



The Chip Pile



The Newsletter of the Central Texas Woodturners Association

Austin, Texas

A Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners

March 18, 2014 Meeting

Beads, Beads, Beads

Johnny Tolly

7:00 - 9:00 PM

American YouthWorks - Austin, Texas
1901 East SH 71

(about 1/4 mile east of I-35 on south side of SH 71)

April 1st Saturday

Apr. 5, 2014 9 am - 12 pm

Location: Chris Van Peski
108 Palo Duro Drive
Cedar Creek 78612
512-303-1590

If you need help sharpening tools,
bring them!

President's Shop

SHARING --- the CTWA
watchword for 2014

In keeping with that theme we
are:

- **sharing** beads of courage
- **sharing** by educating new
turners
- **sharing** our talents with
American Youth works

— **sharing** our talents through our list
of volunteers

— **sharing** by following up on the stu-
dents that have taken classes

— **sharing** our ideas at first-Saturdays

— **sharing** in leading SWAT

— **sharing** knowledge at monthly

meetings

— **sharing** our personal time,
camaraderie and enthusiasm

What an awesome club and
group of **sharing** people!!

Along with the **President's
Challenge** this month to
share/bring in a beads of
courage box, **Johnny Tolly** is going to
share some examples in various stag-
es so we can continue this wonderful
program with one objective to have
lots of boxes to **share** at SWAT.

Clyde Little and **Jim Spano** will
be **sharing** their outline for the new
beginners/novice class and are con-
tacting all the new members with pro-
posed dates for the class. More info to
come.

I am updating the volunteer list and
would encourage all woodturners
to take advantage of these talented
people that are **sharing** their skills
and time. Remember "they would not
be on the list if they did not want to
share their talent."

Keep on turning so we can all
SHARE.

Pat Little,
President CTWA

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Volunteer Your Shop for First Saturday!

1. It doesn't need to be
fancy, or big.
2. We'll bring the lathes.
3. You make the coffee.
4. We'll bring the donuts.
5. Have enough room for at
least 1-2 turners (easy in
the summer).
6. Let Len Brissette
lbrissette@austin.rr.com
know! Or email the edi-
tor.

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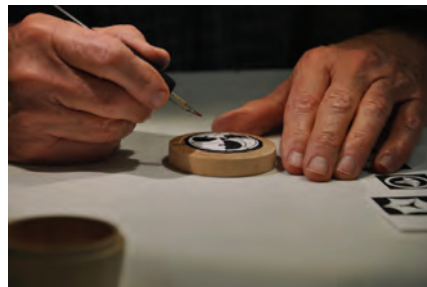
February Demonstration
Pyrography on Boxes
Charles Kay

Charles Kay led the demonstration this month with special techniques he uses to make his lovely pyrography-top boxes. Well known for his box-turning ability, Charlie takes his boxes a step further by adding pyrography to make the boxes truly unique.

CTWA would like to thank Charlie for his excellent demonstration.



Reminder!! March President's Challenge: Beads of Courage Box!!



Photos
Photographs for this month's **Chip Pile** were provided by **Drew Shelton**. If you have digital photos that you would like to have considered for use in the newsletter. Send them to the Editor at hildac@mac.com.

Business Meeting

Pat Little kicked off the meeting by welcoming visitors: **Frank Niendorf, Dan Robison, Phil Freeburg, Harry Hamilton** (President of the Lubbock woodturning group) and **Patty Dewhaven**.

Pat then thanked the members who have attended the Southwest Association of Turners symposia in the past and urges our members to attend SWAT this year.

Charlie Kay, Jim Spano and Drew Shelton conducted an inventory of CTWA's equipment. This list will be filed with the monthly editions of the Chip Pile, found at AYW.

President Elect, **Jay Littlefield**, and member, **Len Brissette**, and president, **Pat Little**, will work with treasurer, **Ed Roberts**, to conduct an audit of the CTWA 2013 books and will present the results of that audit at the March meeting.

