



The Chip Pile



The Newsletter of the Central Texas Woodturners Association

Austin, Texas

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

Christmas Party!! Dec 9th

7pm-9pm

American YouthWorks - Austin, Texas
1901 East SH 71

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

December 9th 1st Saturday

Site:

Pat & Clyde Little
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Volente 78641

If you need help sharpening
tools, bring them!

orative 30th anniversary club coin for you. I'll have them at the December party (hosted by the Little's December 9th, please RSVP to Pat Little) and at January's meeting for folks to pick up.

Speaking of January, and membership, don't forget **Blair Feller** is accepting dues for 2018. I recommend paying him in December (\$35 individual, \$40 family).

We elected officers for 2018 and I'm confident the club is in good hands. I know I look forward to attending meetings in 2018 and getting to heckle **Dwight Schaper** and **Jason Tunnell**. I would like to thank all of the 2017 officers and committee heads for all the great work this year. Its because of their efforts and the efforts of the awesome members that the club runs so smoothly.

I want to encourage everyone to come to the party at the Little's December 9th. The food is great, the gift exchange is hilarious and the fellowship is awesome. What gift exchange you ask? One of the more interesting events is the white elephant gift part of the party. Members (and guests) are strongly encouraged to bring a wrapped turning (beginners too!) to the party. No names on the gifts. Then after dinner, everyone that brought a gift gets a number the opening and stealing frenzy begins. The rules are reviewed before the start. I hear wearing red is good luck ;)

Keep on turning,
Vaden Mohrmann

*HO HO HO!
CTWA
Christmas
Party
9-3 or so
Pat & Clyde
Little's home*

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President's Shop

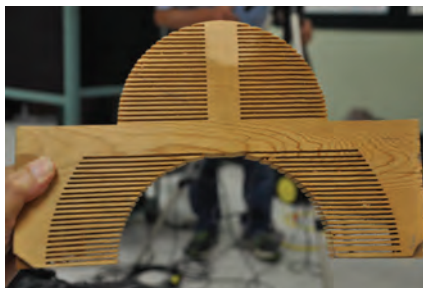
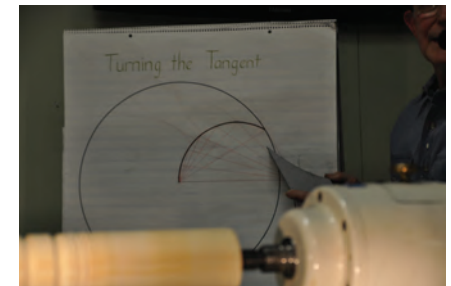
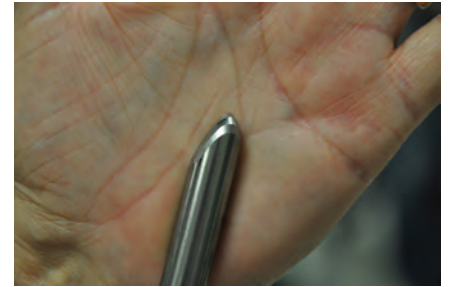
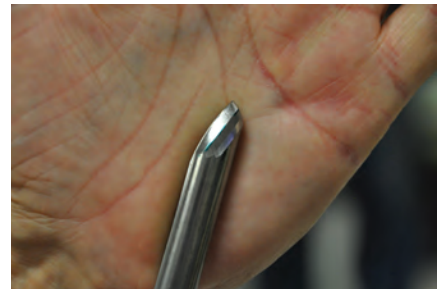
Hey Turners,

I can't believe its already November and the last newsletter of the year. It seems like just wrote the entry for January. Its been a busy year for the club! Just just had the classes with Jim Creel and I heard very positive feedback about them. We are really close to finishing up the non-profit paperwork. Most of the effort has come from our own **Pat Jenkins** dealing various government offices and lots of paperwork. The club also celebrated 30th anniversary this year. If you didn't make the November meeting, and you are a member in good standing then I have a commem-

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Demonstration Stacey Hager Presenting the Tool

Stacey Hager always provides an entertaining demo for CTWA. This time he covered tool presentation to the wood. This included machetes, hoes, hatchets and of course tools!



Editor's Turn

I successfully blew up a beautiful bowl that I was planning to bring to the Christmas Party.

For the longest time I have admired inset tenons, so I decided the bowl would be just the right form to include a lovely ogee curve that just disappeared into the bottom of the bowl.

First, I rounded the piece of wood, then started cutting a tenon. No can't do that end, because there is a huge knothole in my way.

