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BAWA Summer Picnic & Tool Swap
Sunday, August 4th
11am to 2pm

Come enjoy a barbecue with your woodturning friends!

We will gather at Pleasant Hill Community Park, 147 Gregory Ln, Pleasant Hill, Picnic Area #2.

The Club will provide burgers, brats and buns along with all necessary serving utensils, plates, cups and condiments.

The event is potluck: we are breaking up what to bring alphabetically by last name (please note that we've changed the assignments slightly from last year so that we have more sides and less drinks and desserts):

A- G: Cold drinks (Soda, Iced Tea, etc.)

H- P: Sides (Baked beans, Salads, Deviled Eggs, etc.)

Q - Z: Desserts

Don't forget to turn a flying disc, e.g. Frisbee and join in the competition! We will have an event to see who can toss their Frisbee the farthest and a second event to see who can land their Frisbee closes to the target. Prizes will be awarded at the event.

The rules are few and simple:

Your flying discs must be lathe turned wood and consist of a solid disc with a recurved rim, similar to the original Frisbee flying disc

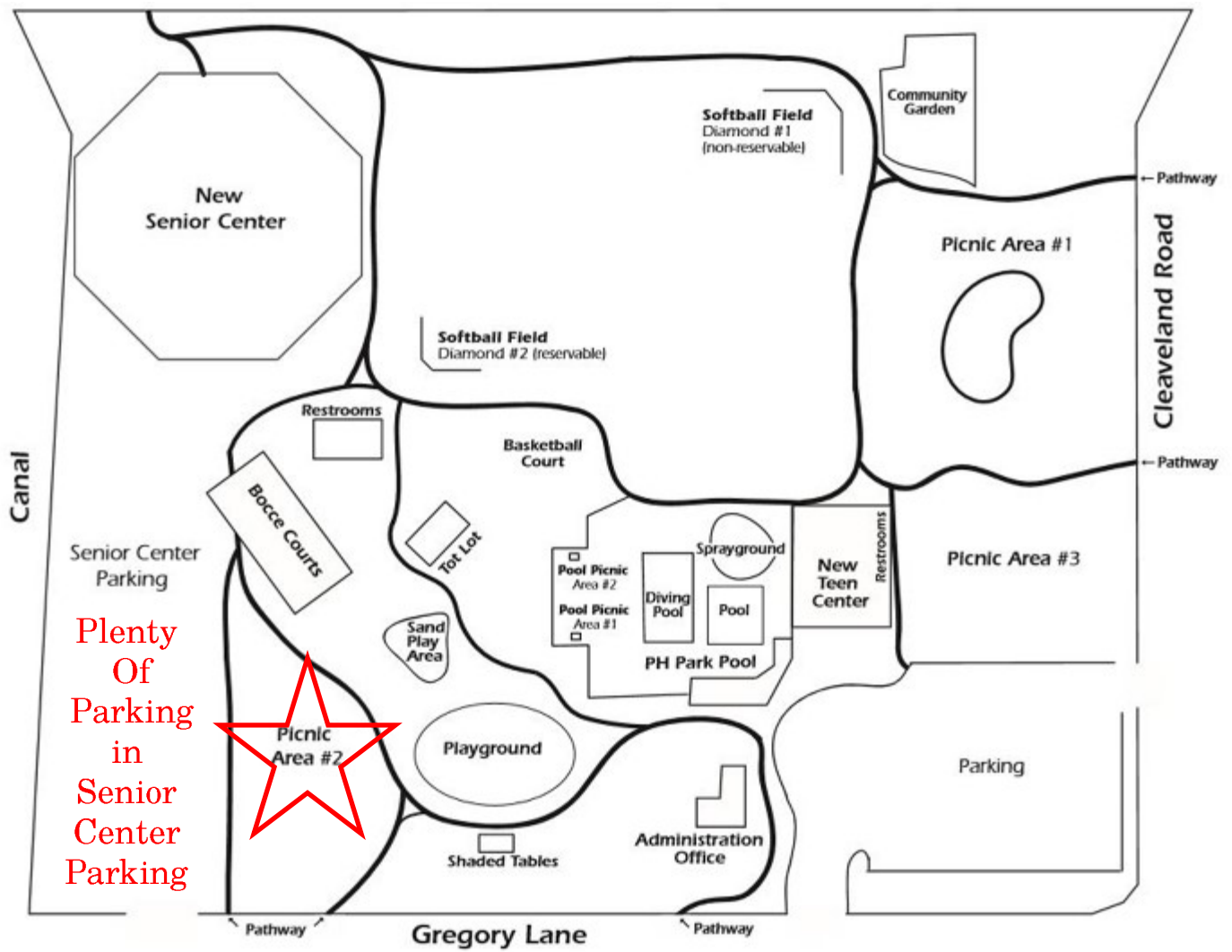
Your flying disc must be solid, no holes in the middle and no rings similar to the Aerobie are permitted

