

# Antelope Valley Woodturners Association



January 2017

Volume 16, Issue 3

## Presidents Message



Wow it is 2018 already; by now we all expected to have flying cars. Oh well the flying cars will have to wait so for now

we will stick to woodturning.

We had a good turnout for our annual November Pot-Luck and Tool Auction. Also, thanks to Dan Yost for the sharing his home for this meeting. We raised some money for our club and had some great food while we were at it. It was

agreed that our club plans on using the money to pay the expenses of an outside demonstrator for or March meeting.

We did not have a formal demo at the November meeting. However, Mark Mayo did a quick demo on his small laser engraver. I think I might need to get one of them it is relatively low cost.

Additionally, Dan Yost offered tips and one-on-one coaching on use of a skew. When it comes to using a skew I need all the help I can get. For more help, be sure and attend the January meeting I hope it will be fun.



Mark's laser engraver



Dan's one-on-one skew training

## Next Meeting

January 20, 2017  
9:00 AM - ??

Hill View Middle School Wood Shop  
Room 125  
40525 Peonza Lane  
Palmdale, CA 93551

## Challenge

Fruit

## AVWA Contacts

### President

Robert Clark | 661-947-7448

### Vice President

Michael Mann

### Webmaster

Erika Kendra | 661-729-4931

### Librarian

Steve Moe | 661-349-2194

### Past President

Don Mourton | 661-478-8198



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

# Meeting Items

## 2018 Dues

At the next meeting Matt will be able to collect our 2018 club dues. The dues are only \$25.00 per year. Members over 80 years of age do not need to pay.

## Safety Reminder

The president pointed out that many of are getting older and perhaps sometimes we might a need little help lifting heavy items. As I can attest we do not heal as fast as we used too. So get some help when you need it; no one needs to be in pain.

## Small Lathe For Sale

Thanks to a donation by Steve Moe, the club still has a small wood lathe for sale. It is an older Sears' model complete with two chucks, faceplates, centers, and many other accessories. If someone were looking for a starter lathe it would be a bargain. Price \$100.00



## Challenge: "Finials"

Mickey Burns won the challenge. He also shared a tip on applying a finish to exotic woods like Cocobolo. Mickey cleans the wood with acetone prior to applying a finish. Acetone does not raise the wood's grain and it cleans the oil off the surface so the finish will stick. I know I worked on a Rosewood box once had the hardest time applying a finish because it would not stick to the woods surface. Great tip!

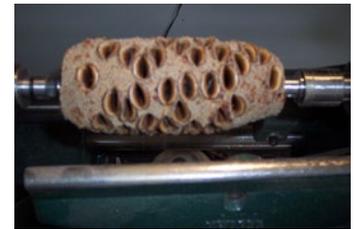


## 2018 Meeting and Demonstration Schedule

- January: **Bob Clark**, Hill View Middle School
- March: **Guest Demonstrator**, Place TBD
- May: **Martin Littleton**, Martin's shop in Littlerock
- July: **Mark Mayo**, Mark's Shop in Tehachapi
- September: **Mickey Burns**, Place TBD
- November: **Pot Luck\Tool Auction**, Place TBD

## Next Meeting

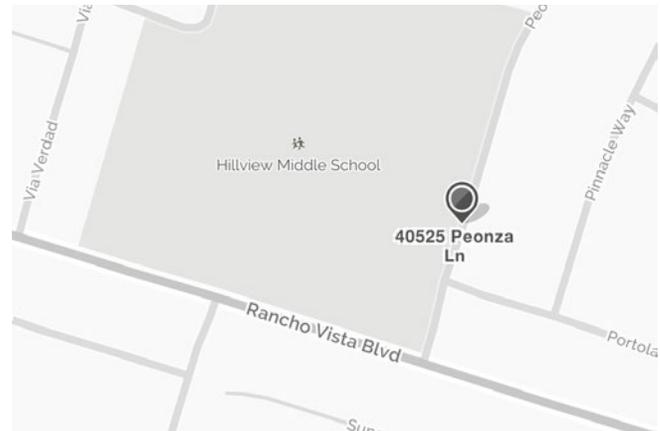
The next meeting will be 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 20, 2018. I will demonstrate turning Banksia pods.



The meeting will be held at Hill View Middle School Wood Shop located in room 125. The address of the school is:

40525 Peonza Lane, Palmdale, CA 93551

From the Antelope Valley Freeway (Hwy 14), get off on Rancho Vista Boulevard and head West to Peonza Lane. Turn Right and the school is right there.



Please bring any unneeded items wood to the meeting to the meeting to help with the raffle. Remember your donations to the club are tax-deductible form your federal and state income taxes.

The challenge for the January meeting is "Fruit"

See you at the next meeting and remember, it is never too early to start your Beads of Courage boxes.  
Bob Clark