Charlie Kay talked about the SWAT board meeting. Last year the income matched the expenses. The Bylaws of SWAT were revised and approved to support the growth of SWAT. Currently all activities are handled by volunteers. The bylaws now support the future hiring of professional management. SWAT anticipates to have one thousand attendees at this year's symposium, and will raise the entrance fee to \$140 and the banquet fee to \$35, daily lunch is provided to attendees, additional lunch tickets can be purchased for \$15. The board approved admitting an Arkansas club. Scholarships will be provided to a new turner, CTWA leadership needs to consider a process to nominate and choose their scholarship representative. CTWA will again be sponsoring a room, providing runners, hosts, and AV support for that room. July we will call for volunteers to be room hosts at SWAT. CTWA does the lions' share of set up and tear-down for SWAT (e.g., this is not contracted out—it's all volunteers). SWAT may have some volunteers of AV students to help in some of the rooms. Charlie suggests

that we have 2-3 people "trained" on our AV equipment to lend support to **Greg Vest** so he can see demonstrations other than our room (Greg volunteers his time and expertise). The SWAT board put aside \$500 for each club who sponsors a room for an AV stipend. A copy of Charlie's notes from this SWAT board meeting will be filed with the Chip Pile folder located at AYW.

Charlie then talked about American Youth Works current situation with approval from TEA. He wrote a letter to TEA to support accreditation for AYW. He encourages all members to follow his lead, telling the TEA the tremendous benefit AYW students contribute to the community because of their education at AYW.

Pat then reiterated the challenges of supporting AYW and SWAT. In particular she is issuing a *President's Challenge* to support SWAT in the set-up, tear down, and selling raffle tickets at SWAT.

For a turning challenge, Pat issued a *President's Challenge* to bring back a Beads of Courage box for the next meeting. Last year CTWA presented 33 bowls to the Dell Children Hospital's special pediatric unit that takes care of children suffering from cancer and blood disorders.

Len Brissette made an announcement that March's 1st Saturday will be held at **Orlando Banos'** shop. He is looking for members who can host a first Saturday for July, August and September.

Blair Feller reminded people interested in membership to pay their dues! They were due in January. If you have not paid, then you will be removed from the CTWA distribution mail list.

Drew Shelton announced that he needs volunteers for demonstrations.

Clyde Little took the gallery host and subsequently Pat turned the meeting over to **Charlie Kay** for his demonstration.

66 members and guest attended.

Editor's "Turn"

This past month has been a productive month. I finished my Bowls of Courage entry for the President's Challenge. I plan on making more bowls, well they are actually boxes, but that will have to wait until we are a little closer to Summer. What I have been obsessed with is making finials. Oh yea, gotta love spindle turning. I actually can turn one that's a pretty good replica of Cindy Drozda's in about an hour.

So, what I'm not so hot at is hollowing spheres . . . like the kind you'd see in a Christmas Ornament. No problem, I think to myself. I'll do what Cindy does and order some Sea Urchin shells. Now here's the funny part . . . I could order a dozen or so, but the freight would be about the same as if I placed a bulk order. So, guess what I now have, count 'em TWO HUNDRED FORTY sea urchin shells. Steve nearly fainted.

I posted on facebook a choice for my friends to make between the gold-covered urchins, or the plain urchins . . . they liked the plain ones better. I've asked Steve if I might try to sell them in his booth at the Wildflower Center this month. He said I could . . . but I figure if people come by and go "icky" I'll hide them, so I don't detract from his beautiful work.

Ya gotta love woodturning, so many ways to spend money . . . anyone want some sea urchins?

I'll throw in my lovely finial/icicles if you'll help clean some space out of my garage!

Keep turnin' it on,
Hilda Carpenter

Members In the News

Steve Green will be hosting a booth at the Austin Wildflower Center on March 15th and 16th. He has several new pieces and designs that the participants will hopefully enjoy. If you have not attended the Wildflower Center's art show in the past, take the time to enjoy a lovely Austin diamond and say hi to Steve and Hilda.

Upcoming Demo's & Classes

March Johnny Tolly

"BEADS, BEADS, BEADS"

Our own **Johnny Tolly** will be our monthly demonstrator. Johnny will be demonstrating a new tool so you will not want to miss out on this demonstration. The new tool is a bead mandrel from **Ruth Niles** and uses her special bottle stopper drive. Ruth is a regular vendor at SWAT

Johnny will be showing how to use up all those small pieces of wood, antler and other materials that you paid good money for and just can't bring yourself to toss out. You all know that Johnny is "Frugal" or as he says, "cheap", so he tries to use up what he has in his studio, AKA shop/garage. Now Marcia says that he is past frugal and his studio really needs a good cleaning out.

