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Hunt County Woodturners, Inc.

Meeting: 2nd Thursday of each month, 7 PM

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HCW Calendar:

- * Regular meeting 7PM, April 12, 2007.
- * Demo topic will be [Making Wooden Bangle Bracelets](#)
- * No Open Shop, HCW Garage Sale, April 14, 2007.
- * Next month's regular meeting 7PM May 10, 2007.

Message from the President:

Greetings Woodturners,

We had another very good open shop March 10 and we would like to thank Mike Kizer for sharing his shop with the membership.

As you know this month our open shop will be the yard sale at the Crestview Christian Church. It will run from 8:00 till 3:00PM and we will start setting up at 7:00, so please if you have some spare time come and help us. Also, Fred has told us we can bring items to the regular meeting this coming Thursday and store our items for sale at the Church.

Finding a meeting location now has become critical. John would still like us to meet in his new shop, but looking at it I just don't see enough room to accommodate us. If you have any ideas, please let me know. I am willing to follow any leads or locations, just let me know and I will talk to the owners or managers of the property.

On a sadder note, we learned today that a founding father of our club, Bill Oliver has a cancerous growth on one of his lungs. He is scheduled for surgery Monday the 9th. Our prayers and best wishes go out to him and his family.

Don't forget to wear those safety-glasses when you make square wood round, stay safe and have fun.

Howard Fitzgerald

April Meeting will be at the Crestview Christian Church

During this time of change, we will be meeting at various places of convenience. Fred Groves has obtained the hall at his church, the Crestview Christian Church, where we have the Christmas party, for the meeting on April 12th. The church is located on Wesley right next to the closed Randy White BBQ Restaurant.

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Open Shop:

The Open Shop for March was held at Mike Kizer's recently re-designed work shop. Mike has done an amazing amount of work on his shop since our last outing there. He has created a very workable space and the dust removal system is very well designed. Among the visitors attending this open shop were Marvel's son Nathan and grandson Taylor visiting from Oklahoma. This was the first time they attempted to turn anything and both received instructions and then turned pens. Taylor now says he wants a lathe. We'll have to see about that. New member Fred Uphoff was impressed with the art of making cars. He turned a template and says he will continue at home. Young Brittany in the picture is fascinated by woodturning, she brought her dad to the shop.
 By **Marvel Gates**



Editor's notes:

~ SWAT: We will sponsor Room 2, all presenters will be leads. We have a lot of rotations to cover. The more people that learn the AV equipment, the less work for all. Now is the time to volunteer and learn the ropes. See Clyde to volunteer for camera work.



~ We have enjoyed our stay at John and Jenifer's shop for our monthly meetings. They deserve all of our thanks and praise for their unwavering support for our long stay there. Their new place may not be conducive to our needs and we may have to find a new place for our meetings. All your officers are working on finding a new location. We hope to soon have some news on this subject. Again, Thank You, Thank You, Thank You John and Jenifer Hines.

~ Don't forget to bring something for the WINS donation box.

Our Biggest Fund Raiser of the Year has started.

We are holding a penny raffle this year to raise funds for our club. The penny raffle works like this. There are 500 tickets priced from \$0.01 to \$5.00. The fun is drawing the tickets to see what amounts you are privileged to donate to the club. When all the tickets are sold (this will probably happen at our year end Christmas party) we will have three drawings to award:



#1. Jet Mini Lathe, (New) Indexing head, variable speed.



#2. Barracuda2 System, Four-jaw lathe chuck.



#3. An 8" sharpening grinder with two white wheels.

See the Treasurer, Antonia, if you would like to take the raffle tickets to sell.
Submitted by Marvel

Outings

- The Keep Greenville Beautiful Spring Home and Garden show went very well, we had 16 members there, had a good location and we sold some items, made some Freedom Pens and other turnings, sold some Patriot Pens, talked to some potential turners. A good event!
- The Rockwall Library cases are full. "Thanks" to everyone who provided some turnings, I have not seen the display but if it is like last years display it is worth the trip to Rockwall to see.
- We will be doing a demo at the new Lowe's store in Greenville on April 28 from 9:00 till 12:00, like the Home and Garden show, turn some Freedom Pens or any thing else you would like to turn. We will have 4 mini lathes there and will be

outside by the front door under our tents if the weather permits and if it is inclement, we will be inside where the grills are on display now. I will have sign up sheet at the April Meeting.

- Also the Hunt Count Fair is not very far off, June 8 to 16 and we will be making Freedom Pens. Clyde is coordinating the event and has pen kits and will have the brass tubes and blanks that will need to be prepared at the meeting.

