



CHIPS & Chatter



THE SILICON VALLEY WOODTURNERS' NEWSLETTER

**December 6th
Program:
Holiday Party**

Kalia's Porringer



Kalia Kilban, a member of Wine Country Woodturners, provided a spirited demonstration of her method of turning a Porringer Bowl and the use of milk paint. She began with a brief personal history lesson highlighting her path of discovery and ensuing love affair with these historic utility bowls, which date back hundreds of years.

Kalia then set about mixing a small batch of milk paint which she would later apply to a test board to give a sense of appearance and coverage with one, two and three coats. The milk



paint likes to rest after mixing with water to allow all the powder

to hydrate. Milk paint has numerous properties that make it Kalia's preferred finish for her service bowls.

With the paint set aside to rest, Kalia gets to the heart of the matter; turning the bowl. She begins by fixing her dry blank between a live center in the



tailstock and a rubber padded faceplate.



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The President's Turn

We are just about to start the 4th and final round of the Pen Class at Santa Clara High School so I thought I would take this opportunity to report in on the program and how things are going.



Since we only have 8 of the student lathes, we run the pen class 4 times for each of the four Construction One periods and once for the smaller Construction 2 period. That means we actually run 17 different classes! (The first year we tried doing it with all the students in a period at once and the best way to describe it is chaos. Splitting up the classes requires more volunteer time but the result is a *lot* better.)

1. We start the students with a brief lathe 101 lecture that covers the basics of the lathe and lathe safety.
2. After that we have the kids practice on a 2x2 spindle of wood. We first have them use the roughing gouge to turn a cylinder and then have them make shapes with the spindle gouge and bowl gouge.
3. The students are then given a pen blank to mount between centers and practice smaller cuts like they would on a Pen.
4. Once they have the basics of turning, we have them cut, drill and glue a pen blank and then actually turn a pen.

As you can see, a lot of the class is just practice on how to use the lathe and tools. However, that practice pays off. Some of the pens the kids produce are quite impressive and they are all very proud of their accomplishments. Perhaps more importantly, many of the kids are 'hooked' on turning. A large percentage of them will turn a 2nd pen and some of them will turn a 3rd or 4th pen. One young man has turned 5 or 6 pens and is selling them. He says he has earned over \$100! Another young man is going to buy a used lathe so he can turn at home! (Gordon and John are helping him find the lathe to buy) It is truly fun and gratifying to see these young people develop some of the same interest and passion for turning that we all have.

This report is not complete without a shout out to the SVW volunteers that make this all happen! We have a handful of volunteers that have done all the work to make this program a success. I can assure you that Mitch (the construction teacher) is grateful to all of them. Furthermore, this story can not be told without special recognition to Gordon Patnude. Gordon has coordinated all of the scheduling of the classes and volunteers as well as develop and enhance the lesson plans. As if that is not enough, he has also taught at almost all of the classes so far. To say Gordon was the core of the program this year would be an understatement. A big THANK YOU to Gordon and all of the other volunteers.

This is a fantastic way for SVW to give back to the community and I encourage everyone to get involved.

Every good turn deserves another

Paul

Hello Turners!

Wed Dec 6th is our annual holiday banquet.

Please sign up for you and your guest, selecting the menu item in the Yahoo group database:

<https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/SVWoodturners/database/306/edit> (complete by Nov 23)

The choices include fish, poultry or beef. Please indicate other dietary considerations in the final column.

The \$29 cost includes salad, potato or rice, fresh vegetable, french bread, house-made dessert, coffee or tea. There is a no-host bar available.

The location is at

The Blue Pheasant Restaurant

22100 Stevens Creek Blvd (west of 85 exit)

Cupertino, CA 95014

<https://www.bluepheasantrestaurant.com/>

We will have the downstairs dining room available to us which includes fireplace, dance floor, no-host bar and plenty of room to mingle and move about.

The timing is likely to be:

5:30 to 6:30 social hour

6:45 dinner

7:30 gift exchange.

