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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

**Nov. Meeting**  
**Tuesday 11/19, 7 PM**

### Program

Demo: **Johnny & Jimmy Tolly,**  
**Christmas Ornaments**

**Christmas Party**  
**Saturday Dec. 14**  
Hosts: **Pat & Clyde Little**

### President's Corner By Orlando Banos

I want to begin by extending a heartfelt thank you to everyone who volunteered to be nominated for next year's officer positions. Your willingness to serve ensures that our group will continue to thrive, and we deeply appreciate your dedication and commitment to the club. As we approach the holiday season, I also want to invite you to join us for our annual Christmas party. It's always a great time to relax and enjoy the company of fellow

turners, and if you're able, please consider participating in our White Elephant Gift Exchange. It's a fun tradition, and we'd love to see some beautiful turned pieces added to the mix.

This time of year, is also a wonderful opportunity to think about the season of giving. What better way to show someone you care than with a handmade gift? Turning a special piece for a friend or family member is a personal and thoughtful way to share the beauty of our craft. Not only will your gift be appreciated, but it may also inspire others to explore the art of woodturning themselves.

Finally, I want to express my sincere gratitude for the privilege of serving as your president this past year. It has been an incredibly rewarding experience, and I've enjoyed working with all of you. I'm excited to continue being a part of this great group and look forward to supporting the club in the years ahead.

Wishing you and yours a joyful and creative holiday season!

Warm regards,

Orlando

### Oct. 2024 Meeting Minutes By Dwight Schaeper

The October monthly meeting of the Central Texas Woodturner's Association was called to order on Tuesday, October 15, 2024 by President Orlando Banos at 7:00 pm at the American YouthWorks (AYW) facility.

The September 2024 monthly meeting minutes were approved.

No recognized visitors.

### 2025 Officer Nominations

President: Kelly Shaw

President Elect: Zack Rubin

Treasurer: Len Brissette

Secretary: Beth Watkins

Program Chair: Michael Josephs

Membership Chair: Aaron Story

SWAT Representative:  
Drew Shelton

Newsletter Editor: Dan Gillen

Voting will occur at the November meeting.

Marcia Tolly discussed the Christmas Party and passed-around a sign-up list. The party will be at the Little's on Saturday, December 14, 2024. The shop will open around 9:00 am with lunch around noon and the famous gift exchange after lunch.

Reminder that the Pflugerville Arbor Day is October 26<sup>th</sup> and the Texas Woodworking Festival is November 10 & 11 at the Palmer Events Center.

Instant Gallery – Roy Martz presented the Instant Gallery items

Demonstration – John Chatelain demonstrated his process for turning Nut Crackers.

Bring Back Table – The meeting concluded with the distribution of the Bring Back Table items.

Dwight Schaeper

Secretary

### **The Wood Depot**

Gary Roberts, 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 \$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](http://www.woodturner.org) for full details and membership form.

## 2024 Calendar

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

**Nov 2, 2024 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday**  
**Hosted by Beth Watkins**

**Nov 19 Club Meeting**  
7pm American YouthWorks  
1901 East Ben White, Austin, TX  
Election of 2025 Officers  
**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**

**October 2024 Instant Gallery – Photo credits – Drew Shelton**

<b>TURNER</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>WOOD AND FINISH</b>
Drew Shelton	Vase	Box Elder, Beall Buffed
S. Gary Roberts	3 bowls for Operation KidDocs	Various Woods, Deft & Buff
S. Gary Roberts	Complete set of measuring cups	Pecan, Deft & Buff
Herb Ingram	Salad Bowl	Mesquite, Tried a& True
Roy Martz	Lidded Bowl	Red Cedar, with lid & finial
Herb Ingram	Bowl	Mesquite Root Burl + Resin, Mylands & Wax
Phil Freeburg	Vase, Box, Bowl	Mesquite
Phil Freeburg	Bowl	Cypress
Phil Freeburg	Bowl	Spalted Maple
Phil Freeburg	Bowl	Live Oak & Epoxy
Phil Freeburg	Gnome	Pecan
Suzi Parker	Kaleidoscope	Mesquite, ? finish, not yet buffed
Jarrood Dahl, purchased by Zack Rubin	End grain cup turned w/hooks on Japanese lathe	Unknown Ceramic Glass, Hassui
Suzi Parker	Baby Rattle	Mesquite, Wood Butter
Suzi Parker	Fridge Magnet/Picture Holder	Walnut
Johnny Tolly	Keepsake Boxes, Colored Alumilite epoxy rounds inset into lids	Mesquite w/ two mesquite bowties, Maple and Walnut
Johnny Tolly	White Corian Pens	Hut perfect pen finishes
Kelly Shaw	Keepsake Box	
Jimmy Tolly	One of 10 Wig stands	Ambrosia Maple, Coyote Abrasive paste and Polishing Cream
Jimmy Tolly	Keepsake Boxes	Maple bed set parts, Coyote finishes
Mack Peterson	Segmented Bowl	Yellow Pine, Poly Finish
Mack Peterson	Segmented bowl, Epoxy Accented Rim	Yellow Pine & Epoxy
Mack Peterson	Hollow Vessel	Yellow Pine
Dan Gillen	Lidded Box	Walnut, Coyote Finishes

