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## Journal of the Glendale Woodturners Guild

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### NEXT MEETING

*July 8, 2018*

Sunday July 8, 2018

2:00 p.m. Sharp

### HOW TO FIND US

Crescenta Valley Regional Park  
Recreation Center  
Dunsmore & Honolulu, La Crescenta



Thomas Guide 534-E-1

### SUNDAY MEETING

Meetings consist of announcements, a feature presentation, a Challenge, Show & Tell and a wood raffle (except for December).

July 8, 2018

Challenge: **Kitchen Tools**

Presentation: *Beads of Courage*  
by *Bob Clark*

### President's Message

Hey there Glendale Woodturners! I am your VP standing in for the P position which is currently vacant. Hopefully someone will feel the need to step up and into this fine position. We will talk further at our next meeting, but just wanted to put a bug in your ear and plant a seed, hopefully you'll be volunteering at the next meeting. On a more somber note our club must say goodbye two longtime members Al Sobel and Frank Kopecky, may their lathes always be turning. Our heartfelt condolences to Craig Sobel, his family, and the Kopecky family.

I had the pleasure of attending my first AAW symposium June 14th through the 17th in Portland, Oregon. Of course, I was in hog heaven and high on learning, coffee and wood dust until about 5pm Saturday night when I hit the wall and ran out of gas. We had a great turnout from our club, there were 22 GWG attendees. I didn't see everyone, but I saw quite a few and we were able to visit and hang out. It was a wonderful experience just getting to know other members better and getting to experience such an awesome group of like-minded folks. I especially enjoyed the trade show, many times over, completely blowing my budget on the first day. I would like to personally thank all of the fine folks at AAW and the many volunteers for their hard work and dedication providing us with a professional and enjoyable symposium.

The AAW's Women in Turning WIT is presenting the WIT EXCHANGE to be held at Arrowmont,

Gatlinburg, Tennessee, September 5-7, will be a great opportunity to expand your creativity, turning skills, and your circle of friends. If you have considered registering, PLEASE DO SO NOW! We need 21 more registrations by July 15th to make the EXCHANGE happen! For more information and to register you can follow this link <https://www.woodturner.org/general/custom.asp?page=WITEvents>

Remember the AAW website has digital archives of the American Woodturner magazine and articles, tons of learning resources. There are educational and professional grants available as well as community outreach opportunities. Be sure to check the website out to see what is offered and you are encouraged to become a member if you are not already.

Stay sharp and turn happy,

Kim Acuna

## CHALLENGE

The May challenge was “**Blowups**” that were **saved**.

There were few entries, so they were combined, with **Henry Koch** as the winner with his maple and walnut bowl finished with lacquer.



**Larry Margules** had a candle holder made from manzanita found on a road in Lake Arrowhead. (*I believe the two other unturned pieces were brought in by him, also.*)



Judges were **Bob Wohlers, Bill Loitz, and Carey Caires**.

## SHOW AND TELL

**Ricardo Gutierrez** brought in and described a jig for sharpening lathe tools. Similar to commercially available systems, he found the instructions for making this on the internet.



**Henry Koch** showed a hollow vessel of sycamore, finished with Watco Danish Oil, while **Kathy Hein** had a birch vase, friction polished.



**Ron Shaffer** had an open segment bowl with feature ring. Woods were padauk, maple, cherry & walnut, finished with Arm-R-Seal. **Jim Schopper** brought a platter of eggs (as well as the chuck for them) made from various wood including walnut, olive, figured maple & honey locust, finished with Mahoney's Walnut Oil.



**Scott Johnston** had a pierced lidded vessel of avocado finished with black glaze and satin lacquer. (This may have been a challenge entry, my notes don't say)





## 2018 CHALLENGES

July - Kitchen Tools

August - Plates, Platters & Saucers

September - Beads of Courage (non challenge)

October - Colored or decorated with dyes, pigments, inks, etc.

November - Holiday Ornaments

December - Potluck & Fundraiser

## 2018 Meeting Dates

July 8

August 12

September 9

October 14

November 11

December 9 (Annual potluck and fundraiser)

## In Memoriam

Sadly to say, we lost two of our members recently.

Our Secretary, **Al Sobel**, passed away on June 15th while in hospice care.

Long time GWG member **Frank Kopecky** also has passed. They will both be missed.

## PRESENTATION

Our Presentation for May was "Finishing Choices" by **Amy Earhart**



She had prepared a number of pieces of cherry as samples, and used various finishing techniques on them. She passed them around to examine, and had a handout describing the products and techniques as well as the costs of each type.



As a bonus, she had a sample door of some kitchen cabinets she was making, with slightly different finishes and waxes on the inside and outside faces. *(The differences don't show that well in these photos, unfortunately)*



## Upcoming Presentations:

- July: Bob Clark** - Beads of Courage  
**Aug: Bob Clark** - Segmented Pro Software  
**Sept: Brian Miller & Marci Crestani** - Authors of "The Art of Coloring Wood" and instructors at Cerritos College.  
**Oct: Kim Acuna** - Xmas tree ornament  
**Nov: Sandy Huse** - Fold forming & Heat coloration  
**Dec: Everyone** - Holiday Party

*We are always looking for presentations for upcoming meetings! As an incentive, we award members with a \$20 Rockler gift card for doing a presentation. Contact our Vice President, **Kim Acuna**, if you have something to offer.*

**YouTube Channel: we have a YouTube channel, where our webwright has posted the videos of some of the past presentations. He plans on posting more videos in the future. Go to YouTube and search "Glendale Woodturners"**

## AAW News

The **2019 AAW Symposium** will be in Raleigh, North Carolina. Time to start planning ahead..

The AAW is offering an introductory 3 month membership for \$20 for new members. (Test drive the organization!) See the home page on their website: [www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org).

## Upcoming Events

(tentative) **Pen Turn-a-Thon** at Rockler Pasadena in July 2018.

The next **Beads of Courage** challenge will be in September.

## Finishing Thoughts

No new members present themselves last month.

**Kim Acuna** is now our Chapter Liaison for the Women in Turning (WIT) group within the AAW.

**Andy Sway** has volunteered to be a liaison for doing group tool purchases (can sometimes get discounts by doing this).

**Bill Loitz** is still available as a turning mentor to anyone needing help on something.

We still have Anchor Seal (for sealing newly cut green wood or rough turned bowls) bargain priced at \$13/gallon. It is available from our Librarian, Michael Baldino. See him at the meetings.

Remember to show your membership card at *Rockler in Pasadena* to get a 10% discount on all non-sale items. Remind them to put a check mark in the book for us. We get \$20 gift cards from them that we use in our monthly wood raffle and end of year holiday auction. Don't forget to thank them for this!

Our Webwright, **Anthony Thiessen**, would welcome any photos that people might have for posting on our website: athiessen2@gmail.com

Check out the “**Members Area**” on the Glendale Woodturners Guild website. The current roster is there (please check for any errors and notify Al Sobel), and various info on such things as wood allergies. Password is “negativerakescraper”.

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