I flipped the piece around to address the other side with the inset tenon. I recreated the ogee curve, then was using my skew as a negative edge scraper when I saw a tool mark that I didn't like.

With skew in hand, I spaced and used it on the bowl. Whap! Dang that's going to bleed. OK mistake number one ... what ever was I thinking to use a skew on a bowl? I picked up my bowl gouge and reshaped the ogee (yes, again). I just ignored my bloody finger. It eventually filled up with sawdust and clotted.

Hmm, I like this shape even better than the last one! Lucky me! Onto the tenon. I got a beautiful dovetail inset tenon that I was darned proud of!

Ahh, lovely. Perfectly finished with a dovetail. Wohoo!!

I flipped the piece around and realized the tenon was too small for my jaws. If I enlarge the tenon, it will mess up my ogee.

Oh I know, I'll take out the dovetail and use my other chuck that has jaws small enough to hold the bowl. Hmmm, but that means I'll need to remove the dovetail. No problem, I'll just straighten out the jaw edge to work.

That was my third mistake. I flipped the bowl and set the jaws. I started

hollowing out the inside. Everything was going smoothly and I was getting really excited.

That was my third mistake. As I started taking down the inside of the bowl, I got too aggressive and had a catch. ARGH!!!!

The bowl flew off the lathe. Dang it, I'm going to have to remount it, I hate having to remount my work.

Well, no I can't remount it because the darned tenon broke off into the bottom of the bowl. No way can I remount it now, there's nothing to hold anything.

By this time, the inside of the bowl is un-mountable, as is the bottom.

Lessons learned? Never, ever use a skew to take out a tool mark on a curve of a bowl. Always, always check the diameter needed for your tenon. Never ever get excited and finally; go get another piece of wood and forget the last bungle.

I looked all over the internet for dovetail jaws small enough to fit the diameter ... nope, doesn't exist.

Final lesson: check everything prior to going forward.

Keep turnin' it on,
Hilda Carpenter, Editor

Members in the News

Thanks to the members who contributed pieces for the American Youth Works auction:

Blair Feller, Johnny Tolly, Drew Shelton, Jim Brinkman, Vaden Morhman, Phillip Freeburg, Dwight Schaper, Pat Jenkins, Erik Peterson Craig Timmerman (2 pieces), Marcia & Johnny Tolly (2 pieces).

Contributing to the auction is one way that CTWA supports the efforts of AYW.

Oct. Gallery

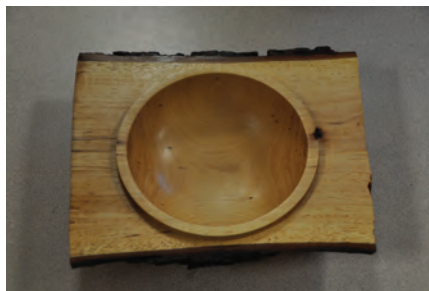
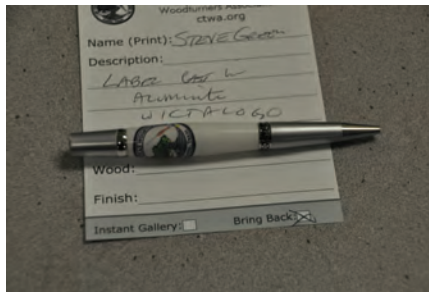
Thanks to all the members who contributed items to the gallery.

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

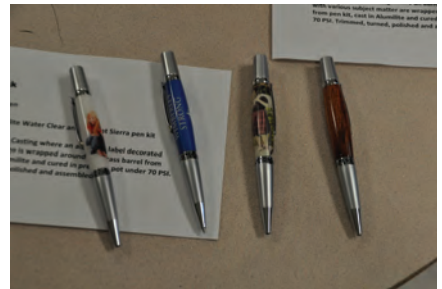
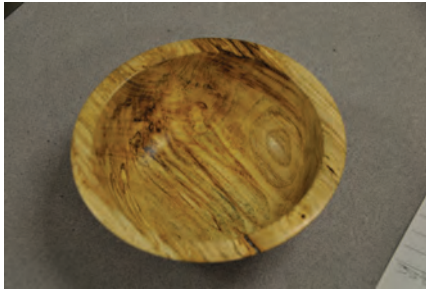
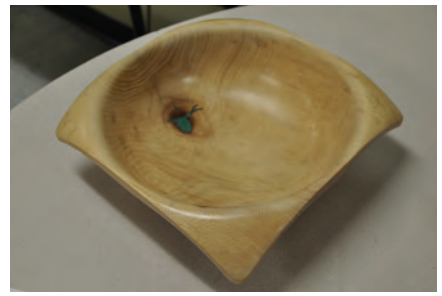
Steve Green, Jimmy Tolly, Johnny Tolly, Courtland Hunt, Mack Peterson, Saleem Shafi, Jason Tunnell,

