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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

## Feb Meeting

Tuesday 2/21 7 PM

### Program

#### Demo: **Photographing Woodturnings**

By Dean Ginther

Dean encourages members to bring a turning they would like to photograph; He will have lightbox.

**March 4, 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday**

Host: Gary Roberts

### President's Corner By Gary Beers

Happy February Everyone!

Hopefully everyone has recovered from the "Ice Storm" from last week. If you lost power or other utilities, I hope they were restored quickly. I know I lost internet for 5 days. Geez that was a big pain in the butt!

I would like to thank Joseph Marquez and Rockler for being our February First

Saturday host. It was a pretty good turnout of club members. In fact, we even gained a new member during First Saturday. Jimmy Tolly, Drew Shelton, and Jim Spano made use of the available lathes and Saleem Shafi was assisting people in sharpening their tools.

Happy turning,

Gary

### January Meeting Minutes By Dwight Schaeper

The January 2023 meeting of the Central Texas Woodturners Association was called to order by President Gary Beers at 7:00 pm on January 17<sup>th</sup> at the American YouthWorks facility.

Minutes: Minutes for the November 2022 meeting were approved.

Visitors and New Members: Visitors and new members were Josh Contreras, Ryan

Delahossaye, and Lee Johnson.

Treasurer's Report: Len Brissette gave the treasurer's report.

Current Balance:	\$18,224
Expenses:	\$7,274
Income:	\$7,415
Net:	\$141

Night Vision Issues: Gary Beers initiated discussion related to changing the monthly meeting to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday on the month start at 9:00 am due to night vision issues experienced by some members. Options that were discussed included:

Meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month with a "1<sup>st</sup> Saturday like" structure

Continue to meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month with Zoom using Craig Timmerman's Zoom account. Additional upgraded microphones would be required. Estimated cost for 2 microphones is \$1,500.

Continue to meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday with carpooling.

Aaron Story will post a survey for members to indicate their preferences.

SWAT: SWAT 2023 will be August 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, and 27<sup>th</sup>. The executive committee will meet on January 28<sup>th</sup>.

Dues: 2023 dues can be paid from the CTWA website using PayPal.

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday; February 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday will be at Rockler's in Round Rock.

Demonstration: Drew Shelton demonstrated his procedures for making a Kaleidoscope.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned after Kelly Shaw distributed the Bring Back Tables Items.

### 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.

Gary's Address:  
8613 Honeysuckle Trail  
Austin, TX 78759  
(Near 183 & Mopac)  
Cell: 512-345-1521

### CTWA Membership

We welcome NEW MEMBERS to join our band of merry turners anytime. An interest in woodturning is the only requirement. Dues are \$35/year, prorated \$3/ month plus \$6 badge fee for new members. \$40/ year for a family membership. There is a \$2 additional fee for paying via PayPal.

<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.

## 2023 Calendar

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

**Feb. 4 First Saturday**  
**Host – Joseph Marquez**  
**Round Rock Rockler**

**Feb. 21 Club Meeting 7 PM**  
**Demo: Photographing**  
**Woodcarvings**  
**By: Dean Ginther**

**March 4, First Saturday**  
**Host Gary Roberts**

**March 21 Club Meeting 7PM**  
**Demo: TBD**

## 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**

**2023 CTWA First Saturday Schedule**

Absence a reason to change the actual date, FIRST SATURDAY will be on the first Saturday of the month.

JANUARY	Dean Ginther	7901 Navajo Pass	Leander
FEBRUARY	Rockler	2701-A Parker Rd	Round Rock
MARCH	Gary Roberts	8613 Honeysuckle Tr.	Austin
APRIL	John Chatelain	3809 Deep Pocket Dr.	Leander
MAY	Jim Spano & Jim Brinkman	10003 Mandeville Cir	Austin
JUNE	Pat Jenkins	452 Golden Eagle	Dripping Springs
JULY	Orlando Banos	11321 Oak Branch Dr.	Austin
AUGUST	Tom Choate	2504 Sunny Point Dr.	Horseshoe Bay
SEPTEMBER	Lowell Williams	661North Creekwood Dr.	Driftwood
OCTOBER	Suzi & John Parker	17032 Rocky Ridge Rd.	Austin
NOVEMBER	Alan Loibl	125 Draper Lane	Bertram

2023 Club Meeting Demonstrators		
Month	Demonstrator	Subject
January 17	Drew Shelton	Kaleidoscope Assembly
February 21	Dean Ginther	Photographing Woodturnings
March 21		
April 18		
May 16		
June 20		
July 18		
August 15		
September 19		
October 17		
November 21		
December	Santa	Christmas Party

