



The Chip Pile



The Newsletter of the Central Texas Woodturners Association

Austin, Texas

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

February 21, 2016

Len Brissette

Stacked Boxes

7pm-9pm

American YouthWorks - Austin, Texas
1901 East SH 71

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

**March 4th
1st Saturday**

Randy & Dolly Brewer

719 Couger Dr.

Canyon Lake 78133

830-935-4034

9 am - Noon

If you need help sharpening tools,
bring them!

President's Shop

Howdy, wood turners!

It is a new year and the club is off and running. I am looking forward to many fun demos and first Saturdays!

We started the last meeting with a discussion of moving the club to be a non-profit. Big thanks is due to **Pat Jenkins** for pulling together the information and for presenting it after my introduction at the meeting. We will continue that discussion this month. In the meantime, if you have a question feel free to send it out to the group using the yahoo group. If you are bashful, you are welcome to just ask me, but know I'll blab the question and answer, but not your

name, to everyone since someone else may also have a similar question.

We are working on some upcoming events for the year. Pat is working hard on the monthly demonstrations and **Erik Peterson** is working to arrange first Saturdays.

There will be a novice class and a national demonstrator with classes. We are hoping to schedule those this spring.

There are volunteer opportunities like Senior Pen turning for America Youth Works (AYW) seniors at the end of May, and helping out at SWAT in our room and other areas. We will be asking for your turnings in support of Beads of Courage to be turned in by August, and items for the charity auction supporting AYW turned in early November.

The giving of time and effort of the club has always impressed me. If you missed the January meeting **Parc Smith**, the CEO of AYW stopped by to thank us for the amazing items donated in 2016 for the auction. The auction raised about \$48,000 for the school. I recently met **Emili Krantz** of Krantz Recovered Woods (<http://krantzrecoveredwoods.com>) in Manor. They donated some sinker cypress to us for Beads of Courage. Her daughter received one of the boxes last year and they are happy to support the program.

As we prepare for the year, if there is something you want to see let us know. In general, if there is something you like, tell everyone! If you are unhappy with something, let me or any of the

officers know. If we do not know about a problem, we cannot fix it.

Happy turning,

Vaden

Vaden Mohrmann
President

Monthly Features

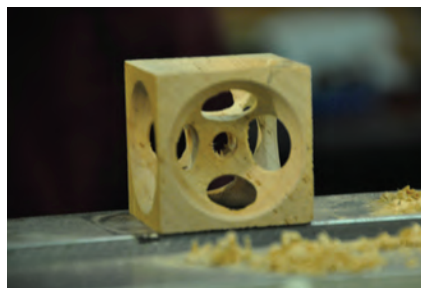
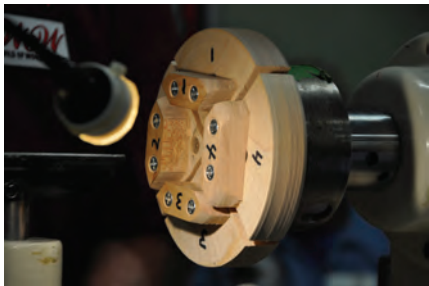
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EXTRA:
2016 Christmas Party

The American Association of Woodturners is "Dedicated to Providing Education, Information and Organization to Those Interested in Woodturning." In keeping with the standards of our National Organization, the Central Texas Woodturners Association hereby gives permission for all other woodturning chapters, organizations, magazines and newspapers to use any materials contained herein for the benefit of all woodturners everywhere. We ask that credit be given for the source of the material.

Demonstration
Johnny Tolly
Cubed Ornaments

Johnny Tolly demonstrated how to make the Square Cubed Christmas Ornaments. Fascinating demo and CTWA thanks Johnny for his creative demo.



Photos

Photographs for this month's **Chip Pile** were provided by **Drew Shelton** and **Charlie Kay**. 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.

Members in the News

Johnny Tolly, Marcia Tolly and Jimmy Tolly traveled down to San Antonio Thursday, 26 Jan. Yes that is also Marcia's birthday. What a gal for letting Johnny drag her down where Johnny did his annual demonstration for the Alamo Wood Turners. Johnny's demonstration was how to make the Square Cubed Christmas Ornaments. There were 43 people in attendance. Son Johnny was able to stop in for part of the demonstration as he lives down there. All seemed to enjoy Johnny's demonstration and of course brother Jimmy was there to give guidance to Johnny in the way of his inputs, AKA heckling. No, really he was a very big help.

