

Antelope Valley Woodturners Association



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Presidents Message



Our September meeting was held at Bruce Barron's home in Palmdale. Bruce and his family were wonderful hosts. Special

thanks for the home made pizza that Bruce baked in his backyard pizza oven. The pizza was fantastic.

At the meeting we also elected officers to serve our club until the year 2020. Just like congress we serve for two years. I would like to thank everyone who volunteered their time to help the club.

Our next meeting will be our

annual potluck and tool auction. More information is shown below so please plan on attending. It is our biggest fundraiser for the year. Members donate unused tools and other items and members can buy them at the auction. All proceeds go to help the club bring in a guest speaker each year.

Our new chapter officers are:

- President: Bob Clark
- Vice President: Michael Mann
- Treasure: Matt Stewart
- Webmaster: Erika Kendra
- Librarian: Steve Moe
- Newsletter Editor: Chrissy Bastian
- Past President: Don Morton

Next Meeting

November 17, 2018
9:00 AM - ??

Bob Clark's home
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AVWA is an official local chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW).



There is nothing like a brick oven pizza!

Meeting Items

Beads of Courage Challenge

We should all be very proud of our participation in the Beads of Courage challenge. The Beads of Courage project provides support for children with serious illness. The 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.

The students at Joe Walker Middle School also participated in the Beads of Courage challenge making 25 boxes and over 300 bead bags. We will have photos of the students in a future issue of this newsletter.

Great job by everyone who participated



Freedom Pens Project

At the meeting we conducted a Turn-a-Thon for the Freedom Pens Project. It was great fun. We had five lathes and everyone took turns turning pens. When all was said and done we produced over sixty pens to support our men and women serving overseas in our armed forces. Special thanks to Bruce Barron for donating the pen kits and having the planks all ready to turn. At the meeting former member Brad Taylor donated a bunch of pen kits that we can use for our next Freedom Pens Turn-a-Thon.



New members Chrissy Bastian and Paul James turn pens. (Paul put on his safety glasses later)



All the lathes were busy



*Martin and Matt demonstrating pen turning to our guests
By the way, if anyone knows the names and contact information of the three guests in this picture please let me know. I must confess I seem to have lost it.*

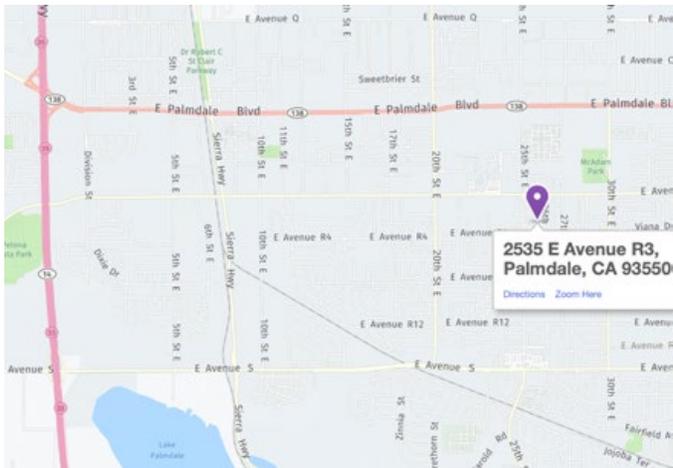
Next Meeting

Our Next Meeting Will Be Our Annual Pot-Luck And Tool Sale! At the meeting, the club will be providing tri-tip and bratwurst that will be barbequed. We need members to bring side dishes and drinks. So please respond if you can bring something for the dinner.

Tool and Wood Auction. Our annual tool auction last year raised over \$300 for the AVWA. Our club used the money to pay the expenses of an outside demonstrator at our May meeting; that demonstration was a great success thanks to the donations of the members. If you have an extra tool or other useful item that you no longer use, please bring it to the meeting as a donation to the club. All items will be placed in a silent auction, where other members can bid and give those tools a new home.

Location. The next meeting will be 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 17, 2018, at Bob Clark's home:

2535 E. Avenue R3
Palmdale CA 93550



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