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# The Chip Pile

The newsletter of the Central Texas Woodturners Association  
Austin, Texas

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

**August Meeting**  
**Tuesday August 16, 7 PM**

**Program**  
SWAT Preview  
By: Craig Timmerman

**Sept. 3 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday**  
Host Jim Brinkman

**Texas Tree Conference**  
**Auction**  
Please bring any turnings  
you have for the tree  
conference to Aug 16  
meeting. Remember to  
provide a price for your  
items.

## **President's Corner** **By Cortland Hunt**

Well, our first attempt with the new camera system had a couple bugs even after a good run through before the regular meeting. A new camera was ordered and new

slider, both, arrived and I hooked them up at my house and both worked fine but the test will be at the August meeting. Even with one camera I was very pleased with the quality of the picture.

The chainsaw party/first Saturday was a huge success. We were able to get a lot of great pieces of wood out to members. I know I got some beautiful Chinese Elm and Hackberry. We also had a wonderful turnout with about 40 people attending.

Drew is looking for donations to the Annual Texas Tree Conference, he needs them ASAP. It's not too early to think about donation to the Youth Works auction too.

SWAT is just around the corner. I hope everyone who can attend does, it's a great conference. We are always

in need of ticket salespeople. If you can, please see Pat Little and she will set you up to sell! Anyone who is signed up for the Video person at SWAT, I will leave my phone number as well as Greg Stowers to call or text for help.

Don't forget your bring backs!

Thanks Cortland

## **July Meeting Minutes** **By Dwight Schaeper**

President Cortland Hunt called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at the American YouthWorks facility.

Meeting Minutes - The June 2022 meeting minutes were approved.

Visitors - Clay Maxwell from North Austin and Steve Hill from Smithville were the recognized visitors.

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SWAT –Volunteers are needed for Thursday, August 25th set-up and Sunday, August 28th take-down. Thursday volunteers need to notify Jimmy or John Tolly in-order to receive a meal ticket for Thursday lunch. Drew Shelton will be performing Marcia Tolly’s SWAT function this year. Pat Little needs volunteers to sell SWAT raffle tickets during the breaks between demonstration sessions.

AV System – The new AV system was operational with a few minor issues. Approximately \$2,200 has been spent on the new system. A new headset is needed. Work continues on the system so that it will be fully operational for SWAT.

Mentor List – Dan Gillen will update the newsletter’s mentor list.

Intermediate Class – A two-day intermediate turner class was conducted last weekend with 8 students. Everything went well.

Instant Gallery – Gary Beers presented the Instant Gallery

Demonstration – Craig Timmerman demonstrated his process for making handles for kitchen items kits such as coffee scoops, pizza cutters, etc. He uses dry wood and the handle length is proportional to be blade length and/or function. The handles are finished with Teal Oil or a bowl finish could be used. He does not use a surface finish. Craig will

perform his SWAT demonstration at our August meeting.

Bring Back – Kelly Shaw conducted the Bring Back exchange.

The meeting was adjourned at the completion of the Bring Back exchange.

Dwight Schaeper

Secretary

### The Wood Depot

Gary Robert’s, a CTWA founding member, donates his RV parking spot at his home to serve as a Wood Depot for our club.

Members who have, or find, extra wood can bring it to the wood depot so other members have access to free wood. Tools and material are available to seal the ends and mark its species. It is visible and accessible 24/7. Gary has a hydraulic lift table and a heavy duty 2-wheel dolly in his garage which are available if Gary is home.

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### CTWA Membership

We welcome NEW MEMBERS to join our band of merry turners anytime. An interest in woodturning is the only requirement. Dues are \$41/year, prorated \$3/ month plus \$6 badge fee for new members.

\$40/ year for a family membership.

<http://ctwa.org/pay-dues/> Is a link to the CTWA website page where you can join the club, pay your annual dues online, and subscribe to the CTWA.org email group. Members need to subscribe to this email group to keep up with what is going on in the club.

With your membership, whether you are experienced or a novice, we will teach you, or learn from you. You will 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 provides an extensive resource for articles, tips, and videos for all areas related to woodturning. AAW dues are Individual \$60 (\$50 for online); Family \$65 includes up to 3 family members in the same household. Visit the AAW website at [www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org) for full details and membership form.

## 2022 Calendar

The calendar listing as an attempt to keep you informed on upcoming CTWA events and other events of interest to wood turners.

