-4035)

<i>June Birthdays</i>	days
Arlan Purdy	11
Rhonda Stelly	11
Mary Henry	12
Michelle Frazier	16
Judy Hall	20
Donna Frazier	21
Joel Rubin	26

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Neil Brand will be doing the demo on June 9th.

Small Things You Can Sell.

Topic: Hunt County Woodturners May Meeting

Time: June 9, 2022 07:00 PM Central Time,

The Club Library is now gathering demonstration handouts to keep on file. If you have a handout from a demonstration that you found interesting, helpful or had project instructions... please make a copy and give it to our librarian Keith Clark or president Lee Craft.

We are now accepting Hunt County Woodturners Membership renewals for 2022. Our Treasurer, Alan Fields, will be sending out Paypal invoices as a payment option for dues to all members. Renewal of HCW membership for 2022: \$48 check made out to HCW and mailed to: HCW, Attention: Alan Fields, P.O. Box 8191 Greenville, TX. 75404. You can also pay for your membership in cash at the meetings as well.



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We are going to build up the Club YouTube channel. We are putting in mini demos on the channel. If you have something you want to share, you can make a demo as long or as short as you'd like. If you need help filming, we are putting together equipment to facilitate that. Please contact any board member if you are willing to help with this. Here is the link to the channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7KsCch28Ne5sE8LjhR2D1A>

OPEN SHOP

June 11th Open Shop
Lonnie Duke's Shop
706 Sahara Drive, Greenville

July: Donna Frazier (Van Alstyne)

August: Burt Andrew (Union Valley)

September (possibly Alan Fields, TBD)

SWAT News

As SWAT Director, I went to Waco last Saturday for the first SWAT board meeting of the year.

Due mainly to low attendance last year, SWAT lost \$32,500. As you might guess, they cannot stand many more years like that. Their catering cost alone was over \$70,000. If you have eaten in the past months, you know how much food prices have risen. Their proposed catering cost for this year is over \$93,000. Therefore, for the first time since 2013, they are raising ticket prices. Early Registration (on line) ticket prices are going to be \$175.00. That's up from the \$140. we've been paying. Spouses will cost \$100. Banquet tickets are the same \$45.00. This is for all 3 days. a one day ticket is \$100.00. Walk up tickets (not on line) are going to be \$275.00 for 3 days, \$150.00 for one day. Early on line registration is strongly encouraged, you may have noticed it's a hundred dollars cheaper than walk up, not only for your tickets, but T shirts and handbooks. This way they will have an accurate number of how many will attend so they will know how much food is needed, how many shirts, and how many handbooks to have printed. This will help their bottom line a great deal, which is \$218,393.00. That is what it cost to put on a good SWAT symposium. There will be no Friday night show or meal.

The lead demonstrators this year are Martin Sabin Smith, Mike Mahoney Andy Wolfe, Barry Gross, Dennis Paullis, Craig Timmerman, and Trent Bosh. The 3 for 1 Raffle features a grand prize of a Robust American Beauty Lathe, along with 3 other prizes of Laguna REVO 12/16 lathes. Artist donations for the raffle will be appreciated. As always, the host hotels are the Hilton and the Courtyard who are giving us the discounted SWAT rate of \$160 per night.

Early Registration begins **March 15th**, SWAT dates are Aug 26, 27, and 28.

That's all I have for now. Lee.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all those who participated in this week's Chainsaw and Wood Processing Parties! Hunt County Woodturners now has its turning supply room shelved with bowl blanks and spindle blanks. Thank you for helping make this possible!

2021 Hunt County Woodturners Board 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.

Lee Craft (President),
Gary Sanders (Vice-President),
Burt Andrew (Secretary),
Alan Fields (Treasurer),
Sully Sullivan (Technology Officer: interim pending replacement),
Joe Grimes (Training Coordinator),
Doug Balzer (Event Coordinator)

HCW Board of Directors meetings

are held on Zoom on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00pm. Board meetings are open to all members.





"By All means read what the experts have to say. Just don't let it get in the way of your woodworking." - John Brown

Upcoming On-Line Events:

Nothing for now, check back later.



There are lots of things made of silicone that can benefit a woodturner...

Silicone Molds are available for resin projects and are used often by those who wish to make their own pen blanks.

Silicone Glue Brushes are handy for applying wood glue to a project. After use, you can let the brush dry, and the crusty glue will just peel off for an easy cleanup.

Silicone Mats are also super handy for easy project cleanup.

However, don't get super glue on the edge of a silicone mat. If it sticks to you work bench and you pull on the silicone mat... it will tear!



Woodturning Quotes:

Ever wonder the difference between Craft and Art mentality?...

“A poorly designed turning is a constant and irritating reminder to you and to others that you could have done better; and a needless waste of resources and of your turning abilities.” – Mike Darlow

“I always say, if it don’t work out... so what! It’s ok... don’t worry about it. Doctors bury their mistakes, we burn them!” -Emmet Kane

This is a good blend of Art and Craft...

“I am one who turns for me I turn what I like. If someone likes what I make great!

