



SLIGHTLY SKEWED

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NEXT MEETING

April 14, 2019

Sunday April 14, 2019
2:00 p.m. Sharp

HOW TO FIND US

Crescenta Valley Regional Park
Recreation Center
Dunsmore & Honolulu, La Crescenta



Thomas Guide 534-E-1

SUNDAY MEETING

Meetings consist of announcements, a feature presentation, a Challenge, Show & Tell and a wood raffle (except for December).

April 14 2019

Challenge: *Open Segmented Pieces*
Presentation: *Bandsaws & Woodworking Machines by Jesse Barrigan*

President's Message

Making the most out of what I have now - The next tool, more wood, or a bigger machine won't necessarily make me a better turner. As a musician I saw people with bare bones equipment and instruments make incredible sounding



albums, and I have heard others with the best equipment and humongous budgets make horrible records. The same can be said for woodturning. So what's my point? There is this thing called grit. Ambition, patience, determination, and pushing through failures to make a success are hallmarks of champions. I watch my teenagers try things with the expectation they will do it perfectly the first time and feel a complete failure if they don't. Then they are unwilling to invest even the tiniest bit more energy to correct or improve because it's too hard or too much work. I get it. Many times my expectations are not met and it feels overwhelming to try to become a master of what I am doing. I'm certain I have brought this up in the past but it seems a recurring theme of my human condition. I get in my own way! I build the mountains in front of me that I must climb, and I create them from molehills. Somehow when we become "adults" we don't allow ourselves to be beginners and make mistakes, or even worse to adventure and have fun while we learn.

A young golfer with Downs Syndrome, Amy Bockerstette is an absolute champion at the game. She is unfettered when playing in front of an audience and someone said she knows no bounds and no different.

When Amy was asked what the best part of golf is, her reply, "everything!".

Give yourself permission to be a beginner no matter how experienced you might be. Make mistakes, use what you have to the best of your ability, and find joy in the process. I believe you will find that the best part of being a woodturner is EVERYTHING!

Turn safe and have fun!
Kim

CHALLENGE

The March Challenge was Turned Mallets.

The Winner in the Beginner Category was **Michael Baldino** with his cocobolo carver's mallet finished with Truoil.



There were no entries in the Intermediate Category. The Winner in the Advanced group was **Carey Caires**, with a small (but huge for her!) mallet of holly. It was wood burned & alcohol dyed, then finished with walnut oil & wax.



Nicholas Eberhard had a cedar mallet finished with CA, while **Joanie Cole** had a eucalyptus mallet finished with shellac.



In the “no finish required” category, we had **Nick Tuzzolino** with his boxwood entry, and **Henry Koch** with a maple mallet.



Thomas Cassidy also had 3 items: a hard maple baby rattle, and an olive bowl, both finished with Maloof's, as well as a salt & pepper set, one piece of spalted maple, the other of unknown. No finish specified.



Judges were **Chris Dodson, Bob Wohlers & Anton Bosch**

SHOW AND TELL

Klaus Schmitt had been busy: he had a birthday party plate, a maple bowl, and a piece from carob wood & walnut. Lacquer was the finish on all.



Molly had some bottle stoppers and pens, made from colored wood and finished with CA



Newcomer **Mark Budde** had a black acacia bowl finished with polyurethane



Chris Dodson had a winged bowl of honey locust, finished with Maloof poly oil.



Bill Loitz brought in one of the spacers he uses to quickly set up his Wolverine jig with CBN wheels



Thanks to **Andy Sway** for being my photo runner.

2019 CHALLENGES

April - Open Segmented Pieces

May - Turned Goblet

June - Carved Bowl

July

August

September

October

November

December - Potluck & Fundraiser.

PRESENTATION

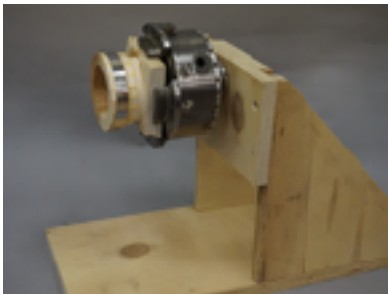
The March Presentation was by **Craig Sobel** on making open (missing) segmented work.



