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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

September Meeting Tuesday 9/19, 7 PM

ProgramDemo: TBD

Oct. 7 1st Saturday
Host: Lowell Williams

President's Corner By Gary Beers

Happy September Everyone!

Well SWAT has come and gone. I hope everyone was able to see the demos they wanted and got the wood/tools they needed. I want to thank everyone who volunteered, whether it was set up/tear down or in CTWA's room as host/AV. Y'all did a great job!

I want to thank John and Suzi Parker for opening their shop for September's 1st Saturday. It was a great crowd of people who came. As the calendar year is coming to an end it is time to start thinking about elections for club officers. My term as president is ending and starting in January Saleem will be the new president. The club will need to elect the next president in waiting and the rest of the club officers

For November there will be a President's Challenge so stay tuned for an update on what it will be.

Happy turning,

Gary

July Meeting Minutes By Dwight Schaeper

The August monthly meeting of the Central Texas Woodturners Association was called to order by President Gary Beers at 7:40 pm on August 15, 2023 at the American YouthWorks facility.

The group was reminded that SWAT is next week (August 25-27, 2023). Three room hosts are needed on Saturday 8-9:30 am, 4-5:30 pm and Sunday 8-9:30 am. Five audio visual volunteers are needed on Friday 4-5:30, Saturday 1:30-3 pm, 4-5:30 pm, and Sunday 8-9:30 am and 10:30-12 am.

Volunteers will meet at the American YouthWorks facility on Wednesday, August 23rd to load the SWAT equipment. The equipment will be delivered to SWAT on Thursday morning.

Jim Brinkman announced that the September 1st
Saturday will be a Suzi and John Parker's shop. The September theme will be sharpening. October 1st
Saturday will be Lowell William's shop with an emphasis on embellishments and Easy Wood Tools.

Recognized visitor was Susan Mynarcik.

The minutes for the July meeting were approved.

Orlando Banos presented the Instant Gallery

Drew Shelton discussed and demonstrated his procedures for turning femispheres.

The meeting ended after the distribution of the Bring Back Table items.

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.

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 \$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 for full details and membership form.

August Bring back Status

President Gary Beers owes six bring backs, but his shop has no AC and no way to put one in properly -- so we have to give him a pass till it cools down a bit.

Zach Rubin owes three!

Mike Spranger owes one

Dr. Mike Josephs owes one but he's busy unpacking from his first SWAT.

Kelly Shaw owes four

Brooklyn Shaw owes One - I'm going to start
advancing her past pens after
she settles into middle school

Jim Moyle owes Two

Alan Loibl owes two.

Courtland owes one ... but take your time sir.

Richard M --- Won a small maple bowl made by Cint and owes one bring back - I can't read the last name though (sorry), last name starts with an M and might be Morgan but I dunno. You know who you are!

Bill Louden owes one

Susan M owes one --(optional though -- I think it was your first meeting)

Len owes one! (that's great!)

Orlando owes Two!!! (p.s. stop by anytime you want to

see that awesome box Courtland made that Brooklyn won at the Christmas party)

Matt Wright owes two! He scored a threaded acorn and an incredible Johnny Tolly bowl last month!

Regards, Kelly Shaw

O.P Veterans Event

Thanks to Kelly Shaw for coordinating the pen turning event with O.P. Veterans on Saturday, August 12 in Carmine, TX.

Thanks to members who volunteered and/or loaned equipment or donated money.

There are a few photos of the event later in the newsletter.

There are some photos of smiling veterans showing off their turned pens.

Great job by Kelly and his team.

