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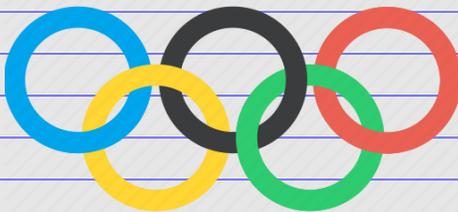
President's Ponderings

Sitting here watching the Olympics, I'm still amazed at the talent, intensity and focus of all the athletes, regardless of which sport it is. Obviously, getting to the level these athletes are at didn't come from a decision just a few years ago. For most of them, it's a dream they've had since they were very young kids and started training with the Olympics as their ultimate goal. And now, they're living their dreams, whether they win or not. Even if they get last in their event, they're still an Olympic athlete and beat out hundreds or thousands of other athletes to get there.

I hope you all take some time out of your schedule (and woodturning) to just sit and watch the amazing talent, skill and athleticism of every athlete from every country and cheer for the good ol' USA! With all the division going on, not just in America but all over the world, maybe we can take advantage of this next week, the last of the Olympic schedule, and take our mind off the news and events going on around us and root for some people living their dreams!

God bless the USA!!!!

Be blessed, Brian



Did you know? The five interlocking rings of the Olympics symbolize the five inhabitable continents of the world linked together in friendship. (IOC combines the Americas into one continent.) And also that every nation's flag is represented in the five colors. And now you know.

UPCOMING EVENTS



August

- 8th - Club Meeting
- 10th - Open Shop
- 23rd - 25th - SWAT

September

- 12th - Club Meeting
- 14th - Open Shop

October

- 10th - Club Meeting
- 12th - Open Shop

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BOARD MEETING -

Thursday, 1st 5:30pm
Wesley United Methodist
Church, Greenville

CLUB MEETING -

Thursday, 8th 7-9pm
Wesley United Methodist
Church, Greenville
Demonstration by Hugo Privitt
Threading

OPEN SHOP -

Saturday, 10th 8am-Noon
Brian Schrader's shop
1012 Lynx Hollow Trl., Forney
Mini-Class: by Brian Schrader
Hollowing

SWAT -

Friday, Saturday, Sunday
23rd, 24th, 25th

SEPTEMBER

BOARD MEETING -

Thursday, 5th 5:30pm
Wesley United Methodist
Church, Greenville

CLUB MEETING -

Thursday, 12th 7-9pm
Wesley United Methodist
Church, Greenville
Demonstration by Tom Nehl
Form & Design

OPEN SHOP -

Saturday, 14th 8am-Noon
Brian Livingston's shop
100 Margaret St., Fate
Mini-Class: Brian Schrader
Tuning your Bandsaw

Just For Fun Let's Get Together

Many have often mentioned how friendly our club members are to be around. These "unofficial" get-togethers are part of the reason why. Take advantage of these opportunities for some fun and friendly times.

⇒ Every THURSDAY - Lunch

Several club members, spouses and friends gather for lunch at Burgers and Fries 5360 State Highway 276 W in Royse City.

No reservation needed but be there before 12:00 as that's when we order lunch. Come spend an hour or so with friends as we visit, catch up with each other and then return to our daily activities.

⇒ Once a MONTH - Pre-Club Meeting Meal

Every month on the Thursday of the Club Meeting, a group of club members, spouses and friends meet to eat at 5:30pm at TaMolly's Restaurant, 6929 I-30 in Greenville.

⇒ Once/ Twice Yearly - Work Party & Lumberjacking

We meet at George Freeman's house to cut up and process trees into blanks for turning. These are not scheduled but you will be notified by email when a date / time is set. Come join the fun and also learn some of the many steps and processes that are needed to produce your own turning blanks. And of course, you can't make blanks without trees, so several times a year, George goes out and cuts down trees to bring back for our Club's use. If you are interested in going on one of these lumberjack excursions, email George woodchipper2011@hotmail.com and he will send you an email notification of when the next trip is planned.

Join in on the Monthly Club meeting through

ZOOM meetings using the link below:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84938131255?
pwd=ZkpOWVFGa00rUmFUeEZIVkRoSGh3Zz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84938131255?pwd=ZkpOWVFGa00rUmFUeEZIVkRoSGh3Zz09)

Meeting ID: 849 3813 1255

Passcode: 308416

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SWAT2024 AUGUST 23, 24, 25

It is NOT too late to go to SWAT even if you have not registered. Although the Online Registration has closed, you can still get your 3-day packet at the door for \$300. One-day tickets are also available. Go to SWATS website www.swaturners.org to get all the information.

Demonstrators: The lead demonstrators will be: Beth Ireland, Sammy Long, Jason Breech, Kurt Hirtzon, Stewart Batty, Laurant Nicolot, and Kirk DeHeer. We encourage you to search YouTube for their videos. There will be Ornamental Turners represented this year (Rose Engine Lathe)

Raffle: The 3-for-1 Raffle this year will offer an American Beauty lathe as the grand prize as well as three Jet 12-21's along with other good prizes.



