

TCC West Coast Meeting

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Twenty TCC members gathered on a bright late spring day to enjoy the fourth West Coast TCC meeting, held in Los Altos Hills, California, south of San Francisco. The informal affair was organized by Judie Siddall and David Hoexter, and was hosted by Patricia and Colin Knight, who opened their beautiful home and gardens and displayed their transferware as well as additional ceramic collections.

We began with a light lunch and conversation. We continued with a lecture by Pat titled “The Botanical Obsession: Prints and Porcelain & Pottery”. Pat was scheduled to present the lecture at our October 2012 Seattle meeting, but unfortunately had to cancel, so we were thrilled to have a chance to hear her discussion of the role of botany in the 18th century and its portrayal on pottery. Pat explained that the outcome of plant explorations and the changing landscape of the great estates, the research at botanical centers and the popular interest in horticulture, led to books illustrated with botanical prints and to Curtis Botanical Magazine. As a result botanical decoration on porcelain and pottery became fashionable. This was illustrated with examples from the factories, including a special discussion of flowers on blue printed pottery.

Following the lecture and numerous questions, we held a lively show and tell, with numerous articles displayed and discussed. The afternoon ended with a show and sale, and a number of items changed hands.

Members came to the meeting from as far away as San Diego and the California Mother Lode, east of Sacramento. We vowed to meet again sooner than the previous two-year hiatus.



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Our speaker and hostess, Pat Knight, with husband and host, Colin Knight



Part of the group



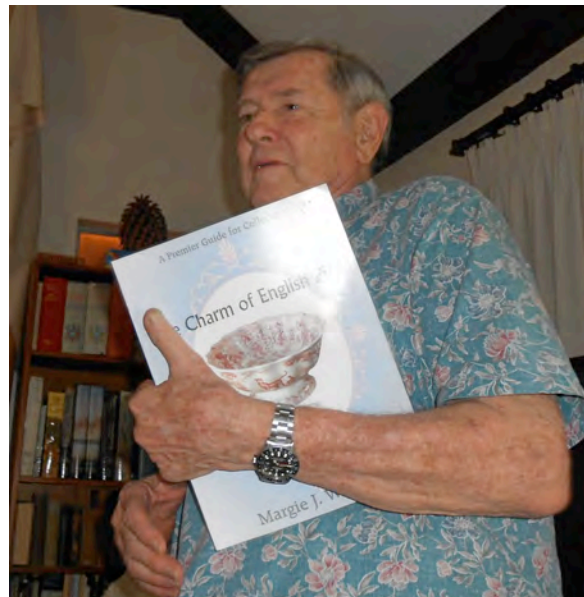
Carlene Bruins with her specialty, a child's mug, and Yutka Enochs with chamber pot



David Hoexter and Michael Sack's source print.



Michael Sack and plate (source print in previous photo)



Margie and Kent Williams