



Shavings



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MEETING PLACE

Hill Country Turners meet in the basement of the KACC (Kerr Arts & Cultural Center) at 228 Earl Garrett, Kerrville, Texas at 6:30 pm on the 2nd Thursday of the month, **unless otherwise notified.**

September Meeting

John Jones will present the demo for this month. There is a good chance he will have George Hatfield do the demo so don't miss this meeting. Also, see the Majestic Ranch stuff below for more opportunities.

August Meeting

Joe Johnson was back again with a well-engineered and documented demo on making your own removable tool handle. By just reading the handout one can make a passable tool handle, but Joe was able to turn his construction into performance art. Jay Shimek and his daughter Valerie were enlisted into the production to first help hold the inner part to be lubricated to hold the metal sleeve. Then, while Val blew into a tube to help expand the outer sleeve, Joe and Jay forced the lubricated sleeve down the tube. OK, you have to see this and be impressed by their determination to get that sucker on.



I was particularly impressed by the slick way the demo went. Everything went together and without undue delay. Thanks Joe!

October/November Planning

The October and November meetings are going to be at Vern Hallmark's place on the Pedernales. We are planning a workshop with Vern's power tools and several lathes so that we can mass-produce little boat tail racecars. Turning does the wheels, the upper

body and the driver's head. These all sit on a flat pattern-turned board to which the body and wheels are attached. This will be our club's Christmas gifts to boys. Here is a prototype:



Show and Tell

Joe Johnson and Dale Lemons had some nice cherry stuff to show. Joe's tree turned out to be a little smaller than he had hoped, but it is interesting to see how he turned some beautiful stuff out of what he had. Dale's offering was a hollow form with stopper. It was a struggle for a while, he said, but he got some advice and help from James Johnson to come up with a beautiful steady rest. Here is the artwork and a picture of his steady rest. OK, his picture was fine but the photographer seems a bit fuzzy.



Bringback Pictures



Notice

The George Hatfield demo will be Sept. 8 for an open demo to anyone who wants to come for “about?” \$30. The Sept. 9 will be a hands-on for the first 6 people who sign up and will cost about the same. **The details will be on the Majestic ranch website at www.mraf.org.**

Demonstrators for This Year

<u>Month</u>	<u>Meeting Date</u>	<u>Demonstrator</u>
September	10 th	John Jones
October	8 th	James Johnson
November	12 th	Workshop for Christmas Gifts

Refreshments for 2009

<u>Month</u>	<u>Drinks</u>	<u>Cookies</u>
September	John Jones	Vern Hallmark
October	Larry Werth	Heather Cassidy
November	Joe Johnson	Dale Rowe

BRINGBACKS

Next meeting’s bringbacks are:	Number:
Roger Arnold-----	1
Uel Clanton -----	1
Maurice Collins-----	2
Vern Hallmark-----	2
Ken Morton -----	3
Raul Peña- -----	3
Joe Ripkin- -----	1
Valerie Shimek-----	1
Dan Tipton-----	1

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