A Message from SWAT:

Will your SPOUSE be coming to Waco for SWAT 2024 with you? Registration for spouses includes meals and entrance to the exhibits and sessions. If your spouse is not interested in the demonstrations, they do not have to pay the spouse fee. They will need to buy the lunch(es) and dinner tickets separately. Activities for Spouses have been part of the woodturning conference for the past ten years. Volunteers from the Spouses group schedule fun, creative activities Friday-Sunday. There is a small fee to cover materials. Some of the activities include basket weaving, authors to discuss their books, how to make custom coffee mugs, paper crafts, and many other things. Spouses often bring their craft/sewing/quilting/crocheting etc. that they like to work on. We have a room set aside just waiting for them.

What is so special about woodturning?

Woodturning is a craft - an art form for many people - where wood is cut and shaped (turned) on a lathe with a variety of hand-held tools. The various tools are used to cut the wood in different ways. What makes woodturning so interesting is that a single piece of wood can be turned into a vase, a lidded jar, a bowl, a plate, a pen, a bottle stopper, or a beautiful art piece. It all depends on the vision and imagination of the woodturner (maker). How the wood becomes something beautiful and/or useful depends on the tools used - and the skill of the maker. Woodturners continually aspire to hone and advance their craft. Incremental improvements over time produce amazing works of art.

(from www.swaturners.org)

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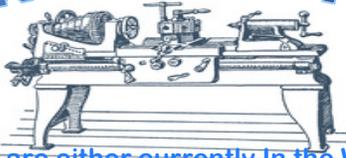
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"ON THE LATHE"



These are either currently In the Works,
or Reminders, or Announcements.

QUARTERLY CHALLENGE:

Make a CAR

as demonstrated by John Solberg at our May meeting.

Wheels and Axels are available from the Club.

Bring your creation to the

SEPTEMBER Club Meeting for Show-and-Tell.

The members will vote on their favorite item in
two separate categories: Painted and Unpainted

A winner from each category will get a \$50 gift card!

PYROGRAPHY CLASS

September 21-22

Cost: \$125 for the two day class

Location: Tom & Stacy Nehl's Shop

118 RS County Road 4269, Emory

Register on our website

Students will need to bring: A wood burner,
Skew tipped pen (preferred one with a rounded heel),
Medium ball tip, Razortip medium spoon shader
(available at Treeline), Box of colored pencils
(preferred oil based which makes blending colors easier)

BOARD OFFICER OPENING

The Office of Vice President will be open for next year, 2025.

Alain Schwarz has served HCW in the position of VP for two
years. We owe him much thanks. He has done an amazing job.

Please consider putting yourself forward for filling this position.

More information to come in future communications.

You can talk to any board member for details.

TRAINING CLASS

Beginners 2-day class. Tentative date coming in November.



3rd - Janet Johnson

5th - Bill Kloopping

6th - Sharon Ayres

7th - Chris Cohen

10th - Ronald Johnson

10th - Adrienne Kirby

15th - Randy Cain

16th - Janice Drake

19th - Debbie Kloopping

23rd - Doug Balzer

24th - John Hadsall

31st - Anne Thomason

Prayer Requests and Praise

John Blattman

Tami Lattanzi

George Littlefield

Kay Shrode

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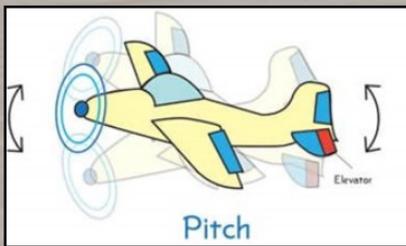
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Some News From **BRIAN SCHRADER** TRAINING COORDINATOR

Howdy Woodturners!

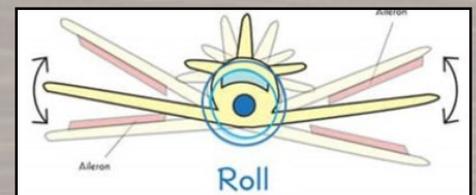
Last month's Open Shop, we met at Donna Frazier's for Hollowing, Part I as the mini-class. Donna showed hollowing with the manual hand-held John Jordan tools. She then illustrated how the Lyle Jamieson system operates. Hollowing is a specialized area of wood turning in that typically the gouge is hung over the tool rest much further than in normal bowl turning or spindle turning. The longer overhung tools generate some interesting dynamic forces. As the tool extends further over the tool rest it engages the bottom of the vessel and the cutting tool is forced downward. The tool pivots on the tool rest and the handle forced upward.