You get one toss per event and can enter up to three discs in each event

Get turning and see you all Sunday.

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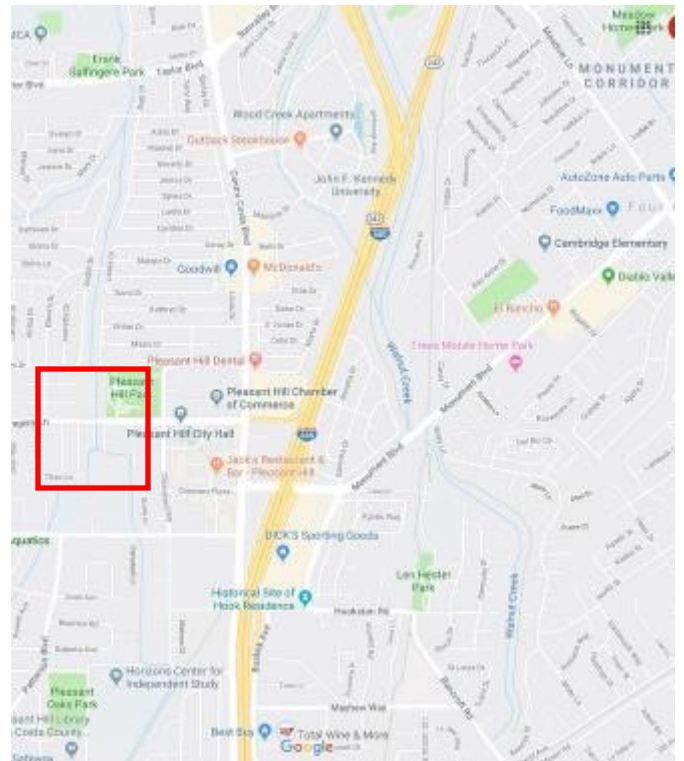




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Club Meetings

Meetings are the 2nd Saturday of each month unless otherwise noted.

8:30 doors open for setup, use store and library, swap ideas, view displays

9:00—12:30 meeting and demo

Meetings will be held at the PHEC Woodturning Center, 1 Santa Barbara Road, Pleasant Hill, CA.

See bayareawoodturners.org/ for directions and club information.

BAWA Officers Meeting -

Officer meetings are open to all members. Contact Kim Wolfe at: president@bayareawoodturners.org if you would like to be on the agenda.

2019-2020 Event Schedule

Aug 4th	BAWA Picnic 11:00-2:00 Date Change to 1st Sunday of Month
Sept 7th	Graeme Priddle & Mellissa Engler Turned & Carved Bowls 8:30-4:00 Date Change to 1st Saturday of Month
Oct 12th	David Ellsworth Bowls & Hollow Forms 8:30-4:00
Nov 9th	Hugh Buttrum Christmas Ornaments 8:30-12:30
Dec 8th	Holiday Party 11:00-2:30 Sunday
Jan 11th 2020	Jim Rodgers 8:30-12:30

The Bay Area Woodturners Association is a local chapter of the American Association of Woodturners. Our purpose is to provide a meeting place for local turners to share ideas and techniques and to educate the general public regarding the art of turning. The Association usually meets the second Saturday of each month. The Association periodically sponsors exhibitions and demonstrations by local and internationally known turners.

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September 7, 2019
Graeme Priddle & Melissa Engler
Turned and Carved Bowls
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM



We would like to remind you that Graeme Priddle and Melissa Engler will join us on September 7, 2019 to present Turned and Carved Wood Bowls.