Bring backs:

**Jim Brinkman: Austin Krause;
Austin Krause: Pat Jenkins; Pat Jenkins: Austin Krause; Steve Green: Richard Sosow; Jimmy Tolly: Austin Krause; Johnny Tolly: Pat Jenkins. If you owe a bring back, please bring it!**

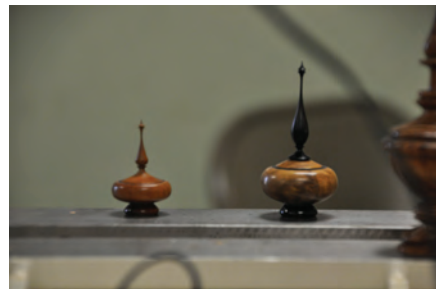
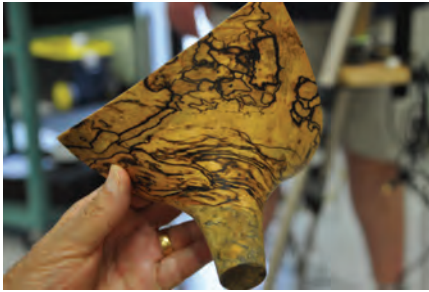


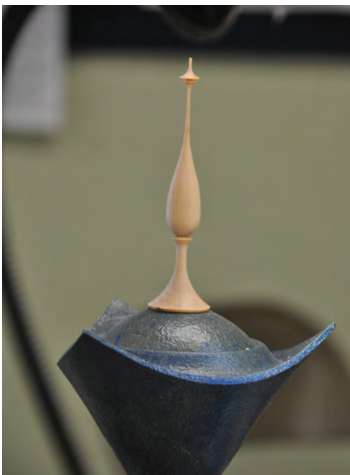
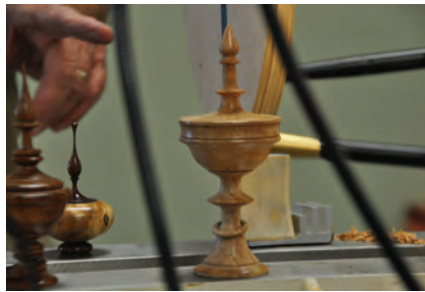
Keeping Austin Turning Since 1988



Jim Creel Demo

CTWA was delighted to sponsor a demo day with **Jim Creel**. Jim turned 3 sided bowls and beautiful Drozda finials.





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 (\$60); Family (\$65) includes up to three family members living in same household on the membership card. For full details and membership form visit the AAW site at woodturner.org

1st Saturday

First Saturday was combined with the November meeting.

Classifieds

None

Upcoming Demo's & Classes

None scheduled

Business Meeting

Vaden Mohrmann presented the slate of officers for 2018: **Dwight Schaper, President; Jason Tunnell, President Elect; Len Bisette, Treasurer;**

Hilda Carpenter, Secretary/ Newsletter; Pat Jenkins, Program; Blair Feller, Membership; Suzi Parker, Librarian; Greg Vest, AV; Vaden Mohrmann, Past President & Website; Erik Peterson, 1st Saturday; Steve Green, SWAT representative. Johnny Tolly moved to accept the officers, Jimmy Tolly seconded. The motion carried.

Vaden also presented the slate of Directors for the new 501(c)3 CTWA corporation: **Vaden Mohrmann, Len Brissette, Pat Little Joe Schoenfiled, Steve Green SWAT Rep, and Drew Shelton. Johnny Tolly moved to accept the directors; Jimmy Tolly seconded, the motion carried.** Note the positions of the directors were not submitted to the editor.

Christmas party is set for December 9th.

Your membership dues need to be paid by the December Christmas party, otherwise you will have to pay a penalty.

Members present: 38

2018 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

December 9 CTWA Christmas Party
(no regular meeting)

January 6 1st Saturday
Site: Lowell Williams

January 16 CTWA Meeting
Demonstrator: TBD

February 3 1st Saturday
Site: TBD

February 20 CTWA Meeting
Demonstrator TBD

March 7 1st Saturday
Site: TBD

March 18 CTWA Meeting
Demonstrator: TBD

April 7 1st Saturday
Site: TBD

April 17 CTWA Meeting
Demonstrator: TBD

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

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ments, bottlestoppers
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decoration & finishing

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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

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.

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