



The Chip Pile



The Newsletter of the Central Texas Woodturners Association

Austin, Texas

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

October 20, 2015

Dwight Schaeper

7pm-9pm

American YouthWorks - Austin, Texas
1901 East SH 71

(about 1/4 mile east of I-35 on south side of SH 71)

**November 7th
1st Saturday**

9 am - 12 pm

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If you need help sharpening tools,
bring them!

President's Shop

Welcome to our CTWA October Newsletter. I hope you got to see the demo by **Herb Ingram** on how to make Mesquite Rolling pins at our last meeting. He did a great job.

Also please keep in mind all that American Youth Works does to support our Club. Now is when we help them by bringing a turning that would be donated to their Auction held in November. Please give your donation to John Perales. Thank you for helping to support AYW and CTWA.

Our club elections are held in November with the nominating committee presenting those up for election in our October meeting. Those being elected will be President, President Elect, Treasurer, Secretary, and Program Chair. All other positions are voluntary ; Membership Chair, Web Mast, etc. If you are interested in club

leadership, please let Steve Green know.

Our Christmas party will be at Pat and Clyde Little's house on Dec 12. It starts at 9 am and usually runs through 3 pm. There will be a white elephant exchange of turning and there is always great food.

This is the second to last meeting that I will be your club President. I would like to thank all of you for all of the help you have given to make this club great. We have fun and informative meetings and that could not happen without you volunteering your time.

God Bless,
Jay Littlefield

Members In the News

Charles Kay will be living his lifelong dream of traveling the country. We will miss him, but look forward to his column of insights!

Volunteering—the heart of our club

The lifeblood of any club, non-profit or even a political campaign is its volunteers, and the Central Texas Woodturners Association (CTWA) is no different. Our volunteers do a myriad of jobs that keep the CTWA functioning. CTWA has jobs that require a large commitment of time and jobs that require very little. We have infrequent

jobs and jobs that require constant attention, it doesn't matter, they are all vital to the success of the CTWA and we are forever thankful for those volunteers that come forth to take these on.

Beginning in October, CTWA will be looking for volunteers for a variety of jobs that will become available in 2016. So, give it some thought before you shrug off the thought of volunteering. However much time you can give is appreciated and who knows, you may come to like it.

Steven Green, President Elect

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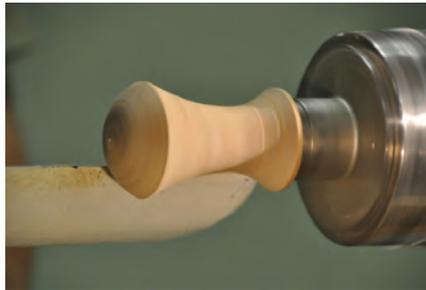
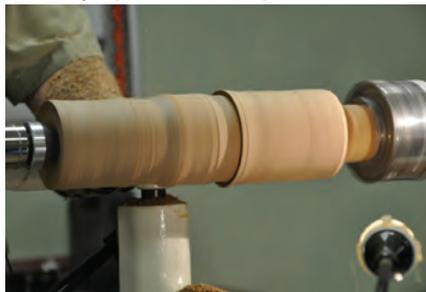
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September Demonstration
Herb Ingram

Herb Ingram showed us how to make lovely Christmas ideas by turning a mesquite rolling pin.



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CTWA would like to thank Herb for demonstrating this technique of turning a mesquite rolling pin.

Business Meeting

President **Jay Littlefield** opened the meeting by welcoming visitors, **Jason Tunnell** and **Gabi Glass**. **Greg Gorman** and welcome him as a new member.

The SWAT attendance was 876 people with a total of 210 Beads of Courage boxes. CTWA had 66, and we will present 121 boxes to the Dell Children's hospital. Next year will be SWAT's 25th anniversary, so plan on going!

Drew Shelton, Program Chair, has the rest of 2015 demonstrators arranged. We will be looking for a new Program Chair during this year's elections. Thanks to Drew for taking this again this past year.

Ed Roberts reported we have \$11,000.

Suzi Parker reported we have the Jimmy Clews DVD's.

Membership dues will be available beginning October. Please see **Blair Feller** for information.

Len Brissette said that the 1st Saturday at Erik Peterson's was successful with 33 attendees.

Charles Kay announced he would be closing down his shop and selling a number of items to members. If you are interested, please refer to the hand-out.

Bring your submissions for the Americore (AYW) annual auction.

After reviewing the Gallery, Jay turned the meeting over to **Herb Ingram** for the demonstration.

Volunteer Your Shop for First Saturday!

1. It doesn't need to be fancy, or big.
2. We'll bring the lathes.
3. You make the coffee.
4. Drew Shelton brings the donuts and asks for a contributions for all the folks who show up to offset his costs.
5. Have enough room for at least 1-2 turners (easy in the summer).
6. Let Len Brissette lbrissette@austin.rr.com know! Or email the editor.

