

CONEJO VALLEY WOODWORKERS

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President's Message

Happy April to all. My first meeting as your President was fantastic. We had a great turnout and even a few new members and guests. I appreciate our club meetings participation and welcome ideas for future workshops and speakers.

I have been busy making my wooden American flags and crosses. I sometimes am not sure what is going to appear once I get out into the shop/garage. I am happy to share that I sold one of my pieces to someone up in the Sierra Nevada mountains where I have a cabin. It's always nice to have people appreciate the work we do and better yet, give us money!!!

I have been busy trying to fill in the calendar for the rest of the year. It is looking very hopeful so far. I would also like to thank our new board members for continuing to keep the flame of passion burning for our Conejo Valley Woodworkers Association.

Stacy Gerlich

Introduction of your new board:

President- Stacy Gerlich

Treasurer- Dan Smith

Secretary- Brad Ormsby

Membership- Jeff Bock

Board Member- Bill Aurand

Board Member- Frank Jones

Past President- Brad Ormsby

[Upcoming Event on April 4, 2024 @ 7 p.m.](#)

Our club meeting will be held at our new location;

Woodworkers Retreat

3305 Grande Vista Dr. Newbury Park, CA 91320

At this meeting, we will hear and see a demonstration from Rubio Monocoat on their finishes. Mike Kirk will also be sharing his talent by explaining how he takes flat wood and creates bowls on the lathe. This will be a very busy meeting with lots to see and learn. Please be prompt and keep breaks short. **Please Note, that at the new location, members will need to sign a waiver for us to use the premises. Here is a link to the waiver:**

<https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/w/wmze6ozelegi87u9qbimr/web/>

Please bring a show n tell item made from wood!!!

[April 6, 2024](#)

We have an opportunity to help out the family of one of our past members. Please read the following and consider volunteering some time if you are available.

Garage Sale for Wolfgang Ludeking's Wood Tools

April 6th 9am-Noon

1763 Spence St. Simi Valley, CA 93065

Wolfgang Ludeking (past member/deceased) son Steven Ludeking would like to have a CVWA Sponsored Garage Sale April 6, 2024, at his father's residence located at 1763 Spence St. Simi Valley, CA 93065. He has agreed to the CVWA taking 35% of all total sales.

Steven had the club remove all the lumber and wood from the garage back in October 2023. The wood was given to several members, some was sold. The money was given to Don Halvorson, our previous Treasurer.

Steven was going to take out an ad in the local area, and hopefully have CVWA invite its club members to attend.

The following members have already agreed to help at this sale. Bill Aurand, Frank Jones, Arlen Handberg, and Dan Smith.

The CVWA Board has approved this event.

Wolfgang Ludeking passed away on Oct 2, 2023, from complications of Alzheimer's.



[April 17, 2024](#), is our next breakfast meeting at Pickles. We met at 0900. It would be nice to see more faces there if you are available.

We will also be bringing back the “Challenge” events. At our next meeting, we will pick a category to give all of us plenty of time to create something fun. If you have any ideas, please be prepared to discuss them next week.

[HIGHLIGHTS FROM MARCH](#)

Well, we started off the year very well. We had our March meeting in our new location, Woodworkers Retreat in Newbury Park. John and Anna were gracious enough to tell us a little about themselves. Our club members were next. I must say, we have some very talented and long winded members!!! All kidding aside, it was a great opportunity for all of us to hear about one another and to learn about the diverse backgrounds we all have.

We had a few items that were brought in for show and tell from Dick Wiley(trucks) and Mike Kirk (bowl).



RAFFLE PRIZES FOR OUR CLUB:

Flexcut 5 piece beginners palm carving set

<https://www.rockler.com/flexcut-5-piece-beginners-palm-carving-set>

We will also have a 12v Bosch palm router:

<https://www.amazon.com/Bosch-Brushless-Palm-Router-GKF12V-25N/dp/B07B8YLWC>
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Jorgensen 3 pack chisel set

<https://www.lowes.com/pd/Jorgensen-3-Pack-Woodworking-Chisels-Set/5013299701>

O'keefe's working hands cream

<https://www.lowes.com/pd/O-Keeffe-s-O-Keeffe-s-Working-Hands-3-4-oz-Hand-Cream/5004146987>

HEAROS 10-Pack Hearing Protection Earplugs

<https://www.lowes.com/pd/HEAROS-10-Pack-Foam-Hearing-Protection-Earplugs/1000992034?idProductFound=false&idExtracted=true>

MONEY SPENDING OPPORTUNITY

ROCKLER IN PASADENA IS CLOSING ITS DOORS!! UP TO 35% OFF.

And one more thing: PLEASE remember to renew your membership. Jeff Bock, our Membership Chair, is looking forward to helping you do that. We are now able to accept credit card payments at our meetings.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting.