

Antelope Valley Woodturners Association



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July's meeting had a good turn-out despite the rain, with 17 members attending.

Special thanks to Steve Moe, who donated a number of items for the club's raffle. Anyone who has something to contribute to the meeting raffle, donations are always welcome.

Now is also a good time to start thinking about the auction we will be holding at the November meeting/potluck dinner. We hope to raise enough money at the auction to fund the club for next year, and possibly be able to do away with membership dues. It's a great time to clean out our shops and gather up anything you would like to donate to the auction: tools, wood, turnings, whatever!

The next meeting will be at Martin Littleton's shop on September 19. Mickey Burns will demonstrate

a variety of measuring tools and technique.

Michael Mann mentioned that he will have a table at his church's Holly & Rose Tea. Anyone who would like to join him, please contact him at 661-943-4368.

Don Mourton has delivered the club's Beads of Courage boxes to Arizona, as well as a \$250 financial donation from our club. They sent a lovely thank you letter, which you can see if you ask Don.

Don is also continuing to further the club's charitable pursuits with the Pens for Troops program. He is still exploring a donation of kits from Woodcraft or another vendor. If that can't be done, he is going to explore the possibility of the club buying the kits at a discount. More information will be provided as soon as it becomes available.

Next Meeting

September 19, 2015
9:00 AM - Noon
Martin Littleton's shop

Challenge

Multiple types of wood

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AVWA is an official local chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW).



In the "Tool of the Month" demo, Dan Yost demonstrated the Stewart system for hollowform turning.

Antelope Valley Fair Demos

This year our club will be doing woodturning demonstrations at the Antelope Valley Fair (August 21–29). We will have a table in the pavilion where the Arts & Crafts entries are displayed. Don Mourton is going to contact Paul Boyd to see if the AVWA banner is still at his shop.

A lathe (1" × 8 tpi spindle) will be set up for demonstrators to use; anyone who will be demonstrating should bring their own wood and tools.

As of last Friday, we have one two-hour time slot that is not yet covered. It would also be good to have at least two members at the demonstration area at any given time so that one person can turn and someone else can answer questions. If you have some time available, please send Don an email (don@mourton.com).

You do not have to be the turner; you have just be available to answer questions and greet people. You will receive a pass to the fair and exhibitor parking.

	Saturday Aug 22	Sunday Aug 23	Monday Aug 24	Saturday Aug 29	Sunday Aug. 30
2 pm – 4 pm	Don Mourton	Martin Littleton	Don Mourton Erika Kendra	Don Mourton Martin Littleton	Erika Kendra
4 pm – 6 pm	Don Mourton	Michael Mann Don Mourton	Don Mourton	Don Mourton	Michael Mann
6 pm – 8 pm	Mickey Burns Charley Williams	Michael Mann	Mickey Burns		Don Mourton Charley Williams
8 pm – 10 pm	Bob Clark	Bob Clark	Bob Clark	Bob Clark	Don Mourton



Don Mourton delivered our boxes and donation to the Beads of Courage Organization. Jean Baruch, Executive Director and Founder of Beads of Courage, accepted the donation.

Don reports that everyone was very impressed with our boxes. I was told that only a small number of children receive the boxes because there are not enough available for all the participants. Jean also mentioned that our \$250 donation would allow them to restock some of the beads they were running low of.

If you're looking for something to do in your shop, you don't need to wait until our club challenge to make a Beads of Courage box. More beads will be available at the next meeting. Don will collect them and deliver them whenever he goes to Arizona.

July Challenge: Platters



Winner: Charley Williams.
Zebrawood and walnut



Martin Littleton, Myrtle



Corky Lunceford, English walnut



*Corky Lunceford, English walnut with
black walnut burl pedestal*



Bob Clark, Maple



Don Mourton, Mystery wood



Dan Yost, Brazilian cherry



July Show & Tell



(Left) Winner: Martin Littleton.
Hollow dyed buckeye burl, with maple stands



Dan Yost, Brazilian cherry



Bob Clark, Silver maple natural-edge bowl



Bob Clark, Maple, Spectraply, and fish paper



Michael Mann, Paduak



Michael Mann, various pens



Robert Smith, Mystery wood bowl

