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President's Message

This concludes my two terms as president of Nor-Cal. With the help of the board and the members, we have had good years. The demonstrations have been informative and entertaining. The Members Gallery has been well supplied with turnings most meetings. The quality of the turnings and the talent of the turners are certainly evident. Participation in the President's Challenge has increased over the last two years. We raffled a lathe and other great items, and have given out a lot of wood. We instituted the annual ice cream social held in July of the past two years. And the library has been greatly expanded, particularly with the DVDs.

I believe that Nor-Cal is headed in the right direction. There is yet much to do to meet the changing needs of the membership. Having met with the new board, I believe they are certainly up to the task. They have many great ideas and a lot of enthusiasm.

The major disappointments were the cancellation of two big-name turners. One because not enough people signed up to see her, and the other because the turner had somehow left us off his schedule and made other plans for that time. But we did get permission from Woodcraft to use their facilities for future demonstrations. Plans are underway for some big-name turners to visit next year. Cindy Drozda is scheduled for October 2007 and there are one or two others in the works for next year.

In all, I have enjoyed my terms as president and have enjoyed the support of two boards and the support of the members. I enjoy woodturning and I enjoy your fellowship. Thank you!
Rollie

PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE FOR DECEMBER

The President's Challenge for December at the Christmas Party is to make a bottle stopper. Corks were handed out at the October meeting. A few are still available, so if you want one contact Rollie. However, you do not have to use the corks we supplied. You can use your own and you can use the metal ones if you want to do something a little fancier.

At the October meeting, Floyd Norling explained one method of making bottle stoppers. I hope you looked at those he brought – they were outstanding. We are also planning on distributing some instructions on making bottle stoppers. Jerry Hall found them and provided them to us. Distribution will be by e-mail, and will probably have been done before you get this newsletter.

We will have the usual three classes: novice, intermediate, and advanced. It is self identification as to which class you are in, but perhaps for this President's Challenge those who have been doing bottle stoppers for a while might consider putting themselves in a higher class. Winners will be selected by popular vote of the people at the Christmas party.

Nor-Cal Woodturners

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Dues for the calendar year are \$30 per member and \$10 for spouse (if they desire to join).

Commercial memberships are available for \$50 per year. This membership includes yearly advertising in the newsletter. Ads are to be business card size and may be changed from month to month. Contact Treasurer Perry Kesterson for more membership information.

*Newsletter deadline is the tenth of each month. All submissions should be sent to **Nor-Cal Woodturners, Norm Hinman, 302 Peck Ave., Yuba City, CA 95991. E-mail to: nhinman@jps.net.***

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Granite Bay	Tom Castaldo	916-791-7544
Yuba City	Norm Hinman	530-673-5056

The Mentor program is available to members who have questions about turning, Nor-Cal programs, and to get a better 'feel' for the club. Check in with the Mentor in your area and get acquainted!

*Chairman

Mini Woodturning Workshops

Mini Woodturning Workshops are normally held at Bill Flewelling's shop on the Saturday following the general meeting. The workshops are for six hours, 8:30 am to 3:00 pm, with a break for lunch.

A donation of \$20 is requested for the workshop. This amount will be refunded upon attendance. - No show - No refund! Signup and donation collection are at the general meeting ONLY, on a first come basis.

Your instructor is Bill Flewelling. You will be using a Jet, Fisch, or a VicMarc mini lathe. Subject matter to be covered will be given at the general meeting when you sign up.

All NorCal members in good standing will be accepted for the workshop. Ask at the general meeting for directions to the workshop.

CALENDAR

Dec 12 – Christmas Party, 7:00 pm
 Jan 8 - Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Dick's house
 Jan 23 - General Meeting, 7:00 pm -
 Malcolm Tibbetts
 Feb 27 - General Meeting, 7:00 pm -
 David Marks

Note

**There will be no Mini Workshop in
 December**

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A slate of officers was nominated at the September meeting. At the October meeting nominations were re-opened for all positions, followed by the election of officers for 2007.