<b>FIRST SATURDAY SCHEDULE 2024</b>				
<b>MONTH</b>	<b>HOST</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Tel. No.</b>
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
<b>DECEMBER 14</b>	<b>Christmas Party @Littles</b>	<b>14307 Geronimo St</b>	<b>Volente</b>	<b>512-413-6931</b>

### **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](mailto: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	Len Brissette	Production Turning - Making Unique Multiples (Jewelry Boxes)
October	John Chatelain	Nutcracker - Take your Spindle Turning, Paint and Patience to the next level
<b>November</b>	<b>Johnny and Jimmy Tolly</b>	<b>Tis the Season! Turn some Christmas Ornaments! (cube/hollow/inside out)</b>

## Pflugerville Arbor Day

We had 11 members volunteering for this event. Myself, Kelly Shaw, Dave Wolter, Drew Shelton, Mike Spranger, Mike Joseph, Ralph Cox, Jimmy Tolly, Johnny Tolly, Zach Rubin, and Tom Miller. Johnny Tolly was not on the list to help as it was his and Marcia's 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary, but he showed up anyway. Congratulations Johnny and Marcia.

We talked to a lot of people about turning and CTWA. Hopefully we "turned" a few of them into thinking about wood turning someday. We handed out a few tops to the kids and had a non-stop demo at the lathes.

The city of Pflugerville parks department planted a lot of trees and showed people the proper way to plant them. They also did a tree climbing demo on how they trim the tall trees.

We did sell \$210 worth of our donated turnings. We sold bowls, wine stoppers, and gnomes. We do need to restock our turnings as we have had 2 events so far. I usually have a box by the front door at the meetings to deposit your donated turnings. Please try to have your name on them and the suggested price.

John Chatelain



Central Texas Woodturners Association,

We want to send our deepest gratitude to your members who donated so many beautiful pieces to our silent auction for the second year. Your donations raised \$3,780 for our mission!

The wood-turned pieces have become a highlight of our event! It not only raises direct funds, but it creates excitement & conversation over the auction and adds a layer of fun to the night. It really draws people in - and that's a win for everyone!

For 2 years in a row, the pieces were the talk of the night! Everyone was so impressed by the beauty and workmanship. Your donations were over and above anything we expected - and we are just speechless at your generosity.

If anyone would like to know what your pieces auctioned for - I would be happy to share that information.

Again - thank you from the bottom of our hearts! This money will go directly to help children in need in Guatemala. Your donations will literally change the lives of many families who otherwise may not have received this medical care for their children.

With Gratitude,

Jordan Tarter, Operation KidDocs Fundraising Chair [operationkiddocsmissions@gmail.com](mailto:operationkiddocsmissions@gmail.com)

# TEXAS WOODWORKING FESTIVAL

The CTWA spent 2 days at the Texas Woodworking Festival. We saw a few hundred wood workers. Some were interested in wood turning and hopefully will be coming to a meeting soon. We did sell some of our donated turnings for a total of \$385. The outreach program has collected a total of \$730 for the club in the last 3 events this year.

Pioneer Days...\$135

Pflugerville Arbor Day...\$210

Texas Woodworking Festival...\$385

We paid no fees for any of these events.

We made and handed out many spin tops to the kids. We also handed out many tops to many adult kids. I guess most of us are still kids when it comes to toys.

Please bring some of your turnings to future meetings so we can replenish our supply. I usually have a cardboard box by the front door of the monthly meetings that you can put your donations in. Please try to have your name and suggested price on each item. Most people were always interested in the wood type, so if you make something new...add the wood type to the bottom. Wine stoppers have been the most popular items. Something other than a bowl would also help to diversify our supply but will take bowls too.

I want to thank the following people that volunteered part or all their weekend to help.

Drew Shelton, Pat Jenkins, Zach Rubin, Mike Spranger, Phil Sherburne, Roy Maltz, and Ralph Cox. Danielle Hayes also stopped by and helped.

Zach stepped up and volunteered his Jet 1221 midi lathe for the event to use during one of their demos. Drew also brought his mini lathe. Thank you, Zach and Drew.