Here is a short write up about Graeme and Melissa taken from their web site.

Melissa Engler and Graeme Priddle have been collaborating on sculptural wood art in their shared studio space at Grovewood Village since 2015. This husband and wife team maintains a busy exhibition schedule, while also teaching woodturning workshops around the globe.

Melissa Engler holds a B.A. in sculpture from the University of North Carolina at Asheville. She is also a 2010 graduate of Haywood Community College's Professional Crafts Program in furniture. Her work has been featured in Carolina Home + Garden, WNC Magazine, Woodwork Magazine, and American Craft. Engler's interest in conservation and her love of the outdoors inspires her work in wood. Her hope is that her sculptures "convey a sense of our primal connection to our environment and evoke an awareness of its tenuous state."

Graeme Priddle, a woodworker for over 25 years, is widely known for turned and carved sculptural work. Many of his sculptures reflect the life and environment of his home country, New Zealand. His work has received numerous awards and has been exhibited around the globe. Priddle is very active in the woodturning world. He served on the committee of the New Zealand National Association of Woodturners for five years and was instrumental in establishing the [CollaborationZ](#), New Zealand, a biennial week-long art event based in Whangarei Northland.

Melissa Engler and Graeme Priddle welcome special commissions, and their commitment to fine craftsmanship is evident in every project they undertake.

For more information on Graeme and Melissa please check out their websites, <http://graemepriddle.com>, graemepriddle.com and Melissa's website www.melissaengler.com/about for more information on their art.

This will be an exciting presentation, hope to see you there.



President's Chatter

August 2019



Recently, a friend was forced to remove his favorite tree (it was damaged by a fallen diseased tree). He was in mourning and I offered to turn a memento from it. A year ago this might have been an exercise in futility. But the time was right. Thanks to many of you, I now have the knowledge to work with "Mikes Blooming Tree." The color is fabulous, and in spite of the poor cell structure, I turned a beautiful bowl for him. Three additional pieces remain in my wood closet. Each promise to be a challenge that I look forward to.

Presently, the BAWA board is looking to the future. This is a great time to update the bylaws and identify future board members. If you would like to become more involved in the club, now is the time to let a board member know.

Keep those chips flying,

Kim Wolfe

Rockler Helps BAWA Members

BAWA members receive a 10% discount when purchasing directly at the Concord Rockler Store at:

<http://www.rockler.com/retail/stores/ca/concord-store>.

Mention your BAWA membership when checking out, to receive your discount. Rockler also donates part of the proceeds back to the club which help support our Holiday Party raffle.



BAWA Classified Ads



We want members and others with items to sell or trade, services to render or if you're just looking to find a specific item from fellow BAWA members. Please send ads to Louie Silva at: newslettereditor@bayareawoodturners.org

You can't beat the price...FREE!!

Large Antique Treadle Lathe and Scroll Saw



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Turn for Troops

Thank you to the BAWA members that participated in Turn for Troops event. Special thanks to Jim Rogers for all of his ongoing support and allowing us to use the woodturning center for this event. I would also like to thank Joel Albert, Anna Duncan, Michelle Freeze, Claudia Foster, Bill Morris and Jim Rogers for thier assistance with helping our members to assemble the pens, donation of pens and assistance with setting up the woodturner center for the event.

Sincerely,
Jeff Tanner



Tips and Techniques

Each month I work to come up with things to write about and I seem to be feeling like I can't find anything else that might be new. So I racked my brain and read books and magazines to come up with some ideas.