**Aug 6 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sat., Host Gary Roberts  
Approx. 40 members present for the  
Woodcutting workday**

**Aug 16 – Club meeting  
Demo – SWAT Demo Preview  
By Craig Timmerman**

**August 26, 27, 28  
SWAT 2022  
<https://www.swaturners.org/>**

**September 6, 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday  
Host Jim Brinkman**

## Volunteer your Shop

### For First Saturday

- 1. It doesn't need to be big or fancy.**
- 2. We'll bring the lathes.**
- 3. You make the coffee.**
- 4. Drew Shelton brings Round Rock donuts and asks for donations from all who attend to help offset his costs.**
- 5. Have at least enough room for 1-2 turners (easy in the summer).**
- 6. Contact the current club president to volunteer**

**July 2022 Instant Gallery** Photo credits to Dwight Schaeper

<b>TURNER</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>WOOD AND FINISH</b>
Beth Watkins	Tiny Crotch Bowl	Olive, Odies Oil
Cortland Hunt	Bowl (3)	Mesquite Limb, Coyote Polishing Cream
Cortland Hunt	Bowl (2)	Mesquite Limb, Coyote Polishing Cream
Cortland Hunt	Salad Bowl (1)	Mesquite Crotch, Sea Mist & Black Dimond Resin, Coyote Polishing Cream
Craig Timmerman	Pepper Mill	Mesquite w/Turquoise, Teak Oil
Craig Timmerman	Spiral Salt & Pepper Mills	Spalted Hackberry, Livos Kunos Oil White
Craig Timmerman	Offset Bowl	Mesquite w/Turquoise, Livos Kunos Oil Clear
Dwight Schaeper	Beads of Courage	Cherry and Walnut, Mylands Sand Sealer and Wax
Dwight Schaeper	Colored Rim Platter	Figured Maple, Spirit Stain, Wipe On Poly
Hardy Hobbs	Box	Poplar, OB Juice and Wax
Hardy Hobbs	Box	Cherry, OB Juice and Wax
Hardy Hobbs	Box	Cherry, OB Juice and Wax
Hardy Hobbs	Small Bowl	Chinese Elm, OB Juice and Wax
Hardy Hobbs	Small Bowl	Elm, OB Juice, Wax
Jimmy Tolly	15.5 x 1" Platter (SWAT 3 for 1)	Escarpment Black Cherry, Black Lacquer with Iridescent Paints and Gloss Lacquer
Jimmy Tolly	Garlic Keeper	Ash Stabilized with Cactus Juice, Coyote Abrasive and Polishing Pastes
Jimmy Tolly	Garlic Keeper (Granddaughter's 21 <sup>st</sup> Birthday Present)	Ash Stabilized with Cactus Juice, Coyote Abrasive and Polishing Pastes
Jimmy Tolly	Trivet from Ho Evan's Scrap Bin with Clear Bar Top Epoxy	Coyote Polishing Cream
Jimmy Tolly	Garlic Keeper	Ash Stabilized with Red Cactus Juice, Coyote Abrasive and Polishing Pastes
John Chatelain	Open Segmented Fruit Bowl (For Georgetown Tree Conference)	Mahogany and Maple, Rattle Can Lacquer
John Chatelain	Dachshund Coaster Set with Segmented Holder	Mahogany, Wipe On Poly
John Chatelain	Globe (For AYW Raffle)	Mahogany, Maple, Cherry, Rattle Can Lacquer
John Tolly	Christmas Ornaments	Various Woods, Spray
Roy Martz	Class Project	
Rudy Torres	Class Project Work in Progress	Poplar

July 2022 BRING BACK

<b>Winner</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Donor</b>
Greg Stowers	Huge Pecan Burl	This is the Wood Only Swap
Mike Josephs	Mesquite Blank	
Kelly Shaw	Chinaberry Funnel	Mike Josephs
Hardy Hobbs	Ash Christmas Ornament	Johnny Tolly
Rudy Torres	Osage Orange Funnel	Mike Josephs
Tom Martin	Poplar Bowl	Greg Stowers
Mike Josephs	Rockler Cup Kit	Kelly Shaw
Hardy Hobbs	Mesquite Lidded Bowl	Greg Stowers
Zach Ruben	Walnut Square Plate	Thomas Martin
Gary Beers	Magnetic Brush	Mike Josephs
Greg Stowers	Maple Bowl	Dwight Shaefer
Mike Josephs	Pen Blanks	Johnny Tolly
Mike Josephs	Bri Wax	Uncertain
Jim Spano	Ring Bowl	Greg Stowers
Dwight Shaefer	Pen Blanks	Johnny Tolly