Please welcome some of these new wood turners to the club when they come to the next few meetings.

John Chatelain



# Texas Woodworking Festival Photos

Photo credits John Chatelain









Drew  
Shelton



Herb  
Ingram



Turned by  
Jarrod Dahl  
Purchased by  
Zach Rubin



1 of 10  
Wig Stands  
By Jimmy  
Tolly



Kaleidoscope  
Suzi Parker

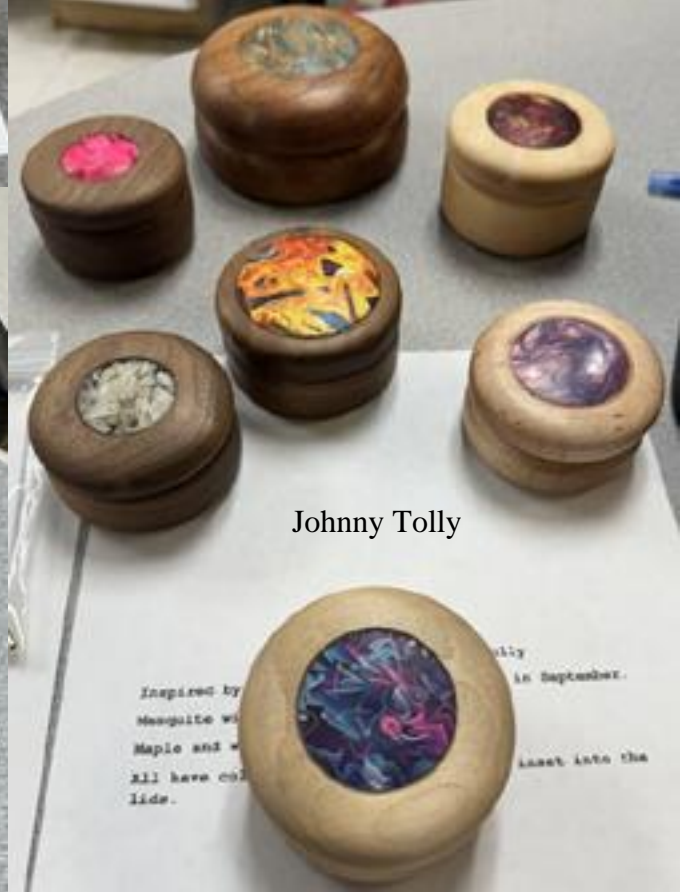




Jimmy Tolly



Phil Freeburg



Johnny Tolly



Kelly Shaw





Mack  
Peterson



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Dan Gillen



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Roy Martz