by Cindy Navarro

1. Identifying Sanding Scratches. If you wipe the wood with mineral spirits first, it will show up the scratches long enough for you to re-sand. It is also a good way to remove sawdust before you apply a finish. *G. Theodore Odom*
2. Transferring lacquer, shellac or paints or stains to a spray cup or other container can be messy or awkward. Using a turkey baster can be helpful. Just make sure that it is impervious to the lacquer or shellac.
3. An old clothes iron has many uses in the shop. It can make removing dents easy. Just dampen a cotton cloth pad and place it over the dent or ding. Set the iron to cotton or wool and once warm apply it to the cotton pad for a few seconds and then check your progress. Repeat until the dent is flush. To repair loose veneer, place a damp cloth between the iron and the work. Move the iron so that the work doesn't get too hot or it will scorch the veneer. There may be some adhesives that cannot be reactivated, but most veneer work was done with hide glue, which is easily reactivated by the heat of the iron and the veneer will be reconnected again.
4. Filling cracks can either be to hide or to accentuate the flaw. If you want to hide or have the flaw blend into the piece then use fine dust from the same wood. An easy way to get this is to hold a piece of sandpaper against a similar piece of wood as it spins on the lathe and this will give you fine dust.

I keep small bags of dust from most of my work. I just label them and keep them in a box so I always have them available. I use epoxy or medium thin CA. Gently pack the flaw with sawdust and apply the CA. Doing layers ensure that the entire flaw is filled. If using epoxy gently push the mixture into the crack, also doing layers, using a toothpick or spatula. Try not to pack it too full or it will need sanding, but allow for shrinkage.

DVD Review

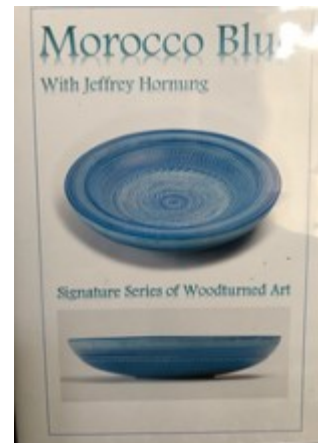
Morocco Blue with Jeff Hornung

Jeff Hornung is a woodturning artist and the owner of The Walnut Log, a business that sells Yorkshire Grit and Hampshire Sheen, as well as, other woodturning products.

This video goes through the process of how Jeff creates his Morocco Blue bowl. It demonstrates the process, which involves texturing, airbrushing and the use of liming wax. It is instructive and the methods can be used on any projects you might want to make.

There is an additional bonus of how he makes his 2 Feather Sunset piece.

I hope you enjoy the DVD



Part III of Sorting Out the Maples (continued from last month) By Tony Wolcott

Maple wood is generally considered an excellent indoor furniture wood. The wood is durable, a light blonde color with faint growth rings. Maple is a diffuse porous wood which adds to its consistent creamy appearance. It is often stained for better appearance. Often, mahogany is stained maple! There are differences between the species when it comes to wood. The superior strength of the hard maple (*Acer saccharum*) has been mentioned. This sugar maple is the best of all the maples. Below are photographs of wood from various maple species.



Sugar maple (*Acer saccharum*) wood



Silver maple (*Acer saccharinum*) wood. The sapwood is considered a higher value than the hardwood.



Red maple (*Acer rubrum*) wood



Acer negundo (box elder) wood without the pink streaks



Box elder (*Acer negundo*) slab. The pink coloring is apparently caused by a fungus (*Fusarium reticulatum*). Pink coloring is highly variable and often not present.



European sycamore (*Acer pseudoplatanus*) wood



Hard to find a wood photograph of a Japanese maple (*Acer japonicum*). It does grow to a large size given enough time and great conditions. But still more useful for woodturners especially when spalted.

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Other maples commonly planted:

Paper bark maple (*Acer griseum*)



Striped Maple (*Acer Pensylvanicum*)



Striped Maple Bark



Striped Maple Buds



Striped Maple Flowers



Striped Maple Leaves

Silver Maple is also called moose maple (it is heavily browsed in provinces where moose are still present) and goosefoot maple (reflecting the shape of the leaf).

<https://macphailwoods.org/nature-guides/trees/striped-maple/>

So to an end comes the long winded maple story. But one more myth to explain. Exorbitant prices are asked for figured maple. Be advised that ambrosia maple, birdseye maple, maple burl, curly maple, quilted maple, spalted maple, fiddleback maple; all are just maples of some sort or other. Ambrosia is caused by the ambrosia beetle. Spalted wood is a result of incipient decay or fungal attack. The other patterns are caused by abnormal tree growth. The actual maple species may be a mystery to the seller. Good luck with your maples. They all turn well. Just remember to look for samaras and opposite leaf arrangement.

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