This see-saw action is referred to as Tilting or Pitching. With manual hollowing tools this Pitching is resisted by the operator's upper body strength. Donna showed how the Lyle Jamieson system uses a 'Trap' to react the Pitching between the two points of support on the tool rest and the Trap. Donna presented how tools may or may not have a hook or bend to place the cutter tip on the center of the axis of the gouge. The bend or hook is formed in the gouge for two main reasons.

First is to hollow large voids through narrow openings in the top of the vessel. Second is to get the cutter in line with the axis of the tool with minimum eccentricity or offset. Large offsets between the tool axis and the cutter can generate large Twisting or Roll forces. For manual tools this is reacted by the woodturners wrist and fore arms. This can be very fatiguing. Donna illustrated how the Lyle Jamieson system has a bow or loop that is captured in the 'Trap' to counteract this roll.

This month, on August 10th, we will see Hollowing, Part II. We will see two other hollowing systems that offer slightly different mechanics to react the Pitch and Roll forces generated by hollowing. The Open Shop will present the Elbo-2 System by Tim Yoder and the Trent Bosch Visualizer.



In July's Open Shop, Tim White grabbed a steel scale from Donna's work area and gave a simple demonstration of deflection, vibration and natural frequency. [And to think I went to college for years to learn what Tim showed us in just a few minutes.] Tim did not go into the math behind the flexing of the ruler, but it is a function of the length squared (L^2). If you double the length you will get 4 times the deflection and one quarter the stiffness. George Freeman presented comments on the size of the bar required to bore end with long overhangs from the tool rest. The stiffness (strength) of the tool increases exponentially with the tool diameter as a function of the diameter raised to the 4th power (D^4). Why is that important? Deflection at the tip of the tool can be

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More News continued from **BRIAN SCHRADER** TRAINING COORDINATOR

viewed as chatter or vibration. If the tool cutter is vibrating, it is not cutting cleanly. (Robert Sorby has a full line of decorating tools for spiraling and texturing that are bouncing, vibrating, chattering to embellish surfaces.) If you are comfortable with a ¼” gouge overhung the tool rest by ½”; to achieve the same cutter deflection with the gouge overhung 8”, the gouge would need to be 1” diameter. At some point the woodturner needs significant upper body strength just to lift the tools. That is another reason why turners use hollowing systems.

Keep in mind many vendors will have these systems and many other products on sale at SWAT in Waco at the end of August. I hope these sessions will have helped members that are thinking about hollowing systems and other purchases to better evaluate the options and their personal needs. I hope to see everyone in the August Open Shop for more instruction in Hollowing – Part II.



RESOURCES!

HCW has a marvelous array of talented **MENTORS** who have graciously agreed to be a resource. They can mentor you over the phone, in person, or maybe even a video call. Give them a call or a text and they will get back to you. Find our Mentors List in the Members Only section of our website. www.huntcountywoodturners.org

Lathe-mounted abrasive disk

It's impossible to carve bone and soft metals with any accuracy using a hand-held angle grinder. But if you mount an angel grinder disk inboard (as shown) and lock a horizontal platform into the banjo, accurate carving of a hand-held workpiece is possible.

--Mike Darlow, New South Wales, Australia
AAW member since 1986



Please help us expand this
RESOURCES page.

If you can recommend any YouTube links or Tips or Books, please send the information to Brian Livingston. Continually educating each other is part of who we are as HCW.

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If you have any woodturner related items to sell, this is your space to advertise.

Or maybe you are in search of a tool or equipment, seek for it here.

Submit your ad to Burt Andrew, email: bandrew1@att.net

Ads will be posted in the newsletter for two months, unless sold or requested to be removed sooner.

My name is Dale Branstetter. I am not a member of HCW but have graciously been given permission to list some equipment and accessories that I must sell. I live in Rockwall County. If you are interested in any of these items, please contact me and I can supply the details you need. Email: debranstetter@att.net Phone: 972 977-8925

Rigid 10" Miter Saw

Rockler Dust-Right Dust Collector

Ryobi 10 inch Bench Drill Press

Jet 12X21 Woodworking Lathe

Jet 16-32 Drum Sander

Dewalt 13" HD Portable Thickness Planer

Tormak T-4 Sharpening System

Rikon 12" Disc Sander

Laguna 14-Twelve Bandsaw

Craftsman Air Compressor

Ridgid 10 inch Table Saw

Rikon 20-600H 6" Benchtop Jointer

Set Full Size Carbide Turning Tools

Mesquite, pecan, maple wood

Mike Pregent, HCW member, is selling everything seen in the pictures below, as a package for \$450. This stuff all together retails for \$1250. This is a great deal. Available for pickup in Carrollton.

Contact Mike Pregent at 214-455-3151 for details.