Please contact Aaron Story to volunteer as demonstrator.  
Provide your Subject, name, and contact information.  
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January 2023 Instant Gallery		Photo Credits to Mike Josephs
TURNER	DESCRIPTION	WOOD AND FINISH
Phil Freeberg	Bowl	Live Oak Burl w/Epoxy Inlay Walnut Oil Finish
Phil Freeberg	Bowl	Pecan, Walnut Oil
Phil Freeberg	Christmas Tree	Air Brush Dye
John Chatelain	Open Segment Fruit Bowl	Mahogany – Maple, Spray Poly
John Chatelain	Segmented Vessel	Maple – Mahogany, Wipe on poly
Jim Moyle	Rolling Pin Sculpture	Mix, Butcher Block Conditioner
Vaden Mohrmann	Ash Bowls, Pat Jenkins helped core the bowls	Ash, Hampshiresheen
Johnny Tolly	3 bowls	Cherry w/ epoxy & bowties. Coyote abrasive paste & polishing wax
Johnny Tolly	2 Bowls	Ambrosia Maple, Coyote Abrasive Paste and Polishing Wax
Saleem Shafi	Measuring scoops	Cedar Elm, Walnut Red Tipped Fotinia, BLO Finish
Gary Beers	Pens, Sedonh Pen Kit w/stars&stripes Lasered Kit, Atlas Kit w/Padauk	Gluboot, Coyote abrasive paste
Mike Josephs/Bob Rhehor	Lidded Bowl	Deft
Jimmy Tolly's World of Woodturners Holiday Swap From Hughie Mackay in Australia	Spiral Fluted Carved vessel 4" diameter, 2" tall	Redgum.
Jimmy Tolly	Plates from Dean Ginther's scrap. 9" diam. X 1" deep	Baked to dry, stabilized in clear Cactus Juice, bake to set Cactus juice. Coyote abrasive paste and polishing wax.
Jimmy Tolly	6 Gnomes	Pine Bodies, Various woods for hats Coyote abrasive paste & polishing wax
Jimmy Tolly	3 "Snow People"	Pine bodies, Priveit hats Coyote abrasive paste & polishing wax
Bob Duncan	Clock Mounting	Maple, Lacquer finish
Dean Ginther	Maple bowl w/ epoxy inlay	Maple, Polish
Zach Rubin & Len	Big Bowl	Sweetgum, Tung oil & citrus solvent
Zach Rubin	Small Bowl	Cherry, Tung oil & citrus solvent
Zach Rubin	Bowl blank	Cherry
Mike Josephs	Turning Book	
Craig Collier	Peacock Oil Wax	From Skelton Saws UK

## **Bring Back Message**

One of my favorite parts of our meetings is the Bring Back Table, especially when we all remember to bring something! I slacked off pretty bad keeping track of items and harassing people last year, but looking back over the files, we did have a few pretty good months with several items brought in. Honestly a lot of the time the items are brought in by a few of the more "seasoned" members who are trying to build the bring back table back up after items were taken home with no return item. I'm guilty! It's easy to forget and it's even easier to miss a meeting and then really forget 60 days later! Last year we had a few (extremely ripe!) members donate expensive tools and beautifully turned items to help with ticket sales. We usually sell about \$40 in tickets 11 months out of the year - so it helps bring in \$400 to \$500 a year into the budget.

Courtland also began the Wood Blank Swap by bringing in a huge blank he had prepped - this isn't part of the drawing - whoever receives the new "blank" just takes it home and turns something - then brings that back to display it on the Vanna White table / while bringing back a blank of some sort - they then get to decide how that is given out - usually it's included in the drawing to help with ticket sales but can also just be passed on to any other member.

Rather than go through 2022's list and figure out who owes bring backs, maybe people who usually participate, or who know they owe one (or many) can bring an item or two in for the table for February.

I will take the lists a little more seriously this year and hand them off to Brooklyn along with your phone number if you forget!

