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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

Sept Meeting
Tuesday 9/17, 7 PM

Program

Demo: Len Brissette
Production Turning -
Making Unique
Multiples

First Saturday
Saturday Oct. 5
Hosts: John & Suzi
Parker

**Please bring your
donations for the
Texas Tree
Conference to the
9/17 meeting or make
arrangements with
Drew Shelton ASAP.**

President's Corner By Orlando Banos

I hope everyone had a fantastic time at SWAT! We saw near-record attendance, and CTWA members really showed up in force. A huge thank you to everyone who contributed their time and

energy to make the event a success.

Now, it's time to look ahead to 2025 and think about our CTWA officers:

- Are you interested in serving in a leadership role?
- Do you know someone who would be a great fit?

Official nominations open in October, with voting to follow in November.

Our club thrives because of the dedication of volunteers, many of whom have carried the torch year after year. But fresh perspectives and new energy are always welcome. If you're even slightly curious about a position, I encourage you to reach out to the current officer and learn more about what the role entails. Most jobs are straightforward and won't take up much of your time, but they make a huge difference to the strength of our club.

The more we share the responsibility, the stronger CTWA will be. So, whether you'd like to step up or know

someone who would, now is the time to get involved! A list of the current officers can be found at the end of the monthly newsletter.

Regards,
Orlando

Aug 2024 Meeting Minutes By Dan Gillen

President Orlando Bano called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

The minutes for the last (July) meeting were approved.

New members introduced included Bob McKenna, Melinda McKenna, Gene Kummerer, and Mike Watson.

Cortland Hunt was in the hospital with internal infections. I spoke with Cortland briefly at first Saturday, September 7. He is home now and starting to feel better. However, he is being treated with antibiotics for several internal infections. He has lost 50 lbs. They are

testing him for Atrial fibrillation issues.

Thanks for members who helped haul demo room equipment to SWAT in Waco. Thanks also all who helped setup and tear down demo rooms. Special thanks for the Tolly's and their families for leading this effort.

Zack Rubin's father sent a thank you card with a poem to express his appreciation for our club members donations to the Virginia Peninsula Empty Bowls Project.

Orlando, cautioned everyone to take precautions during our Texas hot temperatures. He mentioned several members have installed Mini Split AC units to cool their shops.

Life time badges were presented to Jim Brinkman, Jim Spano and Gary Roberts.

Drew Shelton needs to have donations by the September meeting for the Georgetown Sale.

Cortland's SWAT tickets were available to anyone who could use them.

David Linkletter still needs an assistant for A/V at meetings. We also need a library manager.

Roy Martz presented instant gallery turnings.

Shawn Graham demonstrated turning techniques.

Kelly Shaw led the Bring Back raffle.

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)
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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 \$36/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.

A \$1 fee is charged for membership or renewal done online.

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.

Current Bring back Status – Kelly Shaw

Len's Demo:

Len Brissette is going to show us a great small project that is one of my favorites because it can be done with small cut offs on any size

lathe and makes a great and beautiful gift that isn't the same old bud vase or bowl - it can be made in a very short amount of time and with a lot of variations in design for someone who needs to have a special personalized gift for someone in a hurry -- but it is also a great repeatable item that can be done in large quantities production style for donations, holiday gifts and market sales.

Bring Back Status:

Last month at the meeting one of the participants in the bring back table said they had previously brought back items and should not have been on the list. I searched all the way back in the records to last November and could not find any items or discrepancies - but that does not mean a mistake hadn't been made somehow.

Sometimes I learn from my mistakes after a few years, but I make so many that a few might slip through the cracks.

If you are on this list and feel like you should not be -- please reach out. I have a (hopefully accurate) record of the last two years. I also don't mind taking your name off the list if you just don't have the time or desire to participate! (Not you Gary Beers, you still owe 5)

Carter and Sons tools sent me a couple \$30 gift cards -- Brent won one on First Saturday and another one will be in the Drawing on Tuesday!

Clint Hoyle owes Two
Kelly Shaw owes Two
Brooklyn Shaw owes one
Jim Moyle owes two
Alan Loibl owes one.
Bill Loudon owes one
Orlando owes two
Nate Sandler owes two
Pete Giulietti owes two
Zach Ruben owes three
Mike Spranger owes one
David Linkletter owes one
Gary Beers owes five
Jason Tunnel owes one
Don Doan owes Two
JD Murphy owes one
Herb Ingram owes one

**Woodcarving Outreach
John Chatelain**

**Pflugerville Texas
Arbor Day Festival**

We will be helping Pflugerville celebrate Texas Arbor Day on Saturday October 26th at Pflugerville Park (515 City Park Road)

The Mayor of Pflugerville will start the day off with a small opening speech. I will have the times later.

We will be turning tops for the kids as well as doing turning demos for the public to show what can be done on a wood lathe. Hopefully we can recruit a few new members as well.