Gary  
Roberts



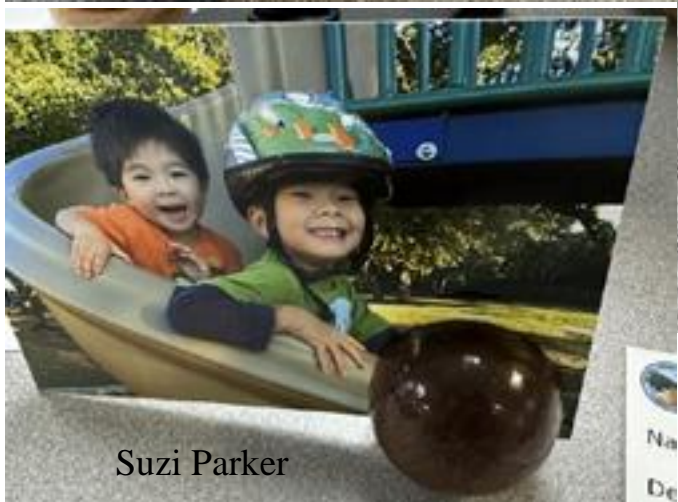
Gary  
Roberts



Gary Roberts



Suzi  
Parker



Suzi Parker

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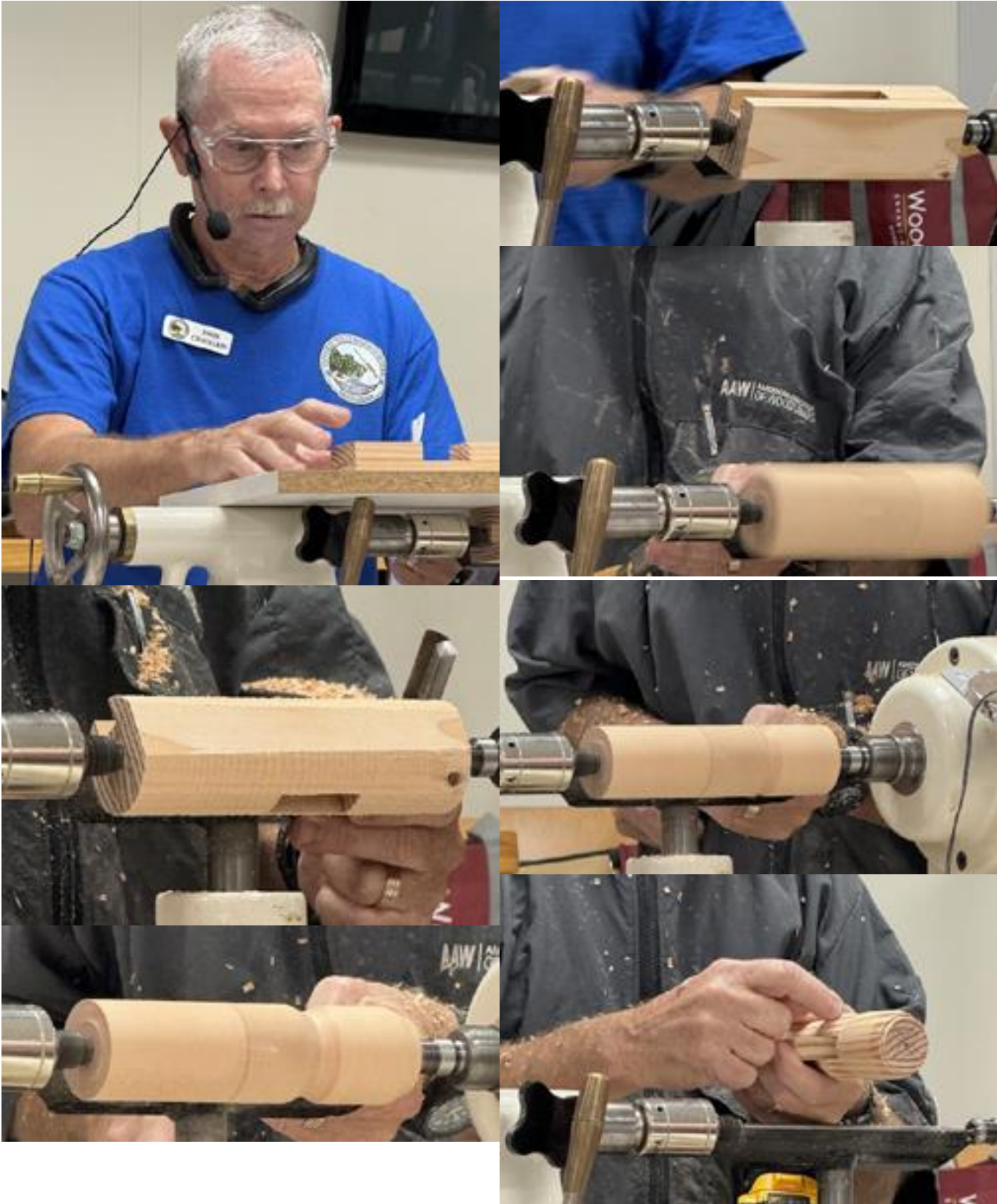


# October 2024 Demonstration

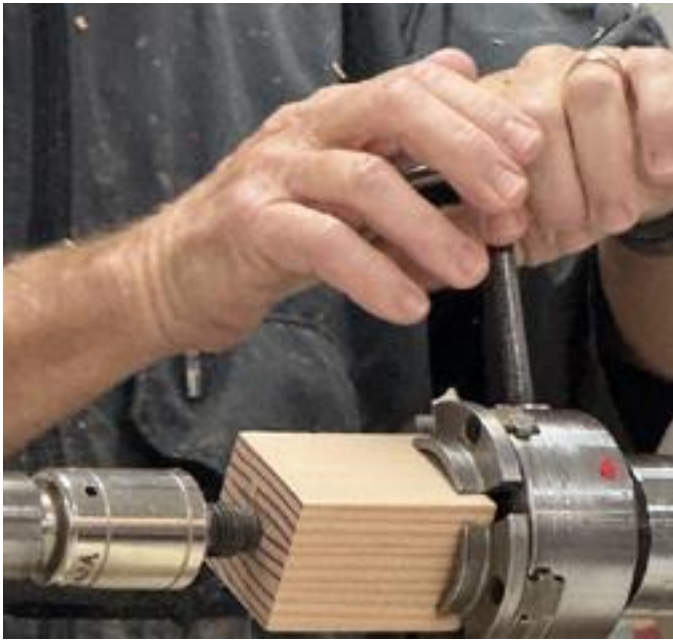
## John Chatelain – Turning Nut Cracker Parts

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basics, open segmented

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basics, platters

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bowls, platters, sharpening

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