Craig talked a little bit about how he got interested in segmented turning, and then went on to describe processes he has used in the past and today. There is a Woodturner Pro software available that does a lot of the calculations for the sizes and miter angles of pieces needed for making segmented work.

He has jigs with different fences for various cut angles. The pieces need to be sanded slightly to remove any "chaff", as an extremely good gluing surface is necessary for good results. He finds that a "rub" joint with Titebond II gives him good results. Pieces are assembled into rings with hose clamps for pressure. The spacer pieces which will eventually be removed are coated with wax to prevent accidentally gluing them in. The forms are generally built up and turned ring by ring. Hot melt glue on the insides holds the pieces to turn the outside shape, and blue tape on the outside to hold while turning the insides.

Jig for holding chuck for adding rings a layer at a time.



Assembled and “exploded” view of one of his pieces.



Three of his pieces.



Upcoming Presentations:

April - Jesse Barrigan - Eagle Tools - Bandsaws & Woodworking Machines

May - Joe Feinblatt - Carving 2 lotus blossoms from bowl.

June - Kim Acuna - President's Challenges - Understanding the Criteria and Improving Our Entries.

We are always looking for presentations for upcoming meetings! As an incentive, we award members with a \$20 Rockler gift card for doing a presentation. Contact our Vice President, **Joe Feinblatt**, if you have something to offer.

YouTube Channel: we have a YouTube channel, where our webwright has posted the videos of some of the past presentations. He plans on posting more videos in the future. Go to YouTube and search “Glendale Woodturners”

AAW News

The **2019 AAW Symposium** will be in Raleigh, North Carolina. July 11-14.

The **2020 AAW Symposium** will be in Louisville, Kentucky, June 4-7.

The **2021 AAW Symposium** will be in Omaha, Nebraska July 15-18.

The AAW is offering an introductory 3 month membership for \$20 for new members. (Test drive the organization!) See the home page on their website: www.woodturner.org.

There will not be a Utah turning symposium this year, and next year’s event will be the last!

2019 Meeting Dates

Note that some dates have changed!

April 14

May 5 (moved due to Mother's Day)

June 2

July 14

August 11

September 8

October 13

November 10

December 8 (Potluck & Fundraiser)

Upcoming Events

Craig Sobel will have some of his father's (Al) wood and tools for auction later, probably March/April in the north San Fernando Valley

Bill Haskell will have a demo on bottle forms on *Sunday, April 28* at Crescenta Valley Park (our usual meeting place).

We will have a demo by **Hans Weissflog** on *Sunday, June 9*. Site at our usual meeting place, Crescenta Valley Park.

A proposed tour of the **Gamble House** in Pasadena is in the works.

Safety Corner

A new feature at our meetings is some information on shop safety. March's contribution was by **Bob Clark** on chemical storage and labeling.

When quantities of chemicals are transferred to secondary containers, it is critical that these containers be labeled as to contents. This can help prevent accidental poisoning or other perils. Attach a photocopy of the original label with information on how to find the MSDS (Safety Sheet, usually on-line) so that responders can find the information they need in case of an accident or emergency.

Finishing Thoughts

Welcome to new members:

Andy Polsky

Marke Budde

Mark Marion

Lynn Rupp

Kim Acuna is now our Chapter Liaison for the Women in Turning (WIT) group within the AAW.

Andy Sway has volunteered to be a liaison for doing group tool purchases (can sometimes get discounts by doing this).

Bill Loitz is still available as a turning mentor to anyone needing help on something. He has also taken over as our Treasurer from long time member **Bob DeVoe**.

We still have Anchor Seal (for sealing newly cut green wood or rough turned bowls) bargain priced at \$13/gallon. It is available from our Librarian, **Michael Baldino**. See him at the meetings.

Remember to show your membership card at *Rockler in Pasadena* to get a 10% discount on all non-sale items. Remind them to put a check mark in the book for us. We get \$20 gift cards from them that we use in our monthly wood raffle and end of year holiday auction. Don't forget to thank them for this!

Our Webwright, **Anthony Thiessen**, would welcome any photos that people might have for posting on our website: athiessen2@gmail.com

Check out the "**Members Area**" on the Glendale Woodturners Guild website. The current roster is there (please check for any errors and notify Craig Sobel), and various info on such things as wood allergies. Contact our Webwright for the new password.

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