I will need a few volunteers to do some demos and talk to people about turning. These

demos can be anything from a top to a weed pot, or anything you wish to turn on a mini lathe. I should have the club's 2 mini lathes and could use a couple more. We will also be selling some of our club donated turnings.

This should be a real Pfun time in Pflugerville.

John Chatelain

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2024 Calendar

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

Sep 17, Club Meeting

7 pm American YouthWorks
1901 East Ben White, Austin, TX
Program – Len Brissette
Production turning, Making Unique Multiples

October 5, 2024 1st Saturday

Hosted by John and Suzi Parker
Sharpening Demo & Assistance.

October 15, 2024, Club Meeting

7pm – American YouthWorks
1901 East Ben White, Austin, TX
Program – John Chatelain
Nutcracker – Take your spindle turning, Painting, Patience to the next level

Nov 2, 2024 1st Saturday

Hosted by Beth Watkins

Nov 19 Club Meeting

7pm American YouthWorks
1901 East Ben White, Austin, TX
Program – Johnny & Jimmy Tolly
Turning some Christmas Ornaments

Dec 14 -Christmas Party

Hosted by: Pat and Clyde 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 Jim Brinkman to volunteer**

Gary Roberts refunded \$25 after long delay – Summary Narrative by Gary

When we were forming the AAW, I volunteered to help organize the necessary things to form an official organization.

The first thing we needed was an official Corporate Charter.

I went to the Secretary of State's office, personally paid the \$25 fee.

At that time the AAW infant had no money, dues or even a membership roster.

As we grew, it became a brag that I paid the first expense occurred and had never been reimbursed!

Over the years I asked for a \$25 check that I could frame and hang on my office wall.

This finally happened at SWAT 2024 when the President of the Board of Directors made an official presentation of, not only the check, but a framed Certificate of Appreciation stating a Board Resolution of the Board awarding me my long-awaited reimbursement!





Gary had to cash the check before the framer would frame it!



August 2024 Instant Gallery – Photo credits – Drew Shelton

TURNER	DESCRIPTION	WOOD AND FINISH
Roy Martz	Lidded Bowl	Mesquite, Ebony Finial, Mahoney Oil
Herb Ingram	Scalloped Bowl	Osage Orange, Wax
Herb Ingram	Potato Chip Bowl	Osage Orange, Wax
Herb Ingram	Crotch Bowl	Mesquite, Mylands/Black bison
Jimmy Tolly	Bowl, with 8 bowties 18.5” Diameter, 1.75” deep	Escarpment Black Cherry, Coyote abrasive & polishing cream
John Chatelain	4 Segmented Coaster Sets	Cherry, 2with wipe on poly, 2 with deft.
Mertz Tolbe	Space ship	Cedar Elm, Mesquite, &Antler, Paste Wax & Cream
Don Doan	Box of Consternation	Purple Heart, Tried & True
Jimmy Tolly	Pinecone Lamp	Pinecone & Bar Top Epoxy, Coyote Sanding Paste & Polish
Jimmy Tolly	Pinecone Lamp	Pinecone & Bar Top Epoxy, Coyote Sanding Paste & Polish
Jimmy Tolly	Off-cut Lamp	Off-cuts & Bar Top Epoxy, Coyote Sanding Paste & Polish

August 2024 Bring Backs		
Winner	Item	Donor
Kelly Shaw	Sapele Spindle Gouge	Matt Wright
Zach	Walnut Burl Bowl	Greg Stowers
JD Murphy	Maple Bowl	Greg Stowers
Kelly Shaw	Box of Consternation	Don Doan
Herb Ingram	Spalted Fog Wood Apple	Kelly Shaw
JD Murphy	Sorby Spiral Tool	Not bring back

FIRST SATURDAY SCHEDULE 2024				
MONTH	HOST	ADDRESS	City	Tel. No.
JANUARY 6	Craig Timmerman	13124 South Madrone Tr.	Austin	512-773-9976
FEBRUARY 3	Pat & Clyde Little	14307 Geronimo St	Volente	512-413-6931
MARCH 2	Bob Duncan	109 Ridgecrest Road	Georgetown	512-930-8513
APRIL 6	John Chatelain	3809 Deep Pocket Dr.	Leander	281-798-8025
MAY 4	Greg Stowers	16 Tall Oaks Trail	Austin	512-983-0954
JUNE 1	Gary Roberts	8613 Honeysuckle tr.	Austin	512-345-1521
JULY 6	Chris Van Peski	364 Colorado Dr.	Cedar Creek	512-303-1590
AUGUST 3	Pat Jenkins	452 Golden Eagle	Dripping Springs	903-926-5180
SEPTEMBER 7	Gary Roberts	8613 Honeysuckle Tr..	Austin	512-345-1521
OCTOBER 5	Suzi & John Parker	17031 Rocky Ridge Rd,	Austin	512-266-0824
NOVEMBER 2	Beth Watkins	3404 Treadsoft Cove	Austin	512-970-6439
DECEMBER 14	Christmas Party @Littles	14307 Geronimo St	Volente	512-413-6931

CTWA 2024 Demonstration Schedule

These demonstrations take place during our monthly club meetings. You will notice that in a few cases demonstrators from outside our club will offer classes (for a fee) during the week of the club meeting. Please contact Kelly Shaw via text 512-621-6519 or email at haxcit@gmail.com if you are interested in taking these classes.