The officers for 2007 are as follows:

President – Dick Lambert
 Vice-president – Don Bradway
 Secretary – Gail Wheeler
 Treasurer – Mike Johnson
 Librarians – Phil Sargent, Bert and Hilde Fortier
 Editor – Norm Hinman
 Historian – Sonja Lemon
 Members at Large - Katy Globus and Bob Hosea

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

It's time to renew our membership in Nor-Cal Woodturners and pay our dues for next year. The dues are \$30.00 per member and \$10.00 for a spouse if they want to join. They are due by the end of February, but this year we are offering an incentive for early payment. Those who pay by February 10, 2007, will have their names put in a drawing. The drawing will be held at the February general meeting. The prize has not yet been determined, but the new board assures me that it will be nice.

Additionally, you are no longer required to fill out a membership application for renewal of your membership. Simply pay your dues to the
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CHRISTMAS PARTY

(Repeat from October Newsletter)

The Nor-Cal Christmas party will be held at the regular meeting place on December 12. It will begin at 7:00 p.m. We will have a pot luck dinner, gift exchange, president's challenge, and a special surprise dessert. That in addition to a lot of visiting.

The Christmas party will be POT LUCK again this year. We are asking people to bring enough for 6 to 8 people. The chapter will provide beverages and eating utensils. For the food, the alphabet has been divided as follows (we have rotated it from last year):

A-F bring salads

G-M bring main dishes

N-Z bring desserts

We also ask that you bring a serving utensil with your main dish, salad, or dessert.

The Christmas party will include a GIFT EXCHANGE. Bring a gift in a paper bag, and close the bag so that others cannot peek in. It can be an item you turned, a tool, or something you think a turner would enjoy having. (No "white elephant" gifts, please.) Spouses, significant others, and guests are welcome to participate. The gifts in their bags will be collected and put on tables in the front of the room. Each person who brings a gift will be given a ticket. The tickets will be drawn randomly. When your ticket is drawn, you go to the front and chose the bag you want. You cannot lift, feel, or look into the bag. The first one you touch is yours. You then open the bag and show the gift, to the delight of the members.

The Christmas party will include the **pot luck dinner**, the **gift exchange**, and the **President's Challenge**. There will be no raffle, library or glue sales at this meeting. Also, there will not be an official members' gallery, but you are welcome to bring turnings or turning-related things to display or brag about.

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Treasurer. However, if your mailing address or e-mail address has changed, please let the Treasurer know. New members are still required to complete a membership application.

October meeting presentations

Floyd Norlin and Barry Hanna each gave a very informative and interesting presentation describing how they accomplish their respective finished pieces. Floyd described how he makes his bottle stoppers whereas Barry led the members through the steps of placing a decorative collar on a hollow vessel.

MEMBERS' GALLERY



Phil Sargent's Walnut platter



Floyd showing some of his bottle stoppers



Phil Sargent's Sycamore vase



Barry transferring the neck size to the collar



Herschel Roby's Basswod bowl



Barry Hanna's Walnut and Maple hollow vessel



Dan Clark's Aspen vase



Barry Hanna's Camphor and Ebony hollow vessel



Dan Clark's Walnut vase



Table utensils turned by Barry Hanna



Dan Clark's Mahogany vase



Herb Medsger's Plum vessel



Dale Blue's bottle stoppers



Herb Medsger's colored Sycamore bowl



Walnut bowl turned by James Santhon, President of the Orange County Woodturners



Herb Medsger's Chinese Tallow vessel



Bill Flewelling's Cork Oak bowl



Bill Flewelling's multi-centered turnings

My apologies to Glenn Robison for failing to obtain a photograph of his cherry vessel. It seems that your Editor has difficulty counting to 17.

Norm Hinman, Editor



Anyone interested in a very tough Sycamore stump?

ANNOUNCEMENT

(from Rich Johnson:)
Trent Bosch will be at my studio 1/14/07. We start at 9:00 am. The cost is \$30 & lunch is included. We do have a signup process, your people need to contact me if they want in. I usually have room for 30 people.


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