Thanks,

Joe Martinka

2017 Calendar of Events

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| <p>January</p> <p>Meeting: Wed. the 4th</p> <p>President's Challenge: Embellishment</p> <p>Program: Mike Lanahan</p> <p>Segmentation</p> | <p>February</p> <p>Meeting: Wed. the 1st</p> <p>President's Challenge: Home Made Tool or Jig</p> <p>Program: Dave Devout</p> <p>Spindle Turning</p> | <p>March</p> <p>Meeting: Wed. the 1st</p> <p>President's Challenge: Use the Skew</p> <p>Program: Dave Vaneer</p> <p>Open Segment Turning</p> |
| <p>April</p> <p>Apr. 1st. Derek Weidman</p> <p>Meeting: Wed. the 5th</p> <p>P.C: Segmented/ Glued up</p> <p>Program: Sawdust Session</p> <p>West Bay Ice Cream 11Th</p> <p>Apr. 29 Don Pettit</p> | <p>May</p> <p>Meeting: Wed. the 3rd</p> <p>President's Challenge: Toy or Top</p> <p>Program: Top Night</p> <p>PICNIC!</p> <p>Sunday May 21</p> | <p>June</p> <p>Meeting: Wed. the 7th</p> <p>President's Challenge: Broken & Repaired</p> <p>Program: Brian Havens</p> <p>Round Skew</p> |
| <p>July</p> <p>Meeting: Wed. the 5th</p> <p>President's Challenge: Not Wood</p> <p>Program: "First Aid in the Workshop"</p> <p>Dr. Patric Sullivan</p> | <p>August</p> <p>Meeting: Wed. the 2nd</p> <p>President's Challenge: Wearable</p> <p>Program: CNC Meets the Woodlathe</p> <p>Bob Gerenser</p> | <p>September</p> <p>Meeting: Wed. the 6th</p> <p>President's Challenge: Collabotate/Training</p> <p>Program: Bowl from a Board</p> <p>Tom Kenyon</p> |
| <p>October</p> <p>Meeting: Wed. the 4th</p> <p>President's Challenge: Face or Profile</p> <p>Program: 20th Anniversary</p> <p>Oct 7 Sally Ault</p> <p>Jewelry & Embelishment</p> | <p>November</p> <p>Meeting: Wed. the 1st</p> <p>Challenge: Multi-Axis</p> <p>Program: Kalia Kliban</p> <p>porringer bowl</p> <p>Carl Jacobson</p> <p>Sun, Nov 12 SCHS</p> | <p>December</p> <p>Meeting: Wed. the 6th</p> <p>President's Challenge: For the Holidays</p> <p>Program: Christmas Party</p> |

Her weapon of choice is a half inch bowl gouge with a 40-40 grind for all but the detail work.



Kalia uses pull cuts to begin shaping the outside of the bowl while establishing the boundaries for the tenon and the



placement of the

“wings” that will eventually morph into handles. Her preference is to utilize as large diameter tenon as the bowl will accommodate in order to give her design freedom down the line.

She next turns the bowl tit for tat and fixes it in a scroll chuck where she begins to shape to top bit of the bowl to match the profile below the “wing” section. This is a fussy time as it is critical to maintain the appearance of continuity of curve of the bowl.



Once the final shape of the outside of the bowl and the “wing” thickness is firmly established Kalia is free to hollow the inner profile. There’s no time to do that in this compressed demonstration situation, nor is there anything unique about her technique here. What is unique is the fact that Kalia

does not sand the outside of her bowls prior to applying milk paint as she prefers to allow subtle tool marks to show.

She reverses the bowl again and captures it between the tailstock and the faceplate with a piece of leather between the bowl rim



and the friction pad. The leather eliminates marking from the waffle textured rubber pad on the faceplate. She finishes shaping the bowl bottom and removes the nib with a scary sharp chisel.



Kalia uses a paper template to lay out the handle shape on the “wing” and

bandsaws the profiles. She leaves a ring of wood proud of the bowl surface when she cuts out the handles and uses a carving knife to decorate the ring.



Her normal approach is to finish sand the inside of the bowl to 400 grit, apply the required number of coats of milk paint to the outside and when that’s dry, give it all a good rub down with walnut oil (or Flax seed oil for her allergy sensitive clients).