2023 Calendar

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

Sep 2 – 1st Saturday Host: John & Suzi Parker

Sep 19 – Club Meeting Demo: TBD

Oct 7 – 1st Saturday Host: Lowell Williams

Oct 16 – Club Meeting Demo: TBD

Nov 4 – 1st Saturday Host: Alan Loibl

Nov 21 - Club Meeting

Demo: TBD

Dec 2 – Christmas Party Hosted by Clyde & Pat Little

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

August 2023 Instant Gallery				
TURNER	DESCRIPTION	WOOD AND FINISH		
Beth Watkins	Posey Vase 7.5" x 4" Spalted Loquat, Sanding Sealer, Abrasive Paste, and Beall Buffing Sys.			
Bath Watkins	Bowl 7 3/8" x 6" tall	owl 7 3/8" x 6" tall Sycamore, Sanding Sealer, Abrasive Paste, and Hampshire Sheen High Gloss		
Brian McCutchon	Bowl and Spin Top	Oak, Mesquite, Tried & True, and Danish Tung Oil		
Bob Duncan	Bowl	Pecan, Coyote sanding paste & Polish		
Phil Freeburg	Vase	Cedar Elm, Air Brushed Aniline Dye and Lacquer		
Phil Freeburg	Tall Vase	Mesquite, Deft Spray Lacquer		
Phil Freeburg	5 Christmas Trees	s Trees Various Woods, Wipe on Poly/Wax		
Pete Giulietti	Decorated Platter	Maple, Danish Oil and BLO		
Cortland Hunt	Espresso Cup & Coaster	Cup & Coaster Coffee Tree Burl & Resin/Maple Burl Resin/Lacquer Finish		
John Chatelain	Vintage Pinocchio	Maple, Inspired by a Bellagio, Italy Turner		
Jimmy Tolly	Lighted Christmas Ornament	Redwood Burl Globe, Cherry Stand, Coyote Sanding Paste & Wax Polish		
Johnny Tolly	6 Spin Tops	Chopsticks, Wood Dowels, Mica Colored Epoxy, Coyote Sanding Paste&Polish		
Johnny Tolly	6 Pens, Wood sourced from Tom Choate's Scrap Bin	2 Ebony, 4 Koa, Finished with Coyote Sanding Paste & Polishing Wax		

August 2023 Bring Backs				
Winner	Item	Donor		
Richard M	Maple Bowl	Clint Hoyle		
Bill Louden	Pecan Bowl	Greg Stowers		
Kelly Shaw	Olivewood Screwdriver	Clint Hoyle		
Kelly Shaw	Magnolia Bowl	John Parker		
Susan M	Chuna Berry Bowl	Greg Stowers		
Len Brissette	Sphere Rattle	Suzi Parker		
Orlando	Olivewood Spinner	Clint Hoyle		
Matt Wright	Threaded Acorn	Kelly Shaw		
Orlando	Elm Bowl	Greg Stowers		
Kelly Shaw	Bradford Pear Vase	Jimmy Tolly		
Matt Wright	Chinese Elm Bowl	Johnny Tolly		

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	Suzi & John Parker	17031 Rocky Ridge Rd.	Austin
OCTOBER	Lowell Williams	661North Creekwood Dr.	Driftwood
NOVEMBER	Alan Loibl	125 Draper Lane	Bertram
DECEMBER 2 Christmas Party	Clyde & Pat Little	14307 Geronimo St.	Volente

August 2023 Instant Gallery



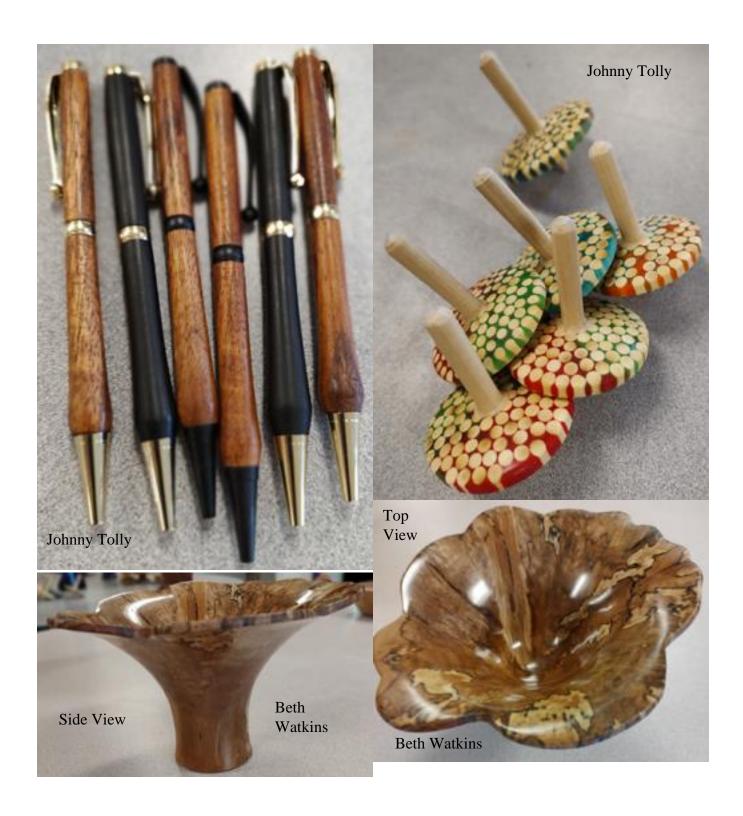




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Bowl and spin top by Brian McCutchon

