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NEXT MEETING

October 14, 2018

Sunday October 14, 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).

October 14, 2018

Challenge: *Holiday Ornaments*
Presentation: *Dying and Coloring*
by *Brian Miller & Marci Crestani*

President's Message

Last month I wrote about challenging myself and taking on new tasks. I've done plenty of that in the last month by practicing the basics of beads and coves (which has been more challenging than I had imagined), spending time with other turners, and reading in magazines and websites to learn new things.



My adventures have been eventful and prosperous. I spent a day with Craig Sobel and Joanie Cole learning about segmented turning, and I spent the day with Bill Loitz making and modifying my own tools on the metal lathe.

I was reading an old issue of American Woodturner, Circa 2004 I think, and ran across an article that was memorializing a wood turner who had died from complications of injuries incurred while woodturning. The article wasn't specific on what happened so I got nosy and looked it up on the internet. I found many write ups about it but nothing specific about her injuries. I did find that her family chose not to provide the cause in order to maintain privacy. I am somewhat disappointed that they didn't say why because I want to make sure I don't do that. But what they did do was emphasize re-familiarization with the AAW safety

rules. I read what they wrote and was reminded of a few things that I do that are not safe.

One big one is moving my rest when the lathe is still turning. I see demonstrators do this all the time, I do it all the time, and just in the last week or so I nicked the chuck with the end of my tool rest. The incident was minor although, I had to do a little bit of filing on my chuck because I raised a bur. The potential catastrophe that I averted is easy to shrug off but, when I think of Joan Gilmer and whatever might have happened to her, I figure maybe I should just take the time to turn off my lathe, reposition the tool rest, and turn the lathe back on. A very small price to pay!

In researching the safety rules on the AAW website I ran across an article by Lynne Yamaguchi who, quite literally, had her face smashed in by a project flying off the lathe. The write up was a wakeup call and is a must read at <https://www.woodturner.org/resource/resmgr/guest/aw29-03p27-29-2014.pdf>

Also a must read both free to AAW members: Safety for Woodturners at <https://www.woodturner.org/page/SafetyBook>

The Safety Guidebook for Woodturners at <https://www.woodturner.org/resource/resmgr/SafetyGuidebook/SafetyGuidebook-Covers-Bonus.pdf>

I really wanted to put some of the guidelines on this page but I found them too extensive and too important to summarize. I hope you will take the time.

No matter how long or little we have been turning, a reminder is definitely worth the click and keeping safe, keeps us turning.

Kim

CHALLENGE

The September “Not-a-Challenge” was *Beads of Courage* boxes.

Joel Jaffe had a box of mahogany and maple, **Bob Wohlers** entry was olive with no finish.



Jim Schopper had a couple of boxes: oak and walnut, oak and maple, finished with lacquer



Henry Koch likewise had a couple of boxes: walnut, maple & mahogany, and maple, cherry and walnut, finish was matte Krylon



Floyd Petersen came with 4 boxes, various woods finished with oil. **Lou Hansen** also had 4, various woods finished with lacquer



Not to be outdone, **Bill Loitz** brought in 6 boxes of walnut, maple, poplar, and cherry, friction polish finish. Upping the ante, **Willie Hamburger** sent his daughter with 9 boxes of assorted woods finished with lacquer.



Bob Clark had some boxes incorporating SpectraPly finished with Minwax oil, and others in a bee hive shape made from alder, lacquer finish.



Carl Christensen had a couple of various woods, Maloof finish, and **Anton Bosch** a box of oak and walnut, danish oil finish.



Scott Johnston gave us a set of three: two of walnut and maple, the third of poplar and walnut, lacquer finish on all.



If the counts are correct, members made and donated a total of 41 boxes for the *Beads of Courage* program

SHOW AND TELL

Bill Haskell had several offerings: a bottle form with carving and patch(?) the wood is iron bark eucalyptus, finish lacquer; a hollow form of mesquite, and another of mystery wood, both finished with lacquer.



Bob Wohlers had an "Objet d'Arte" of olive, no finish.



Carl Christensen brought in some open segment pieces made of oak.



2018 CHALLENGES

October - Holiday Ornaments

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

December - Potluck & Fundraiser

Other Items of Interest

Having recently had a serious reaction to some wood in his shop, **Tony Thiessen** had a handout talking about wood allergies & toxicities. He can email it to you if you missed him at the meeting.

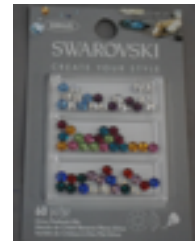
The *Kiwanis Equestrian Event* for handicapped children is taking place again on November 4. They are looking for donations for their auction - vases, bottle stoppers, etc. are all good items. If you can contribute some items, please bring them to the October meeting.

PRESENTATION

Our September Presentation was by **Kim Acuna** on making Christmas tree ornaments.



She covered the steps involved in making the shapes on the lathe, and then decorating them with stars, spangles, and other items found at craft supply places such as Michael's.



Upcoming Presentations:

Oct: Brian Miller & Marci Crestani - Authors of "*The Art of Coloring Wood*" and instructors at Cerritos College.

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.

2018 Meeting Dates

October 14

November 11

December 9 (Annual potluck and fundraiser)

Upcoming Events

We will have a demo by **Kirk DeHeer** on Sunday, October 28. Location will be in Lake View Terrace (Sylmar) area.

Craig Sobel will have some of his father's (Al) wood and tools for auction later.

Bill Haskell will have a workshop on bottle forms, probably February or March of next year.

We are planning a demo by **Hans Weissflog** next summer, probable date is Saturday June 8, 2019,

Finishing Thoughts

I have no information on any newcomers last month.

Joe Feinblatt has volunteered to be our new Vice President. Thank you Joe!

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 Craig Sobel), and various info on such things as wood allergies. Contact our Webwright for the new password.

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