Meeting Minutes - November 1, 2017

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Paul Rygaard



Staff Updates:

- **Paul Rygaard** —
 - This is last normal meeting for year. Joe has an abnormal meeting in December for us.
- **Mark Koenig** — Three new videos in our library. Donated to us.
 - Making an Erosion Bowl
 - Two Ways to Make a Bowl — Stuart Batty, Mike Mahoney
 - Beyond Wood — Bernard Blain. Can download DVDs free at <https://vimeo.com/bernardblain>
- **Joe Martinka** —
 - *Holiday Banquet at the Blue Pheasant Restaurant on Stevens Creek Boulevard. Date is December 6. Cost is \$29, includes gratuity, not bar drinks. White elephant — Bring a gift to give. The gift must be finished. As one signs up, mark one of 3 food choices.* 
- **Gordon Patnude** —
 - No new members. A guy with much burl in his orchard will join! Dues will be the same as last year. Good to wear your SVW hat when out and about. Raises awareness of our club. Hats and badges will be available soon.
 - **Outreach** — Gordon is reaching out to vendors to support our efforts in the High School. He is to send a letter to Incra Tools, requesting jigs and tool donations.
 - **Pen Class at the School** — Plea for volunteers. Need a couple more volunteers to handle the load or 25-35 students per class! One volunteer per class. **THANKS to Gordon for your leadership on this effort.**
 - **Pens** — Have 277 pens now. Gordon to take to Woodcraft on Friday. **A new milestone!**
- **Mike Lanahan**—Professional Demos
 - November — Carl Jacobsen: November 12, 9 to 4, \$20 for all day demo & lunch. \$30 for guests.
- **Nominations** — Gordon announced the nominations to date: Paul Rygaard, Pres; Mark Koenig, VP; Greg Peck, Secretary; Tom Schmida, Treasurer; Mike Lanahan, Professional Demos. No further nominations put forth. Nominations accepted, no further nominations, then a vote of members unanimously approved the nominations. The 2018 Board members will be as listed above.

November & December President's Challenge, make-ups & Raffle— "Multi Axis" & "For the Holiday"

- *See the Member and their top in the President's Challenge photo section of this Newsletter.*

November Show and Tell —

- *See the Member and their work in the Show & Tell photo section of this Newsletter.*

Break —

Presentation — Kalia Kliban, Wine Country Woodturners, Sonoma, makes a porringer, and shows finishes.



Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

President's Challenge "Multi Axis" & "For the Holiday"



Johnny Alias —
 >> Multi-axis bowl
 (turned round, then off-
 set, mounted with face-
 plate)
 >> Sea urchin ornament.



Colin Mckenzie —
 >> Black acacia "Mr. Ugly"
 turned on 2 axis w friction
 polish.



Bob Gerenser —
 >> Spalted maple
 vacuum chuck
 mounted multi-axis;
 >> Gifts: Maple and
 cherry magnetic-
 based sewing pin cup
 w friction polish



Milton West —
 >> Redwood face
 (center);
 >> Multi-axis;
 >> Maple/walnut/purple
 heart thingy-bob w Poly
 finish



Barbara Jones —
 Bay laurel makeup
 bowl — collaboration
 with Mike Lanahan at
 the Sawdust Session...



President's Challenge "Multi Axis" & "For the Holiday"



Joe Martinka —
 >> Redwood multi-axis vase (3 axis w 120 degree twist) w poly finish.
 >> Sea urchin ornament has HUT finish



Mike Lanahan —
 >> Quilted (figured) maple multi-axis bowl with beads and w WipeOnPoly.
 >> Snowman made of American holly body, ebony hat, padauk carrot, oak corncob pipe & toothpick stem.
 "Tree thingies" for arms
 No finish



Stephen Balsbaugh —
 Right angle and 3 axis experiments.
 He went "all out with the wood". **Wood is MDF!**



Ray Hari —
 Bay laurel oblong pebble shaped multi-axis lidded box. Top is walnut.



Gary Keogh —
 Tea light w/offset cuts to show the light - Walnut

Show & Tell



Bob Gerenser—
Maple burl boxes w
WipeOn Poly finish.
How to hold the top?
**Tune in to the next
Sawdust Session to
find out how!**



Colin Mckenzie —
Iron bark eucalyptus
natural edger bowl
with friction polish.



Mark Koenig —
>> Pepper mill
>> Wine bottle stopper
Both have elm burl
cabochon inserts on the
top.



Oscar Wittrock —
Sycamore salt and pepper
shaker



Ray Hari —
Spalted maple hollow form vase.



Sally Ault presented a full day demonstration co-sponsored by SVW and West Bay at The Bridges church in Los Altos on October 7th. The morning was devoted to jewelry making, notably necklaces, pendants and ear rings.



