

## Turning in the Age of Corona

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Leaves are Turning...and so are We

Santa Cruz Woodturners

As we approach the Equinox in this dry year, some big leaf maple leaves are already turning yellow and the poison oak red. It's not New England, but we do have some color. In our shops, we're making colorful shavings, too.

**Tom Eovaldi** is toying with sharp corners and non-traditional shapes.



It's also apple season back in Illinois, and since we did last month's President's Challenge on the theme of fruit, **Tom** sends this offering.



**Bill Hopkins** participated heartily in the pursuit of an avocado wood bounty for our club members, and he notes that this wood warps a bit.

Salvador Dali would love this melting bowl.

Next thing you know, Bill is going to start applying his talents to clocks....



Fortunately, Bill can also turn avocado objects which aren't melting. This thin blank dried fast enough in less than 2 months to make this elegant plate.



It's late summer in a drought year in a changing climate. The monarchs are disappearing from the coastal eucalyptus groves, but other **butterflies are thriving** in Aromas.



Nice work, **Dan Aldridge**. I sense a crack-mitigation topic for a future demo when we can get back into a real shop in person!



Here's one of John Wells' butterfly endeavors with pewter ...also in walnut

Speaking of future demos...and Fall colors...



I've been practicing for the platter demo October 23. This symmetrical one is maple, teak, purple heart, and bubinga. The 4 corners of the laminated blank became wee bowl "accessories" to the main piece. (17")

OK, enough for today.

Remember that Sept 18, we'll be treated to a remote demo with Kirk deHeer of Craft Supply on "Spindle Essentials." Zoom again!

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so don't get your knickers in a twist*