**Kelly Shaw**

**512-621-6519**



John Chatelain





Johnny Tolly



Johnny Tolly



Jimmy Tolly



Bob Duncan



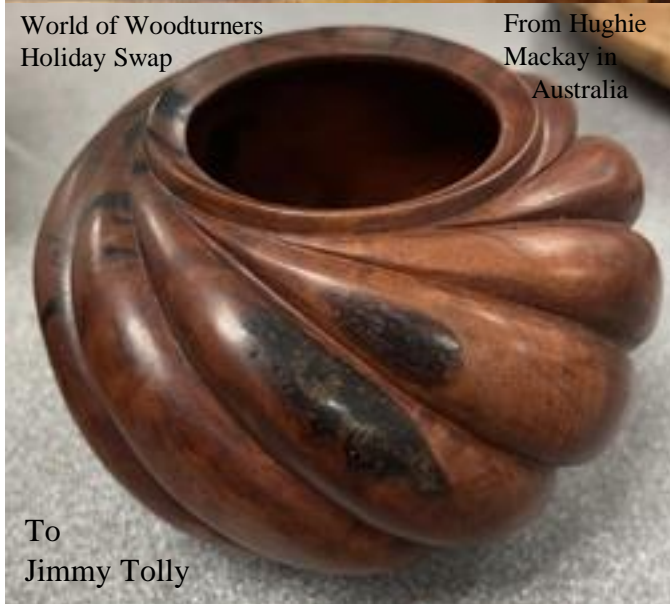
Zach Rubin



Mike Josephs

World of Woodturners  
Holiday Swap

From Hughie Mackay in  
Australia



To Jimmy Tolly



Craig Collier



Gary Beers

Dean  
Ginther



Jimmy Tolly

Jim Moyle



Jimmy Tolly



John  
Chatelain



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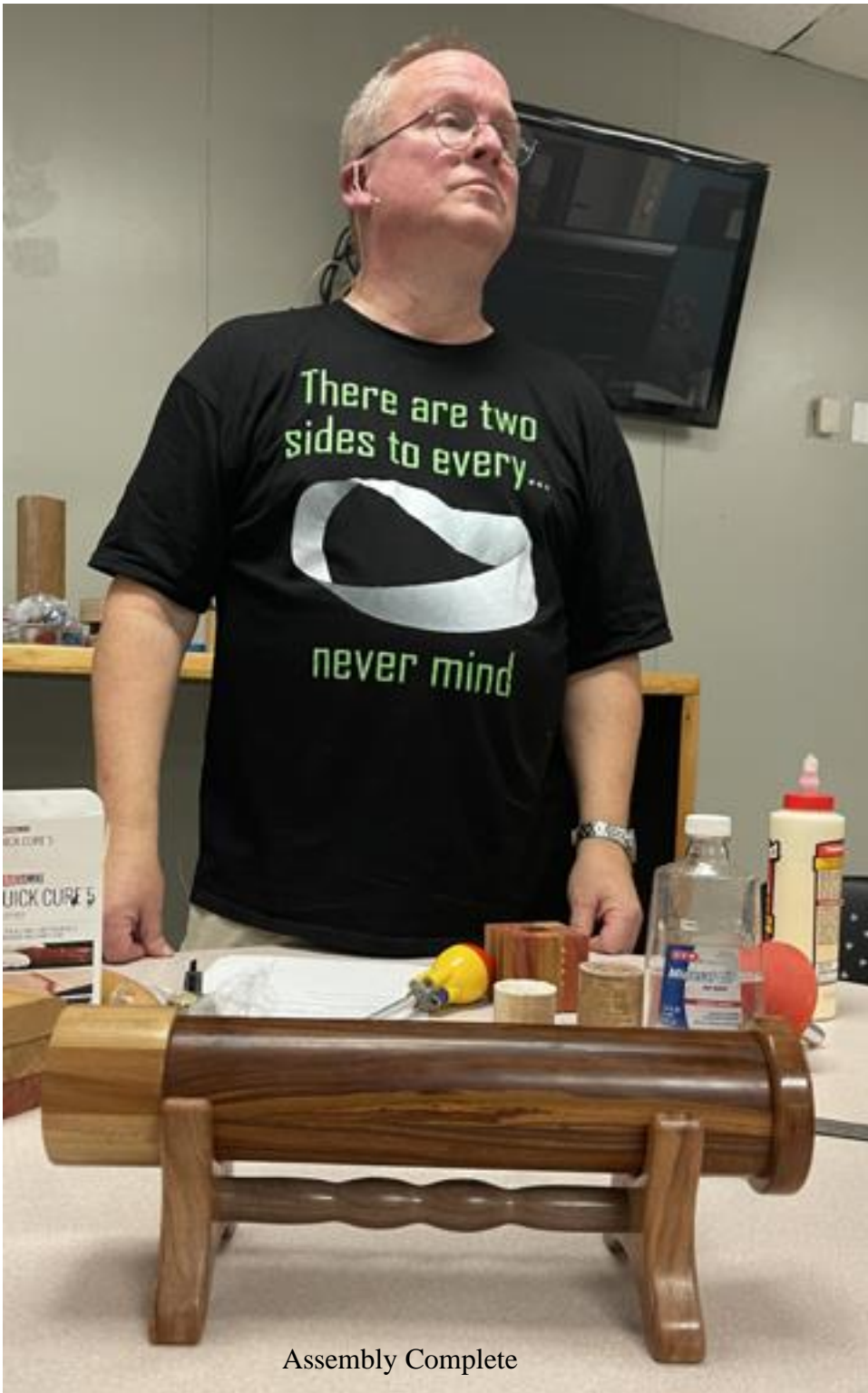
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**January Demonstration – Kaleidoscope Components & Assembly** by Drew Shelton

Photo credit to Mike Josephs







Assembly Complete



**Feb 4,2023 - First Saturday** Hosted by Joseph Marquez - RR Rockler

**Thanks for hosting Joseph.** Photo credits to Marcia Tolly

*Thanks to Jim Brinkman for arranging for demonstrators and having a show table of finished turnings to display for Rockler and Rockler patrons. Thanks to members who participated.*



Drew Shelton  
Turning



Jimmy Tolly  
Turning







Saleem Shafi's  
Sharpening Seminar



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