Johnny will show how this new tool works, he will talk about how to prepare the different wood's, antler or other material before placing on the bead mandrel. Of course Johnny will talk of all safety aspects for turning. He will have a handout for each person to use and spaces to jot down notes. This should be a fun demonstration and Johnny is looking forward to each of you being there.

April Jim Brinkman, topic TBA

May TBD

June TBD

No special classes scheduled at this time

February Gallery

Thanks to all the following contributions to the gallery:

Jim Philpott: Box Elder egg, ambrosia maple bowl, maple box and poplar box

Dwight Schaeper: Sycamore candle holder, stain & water lox

Jimmy Tolly: 7 candle holders, box elder, cherry, clear, wax

Johnny Tolly: Salt & Pepper grinders, box elder, red dye, wax

Courtland Hunt: Myrtle lidded box, blackwood finial, crystal coat; bradford pear bowl, beeswax, oil; Seattle Space Needle lidded box, myrtle with blackwood finial, beeswax, oil

Peter Hawkins: SW pot style mesquite & turquoise, beal; birdseye maple, mesquite & turquoise vase, beal

Hilda Carpenter: Drozda Christmas ornament, sea urchin, colored gold leaf, red wood, friction polish

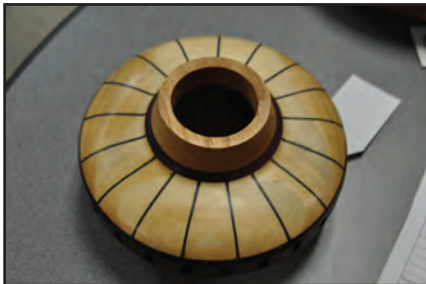
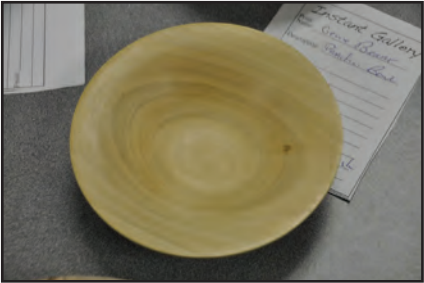
Jim Spano: off center bowls, black locust & cocobolo, sanding sealer & Bri-Wax

Gene Berry: Practice bowl, poplar, high friction polish; practice bowl, hububall, high friction polish

Mack Peterson: various open segmented and close-segmented vase and bowl



February Gallery



Bring Back Raffle

Peter Hawkins: Len Brissette



Dwight Schaeper: Len Brissett



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Jim Patterson: Dwight Schaeper
Jim Patterson: Dwight Schaeper
Jim Patterson: Lowell Williams



REMEMBER TO RETURN THE FAVOR, if you won—bring back next month!!

ALERT!!!!
2014 Dues are now Past Due!!

Calendar

The calendar listings are an attempt to keep you up to date on upcoming CTWA events, as well as other events of particular interest to woodturners. All regular 3rd Tuesday CTWA Meetings are at American Youthworks. Check Website for latest information.

All 1st Saturdays are from 9 am-noon. All meetings are 7 PM to 9 PM

Events & Dates subject to change, watch for emails or website notifications

Mar 18 CTWA Meeting
Presenter Johnny Tolly

April 5 1st Sat
Place Chris Van Peski

April 15 CTWA Meeting
Presenter Jim Brinkman

May 3rd 1st Saturday
Place: Doug Green

May 15 CTWA Meeting
Presenter TBA

June 7 1st Saturday
Place: Jim Brinkman

June 13-15 AAW Symposium

June 17 CTWA Meeting
Presenter: TBA

July 5 1st Saturday
Place TBA

July 15 CTWA Meeting
Presenter TBA

August 2 1st Saturday
Place TBA

August 19 CTWA Meeting
Presenter TBA

August 22-24 SWAT, Waco, TX
Lead Presenters: Alan Carter, Avelino Samuel, Allen Hockenberry, Keith Gotchall, Mark Gardner, Rudolph Lopez

September 6 1st Sat
Place TBA

September 16 CTWA Meeting
Presenter TBA

October 4 1st Saturday
Place: Drew Shelton

Membership in CTWA

We welcome NEW MEMBERS to join our band of merry turners any-time. An interest in woodturning is the only requirement. Dues are \$35.00 per year, prorated to \$3.00/month for new members. CTWA members are also encouraged to join the American Association of Woodturners, AAW. Those dues are \$43 online membership only, \$53.00 for individuals and \$58 for families. Your membership includes the AAW magazine, American Woodturner, a first-class quarterly magazine full of woodturning articles, tips and ideas with color illustration of the world's master turners' techniques. With our membership, whether you are experienced or a novice, we will teach you, or learn from you, and build long-lasting friendships based on a common kinship of matching wood, metal, machine and man, or woman as the case may be.