Femisphere Demo by Drew Shelton



Headstock drive center and Shop made tailstock center





Turning 1st half of femisphere



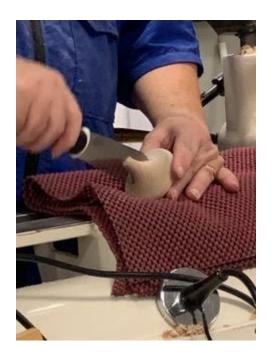
Turning 2nd half of femisphere





Modified paint scraper tool to separate 2 halves of femisphere







How to put 2 halves back together



Sanding completed femisphere



Gluing 2 halves back together



Demonstrating the femisphere rolls in a straight line while appearing to wobble

O.P. Veterans Pen Turning Day August 12, 2023



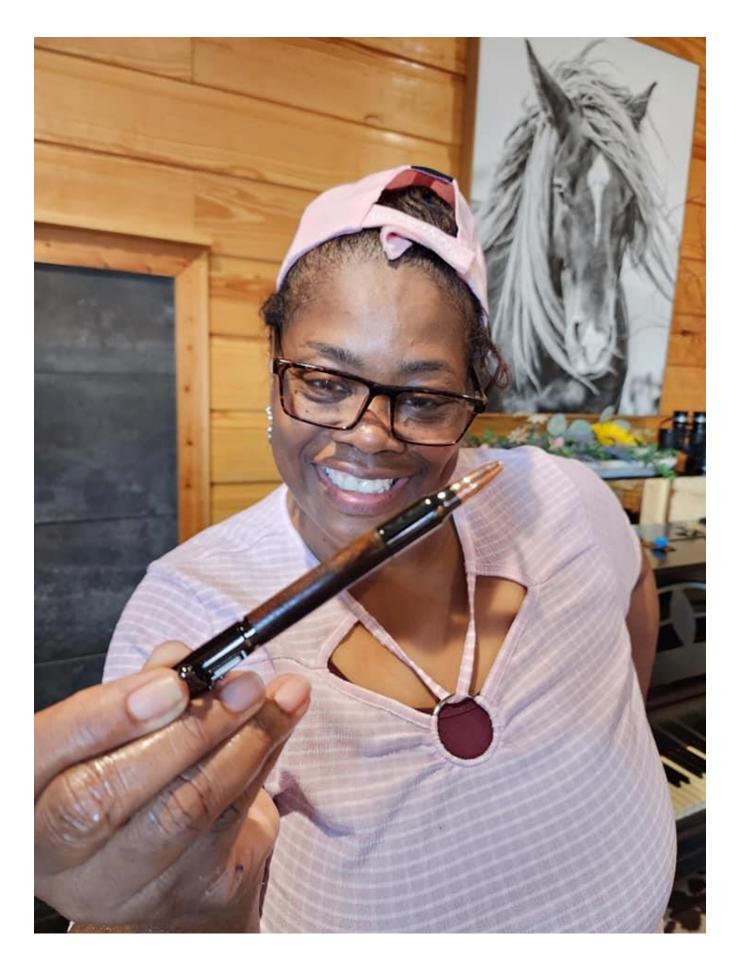
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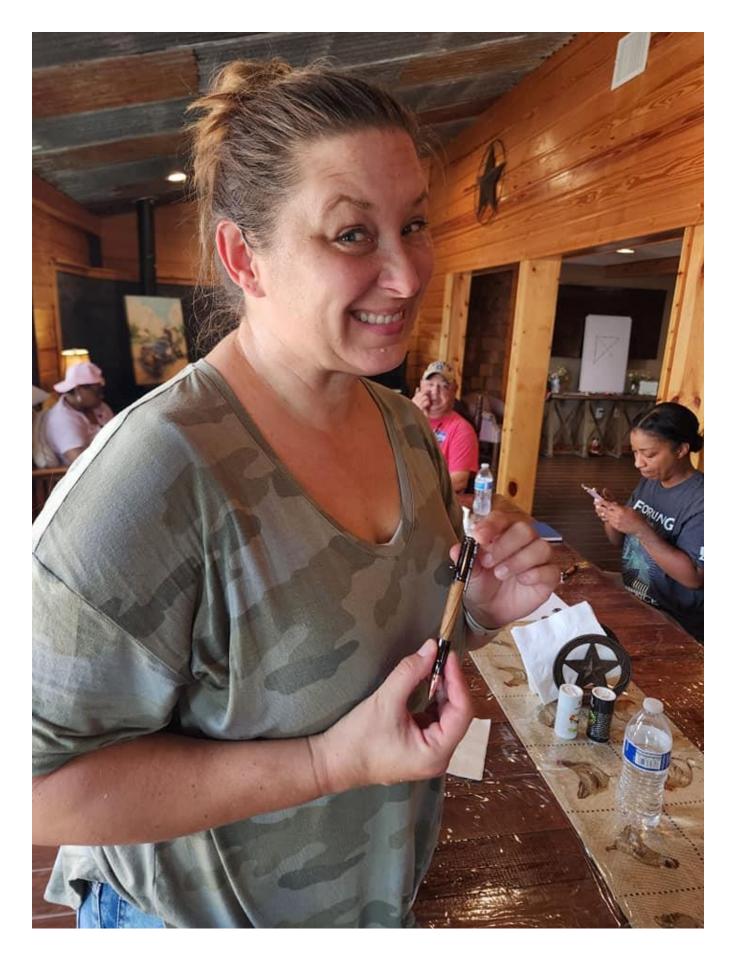
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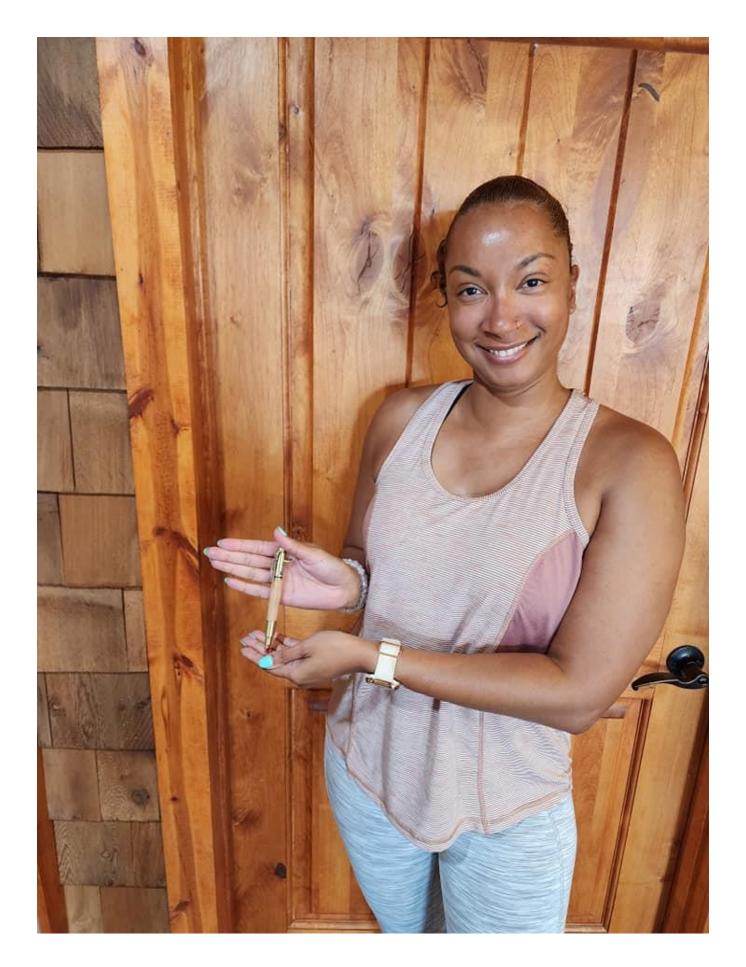
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September 2, 2023 First Saturday Hosted by John & Suzi Parker (36 Attendees)

Thanks for hosting John & Suzi

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