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## NEXT MEETING

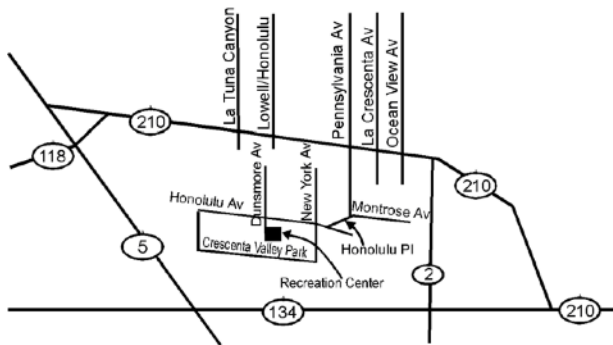
*May 5, 2019*

Sunday May 5, 2019

2:00 p.m. Sharp

## HOW TO FIND US

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



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## SUNDAY MEETING

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

**May 5, 2019 (note date change!)**

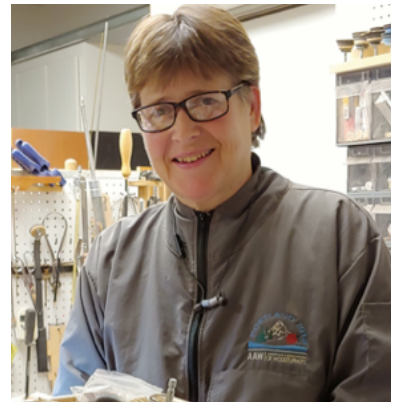
**Challenge: Turned Goblet**

**Presentation: Carving 2 Lotus flowers from bowl by Joe Feinblatt.**

## President's Message

Hey Glendale Woodturners,

I can't believe how quickly the season has passed us by, it's already spring! It's time for hay fever, outdoor planting, and homeowner projects! Which means we will have a very busy



summer with many people traveling and fewer at meetings? Whatever it is you do this summer I hope you have a great time. I know I will be away quite a bit and when I am not, I will be working on my house which has a hole in the roof, a new walkway to build, and a new electrical panel to install. My qualifications to do this work are very minimal so much of it will be farmed out, but I will be doing some construction.

However, I digress, what I really want to talk about is what a great group we have and how I love seeing so many faces at our meetings and so many new people. We have an April demo with Bill Haskell and in June we have a demo with Hans Weissflog. I hope you will attend and gain much from the experience.

I know a few of us will be attending the symposium in North Carolina. I'm excited to be one of those people and I'm going to take my 13 year old daughter with me. She is excited to learn from someone other than me. I have to say that the only way I am able to take this trip is that I

applied for an EOG Grant from the AAW. It is called an Educational Opportunity Grant. These grants and others are available to AAW members each year- all you need to do is apply. You may not get all of what you want or may not get it this time but, their grants are many faceted and may help you to accomplish some of your goals be at educational, artistic or practical. I urge you to check into it through the AAW website if you think that might be up your alley.

The Glendale woodturners Guild has also opened up an Educational Opportunity Grant to support its members. If you are interested please email me at [president@woodturners.org](mailto:president@woodturners.org) and we will get you an application. After all this is what our AAW dues pay for along with all the incredible content on the AAW website and the GWG has been raising funds that we hope to return to the members in the form of professional demonstrations and other educational opportunities. Please remember that May's meeting will be on May 5th and I look forward to seeing you there!

Enjoy your spring!  
Kim

## CHALLENGE

The April Challenge was Open Segmented work.

We only had one entry in the Challenge, a piece by **Ron Shaffer** made from walnut, cherry & maple finished with lacquer. He was declared the winner by acclamation.



The judges *would have been* **Michael Baldino** and **Carey Caires**.

## SHOW AND TELL

**Charlie Hulien** had some items made of mesquite: a bowl, a candle holder, and a vase. Wipe on poly, bee's wax & mineral oil polish as finish.



**Chris Dodson** gave us an apple of ash & copper, finished with guilders wax, dye & friction polish, and an oak hollow form finished with Maloof poly oil.



**Klaus Schmitt** had maple “Natural Wings” and “South Western Style pieces finished with lacquer, and a “Eucalyptus Beauty” finished with sanding sealer.



**James Hurst** showed an “art form” of unknown wood finished with lacquer.



Some of the pens turned for the Frank Kopecky Memorial that will be donated to Freedom Pens.



**Kim Acuna** had a “bowl stabilizer” that was quite different from the stuff you paint on green wood.



Thanks to Mark for being my photo runner.

## 2019 CHALLENGES

**May - Turned Goblet**

**June - Carved Bowl**

**July**

**August**

**September**

**October**

**November**

**December - Potluck & Fundraiser.**

## PRESENTATION

The April Presentation was by **Nicholas Eberhard** on using CA as a finish.



His process uses thin and medium CA, rubbing out the finish at various stages with 400 and/or 600 grit sandpaper and 9 stage micromesh pads.

Other items needed are activator, gloves, quality paper towels, eye and clothing protection, water, and something to cover the lathe bed. The CA generates a large quantity of heat while you are using it, and will dissolve poor quality paper towels as well as burning your skin!

The piece should be sanded to 600 grit, then 2-3 layers of thin CA are applied, dripping and spreading with the towel. These coats are allowed to dry naturally. Later coats (3 or 4) are of medium CA, very lightly sprayed with activator.

The finish is rubbed out by successively wet sanding with the 9 steps of micromesh pads. You should create a “slurry” with the first few grits, but not with the later steps.

You can use an oil finish under the CA if desired, and possibly plastic polishes at the end.

## Upcoming Presentations:

**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](http://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!**

**May 5** (moved due to Mother's Day)

**June 2** (moved due to Weissflog demo on 6/9)

**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 sale, date will be Sunday June 23, in the north San Fernando Valley

**Bill Haskell** had a demo on hollowing from the bottom on Sunday, April 28 that was rudely interrupted by an area-wide power outage.

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.

**Rockler** in Pasadena will be hosting a Memorial Day Turn-A-Thon on May 25th, turning pens that will be donated to veterans and Wounded Warriors.

## Safety Corner

A new feature at our meetings is some information on shop safety. April's contribution was by **Joe Feinblatt**, who talked about air quality and your lungs.

Wood dust is recognized as a possible carcinogen, especially with long term exposure. The finer the dust, the worse the danger. You can also develop asthmatic reactions to certain woods.

While collecting the majority of the dust at the source is always a good idea, a lot remains in the air, and should be filtered out. Joe has invested in one of the new Powermatic electrostatic cleaners, and finds it works well for him.

## Finishing Thoughts

Welcome to new members:

**Klaas Voldeba,**  
**Anna Khatt,**  
**Mark Hamburger,**  
**Gary Gebler**

**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](mailto: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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