Customers means business which means production which means efficiency which means proficiency in every aspect of the turning process.

the skill which one manipulates their turning tools matters greatly in the finished product.

An artist was asked how he painted such a beautiful picture. He answered that the painting was already on the canvas he simply uncovered it with his brushes.

My goal in turning is to look at the piece of wood, decide what it wants to be then efficiently turn away everything that isn’t that object.” – Tim White

More food for thought on Art and Craft...

Artists make “one-offs” that are artistly embellished turnings... I heard a Craft production woodworker once say, and I’m paraphrasing, that all his pieces were “one-offs”. He said he didn’t just make useful items out of wood. He categorized each piece of wood as to what item to make, that would show off the wood’s God given grain figure. He said each utilitarian item he made was “unique” in its organic features, his job was to cooperate with nature and highlight those qualities in the pieces he made.

Continuing that thought: If the function of some woodturnings is art and its use is to emit emotion... don’t all woodturnings serve a purpose and use? Can’t Craft production woodturnings be naturally artistic while still being utilitarian useful?

Perhaps maybe Art and Craft aren’t so different after all!

(All this is not to say that bad art and poorly crafted woodturnings are anything more than dross.)

IMHO anyway... Donna Frazier

Inspiration

Some YouTubes were suggested by various members of our club so I decided to set up hyperlinks and lists of good YouTube pages so everyone can enjoy them!

Educational Reading:

Woodturning Lathe Speeds- Complete Guide <https://www.uwoodcraft.com/woodturning-lathe-speeds-a-complete-guide/>
Five Quick and Easy Woodturning Finishes <https://www.woodworkersjournal.com/five-quick-and-easy-woodturning-finishes/> Watch: Mike Mahoney Finishes <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ITYyrYLgEfl>

Recently someone emailed me about BOB... I couldn't figure out what BOB was. I found a neat website with woodturning and wood-working acronyms that are used in on-line forums. <http://www.hobbitouseinc.com/personal/woodpics/acronyms.htm> You won't find BOB there though... I was told later that BOB is Bottom of Bowl Gouge

In the News:

How to Forage from the World's Oldest Tree – Gastro Obscura <https://www.atlasobscura.com/articles/how-to-use-ginkgo-nuts>

A Lumber Poacher Has Been Foiled – By Tree DNA <https://www.popularmechanics.com/science/a38303861/lumber-poacher-foiled-by-tree-dna/>

A First in Fossil Research: Seeds Sprouting From 40 Million Year Old Pine Cone Encased in Amber <https://www.scitechdaily.com/a-first-in-fossil-research-seeds-sprouting-from-40-million-year-old-pine-cone-encased-in-amber/>

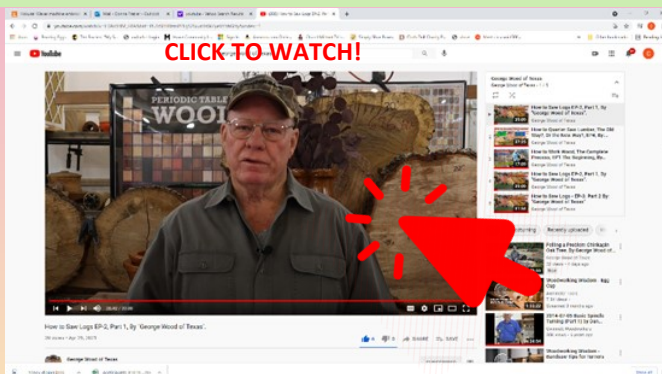
Up to 19% of world's "irreplaceable" giant sequoias lost to fire in about a year, study finds <https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2021/11/19/giant-sequoias-thousands-killed-wildfires-california/8687355002/>

Does the Walking Palm Tree Really Walk? <https://www.livescience.com/33663-walking-tree-socratea-exorrhiza.html>

A tree that smells like rotting fish is so invasive that states are trying to kill it <https://bangordailynews.com/2021/12/03/homestead/a-tree-that-smells-like-rotting-fish-is-so-invasive-that-states-are-offering-bounties-to-kill-it-joam40zk0w/>

George Wood of Texas

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKIK0-SnOevQbMue-V3sUUDg>



Suggested YouTubes

- [Brian Havens](#)—Suggested by Fred Groves
- [Cap'n Eddie Castelin](#)—Suggested by Ross Spielman
- [Rocky Mountain Woodturners](#)—Suggested by Donna Frazier
- [WYOMING-WOODTURNER \(Sam Angelo\)](#)— suggested by Fred Groves
- [Robohippy](#)— Suggested by Tim White
- AAW website videos— suggested by Cory White

Woodturners, don't forget to check out **The American Association of Woodturners.**

<http://www.woodturner.org>

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. Check out this excellent guide to membership services and publications.



Become a member of the Hunt County Woodturners!

Membership is renewable annually for a calendar year, and covers individual and family at **the same address.** The membership cost is **\$48.00.**

Download the application [HERE.](#)

Bring completed application and dues to our next meeting or mail to:

Hunt County Woodturners, Inc
Attn. Alan Fields
P.O. Box 8191
Greenville, Texas 75404

OR Email to

Cory White at
mafields3@yahoo.com

Dues are prorated for new members at \$4.00 per month

CLUB MENTORS AND SPECIALITY

HCW wants to support the learning and skill development of every member. If you are seeking support, advice, or mentoring, help is just a click away.