Classified Ads

DEWALT DB788 1.3 Amp 20" Variable-Speed Scroll Saw w/Stand regularly \$500 new, on sale for \$250.

TORMEK 2000 Tool Sharpening System – Everything you need to sharpen and hone your turning and carving tools as well as knives and scissors. Includes the truing / dressing tool, handbook and DVD. Rockler Tools sells a similar system for \$805 new, on sale for \$400.

DELTA 31-080 1-Inch Belt / 5-Inch Disc Sander w/stand, needs on-off switch. \$40 as is.

Call Steve Green 512-395-7776

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteer your shop

Volunteer to demo

Volunteer to help at SWAT

Volunteer Instructors

SOUTH

- Bill Hammack** 512.282.0832
tops tiny turnings
- Stacey Hager** 512.282.1036
basics, spindles, sharpening, hollow vessels
- Johnny Tolly** 512.858.4471
basics, open segmented
- Jimmy Tolly** 512.894.0686
basics, platters
- Craig Timmerman** 512.288.3598
basics, square turning, hollow vessels
- Charlie Kay** ckayda@gmail.com
boxes & bottle stoppers
512.636.3492
- H. O. Evans** 512.282.2830
segmented turnings
- Hilda Carpenter** 512-395-7782
Airbrushing, tool handles, bowls, bottlestoppers
- Jack Besperka** 512.261.4682
decoration & finishing

NORTH

- Rusty Myers** 512.218.1606
basics, boxes, kitchenware
- Judy Williams** 512.293.7479
spindles
- Jim Spano** 512.835.5023
novelty items, tops, shop gadgets
- Len Brissette** 512.258.4004
bowls, platters, sharpening

ROUND ROCK

- Larry Walrath** 512.255.5379
big vessels, bowls, platters
- Ed Roberts** 512.255.3294
basics platters

LOCKHART/SAN MARCOS

- David Dick** 512.357.6517
basics, spindles, architectural

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This newsletter is by and for members. The Editor welcomes any written materials and will provide assistance with getting your information into publishable form if you want. **DEADLINE IS THE FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH.** Contact me with your ideas and drafts by phone at 512.395-7782, by E-mail at hildac@mac.com or mail them to:

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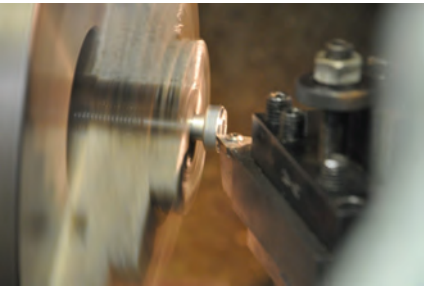
c/o Hilda Carpenter
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First Saturday

March 1st was a great time for the 32 members who trekked to Orlando Banos' shop. Not only was their woodturning, but Orlando has an amazing machine shop as well. Lots of time was spent ogling over the big equipment. Charlie Kay brought his pyrography tools and some box tops to practice the art. Several of us found out that Charlie, like Marcia Tolly, make it look easier than it is! Jim Spano kept people entertained with his various new takes



on tool sharpening. After solving the world's problems we all adjourned over to Pieous, for some tremendously delicious pizza cuisine. Clyde Little especially enjoyed his "hot" pizza. He turned 5 shades of red, then gave a piece to Charlie Kay who said, "It's not that hot." If you want to have a lot of fun, be sure to come to Chris Van Peski's shop next month!



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To:

Meeting Location

The CTWA meets at American YouthWorks, 1901 East Ben White Boulevard (Texas 71) in south Austin. The building is on the south side of Ben White, just east of Interstate 35. The best entry is off Woodward Street, just south of a little strip center. You enter an alleyway into a lighted parking lot. We will enter through the back door. As you drive in, you will see a truck dock in the back of the building with a big roll-up white door. The entryway is just to the right of the truck dock. Folks coming from the north may want to exit I-35 at Woodward and proceed south on Woodward across Ben White.

