



# The Chip Pile

The Newsletter of the Central Texas Woodturners Association  
Austin, Texas  
A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

**Meeting**  
**May 15, 7 – 9 PM**

**Featuring**  
**Member Tips and Tricks**  
American Youthworks – Austin, Texas  
1901 East SH71  
(¼ mile east of I-35 on south  
side of SH 71)

**June 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Saturday**  
**Chris Van Peski's Shop**  
**9 – Noon**

**If you need help sharpening  
tools bring them!**

## President's Corner

Please join me in welcoming Dan Gillen as our Newsletter Editor. Dan, thank you for volunteering to fill this important position.

A volunteer is still needed to fill the Secretary position for the remainder of 2018. The last monthly meeting is in November with the Christmas Party in December. If you are interested in serving your club as the Secretary, please let me know.

Thanks to all who described their Tips, Tricks, and Jigs at the May meeting. Everyone had good suggestions. I will be making my version of the Jim Spano "Sandpaper Tree".

I'm looking forward to the June meeting where members will discuss different finishing techniques.

First Saturday gatherings are informal meetings that usually occur the first Saturday of each month from 9 am to noon with an optional no-host lunch at a nearby restaurant afterwards. There is a wealth of woodturning knowledge at these meetings. 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday is an excellent opportunity to continue Tip, Tricks, Jigs, finishing discussions, ask questions, get help sharpening tools, practice turning skills, etc. in an informal setting. If you haven't attended a 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday, I strongly urge you to attend at least one.

### Upcoming Events:

May 30<sup>th</sup> – AYW pen turning from 9 am to noon. Club members will assist AYW graduating seniors turn a pen. If you can assist, please contact John Tolly at "JTolly47@gmail.com".

June 19<sup>th</sup> – Monthly Meeting – President's Challenge: Long Thin Finial – Full size lathe and mini lathe categories.

July 17<sup>th</sup> – Monthly Meeting

August 21<sup>st</sup> – Monthly Meeting – President's Challenge: Beads of Courage Box

August 24 – 26<sup>th</sup> – SWAT – Waco Convention Center

Remember to use the appropriate eye/face and respiratory protective equipment when turning.

Enjoy your turning creations.

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## May Meeting Notes

Paul and Kathy Butcher were visiting from Fort Worth. They are planning to move to the Dripping Springs Area.

Pat Jenkins announced that CTWA 501 c3 nonprofit approval has been finalized. Thanks to Pat for all his hard work in pushing this process through.

Ed Roberts Visited Gary Roberts. Gary's wife has dementia, Gary is her primary care giver. Gary donated rolls of sand paper for the AYW pen turningsessions.

October and November donations needed for the AYW auction. Please bring itmes to those meetings.

Jim Brinkman is taking orders for bandsaw blades.

The feature of the meeting was member Tips and Tricks rather than a turning demonstration. We learned many tips and tricks from the following members – Pat Jenkins, Jimmy Tolly, Dwight Schaeper, Jason Tunnell, Jim Spano, Stacey Hagler, Craig Timmerman, and Len Brissette. Thanks for sharing your tips with us.

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