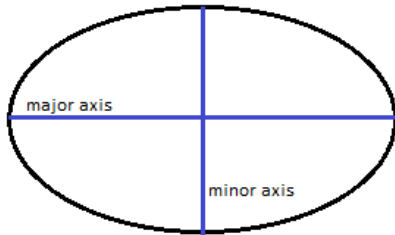


Presidential Challenge #1

If you need idea for something to turn, try the first presidential challenge project for 2017.

Ellipse

A true ellipse is always symmetrical along its longest and shortest diameters. (Not an egg.)



Presidential Challenge #1 for 2017 - Turn an elliptical object.

Novice – Rolling Pin (French style) 20”



Intermediate – Anything elliptical like a Lidded Box (with or without Stand and Finials)

Advanced - something turned using an elliptical chuck (*i.e.* pendant, oval picture frame).

For the Novice turning, please make it truly elliptical by rounding the ends of the rolling pin and not leaving the drive center marks as in the image (above left). The length can be adjusted to fit your lathe (16"-18" for midi lathes).

Intermediate and Advanced turners can also turn a rolling pin in addition to an advanced elliptical design if you choose.

Have fun turning. See you soon.

Clark Bixler
President