January	Waukeene Vinson - Corpus Christi	Off Center and Multi Axis Turning Vases and Birds
February	Saleem Shafi	The Incredible Puzzle Sphere
March	Drew Shelton	Epic Saturn Bowls
April	Nick Agar (England/Georgia)	Viking Sunset Bowl - Classes available Mon. Through Wed.
May	Billy Burt	Calabash Bowl and Guidelines
June	Courtland Hunt	Native American Wind Instruments
July	Pat Jenkins	Piercing decorations on turnings
August	Shawn Graham	Turning Techniques
September	Lynn Brissette	Production Turning - Making Unique Multiples (Jewelry Boxes)
October	John Chatelain	Nutcracker - Take your Spindle Turning, Paint and Patience to the next level
November	Johnny and Jimmy Tolly	Tis the Season! Turn some Christmas Ornaments! (cube/hollow/inside out)



Herb Ingram



Herb
Ingram



Jimmy
Tolly



Jimmy Tolly



John Chatelain



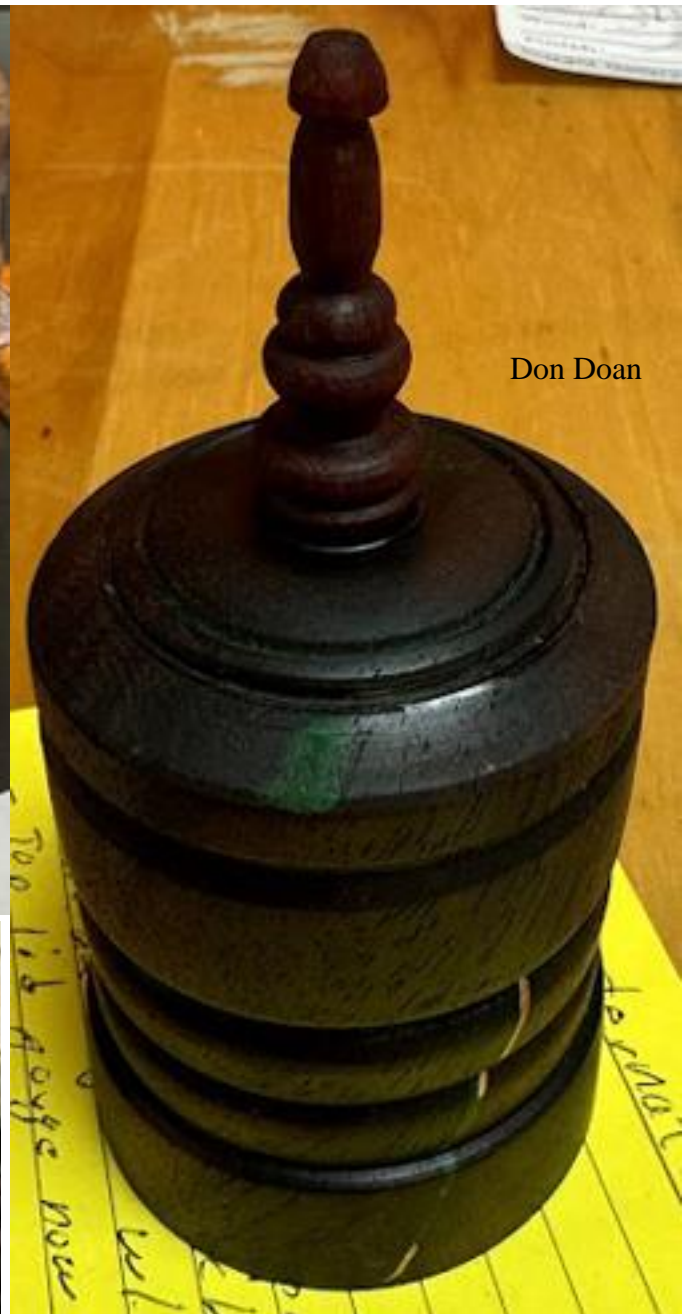
Roy Martz



Mertz Tolbe



Jimmy Tolly



Don Doan



the Lampe
By: Jimmy Tolly

August 2024 Bring Back Photos Photo credits: Drew Shelton



August 2024 Demonstration

Shawn Graham – Turning Techniques

Photo Credits - Drew Shelton









September 7, 2024 First Saturday

Hosted by Gary Roberts

Photo credits: Drew Shelton

Indexing Demo by Gary, Show & Tell, and Wood Depot Wood Cutting Party

Indexing Demo by Gary Roberts









Show and Tell











**Wood Depot
Wood Cutting Party and Clean up**







Gary Roberts and James Johnson Recognized as AAW founders at 2024 SWAT

Gary was also the 1st President of CTWA and James was the 2nd President



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