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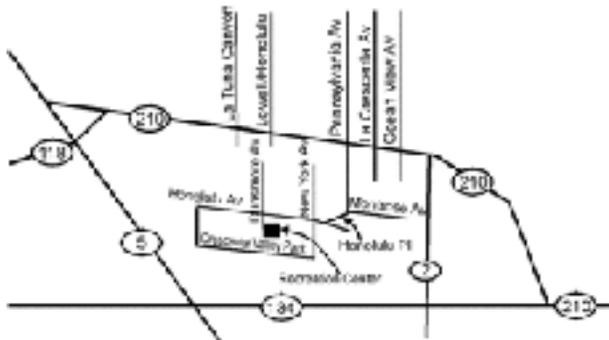
## NEXT MEETING

*March 8, 2020*

Sunday March 8, 2020  
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).

March 8, 2020

Challenge: **Miniatures**

Presentation: ??

## President's Message

Hello GWG members,  
I sure hope you were able to join us for the **Matt Monaco** demonstration. We had a wonderful time and Matt was very informative and especially detailed for the beginners. He went over the turning of a thin-walled bowl, he made a live-edge goblet with a captive ring, and spent a lot of time showing how to sharpen tools. Lots of great questions and good interaction from the audience. Many people said they really enjoyed themselves and gave great feedback.



A reminder that the Women In Turning (WIT) meeting will meet March 22nd at Rockler Pasadena. We have had a number of women join us at each meeting and we've had a really great time. We made bottle stoppers at our last meeting and it was a hit. I would really like some ideas on how we can make these events equally challenging for all levels of experience. I encourage your input either through email or by coming to the meeting and let's use your ideas. I've had nothing but positive comments so we are doing something right and it's been fun.

**Stuart Batty** is coming for a demonstration on April 19th! I have heard from many people say he is an awesome teacher and has a very specific

way of teaching that is great for beginners and advanced alike. Please be sure to sign up at the next meeting or email me.

See you at this Sunday's meeting!

Kim

***Don't forget that Daylight Saving Time starts this coming Sunday (3/8)! Don't be late for the meeting.***



## CHALLENGE

The February Challenge was for Finial Boxes. The winner in the Beginning Category was by **Michael Workman**: walnut, maple burl & cocobolo, friction polish finish.



There was only one entry in the Intermediate Category, so it was bumped to the Advance group. The winner there was by **Anton Bosch**: Wood unspecified, finish was Danish oil, lacquer, wax.



Other entries: **Carl Haney** had a one piece covered bowl of honey locust, finished with Maloof's, and **Carey Caires'** box was of dyed box elder burl & ebony, Mylands & wax finish



**Kim Acuna's** entry of carob, walnut? and Macassar ebony was finished with Tried & True, while **Sandy Huse's** piece included a cigar box, misc. woods, wire, spools, beads, dye & paint.



**Thomas Cassidy's** box was of maple and African blackwood finished with Bill's Homemade Hooch, Maloof's, while **Chris Dodson's** entry of walnut & bocote was finished with Maloof's & poly wipe-on.



Judges were **Henry Koch, Bill Haskell & Amos**

## SHOW AND TELL

**Carl Haney** had a couple of pieces made from Paralam construction lumber, finished with Maloof's



**Charlie Hulien** showed a blue oak bowl finished with wipe-on poly, and the longer parting tool handle he made after his "incident" with the shorter one.



**Carol Reynolds** had a bowl of Canary Island pine, walnut oil finish, and **Dale Gertsch** had a jig he made for drilling out salt shakers.



**Bill Haskell** had another of his hollowed from the bottom bottle forms of iron bark eucalyptus, and a parabolic spool form of "South American" wood. Lacquer is his finish of choice after the carving, piercing & painting.



Thanks to **Klaus** for being my photo runner.