Craig Timmerman warns those members who picked up the hackberry at January's first Saturday meeting to beware. Evidently some barbed wire was buried within the wood. As a general rule, if you turn raw wood that didn't come from a lumber yard, always be aware of hidden nails and other metal.

YIKES!!



Johnny Tolly reminds us that it is that time of the year to start thinking and making some Beads of Courage boxes for the sick children in the local children's hospital here in Austin. Johnny has prepared the PVC pipe and will have the pipe in boxes at the February meeting so that members can take a few home and make the BOC boxes. Those will once again be taken to SWAT in August then delivered to the children's hospital after SWAT.

If you ever wonder what happens to those boxes, here is a great picture and story from Johnny:

In the picture is a 17 year old with stage 4 cancer. **Johnny Tolly** made the BOC box that he is holding. The surprising thing is that a coworker is the uncle of the young man. When he looked at the BOC boxes, he realized that he works where Johnny does. Such a small world as Johnny did not know where his boxes would go. Folks this is why Johnny and you make the Beads of Courage boxes so children are able to store their beads



in. Remember, when you make some BOC boxes they will go to a sick child.

Jim Brinkman will be taking orders for bandsaw blades at the February meeting. By combining orders, he can get them at a discount price.

Editor's Turn

Sometimes life just gets in the way of having fun. I want to thank all of you who sent get well encouragement for me! I am feeling much better and about ready to go out and stand over the lathe for a small amounts of time.

And for those of you who wondered where I was in January ... well, I have a marvelous new grandson that was a bit delayed in coming out of his comfy spot inside my daughter! Charlie

James Zanone was born healthy and is getting very fat! My daughter is happy and doing great! I won't bore you with pictures unless you absolutely insist!

Regarding turning, I have a project that has been on the lathe since last Fall. I'm thinking I'll delay that project and do some fun practice turning. You know, beads and coves. I learned a long time ago from experienced turners that this is the best exercise you can do to get your skills back up to par.

I'm excited about working with our new President and President-Elect, **Vaden Mohrmann** and **Dwight Schaeper**, respectively. I think this will be a great year for our club!

If you are thinking you would like to volunteer, just ask them or any officer how you can be helpful. Volunteering is a great way to get to know other members in the club.

So, I'll see you at this month's meeting!

Keep turning it on!

Hilda Carpenter
Editor/Secretary

Gallery & Bring Back

Thanks to all the members who contributed items to the gallery.

Drawing (If you won an item, be sure to bring something back to the next meeting):

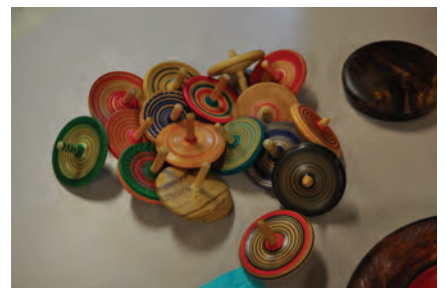
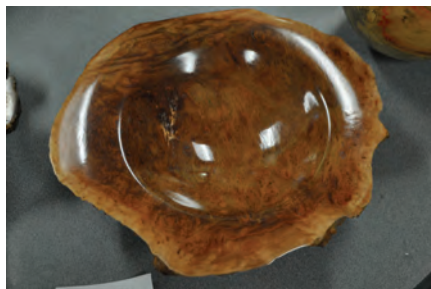
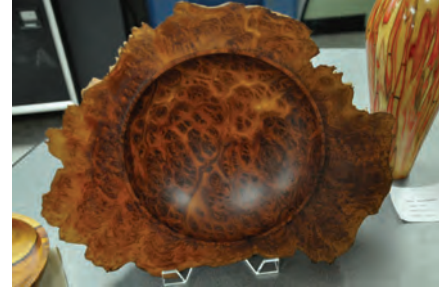
Jim Spano's 3 Hackberry Bowls went to **Jim McKinney, Suzi Parker, and Greg Vest**

Dwight Schaeper's Tealight Holder went to **Pat Jenkins**

Johnny Tolly's Cube Ornament went to **Gene Berry**

Len Brissette received a Sanding Disk set from Vince's Wood n Wonders (NO BRING BACK) Johnnys donation after the demo

Greg Vest received a Hunter Tool from **Mike Hunter** (NO BRING BACK) Johnnys donation after the demo.



