

Antelope Valley Woodturners Association



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Presidents Message



At our July meeting we had a fun time at Mark Mayo's place in Bear Valley. It was a beautiful setting, trees, deer and great views. At the meeting I presented a demonstration on the use of Seg-Easy software for segmented woodturning. Our next meeting we have a lot of things to cover including elections of officer for our next two years.

We also have our annual Beads of Courage challenge. The Beads of

Courage project provides support for children with serious illness. Kids are given a necklace with their name spelled in beads; every time they receive another treatment or procedure, they get a new bead to add to their string. Woodturners around the country, including our club, support this effort by making boxes for the kids to store their beads.

Finally, at this meeting we will once again be turning pens for the Freedom Pens Project. A special thanks to Bruce Barron for donating over forty pen kits to support our men and women serving overseas in our armed forces.

Meeting Items

Antelope Valley Fair Demonstration

This year we once again participated in woodturning demonstrations at the Antelope Valley Fair. I would like to thank everyone who participated at the fair this year. I for one had a great time and hope to do this again next year.

Congratulations to Martin Littleton for winning two Best of Show awards at this year's AV Fair.



Mickey demonstrating at this year's AV Fair

Next Meeting

September 15, 2018
9:00 AM - ??

Bruce Barron's home
39829 Gorham Lane
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AVWA is an official local chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW).



One of Martin's two Best of Show winning entries at the AV Fair

Beads of Courage Box Challenge in September

Our annual Beads of Courage Box Challenge will once again be held at our September meeting. Last year the Antelope Valley Woodturners teamed-up with the Glendale Woodturners Guild and the students at Joe Walker Middle High School, collectively we made a lot of seriously ill children a bit happier by donating Beads of Courage boxes. Information on Beads of Courage boxes is available at this link. <http://www.beadsofcourage.org/pages/woodturners.html>

Freedom Pens Project in September

At the September meeting we are once again making pens for Freedom Pens Project. The Freedom Pens Project supplies handmade ballpoint pens to our military men and women serving our country overseas. This year Bruce Barron is supplying all the pen kits and the wood and we get to make the pens. We all know that a handmade pen will not change the lives of our service men and women but it will let them know someone cares. Last year we made 50 pens for the Freedom Pens Project. So please plan on helping us beat that number this year.



Last Years Freedom Pens Turn-a-Thon



Last Year's Beads of Courage Program



Annual Display at the Lancaster Public Library November 1st – 30th

Mickey Burns made arrangements for our annual display at the Lancaster Public Library during the month of November. Last year we had many turners bring their works to display at the library.



Last Years Library display

Show and Tell

Several members brought items to our July Show and Tell.

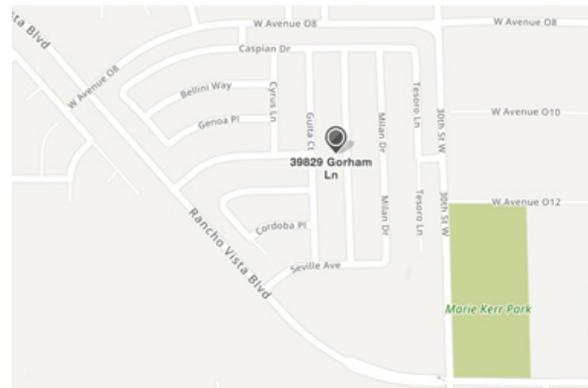


Next Meeting

The next meeting will be 9:00am on Saturday, September 15, 2018.

This is the location:

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Additional, driving directions will be sent out prior to the meeting.

Remember, it is never too early to start your Beads of Courage Boxes. See you at the next meeting!

Bob Clark