

HCW NEWSLETTER

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I'm afraid I've been a little lax in my presidential duties as far as providing an opening statement for the news letter. I'm not as talented as past presidents when it comes to coming up with a thoughtful and interesting article about woodturning, or anything else for that matter. I should keep up more on the latest methods of performing our craft, but I have a problem doing that. Actually I have learned more this year from our members than anyone else. You folks constantly amaze me at every meeting seeing the items that you bring in for show & tell. The quality and imagination that you all put into every piece shows how talented you are and how seriously you take this "hobby". I've talked to people who have come from other clubs who say that "we are way ahead of those other clubs" when it comes to the things we bring to show. You guys & girls are doing a great job, learning a lot, and producing some amazing things and I'm proud to be a part of this club. Keep up all the good work.

Your very humble president ,,,,, 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)

We've just been presented a new lathe with accessories by the AAW through a grant award. It was delivered last week, and Lee has it now, preparing it for use.



The new equipment included a Jet JWL-1015 lathe, a stand, a Nova chuck, and a variety of conventional and carbide lathe tools.

These items will be added to HCW's equipment inventory and will be used for educational purposes in demos, open shops, and Club sponsored schools. Our thanks to the AAW for making these items available to us.

We have a good meeting planned for Thursday night. Steve Bassett will turn a Natural Edge bowl out of a block of wood, The apparel orders are in and will be handed out, the CBN wheels are in and will be handed out. We have our quarterly challenge, Lidded Boxes, and someone will win a \$50.00 gift card.

Some good news and not so good news. The bathrooms close to the meeting room are now back in service. Not so good news, The air conditioning is still not working as of last Friday. Several of us are bringing fans to try to pump some cool air from downstairs to upstairs, so dress cool and we'll survive. Hope to see you all there, Thanks ~ Lee.

If anyone is having trouble or is still new to using Zoom then please contact Cory White 972-345-6205

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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)

July Birthdays

	days
Vance Payne	1
Gage Wirtzberger	2
Sarah Frazier	8
Bill Lilley	17

Eisa Wirtzberger	19
John Frazier	27

Suzanne Broussard	28
Cheryl Ragsdale	28
Angie Traynha	29



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Steve Bassett will be doing the demo on July 14th. Turning a Natural Edge bowl out of a block of wood.

Topic: Hunt County Woodturners July Meeting

Time: July 14th, 2022 07:00 PM Central Time,

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87974730053?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87974730053?pwd=TUNXSTQ1eU1Oa21USU4zN3lKczBvZz09)

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Meeting ID: 879 7473 0053

Passcode: 266095

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

July 16th: Donna Frazier

1275 Wild Rd. Van Alstyne , Texas

August: Burt Andrew (Union Valley)
8085 CR 2578 Royce City

September (possibly Alan Fields, TBD)

SWAT News

SWAT is looking for Beads Of Courage boxes again this year, and they are wanting volunteers to help set up tables and such for Swat.

This will begin on Thursday that 25th about 8 am. Any help would be appreciated.

I am now looking for Room Assistants for the demos.

I will be going to Waco on the 30th of this month for the final meeting. I'll have more information then.

Thanks. Lee

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all those who participated in this week's Chainsaw and Wood Processing Parties! Hunt County Woodturners now has it's 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.

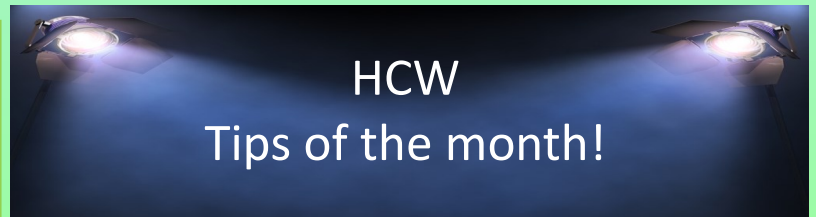




"By All means read what the experts have to say. Just don't let it get in the way of your woodworking." - John Brown

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 your 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.hobbitthouseinc.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/>

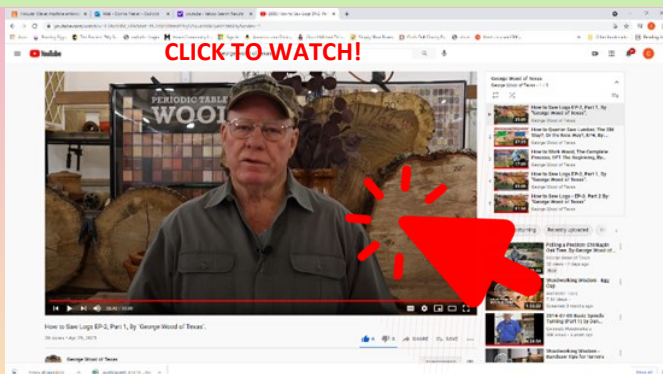
Up to 19% of world's "irreplaceable" giant sequoias lost to fire in about a year, study finds <https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2021/11/19/giant-sequoias-thousands-killed-wildfires-california/8687355002/>