July 2022 Instant Gallery



52 BOC  
Boxes by  
Johnny Tolly

Jim Spano provided Black  
Teddy Bears for each  
BOC box



Top

Bottom

Beth  
Watkins



Cortland  
Hunt



Cortland  
Hunt



Cortland  
Hunt



Jimmy  
Tolly



Hardy  
Hobbs



Dwight  
Schaeper





Craig Timmerman



Hardy Hobbs



Hardy Hobbs



Rudy Torres



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Jimmy Tolly



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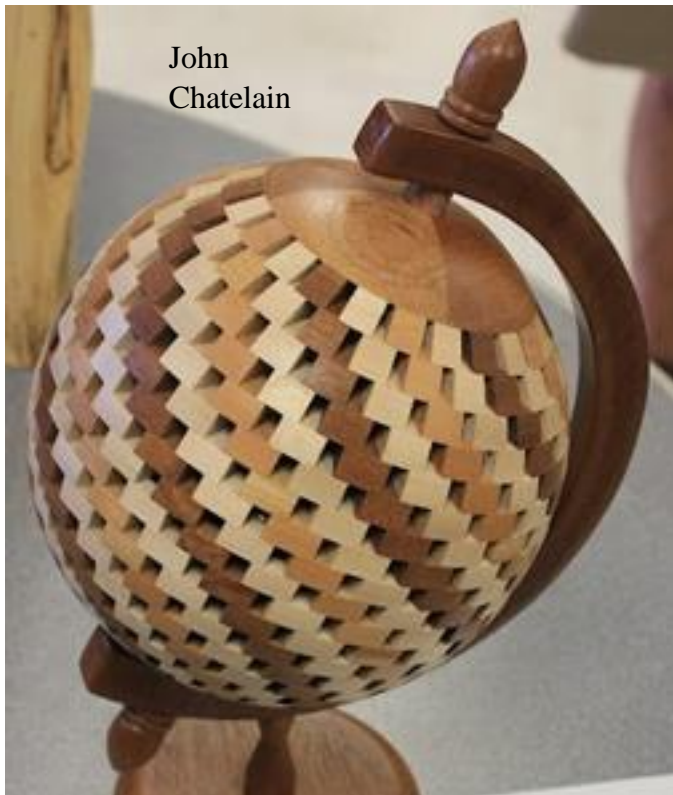


Jimmy Tolly

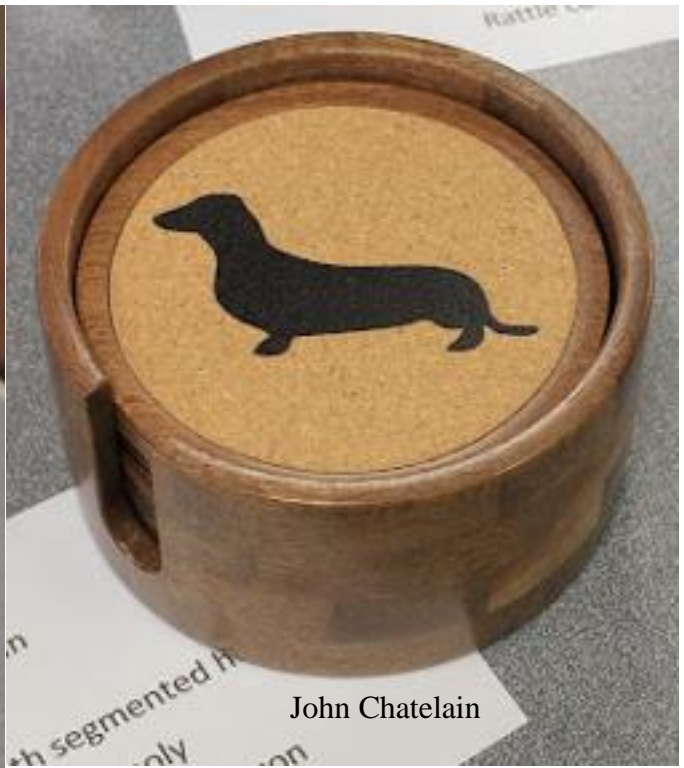


John Chatelain





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Chatelain



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Johnny Tolly  
Ornaments, Tools,  
And Cutaways