Submitted by Dan

APRIL 14th Club Trash and Treasure Sale

Bring all your "good" stuff to our sale. This sale will take the place of an open shop for April. The location is at Fred's church, the Crestview Christian Church, on Wesley Street in Greenville, where we had the Christmas party. Bring everything that is salable to help us raise money for the expected expenses we will have this year. Please "**Pre-price**" all items so the day of the sale will go more smoothly. Remember, bring everything, not just woodturning oriented. Tools, storage, automotive, toys, clothing, household items...anything that will sell. Please...**NO JUNK**...if you wouldn't buy it no one else will. Also mark your calendar to come on out to help with the fun. Bring your wallet and buy lots of stuff, support your club.

Sale runs from 8AM to 3PM.

Setup will start at 7 AM and closing will begin at 3 PM.

And **PLEASE** even if you don't have anything to sell, come by and help out. We will be there all day and need assistance.

Please Support our Sponsors:

- ** Bob Lloyd of Bob's Roofing & Remodeling, Inc. 903-527-4972 **
- ** Wood World, 13650 TI Blvd. Dallas, TX 972-669-9130 **
- ** Rockler Woodworking and Hardware, 18661 I635, Mesquite, TX 972-613-8848 **
- ** Craft Supplies USA, www.woodturnerscatalog.com, 800-551-8876 **

Tool For Sale

For Sale---Delta 9 inch Band Saw Model BS100, brand new with 2 extra blades, sells for \$164 on Amazon---asking \$125.

I will bring it to the April meeting.

Dan Henry, (903)527-4515, dlhenry@coolaccess.net



Wood Magazine Review

Wood Magazine, Issue 176, May 2007.

In this issue, I was surprised to find eight articles that are of interest to wood turners. Usually magazines will have one...maybe two articles but this one is chock full of interesting stuff.

Let's look at them separately.

Pg 14: Swing-Arm Lathe-Tool Holder: Keep your lathe tools and accessories close at hand with this easy-to-make organizer. Bolts right to the end of your lathe.

Pg 24: 8 Easy steps to installing a riser block. Boost your band saw's re-sawing capacity by 6" when you add this simple-to-install accessory.

Pg 46: Find Your Own Wood, Save a Bundle: Your backyard may be your best source for FREE stock. Step-by-step instructions from finding wood to processing into useable lumber.

Pg 50: Wood You Might Find in Your Own Back-

yard, a table of wood with easily identifiable pictures.

Pg 76: The many faces of Maple. Figure--in its many variations of grain fluctuations and color--ranks as one of the more desirable and eye-appealing characteristics of wood.

Pg 85: Piggyback your lathes to save space, a sturdy and safe mount.

Pg 90: Quick & Easy Jig. Band saw Lumber Maker, Turn firewood into free stock for small projects, safely.

Pg 99: Tool Review--**Barracuda2** System, Four-Jaw lathe chuck with five-star value. The chuck chosen for one of our Penny Raffle prizes.

I highly recommend that you view the magazine for these interesting articles. If you don't receive this magazine you may be able to find it in the public library.

Submitted by **Marvel Gates**

The Muhuhu comes from east Africa

Muhuhu (*Brachylaena hutchinsii*), also known as muhugu, mubuubu, watho, mvumvo, mshenzi.

Wood Appearance

The grain of the wood is usually straight with a very fine, even texture. Color tends to be a brown with a yellow like tint, sometimes darker with some grayish color. When freshly machined the wood changes colors as it dries to a yellow-brown or a greenish brown and produces a pleasant odor somewhat like a spicy scent. The oil of the wood is used in making perfumes.

Physical Props

This wood is very dense hard and stiff. Holds up well against abrasions and indentation. Withstands heavy loads, with a low shock resistance. The wood does not work well with machine tools, usually will burn and gum up the cutting edges of the blades. Turning takes time, but will turn clean. When polished the wood will hold a good brilliant polish.

Uses

Some of the uses are carving, turnery, heavy construction, decking, door and window frames, and as a substitute for sandalwood for cremation purposes.

References:

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Pictures can be viewed at: <http://www.zanzibarconnection.com/muhuhu.htm>

Submitted by **Jenifer Hines**

Meeting location: TBD

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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

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

Local:

- Rockler Woodworking Woodcraft Supply Wood World

Online:

- Craft Supplies, USA Klingspor's Woodworking

Woodturners, don't forget to check out The American Association of Woodturners. HCW is a Chapter of this fine organization and each member should seriously consider becoming a member of AAW. 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. Please pay at the meeting or mail an application, along with the appropriate remittance to:

Hunt County Woodturners, Inc Antonia Messina-Gates, Treas. 122 Sleepy Hollow Drive Royse City, TX 75189

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Dues are prorated for new members

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