## 2020 Meeting Dates

*Presentations TBA*

**Dates scheduled so far, may be subject to change:**

- Mar 08 Challenge –*Miniatures*
- Apr 05 Challenge –*Bottle Stopper*
- May 03 Challenge –*Spirals/twists*
- June 14 Challenge –*Carved Platter*
- July 12 Challenge –*Threaded Lid*
- Aug 09 Challenge –*Jewelry*
- Sept 13 Challenge –*Beads of Courage (not judged)*
- Oct 11 Challenge – *Turned Toys*
- Nov 08 Challenge –*Christmas Decorations/Ornaments*
- Dec 13 *No Challenge – Holiday Party*

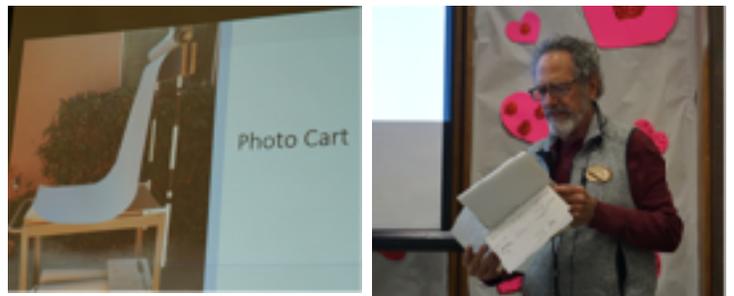
**Special Dates for Demonstrations 9am – 4 pm:**

- Apr 19 **Stuart Batty**
- July 26 **Eli Avisera**

## PRESENTATION

The February presentation was by **Joe Feinblatt** on photographing your work.

He talked on various types of cameras (film & modern digital), and discussed some of the backdrops he has used. He often photographs outdoors to use the natural light.



## Upcoming Presentations:

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, **Joe Feinblatt**, 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 **2020 AAW Symposium** will be in Louisville, Kentucky, June 4-7.

The **2021 AAW Symposium** will be in Omaha, Nebraska July 15-18.

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).

## Safety Corner

**Dale Gertsch** talked about making a wooden handle extension for tightening the tailstock, banjo, & quill locks more firmly. Important as our hand strength weakens with age.

Next month, **Nicholas** will talk on "sharp things"

## Upcoming Events

The Antelope Valley Turners will have an interactive remote demonstration by **Joanne Sauvageau** on Saturday, March 21. (see the flyer below)

**Antelope Valley Woodturners Association**

Presents  
**Joanne Sauvageau**  
In a interactive remote demonstration.



**Date: Saturday  
March 21, 2020  
Meeting Starts: 9:00am  
Demonstration will start: 9:30am  
The demo should last about 3 hours  
Place: Joe Walker Middle School  
5632 W Avenue L8  
Lancaster, CA, 93536**

This event is open to all and is presented without charge. However, the AV Woodturners will be accepting voluntary donations to support:

### The Blue Star Mothers

The Blue Star Mothers <https://www.bluestarmothers.org> can use non-perishable individually wrapped items that are easily shipped overseas to our men and women in military service. Blue Star Mothers could also use monetary donations to help pay postage to ship these item overseas.



No RSVP needed and you may want to bring a chair  
Also, refreshment will be served

If you need directions call:  
**Bob Clark 661-886-0114**



There is interest in holding another sharpening workshop, possibly at **Bill Loitz's** place.

## Finishing Thoughts

Welcome to new members:

**Lauren Grockett**  
**Carol Reynolds**  
**Peter O'Colmain**  
**Jim Blodgett**  
**Ron Robinson**  
**Ruth Kaplan**  
**Charles Richardson**  
**Sarah Livingstone**  
**Shira Brook**  
**Tony Hamad**

Thanks to work by **Bob Clark** and **Bill Loitz**, the revisions to our Bylaws have been completed, and our request for 501(c)(3) non-profit status has been officially approved by the IRS, so we are free from owing Federal taxes. Contributions to the group should qualify as deductible expenses on your tax forms.

After serving as our Librarian for 4 years or so, **Michael Baldino** has moved from the area. Many thanks are due him for bringing the books, dvds, and Anchor Seal to meetings month after month. **Jim Bollmer** has volunteered to take his place.

**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. He has also taken over as our Treasurer from long time member **Bob DeVoe**.

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, **Jim Bollmer**. 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](mailto:athiessen2@gmail.com)

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