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	Wood	Design	Business	Marketing	Finance	Insurance	Legal	Medical	Other
Frank Winkle	Greenville	803-288-6525	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Joe Collins	Castle Hill	803-533-8633	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
Sammy Thompson	Greenville	803-527-0066	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
George Henson	Greenville	214-538-8535	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Tim White	McKinney	214-485-9517	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Gary Landrum	Greenville	803-483-4633	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
Cory White	Greenville	817-345-6335	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
July 7, 2022**

This meeting was conducted at Wesley United Methodist Church and was also open to members through Zoom, conducted by Sully Sullivan. Dale Scruggs and John Blattman attended through the Zoom session. **Club members Attending in Person:** Lee Craft*, Gary Sanders*, Burt Andrew*, Alan Fields*, Sully Sullivan*, Doug Balzer*, Joe Grimes*, Cynthia Balzer. [Voting board members for 2022 indicated *. A quorum of board members was in attendance.]

The Meeting was called to order at 7:06pm by HCW President, Lee Craft.

Items of Business

President – Lee Craft

Board Meeting minutes from June 2, 2022:

Alan Fields made a motion to accept the minutes from the June 2, 2022, Board Meeting, with no changes. The motion was seconded by Gary Sanders. Motion passed.

Discussed the substantial jump in annual church space rent, from \$500 to \$1200, effective January 2023.

Lee may try to negotiate a lesser cost and/or slightly increased Club storage space, but the consensus was that \$1200 is an acceptable cost, considering space, storage, and security.

Gary Sanders made a motion to that we accept the increase and continue current space use. The motion was seconded by Gary Sanders. Motion passed.

The CBN wheels and apparel orders have arrived and will be ready for distribution at next week's meeting.

The vendor discounted the CBN flat-surface wheels \$10, which may be refunded to the respective member, or at the member's discretion, donated to the Club.

Our Quarterly Challenge, due July meeting, is to turn a lidded box. Best entry will be selected by the members, and the winner will be awarded a \$50 gift card. Members are encouraged to turn a Beads of Courage box for delivery to SWAT.

SWAT:

SWAT committee is requesting Beads of Courage boxes again this year.

The Hilton has allotted another 10 discounted rooms for SWAT attendees. Details are available from the SWAT website.

SWAT leadership is asking for assistance with set-up, starting 8am Thursday, August 25th. Lunch will be provided to the volunteers. They've also asked for assistance with take-down at the end of the event. Contact Lee if interested.

Our Club will need room assistants (pays \$45 per assistant per session), and camera operators (pays \$125 per operator across the entire event). Contact Lee or Sully (AV) if interested.

Note: The American Beauty lathe winner (lottery) must be prepared to pay \$1500 IRS taxes before leaving with the lathe.

Lee will attend his last meeting in Waco prior to SWAT, July 30.

SWAT online registration ends August 1. After August 1st, registration will be accepted at the time of the event, i.e. "at the door", at a significantly higher rate.

WUMC will most likely not have their AC repaired in time for our July meeting. Lee and others will bring fans to circulate cooler air from downstairs.

Vice President – Gary Sanders

Kevin Bassett will demonstrate during our July meeting. He will demonstrate the turning of a natural edge bowl.

Gary Sanders is scheduled to do the demo in August, featuring preparation, gluing, and turning of laminates. This is partly to help him prepare for his role as demonstrator at SWAT (Aug. 26-28).

Secretary – Burt Andrew

Membership currently stands at 101, up from 97 last month. Newest members/location/experience:

- Tom and Stacy Nehl – Emory (11+ years)
- Bill Hudson - Royse City (new)
- Barbie, Theresa, and Michael Douglas – Rockwall (new)
- Scott Roller – Rowlett (25+ years)

Apparel items are in and will be ready for pickup July meeting.

AAW lathe grant:

- Received AAW grant lathe (Jet 1221), along with stand, Nova chuck, and turning tools.
- As a condition of the grant, AAW is requiring a report explaining use and plans, by September 30, 2022.

Lee is preparing the lathe for club use. Burt will provide a newsletter announcement to Gavin this month, and will prepare/submit the required report to AAW prior to September 30.

Treasurer – Alan Fields

Alan reported on Paypal and checking account activities. The outstanding Paypal balance was transferred to checking on 7/7/22.

Significant income and expense items in June:

Income: Dues, Apparel income

Expense: Tool order, A/V equipment, demonstrator payment

Checking account balance:

June 1, 2022: \$11,412.28

July 7, 2022: \$12,539.57

Training Coordinator – Joe Grimes

Joe is considering a pen turning quarterly school, possibly in partnership with a local public school. Alan volunteered to check out possibilities.

Suggested that next year we consider having a quarterly challenge consisting of items turned at the fair.

Event Coordinator – Doug Balzer

Donna Frazier will host this month's Open Shop, July 16. [1275 Wild Road, Van Alstyne]

Burt Andrew will host next month's Open Shop, August 13. [8085 CR 2578, Royse City]

Doug has begun plans for this year's Bois D'Arc Bash in Commerce, September 24. The event will be free to the club, w/ set-up the previous day. More to come.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm.

