



Shavings

Hill Country Turners
Monthly Newsletter



March 26, 2024

Next Meeting April 11, 2024

Meeting Place

Hill Country Turners meet in the basement of the KACC (Kerr Arts & Cultural Center) at 228 Earl Garrett St., Kerrville, Texas, 78028 at 6:30 pm on the 2nd Thursday of the month.

Announcements

1. **New Members** – There were no new members during March. Presently, we have 52 paid members and we would like to have more. Tell your friends, relatives, and neighbors about the Hill Country Turners. They will always be welcome
2. **Membership Dues** – Our membership dues are a very reasonable \$35/yr. for individuals and \$40/yr. for a family. Dues have not increased since at least 2006. Since most all of our costs are fixed, additional members helps the bottom line.
3. **Craft Supplies Order** – We will have another Craft Supplies order when there is sufficient interest to generate the minimum \$1,000 order. Our last two order attempts met with low interest.
4. **Docents Needed** – As part of our membership in KACC, we are asked to support their Docent program. We need volunteers. It's a rewarding and fun experience.
5. **Texas Ramp Project** - Tom Canfield needs help building ramps for the physically impaired folks in our community. Consider volunteering for this worthy cause. Contact Tom at 903-521-4526 if you can help.
6. **Accounting** – Our bank balance as of the middle of March is about \$5,100. Our next known expense will be our website hosting cost.
7. **Audio Visual** – KACC has replaced and upgraded their AV system. The improvement is noticeable.

In Memoriam

We are sad to announce that Larry Walton, a long-time Hill Country Turner member passed away on March 11, 2024 after a short illness. Larry was 96 years old. Larry became a member of the HCT shortly after it was founded in 1996 and was an active member until a few years ago. Larry was a talented woodworker and woodturner and was always willing to share his knowledge, talents, and time with his fellow HCT members. He had many talents and life time achievements. His obituary can be seen at the following site <https://www.rekfunerals.com/obituaries/larry-walton>



March Meeting

We had a great turnout for the March meeting. Below are pictures of the show and tell items presented. Be sure to bring your latest creation to the next meeting on April 11, 2024.



Roger Arnold – Walnut & Brass



Roger Arnold – Walnut & Copper



Rick Webster – NM Pine



Rick Webster - Mesquite



George Taylor – Mesquite Nat. Edge



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George Taylor – Mesquite, Epoxy, & Coral



Mike Magrill - Sycamore



Tom Whiting - Walnut



Tom Whiting – Epoxy & Wood

Dietert Center Fundraiser

The HCT participated in a recent fundraiser for the Dietert Center Meals-on-Wheels program. Spearheaded by our VP Tony Wedig, he challenged HCT members to turn their favorite items to be included in their local and online auction that will begin in early April. At the March meeting, members brought 30+ turned items which are shown grouped below.



March Demonstration

Our demonstrator was **Tom Canfield**, from Hill Country Turners. Tom showed us his method for making a “Wig and Hat Stand”, often used by cancer patients who are undergoing chemotherapy. Below is a stand previously made by Tom.



Tom Canfield – Wig & Hat Stand

Tom’s one-page handout is included at the end of the newsletter.

Upcoming Demo

At our April meeting our own John Stegall will be doing the demonstration. He will be showing us how he makes what he calls his “Economy Bowl” aka a “bowl-from-a-board”

Safety Tip

Stop the lathe before moving the tool rest – We all know better, but do it anyway. Just don't do it any more! At best, you could damage a nice piece of work-in-progress. At worst, you may knock the work out of the chuck and send it flying and possibly damaging important body parts. Is it really worth saving a few seconds to not stop your lathe before adjusting the tool rest?

2024 Drinks and Snacks

Date	Drinks	Snacks
April 11	Kathy Weir	Tom Canfield
May 9	Wendell White	Tony Atkines
June 13	Debbie Walker	Roger Arnold
July 11	Tony Wedig	Marcy Dunn
Aug 8	Kirk and Sue Bates	Ron and Gay Dittrich
Sept 12	Rolf Grimstead	Larry Turley
Oct 10	Don Gibson	Anna Rachinsky
Nov 14	Tom Whiting	John Stegall

Mentoring

The following members have volunteered to be club mentors. If you have a woodturning or tool/equipment question, call one of these individuals. They would be happy to help.

Name	Phone	Specialty
Roger Arnold	830-866-3670	Shop Practices
L.A. Cude	901-355-7046	Lacquer Finish
James Johnson	830-895-4170	All
Tom Canfield	903-521-4526	All
George Taylor	972-824-0550	Bowls
Raul Pena	830-634-2545	All
Joe Johnson	281-961-1209	All

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Tom Canfield Wig Stand Handout

WIG STAND

TOP

1. USE DBL STR TAPE & TAIL STOCK, FLAT BTM & TURN TENON

2. DRILL $\frac{7}{8}$ " \times 1" D HOLE, FINISH

3. REVERSE - TURN OUTSIDE

4. FINISH OUTSIDE

80% BASE | 4-6" TOP

$\frac{7}{8}$ " D | 1"

1 7/8"

POST

1. TURN ROUND & TENON EACH END, $\frac{7}{8}$ " D \times $\frac{7}{8}$ " L

2. SHOULDER EACH END $\frac{1}{4}$ " +

3. STYLE BETWEEN SHOULDERS

4. FINISH

$\frac{7}{8}$ " D \times $\frac{7}{8}$ " L

$\frac{1}{4}$ " D

8-15"

TOP & BTM

YOUR STYLE

BASE

1. USE DBL STR TAPE OR WORM SCREW - TURN BTM & RECESS

2. FINISH BTM

3. REVERSE - TURN OUTSIDE, GROOVE, & DRILL $\frac{7}{8}$ " \times 1" D

4. FINISH O.S.

2 1/8" D | 1" | 1/4"

BTM 5" D | TOP 4" D

6" D | 5" D

7 1/4" D | 6" D

STYLE

TOM CANFIELD
1-19-2024