Roy Martz



Rudy  
Torres



**July 2022 Bring Back Items**

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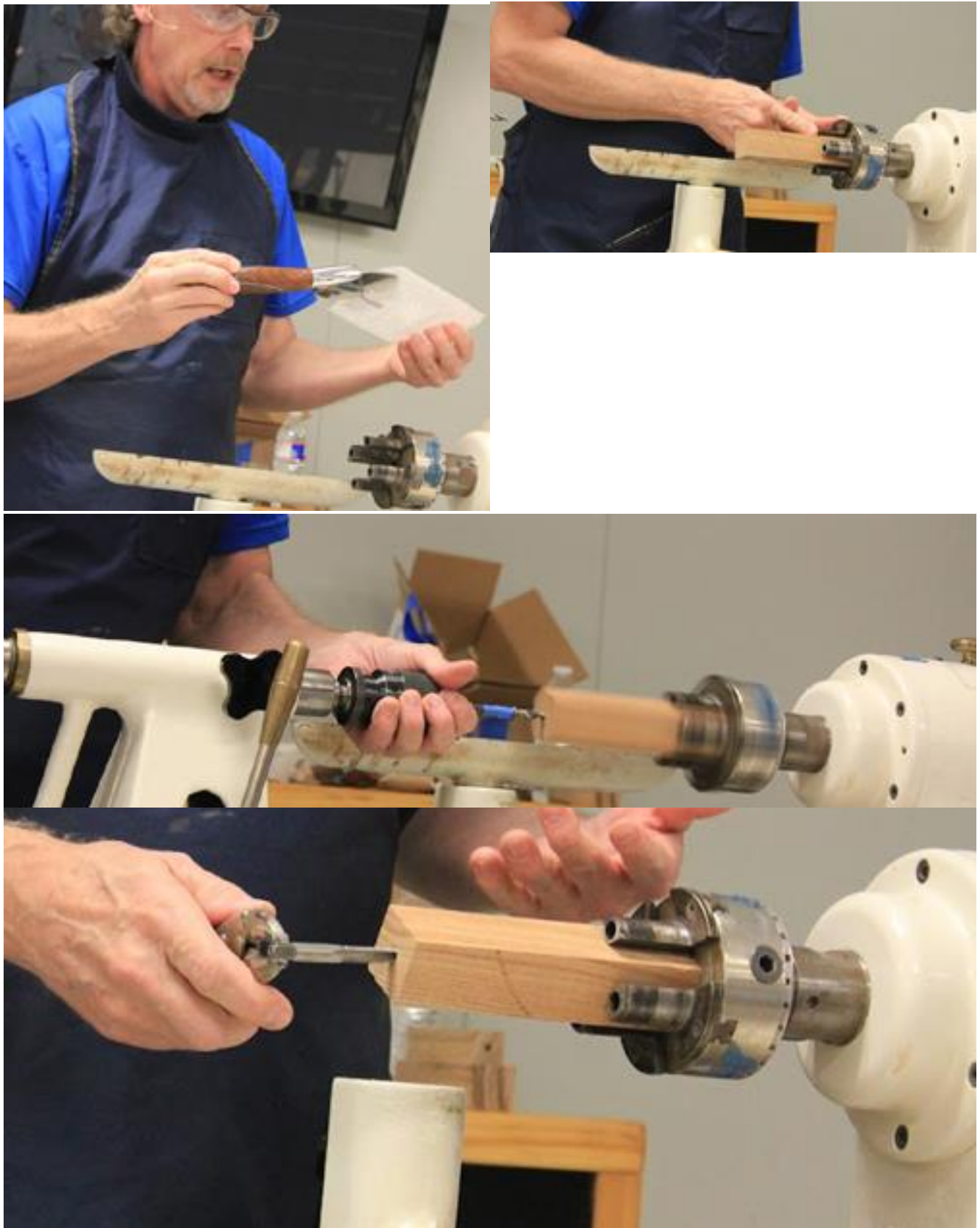