Small centers allow access for small parts



Bamboo Skewers are handy



3M Flexible "sandpaper"



Sally uses CA finish for Jewelry



Make your own collets for holding pendant rings from PVC couplers



Turn fancy beads on a pen mandrel, but buy bags of simple beads

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Sally's Demonstration, continued



After lunch Sally demonstrated making urchin boxes



Take care when foaming



Select wood for the parts



Thimble sized box



Decorate inside of the top



Prepare the opening

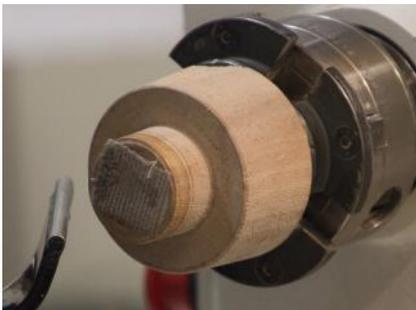


Fit the box



Add base and finial

Make a burl wood cabochon to accent a box lid



Mount a bit of fancy burl



Turn, sand and finish with CA



Viola!

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The turners below have graciously offered to open their shops to help members who want to learn to sharpen, try something new, or master a technique that just doesn't seem to be working. We all love to share. You just have to ask.

Willing to help? Contact Mike Lanahan to join this list.

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IRONMAN

Ironmen are those who successfully complete all 12 President's Challenge projects for the year. Those who meet the challenge are awarded coveted and distinctive IRONMAN name badges. A blue bar in the accompanying chart means that person has completed the project for the month indicated. You needn't be a great turner, you just need to participate. Make something in our Challenge theme and bring it to the next meeting.

Editor's Note

If I've somehow overlooked your President's Challenge entry, send me an e-mail at bob.gerenser@sbcglobal.net

| President's Challenge 2017 | January Embellishment | February Home Made Tool/Jig | March Use the Skew | April: Segmented or Glue-up | May Toy or Top | June Broken & Repaired | July Not Wood | August Wearable | September Collaboration or Training | October Face or Profile | November: Multi Axis | November: For the Holidays | Platter |
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| Brown, David | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Butt, Kyle | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cohen, Howard | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Donovan, Jim | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Gallis, Jerry | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gerenser, Bob | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Havens, Brian | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Vaneer, David | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| West, Milton | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Westfall, Dick | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zavala, Pete | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

For a more detailed description of the President's Challenges, go to:
[https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/SVWoodturners/files/Presidents Challenge/](https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/SVWoodturners/files/Presidents%20Challenge/)

IRONMAN Rules

- There are twelve challenges listed for the year and in order to qualify for Ironman you must show, by the end of the year, that you have completed all twelve challenges.
- Challenge entries should be shown at the meeting corresponding to the challenge schedule.

SVW NEEDS YOU!

It takes more than the officers and program chairs to make our club function at its best. If your name's not in the column at right, we still need your help in other ways to manage some of the club's activities. This is a HELP WANTED ad, and we need you to respond. There are always things that need doing. In particular, we need:

- Volunteers for shop tours
- Volunteers to present/demonstrate at meetings
- Members to write up their profiles for the newsletter
- Short articles or Tips & Tricks for the *Chips & Chatter* newsletter

Please contact Mike Lanahan to volunteer and help make our activities happen.

OTHER WOODTURNING CLUBS: You may use materials in this newsletter for the benefit of other turners. Please credit Silicon Valley Woodturners and the newsletter month and year for any material you use, and mention our web site: www.svwoodturners.org. Note that if we've flagged an article as having been reprinted from another source with permission, you must secure that same permission in order to use that material.

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Want to join a great group of turning enthusiasts in an atmosphere of sharing and camaraderie? Become a member of Silicon Valley Woodturners. We meet on the **First** Wednesday of each month. See page 2 for details. Drop in at any meeting and check things out. To join, contact John Whittier (see contact list), or just complete the application form below and mail with check to Grant. Learn more about our club on the web at www.svwoodturners.org.

Silicon Valley Woodturners Membership Application

Please print and mail with a check payable to SVW for \$35* individual (\$45* family) to:
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| Member-ship* | Renewal | 2 nd Quarter April - June | 3 rd Quarter July - Sept. | 4 th Quarter Oct. - Dec. |
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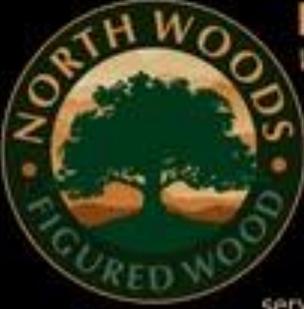
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