

Antelope Valley Woodturners Association



July 2012

Volume 11, Issue 2

NEXT MEETING

Sept. 15, 2012
9:00 AM - Noon

Dan Yost's shop
43908 Windsor Ave.
Lancaster, CA 93536

CHALLENGE

Pine 4 x 4 x 10

AVWA CONTACTS

President

Martin Littleton
661-944-4365

Vice President

Dan Oliphant
661-274-1944

Treasurer

Mickey Burns
661-948-3261

Newsletter Editor

Dan Yost
661-948-9347

Special Events

Bob Clark
661-947-7448

Webmaster

Erika Kendra
661-729-4931

Librarian

Kate Klenke
661-972-98568

Membership

Dan Oliphant
661-274-1944

President's Comments

Eighteen members and visitors enjoyed our July meeting, demonstration, and annual potluck luncheon. The food was, as always, outstanding. A big thanks to Dan Oliphant for barbequing the tri-tip-steaks. Mine was near perfect. Dan may have worked himself into the position of our tri-tip cook. And thanks goes to Dan and Arlene Yost for hosting the luncheon.

Attending members viewed what was being demonstrated on our new TV (when Dan kept his shoulder out of the way). The new camera and TV gives a very good picture. A mechanism is being planned by Mickey Burns and Dan Oliphant that will allow the camera to be placed in an optimum position to view what the demonstrator is turning.

Dan Yost had some problems with a rather difficult turning but covered all the

necessary procedure should any member be brave enough to try to turn a three winged vessel. Dan said his success rate is now 50% for turning that particular vessel. I think I'll pass. All was not lost as he won the \$40.00 Craft Supply gift certificate.

The challenge to make a lidded box was won by Charley Williams who received a \$10.00 Craft Supply gift card; see the picture in this newsletter. The September challenge is a rather tough one. Bob Clark gave each member a 4x4x10 inch piece of pine. The challenge is to use your imagination and make something unique out of it — this challenge will be interesting.

The September demonstration will be by Steve Moe. Steve has the ability to design and build unique items so the September meeting will be one not to miss.

AVWA News

Two important items were discussed at the meeting.

1) The question of whether or not to participate in the 2013 Lancaster Poppy Festival was considered at our May meeting and was tabled until the July meeting. Martin Littleton asked for a discussion on the matter. Following the discussion a motion was made to not participate. The vote carried; therefore, the AVWA will not be a member of the 2013 Poppy Festival.

2) The other item discussed was whether or not to participate in the Lancaster County Library December 2012 craft sale. The conclusion to this discussion resulted in a motion for the AVWA to pay a group "Friends of the Library" fee of \$15 and to rent either a \$30 or \$40 table in order for members to show and sell their turned

items. The motion carried.

Corky Lunceford has had several turners ask about a mixture that he uses to cause wood to spalt. Here it is:

- 1/2 gallon of water,
- one can of regular beer,
- 1/2 cup of Miracle Grow fertilizer,
- two cups of mashed or ground up green Oak leaves. (The Oak leaves contain the bacteria needed).

Instructions: Apply the mixture to the end grain and pour some on the wood then seal the wood in a garbage bag and leave for about 3 months.

Corky called his mixture "Kickapoo-Joy-Juice". Those members who remember the Li'l Abner comic strip may understand why he gave the mixture that name.

January Challenge: Lidded Boxes



Winner: Charley Williams, Peach lidded box



Dan Oliphant, Carob & Dyed Maple Top



Mickey Dyke, Lidded Box



Tony Demming, Segmented lidded box



Dan Yost, Ash Lidded Boxes



Jeb Dyke, Small Lidded Boxes



Keith Pipoly, Lidded Boxes

July Show & Tell



Corky Lunceford, Mimosa Vase



Corky Lunceford, Laminated Vase



Bruce Owens, Bowl With Green Milk Paint Finish



Steve Moe, Figured Maple



Martin Littleton, Dyed Buckeye



Dan Oliphant, Dyed Hollow Form



David Gecy, Mimosa Bowl



David Gecy, Wood Bowl



Mickey Burns, Figured Maple bowl with Ebony collar and foot



Steve Moe, *Dulburgia Cultrata* Wood Cane



Dan Oliphant, Dyed Hollow Form



Dan Oliphant, Dyed Bowl



Martin Littleton, Dyed Buckeye Vase



Corky Lunceford, Chinese Golden Raintree Bowl



Martin Littleton, Threaded Sphere