CLICK BELOW TO OPEN

2018 Hunt County Woodturners Mentors																			
Mentor	Home City	Cell Phone	Woodturning	Lathe	Hand Tools	Power Tools	Turned	Spinning	Carving	Design	Teaching	Other	Other	Other	Other	Other	Other	Other	Other
Frank Winkle	Greenville	803-288-6325	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Joe Collins	Castle Hill	803-523-8933	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Roger England	Greenville	803-483-1486	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Sammy Thompson	Greenville	803-527-0066	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Paul Spillert	Greenville	803-483-9579	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
George Henson	Greenville	214-538-8535	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Tim White	McKinney	214-485-9117	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Greg Landrum	Greenville	803-483-4633	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mark Spitzer	Greenville	817-742-2629	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Cory White	Greenville	817-345-6335	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y



Hunt County Woodturners, Inc. is recognized by the United States Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. (Gifts to Hunt County Woodturners, Inc. are fully deductible for U.S. Income Tax purposes.)

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



WEEKEND HELP WANTED

Rockler

584 West I-30,
Suite 403,
Garland, TX.
(469) 329-0971



Klingspor's Woodworking Shop

Hickory, NC,
(800) 228-0000
(ask for discount)



Hartville Tool

www.hartvilletool.com
(800) 345-2396



Woodcraft

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



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**Hunt County Woodturners
Board Meeting Minutes
June 2, 2022**

This meeting was conducted at Wesley United Methodist Church. It was also open to members through Zoom,

conducted by Sully Sullivan, though no members attended through the Zoom session.

Club members Attending in Person: Lee Craft*, Gary Sanders*, Burt Andrew*, Alan Fields*, Sully Sullivan*.

[Voting board members for 2022 indicated *. A quorum of board members was in attendance.]

The Meeting was called to order at 7:20pm by HCW President, Lee Craft. The meeting was started late due technical and password issues related to Zoom.

Items of Business

President – Lee Craft

Lee reported that Donna Tacker has requested the Club's assistance with the sale of Bill Tacker's shop items, which includes a significant number of Craftsman tools. The sale date will be Friday, June 10, at Donna Tacker's home. Lee will send an email to the members with details.

Board members discussed whether to continue Club activities on Zoom. Consensus was yes, considering that a fair number of members currently use it, and that the yearly Zoom fee has been paid for. Poor quality audio continues to be a problem.

The Janice Levi pyrography class was well received with good attendance during both full-day sessions. Janice offers an advanced class. After learning more about advanced-class content, Lee will assess member interest.

Gary reported that the Woodturning Wonders order, which needs to reach \$1500 to get good discounts, has reached \$1260. The Board decided to bridge the gap by purchasing two 600 grit CBN wheels, to be either sold to members or to be used as giveaways at club functions, e.g. Christmas party.

Gary Sanders made a motion that the Club purchase two 600-grit CBN wheels from Woodturning Wonders at \$179.95 each. The motion was seconded by Alan Fields. Motion passed.

Woodturning Wonders orders will be accepted through the end of the June meeting, after which the Club's order will be placed. All club member orders must be paid for in advance.

The list for the Oneway wormscrews has reached 23 members, though only 11 have paid. Alan will send out Paypal invoices and Lee will remind members by e-mail about payments due.

Sully is taking steps to improve A/V quality relative to equipment and process. Items discussed included purchase of a 4th camera, the purchase of a backdrop, and rearrangement of equipment to improve the visual field and decrease editing.

Gary Sanders made a motion to purchase a backdrop, the associated stand, and lights for \$457.20. The motion was seconded by Alan Fields. Motion passed.

The order was placed through Amazon during the Board meeting. Sully will continue to research and recommend A/V improvements.

Vice President – Gary Sanders

Neil Brand from Golden Triangle Woodturners will demonstrate during our June meeting. The topic will be "Small things you can sell."

Secretary – Burt Andrew

Board Meeting minutes from May 5, 2022:

Gary Sanders made a motion to accept the minutes from the May 5, 2022, Board Meeting, with no changes. The motion was seconded by Alan Fields. Motion passed.

Membership currently stands at 97 after the addition of new member Randy Cain from Rowlett.

Upcoming Apparel Order

Burt will send out Club logowear order forms in advance of the upcoming club meeting, as well as a new form to order a personalized woodturner's smock for \$70.

Both forms will also be available during the June club meeting.

Orders with payment will be required by the close of the June meeting for delivery in time for SWAT. Forms/payment go to Treasurer, Alan Fields.

Treasurer – Alan Fields

Alan reported on Paypal and checking account activity.

Significant income and expense items in May:

Income: Pyrography school

Expense: Janice Levi payment

Checking account balance:

May 1, 2022: \$12,261.88

May 31, 2022: \$11,412.28

Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.

Hunt County Fair and Janice Levi Demo