# July Demonstration – Kitchen Utensil Handles

by Craig Timmerman



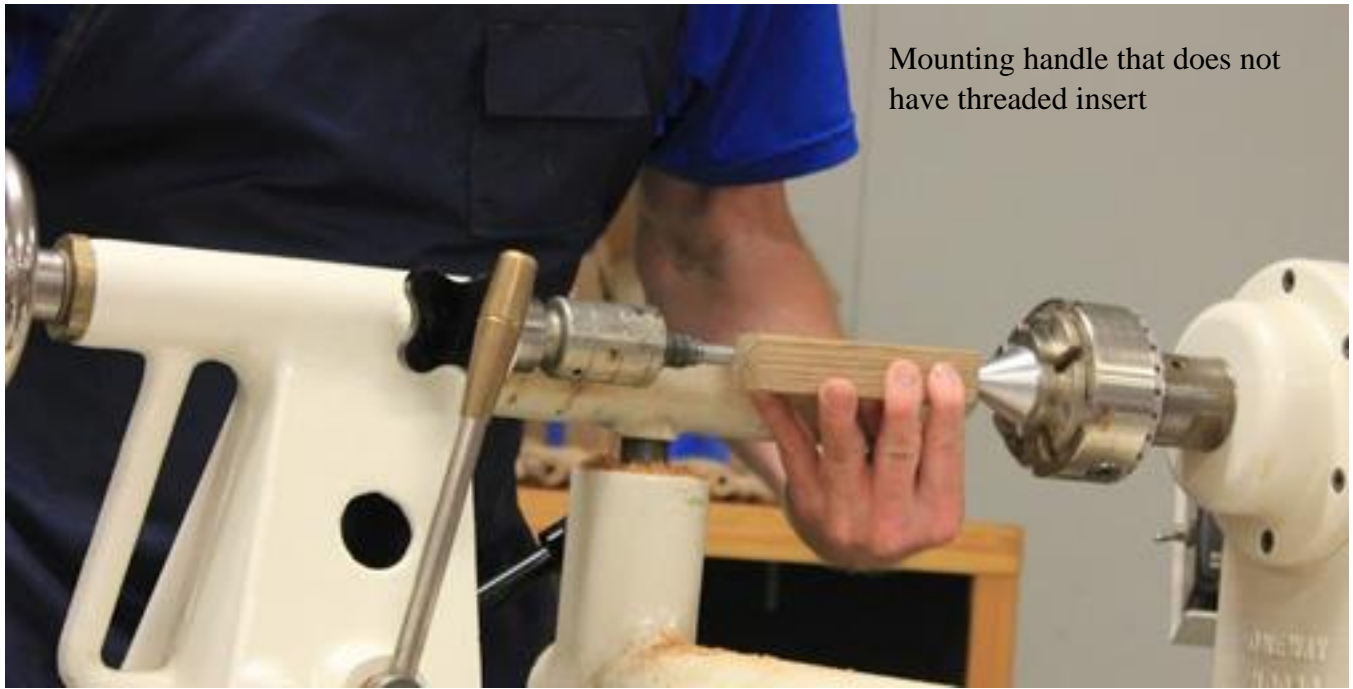




Jig for holding threaded insert handles







MOUNTING HANDLE THAT DOES NOT HAVE THREADED INSERT



Using 5/8" WENCH AS GAUGE FOR DIAMETER SIZE



Handle design options



Masters for handles

## July 9 First Saturday, hosted by Tom Choate

Photo credits to Drew Shelton













# Boxes and Bowls Turning Class

Summary by Saleem Shafi

We had a survey back in May trying to gauge interest in project-based classes with a small group that could be done in a half-day or so. Although there was a lot of interest in a broad range of topics, the most interest we had was in our more traditional two-day class on boxes and bowls. So, in July, a bunch of us got together a boxes & bowls class at Clyde and Pat Little's place.

The students included folks that took the previous beginner's class, as well as some new members of the club:

- Aaron Story
- Beth Watkins
- Hardy Hobbs
- Mike Renfro
- Roy Martz
- Rudy Torres
- Thomas Martin
- Zach Rubin

We spent a full day on boxes on Saturday, learning to make them with tenons on top and on the base, worked on a few different ways of hollowing, as well as on different shapes. Sunday was dedicated to bowls, with a focus on making good tenons and bevel-rubbing cuts to shape the outside and hollow the inside of the bowls.

Thanks to the instructors: Len Brissette, Jim Brinkman, Jim Spano and Craig Timmerman who volunteered their weekend to share their knowledge with the class, as well as spending time prepping before the class. I can say from experience that I'm sure we learn as much from teaching the class, as the students do from taking it. And special thanks to Clyde and Pat Little, who were great hosts, both in giving us their shop space for the weekend, and for feeding us lunch on both days.

I'm still working on setting up the project-based classes, which should be more regular and give everyone more opportunities to join in this kind of activity. Hopefully, we'll kick those off after SWAT in September.



Boxes and Bowls Class Photos Photo credits to Hardy Hobbs







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