Confirmed Sites for 2015:

Nov 7th: Stacey Hager

Dec: Clyde Little (Christmas Party)

Editor's "Turn"

Life events are thrilling, aren't they? It's like turning a beautiful piece that was once just a piece of wood.

Well, the wedding was beautiful. My daughter looked like a movie star in her wedding gown and I like my new son-in-law! That was a good day. I made a deal with the maid of honor to give me a "key word" in case I was driving my daughter crazy. She immediately said the word was, "kiwi." I didn't get Kiwi-ed once! Yay, me.

I spent years training people on how to make significant changes in their life to improve their work or life. One woman, who hated her job, said her ideal dream would be to own a horse farm. She loved horses but could not see how she would move from the fast-lane of Silicon Valley to achieve her life goal. We made some plans for her to achieve that goal. I'm happy to say she thanked me for my guidance after she achieved her dream.

We are lucky enough to watch one of our own members achieve a life-dream of his own. I didn't have any part of coaching him, but I am in awe of his decisions.

Charlie Kay has been a leader, albeit mostly in the background, of our club for many, many years. While I was in California witnessing my own Daughter's dreams come true, I heard that he had made a decision to follow a dream he had of traveling the land in a camper.

Now, most people make life choices early in their life, leaving their secret dreams to wither in their imaginations.

The older we get, the more difficult it is to enact a major life change. Charlie, however, is once again leading us by making his choice to sell his home, most of his woodturning tools to follow his life-long dream.

I think we can all take inspiration from this marvelous man's courage and fortitude to completely change his life.

So, the next time you are looking at a big piece of wood and wondering if you can ever achieve the skill to form a beautiful piece—think about Charlie and don't listen to anyone who says "kiwi" to your heart.

Good luck Charlie, I'm delighted you will be writing a column so we can follow your adventure in the next stage of your life!

Keep turnin' it on,
Hilda Carpenter
Editor

Photos

Photographs for this month's **Chip Pile** were provided by **Drew Shelton**. If you have digital photos that you would like to have considered for use in the newsletter. Send them to the Editor at hildac@mac.com.

CTWA Needs You!!

Volunteer This Month!

Program Chair! We all enjoy the club meetings watching member turners, and renowned turners demonstrate or teach classes.

Do not think that you have to do this position alone! The other officers are always asking people to demonstrate. Your job is to ensure they have a place to stay (we pay a hotel fee for those out-of-town demonstrators who choose not to stay with a member).

The program chair needs to let the secretary know in advance who will be demonstrating (at least 2 months ahead).

So, really, it sounds scarier than it is. If you don't like to ask people, but have ideas about who would be good, then another person will do the asking.

If you know a national demonstrator you would like to teach our annual class, then ask the President or President-elect to help line up the national demonstrator. The program chair needs the program chair to follow up with that person on logistics. We are lucky in that typically Pat and Clyde Little host this person.

Now is the time to step up and do your part to ensure the club meetings remain strong!

Hilda Carpenter
Secretary, CTWA

Gallery

CTWA thanks the following participants for entering pieces in the Instant Gallery:

Steve Green: Wedding ring box, Honduran rosewood and African Blackwood

Bob Duncan: Clews platters

Vaden Mohrmann: Maple bowl

Pat Jenkins: 2 platters, Long stemmed-goblet

Dave Wolter: Maple platter

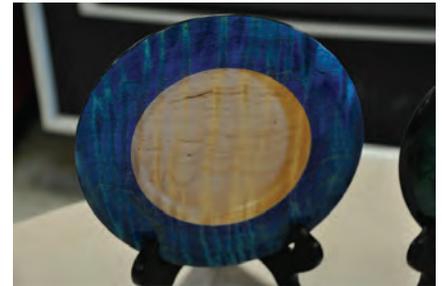
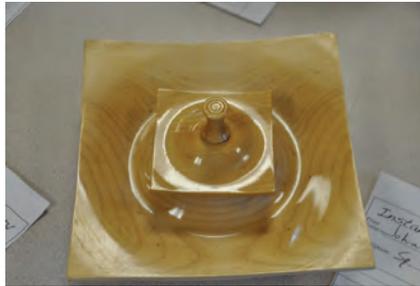
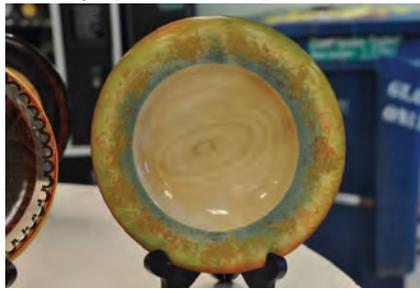
Jim Brinkman: Goblet

