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Next Event: January 17th Meeting at and Demonstration by Bob Clark



These are just some of the items for the Show and Tell at the November AVWA meeting at Dan Yost's house.

Thanks to Alex Elias for the pictures in this newsletter

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

The November meeting and demonstration was one of the biggest the AVWA has had for quite awhile with twenty (20) attendees including members and guests. I hope this sets a trend. I demonstrated a finial box which, with Martin's help inlaying a turquoise ring, turned out pretty well (see picture). The finial box will be a raffle item at our January meeting. We got to meet Andy Oliphant who developed our web page. Andy and Robert De Harrold had a one-on-one on maintaining the web page and Robert says he is ready to take over the task. I have asked Bill Riedhart to send this newsletter to members the same as usual to allow Robert a chance to get use in getting the newsletter on our web page. All future newsletters will be posted only on the web page. We will send out a reminder when the newsletters are on the web page. Go to <http://www.avwoodturners.org>. Please note the ORG. COM will get you Apple Valley Woodturners. And, we need more members to send in pictures so the gallery can be enlarged. Send pictures to Robert at thedesertlion@msn.com. If you don't have a digital camera bring your items to our meetings and either Bill or I will take the pictures and send them on to Robert.

INPORTANT:

From Corky Lunceford

Corky needs to know how many members want him to buy reconstituted turquoise when he is at Quartzsite AZ in January. The last time he was there the cost was \$10.00 per pound. It may be higher or lower this year. If you want Corky to obtain you some please contact him via Tel. 661-821-5503 or email at d.lunceford@sbcglobal.net. Indicate how much and color, green or blue, you want. The other request is for the person that attended the November demonstration who indicated he knows a person in Corky's area that has a backhoe. Please contact Corky at address above. The AVWA needs to move on obtaining the buckeye burls that are available at Corky's friend. We need to get this wood before snow season and no later than May 09. For those members that want a burl and are willing to help repair and remove the burls you need to contact Corky at the above addresses. The last estimate of cost was \$60.00 per burl plus a little work, and that's a steal.

Show and Tell



November Demonstration

Dan put on a great demonstration on turning a finial box . He was inspired by the work of Cindy Drozda whose work is highlighted in the latest issue of American Woodturner magazine. Martin helped Dan with the addition of a turquoise ring.

Dan had a large audience for the demonstration. The demonstrations at the bi-monthly meeting is always a great way to learn new techniques.



After turning the outside shape Dan gets ready to start the inside by using a drill with a stop to bore a hole.

Martin checks out Dan's technique for boring the center out of the box. In this case the box is more like a vessel but the technique is the same





Here Dan works on the box top with the finial.

The turquoise insert adds interest to the box. Another great idea and lots of tips from Martin.



A little fine finishing work and the projects done!

JANUARY MEETING

Bob Clark will be our demonstrator at his shop for the AVWA January 17th meeting. Bob's address is 2535 E Ave. R-3 Palmdale, CA. A week prior to the meeting we will send a reminder to include directions. Bob plans on demonstrating the construction of a turning tool which every member will get an opportunity to make and keep.

AAW DUES

AAW dues are due by January 1. December 31st is the last date for dues to be to AAW if you want your name in the AAW membership book. AAW requests that, if possible, you pay your membership via email. Use <http://www.woodturner.org/member/MemberLogOn.asp>. If you are an AAW member your membership number is on your AAW magazine address. To use USPS you can download an application or you may call or email Dan Yost (948-9347) and he will send you an application. Board members are required to be members to ensure that our AAW insurance is valid. Dues are currently; individuals \$45.00, family \$50.00 and youth \$18.00

AVWA DUES

Membership has voted to change annual dues to \$25.00 per year to replace the \$5.00 per meeting. These dues will be effective from January 1st to December 31st. A number of members pre-paid their dues in November. Members who join during the year will have their dues prorated. All new members get an AVWA logo hat and name tag, what a deal.

UP COMING EVENTS

Les Robison, Program Chairman for the Kern Woodturners in Bakersfield, has been busy lining up professional turners.

From the Kern Woodturners Newsletter:

“On April 11th we will be hosting **Donald Derry**, a professional turner from Washington State. This will be an all day demonstration with a charge of \$30 per individual. Don will provide both an educational and humorous demonstration. He will dwell on shape and the evolution of a satisfying curve. Next he will demonstrate the creation of a “hollow form” using a hollowing tool of his own design. He will also spend some time on creation of unique shapes from standard vessels and also some discussion on the coloring techniques he utilizes to make his work so different. Some of Don's work may be viewed on his web site at: Donald Derry.com.” April 11th is a Saturday.

UP COMING EVENTS Cont.

From the Kern Woodturners Newsletter:

“On Saturday, May 2nd, we will have another professional turner in for an all day demonstration. There will be a \$30 charge to cover the whole day. We will be hosting **Art Liestman**. Art demonstrates at the AAW Symposium, SWAT, and many other venues. His work is shown at Del Mano and many other high end galleries. Art will be discussing “Form”, demonstrating turning several objects and how he makes some of his “very unique” works. Some of his work can be seen at ArtLiesman.com.”

“On September 12th the club will have **Bill Tilson**, from Texas, in for an all day demonstration. The charge is our standard \$30 fee to cover expenses. Bill is best known for his very colorful and unique wooden flowers. He will demonstrate how he makes these wonderful objects. He will be a demonstrator at this year’s AAW Symposium in Albuquerque. I first met Bill at the WOW dinner in Portland at the 2007 AAW Symposium. One of his pieces was auctioned off for \$1500 during the fund raiser for the AAW Educational Program. This is a “can’t miss” opportunity.” September 12th is a Saturday.

These programs are an excellent opportunity for AVWA members to support the Kern Woodturners and see a professional woodturner.

The **Fresno Woodturners** are hosting David Elsworth on March 11th. Cost is \$30 and demonstration goes from 9-4. Demonstration is “what ever the master wants to do.”

The 2009 AAW Symposium is in Albuquerque from June 26 to 28.

Lyle Janieson emailed the AVWA informing us he will be making a Southern California tour and wanted to know if we would like to host him. We had Lyle a few years ago and after seeing his demonstration once I vote no. But, a discussion and vote will be brought before the membership at our January meeting.

LINKS

<http://woodcraft.com>

Craft Supplies at:

<http://www.woodturnerscatalog.com>

A couple of Youtube addresses recommended by Kern Woodturners

<http://www.youtube.com/user/rexguinn> a 5-part video of Jamie Donaldson. And <http://www.youtube.com/user/JETTOOLSUSA> to see tips on the proper use of various tools and a few projects.