

# Antelope Valley Woodturners Association



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The next AVWA meeting will be at Dan Yost's shop May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011 from 09:00 A.M. to Noon



## President's Message

By Bob Clark

### Welcome

First off I would like to wish everyone a happy Easter. Remember, your lathe is a good tool for making gifts for the little ones at Easter time.

### March Meeting

Despite the nasty weather and bad GPS directions the AVWA had a good turnout of 23 members and guests for our March meeting at Dan Oliphant's shop. Dan gave an entertaining and informative demonstration on his process of wood colorization.

## Colorized Wood Items



Dan showed attendees how he uses various materials to colorize his turnings in order to get bright colors. Dan has published an article titled [APPLYING ALCOHOL BASED DYE TO WOOD TURNINGS](http://www.avwoodturners.org/alcohol dye to wood turnings). This article appears in the [Tips & Technique](http://www.avwoodturners.org/tips & technique) section of the AVWA website at <http://www.avwoodturners.org/alcohol dye.pdf>.

Dan has supplied the following information on the materials he uses in his colorization process.

- Trans-Tent dye – formulated by and available at Homestead Finishing.  
Also available from Rockler catalogues or stores.
- Createx Acrylic paints for airbrushes – Translucent colors (water based)  
Available at most art supply stores.
- Wood grain filler - Crystalac (clear).  
Available at Rockler stores & other catalog suppliers.
- Black Gesso (for the interiors of turnings).  
Available at most art supply dealers.
- Sanding sealer, lacquer based.  
Available at painting suppliers.
- Air brush – ideally, one for dyes and one for paints.  
Available at Dixie Art supply or other catalog suppliers.

Dan: Thanks for the outstanding demonstration.

## **The AVWA is now an IRS approved 501 (c) (3) Non-Profit Organizations.**

The AVWA treasurer, Mickey Burns, has supplied the following information: In order to meet the requirements of 501 (c) (3), each item donated to the AVWA must be identified and a receipt given to the donator. For tax purposes the donator needs to enter what he/she thinks the donated item is worth on their receipt. Even the donations for raffle tickets need to be receipted. We will make this new requirement as painless and fast as possible.

## **The After Party Training Session**

At our first After Party Training Session Dan Oliphant covered sharpening tools using the Wolverine Jig. Free hand sharpening was also covered. A number of members stayed for the training session.

## **Challenges**

The March challenge was to make Easter eggs. There were two categories. One category was to turn an egg that would fit into an egg carton. This category was won by Erika Kendra. Erica, a new AVWA member, was attending only her second meeting but won the category. (Sorry, photo not available).

The other category, (unlimited) was won by Martin Littleton for his gold leaf lined hollow egg.



Both winners received a \$10.00 Craft Supplies gift certificate.

The May challenge is to make a fishing lure. Members in attendance received a fishing lure kit and wood, Spanish cedar, suitable for making a lure. Fishing lures catch fishermen so be creative.

**Show And Tell Items**



**Dave Acuna's Pear Bowl**



**Dave's Pillispuro nat. Edge Bowl W/ Egg**



**Dave's Pear Vase**



**Erika Kendra's Bottle Stoppers**



**Martin Littleton's Dyed Maple Egg**



**Steve Moe's Bowl on Stand**



**Steve's Dyed Ambrosia Maple Platter**



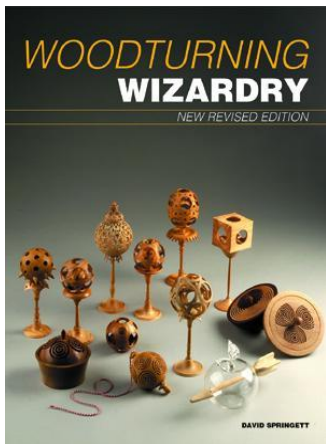
**Steve's Pierced Walnut Egg**



**Steve's Paralam Egg on Stand**

### **Up-Coming Southern California Events**

An all day demonstration by David Springett is scheduled at the Glendale Woodturners Guild, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. The cost is \$30.00 and includes lunch. The AVWA will reimburse members in good standing for their entry fee. David's demonstration is entitled; "Woodturning Wizardry." I will be driving down and can take up to three members. Let me know if you would like to attend. Bob Clark; 661-947-7448.



### **March Display at the Lancaster Public Library**

The AVWA's annual display at the L.A. County Library was another success but more members are needed to show their turnings next year. It would be nice if the cabinets could be filled with no more than 3 to 4 items from each AVWA member.



## California Poppy Festival, 16-17 April

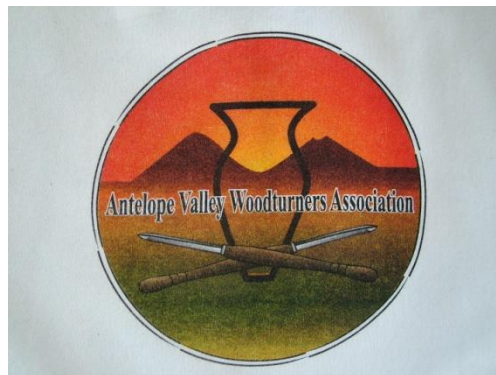


The Poppy Festival is our biggest event of the year. It is two days when we meet the public, do demonstrations, sell items, and in general have a good time.

Members have volunteered to set-up, do demonstrations, and tear-down. A newsletter will be mailed to members on procedures for selling items. Even if you have nothing to sell come on out and enjoy the fun at the AVWA tent.

### AVWA Logo Hats and Shirts

Corky Lunceford brought tee-shirts, pullovers, and hats that have the AVWA logo imprinted that had been previously ordered. These items appear to be of good quality and the imprinting is sharp and colorful.



Shirts come in white and grey. Grey cost \$1.50 more than white because more color is needed on the grey items. Orders to the provider must be a minimum of 12. Mixed styles, sizes, and color are allowed.

## Cost of items

### T-shirts

M – L – XL	\$10.25
XXL	\$13.35

### Sweat shirts (Zipper Hooded)

To XL	\$26.25
XXL	\$28.25

### Crewneck Pullover

M to XL	\$19.25
XXL	\$21.25

### Hooded Pullover

M to XL	\$23.25
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Hats	\$12.00
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Orders may be placed at AVWA meetings  
with Corky at 661-821-5503  
or Bob Clark at [bigbobclark@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bigbobclark@sbcglobal.net)

## **Next Meeting**

The May 19<sup>th</sup> meeting is scheduled to be at Dan Yost's home. Dan will demonstrate how he turns goblets. After a quick demonstration Dan would like members who have not made a goblet to try their hand at doing one. There will be wood available for each trainee. An instructor will assist members as needed. It is hoped that there will be two or three lathes for members to use. The After Party Training will include turning more goblets. Directions to Dan's will be in the reminder letter

Keep turning

Bob