Gallery & Bring Back



Feb 1st Saturday

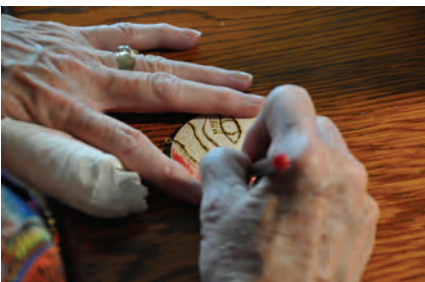
Jim Brinkman hosted the first Saturday for February. I do not have details or pictures for January. There were around 43 members at the Feb meeting. **Johnny Tolly** brought his he-man sized chain saw and cut up several pounds of hackberry wood that **Drew Shelton** and his wife had delivered earlier in the week.



2016 Christmas Party

Pat and Clyde Little again hosted a marvelous Christmas party at their home. Great food, turning and fun had by all! Thank you Pat and Clyde.

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Business Meeting

January Meeting: (notes taken thanks to **Marcia Tolly**)

Vaden Mohrmann, President lead the meeting and welcomed all the new officers for 2017.

Introduction of the officers for the year.

Mark Smith from AYW spoke about what they do there and appreciated the turnings for the auction. He said they brought in approx. 48,000 dollars total this year.

Pat Little thanked everyone for coming to the party. Also said there were shirts that were ordered and haven't been picked up yet and that anyone wanting a shirt can get with her to order it.

Pat Jenkins talked about the 501(c)3 and if anyone had any questions to get with him. We will have a few months to ask questions before a decision.

Dwight Schaeper presented the gallery.

Johnny Tolly did his demo on Cube Ornaments.

November 2016 Meeting:

Steve Green, President, held a brief business meeting prior to Kurk DeHeer's demonstration. The club unanimously approved the following new officers:

President: Vaden Mohrmann

President Elect: Dwight Schaeper

Secy/Newsletter: Hilda Carpenter

Program Chairman: Pat Jenkins

Treasurer: Len Brissette

Membership: Blair Feller

Webmaster: Vaden Mohrmann

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SWAT Representative: Steven Green

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2017 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

Feb 21st CTWA Meeting
Len Brissette Stacked Boxes

Mar 4th 1st Saturday
Site: Randy and Dolly Brewer

Mar 21 CTWA Meeting
Drew Shelton

Apr 1st 1st Saturday
Site:

Apr 18th CTWA Meeting
Jimmy Tolly, Mason lid jars

May 6th 1st Saturday
Site: Craig Timmerman

May 16th CTWA Meeting
Dwight Schaeper Iridescent Finish

June Craig Timmerman Turquoise Inlay

Spring Member's Class: Jim Creel, details coming

Let Pat Jenkins know if you would like to present to the club in 2016 or you know someone who would be a great demonstrator for our club. We need presenters.

Volunteer Instructors

SOUTH

- Stacey Hager** 512.282.1036
basics, spindles, sharpening,
hollow vessels
- Johnny Tolly** 512.858.4471
basics, open segmented
- Jimmy Tolly** 512.894.0686
basics, platters
- Craig Timmerman** 512.288.3598
basics, square turning,
hollow vessels
- Hilda Carpenter** 512-395-7782
Airbrushing, tool handles, bowls,
Drozda finials, sea urchin orna-
ments, bottlestoppers
- Jack Besperka** 512.261.4682
decoration & finishing

NORTH

- Jim Spano** 512.835.5023
novelty items, tops, shop gadgets
- Len Brissette** 512.258.4004
bowls, platters, sharpening

ROUND ROCK/ GEORGETOWN

- Ed Roberts** 512.255.3294
basics, platters

Drew Shelton 512-863-4651

LOCKHART/SAN MARCOS

- David Dick** 512.357.6517
basics, spindles, architectural

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 contribution from 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 Erik Peterson erik-sp@aol.com know! Or email the editor.

Confirmed Sites for 2016:

April 1st Dolly and Randy Brewer
May 6th Craig Timmerman

Upcoming Demo's & Classes

February 21 **Len Brissette** stacked boxes.

March 21 **Drew Shelton** member's vote

April 18 **Jimmy Tolly** mason jar lids.

May 16 **Dwight Schaeper**

June 20 **Craig Timmerman** turquoise inlays (tentative topic)

Spring: Members Only Class

Jim Creel, President of Bayou Woodturners, has presented at Regional sessions, as well as has his art in galleries. Jim turns and styles his creations using burning and piercing wood that he turns.

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 your 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

Pat Jenkins band saw (details to come)

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To:

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.