RIKON WOOD LATHE with STAND



Model 70-100 Rikon has 12" swing and 16" between centers with the ability to add one or more bed extensions. Features: 12 position indexing head, self-ejecting tailstock with 2-1/2" ram travel, 8" tool rest, convenient lifting handle, tool holder, easy access to the top and bottom pulleys for quick speed changes, six speed (430, 810, 1,230, 1,810, 2,670, 3,900), #2 MT head stock, powered by a 1/2 HP TEFC motor. Includes stand, Nova2 chuck with 2" jaws, 8 wood chisels, pen press and mandrel, drill chuck, pen blanks and miscellaneous other parts.



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MEMBERS' HIGHLIGHT

As a club, it is our desire to build connectivity between members. The **Members' Highlight** section is one way to learn about each other. Each month we hope to highlight 2 members, however we only had one participant this month. Thank you Lee. If you would like to volunteer your bio info for future editions, let Brian Livingston know and he will email you with the details. Brian's email is bdliving@yahoo.com, or talk to him next time you see him.

Lee Craft Well, no matter how long I thought about it, I couldn't make this near as interesting as some that I have read... But here goes.

I was introduced to woodworking in high school, where I took shop class in my junior and senior years. We made bird houses and bookshelves, checkerboards and small lamps. My masterpiece came in my senior year when I made my dad a full-size gun cabinet out of black walnut. He was extremely impressed. Finally found something this kid could do. He started buying me some used wood working tools; many I still have today. My dad owned an auto body shop, so that's where my first job was. I started out sweeping and ended up painting cars. But, this was in the early seventies, and I was about to get drafted into the Army. I showed them, I enlisted in the Marine Corps, and eventually wound up serving in the 4th Marine Air Wing. This allowed me to visit some exotic Asian countries until I got out in 1975. Had I known how bad the civilian job market was, I might have stayed in another 4 years. I finally got a job driving a truck for several years until I was able to get on with the Garland Fire Dept. This is where I stayed for the next 35 years as a Driver/Engineer/Paramedic until retiring in 2015.

I met my wife Brenda, who also worked at the city of Garland. We got married in 1985 and are still putting up with each other today 39 years later. We have 2 daughters and 4 grandchildren. The oldest grandchild is 20, twin 17 year-old grandsons and the youngest grandchild is 15. After I retired, I still had my wood tools, so I started doing some woodworking. I decided to buy a lathe since it's one of the few tools I didn't have. After maybe four to five months of just making round stuff, I met George Freeman. He talked me into coming to a meeting of a group called Hunt County Woodturners. That was about 7 years ago, and the rest is history. I now know how to use a lathe, how to hold a bowl gouge, and how to make about a hundred new friends. New friends that I'm sure I'll have forever.



Hugo Privitt and Scott White

These are our new friends who become members last month. We welcome each of you to our Hunt County Woodturners club this year. We are excited that you have joined with us in our woodturning adventure and we look forward to helping you take your turning skills to whatever level you want to go. If you haven't done so already, please make sure to pick up one of the new member gifts (one per individual or family membership) at the check-in table. Choose one: Coffee Mug, T-Shirt, or Hat.

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A big thank you to Alain Schwarz and Tim White for the demonstration at our

July Club Meeting.

There were a total of 49
4 of those were visitors.



Each item brought for **Show & Tell** was individually interesting and creative. We appreciate all participants.

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JULY'S OPEN SHOP
We thank Donna Frazier for hosting this past month.
There were 23 who attended.



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BECOME A MEMBER



Become a member of the
Hunt County Woodturners!

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

Dues are prorated for new members at \$4 / month.

To get the application, download it [here](#) OR email Mark at [mspencer2112@gmail.com](mailto:m Spencer2112@gmail.com).

Turn in the completed application at the monthly club meeting or mail it to:

Hunt County Woodturners, Inc.

Attn. Mark Spencer

P.O. Box 8191

Greenville, Tx 75404

Membership in HCW, Inc. entitles you to discounts on selected items at these 3 fine businesses you see listed below. ↓



HCW members are encouraged to become a member of the
American Association of Woodturners!

Hunt Count Woodturners Inc. is a Chapter of this National organization. Your membership not only supports AAW but HCW as well. Insurance Protection is one of the many benefits we gain by membership Check out this excellent guide to their membership services and publications at <http://www.woodturner.org>

Rockler

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



Wood World

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



Wood World
of Texas LLC

Woodcraft

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



Who's on Board

Serving the Hunt County Woodturners for 2024 are:

Brian Livingston, President

Alain Schwarz, Vice-President

Burt Andrew, Secretary

Mark Spencer, Treasurer

Howard Wellspring, Technology Officer

Brian Schrader, Training Coordinator

Tom Nehl, Event Coordinator

HCW Board of Directors meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month at 5:30pm. Board meetings are open to all members & can be attended in person or remotely via Zoom. Board Meeting Minutes can be found on the website in the Members Only section.

OUR 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.

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.