Randy Brewer: Vase

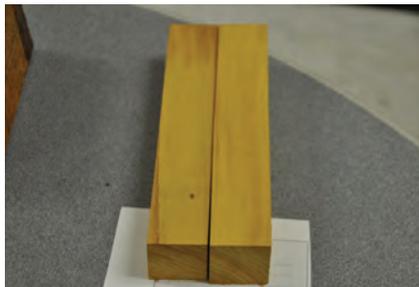
Ed Roberts: Clews platter

Dwight Schaeper: Long-stemmed goblet

John Lovelady: Picture on plate "Conversations"; Clews Stained plate; Square lidded box (Clews)



Gallery & Bring Back



Bring Back Winners:

- Jim McKinney (John Tolly's pen)
- Randy Brewer (Blair Feller wood)
- Pat Jenkins (Charles Kay bottle stopper)
- Suzi Parker (mesquite log)
- Kirt Keen (Greg's 2x2 osage orange blanks)
- Herb Ingram (Johnny Tolly bowl)
- Joe Kirk (Greg's 3x6x6)
- Joe Kirk (Kirk Reed's ring bowl)
- Greg Vest (Dwight Schaeper's candle holder)
- Bob Duncan (John Tolly bowl)
- Larry Robinson (John Tolly bullet pen)

REMEMBER TO RETURN THE FAVOR, if you won a raffle prize—bring back your turning for next month's raffle!!

Upcoming Demo's & Classes

October: Dwight Schaeper

November: Jim Brinkman

1st Saturday

Thanks to Drew Shelton, who hosted October's 1st Saturday.



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Volunteer Instructors

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- Johnny Tolly** 512.858.4471
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- Craig Timmerman** 512.288.3598
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segmented turnings
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Airbrushing, tool handles, bowls, Drozda finials, sea urchin ornaments, bottlestoppers
- Jack Besperka** 512.261.4682
decoration & finishing

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novelty items, tops, shop gadgets
- Len Brissette** 512.258.4004
bowls, platters, sharpening

ROUND ROCK/ GEORGETOWN

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basics platters
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basics, spindles, architectural

Membership in CTWA

We welcome NEW MEMBERS to join our band of merry turners anytime. An interest in woodturning is the only requirement. Dues are \$35.00 per year, prorated to \$3.00/month for new members. \$45 Family.

With our membership, whether you are experienced or a novice, we will teach you, or learn from you, and build long-lasting friendships based on a common kinship of matching wood, metal, machine and man, or woman as the case may be.

CTWA members are also encouraged to join the American Association of Woodturners, AAW. AAW dues are: General (\$55); Family (\$60) includes up to three family members living in same household on the membership card. Youth, under 19 years of age (\$24) Online (\$45 per year) Online members do not receive printed versions of the American Woodturner journal and the "Resource Directory," available through online access. Artist (\$81) business insurance.

For full details and membership form visit the AAW site at woodturner.org.

Classified Ads

SkillSaw Model 3400, 10 inch table saw, new condition.
List: \$234.00.
Firm: \$150.00.

WorkForce 10 inch, compound miter saw, new condition.
List: \$135.00.
Firm: \$60.00.

Took in trade from a Handyman customer for work performed.

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This newsletter is by and for members. The Editor welcomes any written materials and will provide assistance with getting your information into publishable form if you want. **DEADLINE IS THE FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH.** Contact me with your ideas and drafts by phone at 512.395-7782, by E-mail at hildac@mac.com or mail them to:

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2015 Calendar

The calendar listings are an attempt to keep you up to date on upcoming CTWA events, as well as other events of particular interest to woodturners. All regular 3rd Tuesday CTWA Meetings are at American Youthworks. Check Website for latest information.

All 1st Saturdays are from 9 am-noon. All meetings are 7 PM to 9 PM

Events & Dates subject to change, watch for emails or website notifications

Oct 20th CTWA Meeting
Dwight Schaeper

Nov 7 1st Saturday
Stacey Hager

Nov 17th CTWA Meeting
Jim Brinkman

December 12, Christmas party
Pat & Clyde Little

Let Drew Shelton know if you would like to present to the club in 2015 or you know someone who would be a great demonstrator for our club. We need presenters.

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Meeting Location

The CTWA meets at American YouthWorks, 1901 East Ben White Boulevard (Texas 71) in south Austin. The building is on the south side of Ben White, just east of Interstate 35. The best entry is off Woodward Street, just south of a little strip center. You enter an alleyway into a lighted parking lot. We will enter through the back door. As you drive in, you will see a truck dock in the back of the building with a big roll-up white door. The entryway is just to the right of the truck dock. Folks coming from the north may want to exit I-35 at Woodward and proceed south on Woodward across Ben White.

