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President's Message

Do you sometimes get lucky? Do you sometimes know too much? If I had known all the risks involved with woodturning, would I have begun in the first place? By that I want you to know that I really enjoy my hobby and feel lucky that I was introduced to it, BUT if I had known, what would I have done differently? Where would I have gone for advice? Is it even possible to buy the perfect lathe for the beginner? If you start off thinking you're only going to do small things and you wind up preferring only to do big things, was it a mistake to get a small lathe? Is it safer to start on a small lathe? And that basic set of tools soon isn't so basic anymore! You need this and you need that. It is next to impossible to define the shortest line between point A and point B in the woodturning world. So if you're given a little advice, take it with a grain of salt and don't criticize your adviser too much, as sooner or later you might be in the advisor's shoes and not the advisee's shoes. You'll get different advice from different advisors because none of us have taken the same path to where we are! With all those questions, I'm still an addicted woodturner. Just give me more time to turn.

The sharing of information between members is one of the biggest advantages to being involved with our club. But if you only come to the meetings, you're shortchanging yourself. Visit with one another. Reach out at the meetings to the new member or the senior member, there is a wealth of information there. Arrange to see a mentor or the turner across town, or the neighboring town. Read! Share with others the ideas you pick up. Write an article for the newsletter that will aid other club members. Do you wonder where I'm going with this presidential message? Well so do I!!!!!! Have you ever tried to write one Presidential message

(Past President's excluded - it's part of the job) or one editorial? I usually have something that is on my mind that becomes the topic to cover. Today, I'm clueless. (All right - some of you think I've been that way for some time). But I think that it is due in part to exhaustion from other things happening; such as moving my wife's first grade "stuff" home as she is retiring (well deserved I might add) and then getting ready for out of town guests. Enough for this old body to handle but then I realize this MESSAGE must be put together. Sorry, maybe the next message will be better. If things are bad now, they can only get better or worse. If things are good now, they can only get better or worse. It's just whatever you think is bad or good.

As a club, we have a lot to prepare for. WE need to review a proposed new set of bylaws. WE need to evaluate the pros and cons of attaining non-profit status. WE need to find the right members to lead us in 2011 and beyond. We will need to refill some positions on the board, including the president, so strongly consider where you can fit into our leadership arena. We'll apparently have another woodworking show to get ready for this November. Please volunteer to help. Another all day demonstration is in the works and we're trying to organize some weekend one-day small group (Continued on page 4.)

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Nor-Cal Woodturners

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General Meetings on the **4th Tuesday** at 6:45 p.m.

Roster of Officers 2010

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General turning of most types, Natural edge		
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Christmas orn., Natural edge, Texturing & Boxes		
Roseville	Phil Sargent	916-789-1172
Natural edge vessels, General Turning		
Yuba City	Norm Hinman	530-673-5056
Basic Bowl, Basic Spindle and Natural Edge.		

The Mentor program is available to members who have questions about, and/or problems with, turning, Nor-Cal programs, and to get a better 'feel' for the club. Check in with the Mentor(s) in your area of interest (or geography) and get acquainted!

Mini Woodturning Workshops

Sign up at the meeting for the June 26 workshop at Norm Hinman's shop. Three full-size lathes available.

*Dues for the calendar year are \$35 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 Dan Clark 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@yahoo.com***

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CALENDAR

2010

- June 22 - General Meeting. 6:45 PM
Norm Hinman: Turning a green bowl.
Raffle.
- June 28 - Board Meeting. (6:00 dinner, 7:00 meeting) Denney's 3rd. & J
- July 14-Aug 1 - California State Fair
- July 27 - General Meeting. 6:45 PM
Ice Cream Social. Egg cup turning competition. Board members vs challengers.
President's Challenge: Turn a Utility Item.
Auction of pieces by David Ellsworth and Bob Rosand.
- Aug 2 - Board Meeting. (6:00 dinner, 7:00 meeting) Denney's 3rd. & J
- Aug 24 - General Meeting. 6:45 PM
Henry Meier: Thread-cutting machine.
Raffle.
- Aug 30 - Board Meeting. (6:00 dinner, 7:00 meeting) Denney's 3rd. & J
- Sept 28 - General Meeting. 6:45 PM
Nomination of Officers.
Neal DeVore: Natural edged bowl.
President's Challenge: "Bowling Gone Wild".
Auction of pieces by David Ellsworth and Jimmy Clewes.
- Oct 4 - Board Meeting. (6:00 dinner, 7:00 meeting) Denney's 3rd. & J
- Oct 26 - General Meeting. 6:45 PM
Election of Officers.
Mike Spanbauer: Lathe, chainsaw and bandsaw safety.
Raffle.
- Nov 1 - Board Meeting. (6:00 dinner, 7:00 meeting) Denney's 3rd. & J
- Dec ? Christmas party. Date: TBD

LAST MEETING

Norm Hinman discussed, and showed, within allowable physical parameters considering the meeting's indoor environment, his method(s) of extracting the most usable portions of a log for turning. How he gets to the good stuff, and why he eliminates the rest was considered. Some of us turn bowls, some of us turn spindles and some of us dry, saw, plane, sand and glue pieces together. There are parts of a log for each of us.

NEXT MEETING

Norm Hinman will turn a green bowl. This will involve mounting the blank, shaping the outside, reverse chucking it for 'emptying', then reversing it again to finish the foot, or if the turner elects to do so, remove the spigot used to hold the bowl in the chuck.

Demonstrator needed:

Does anyone have experience with texturing, and is willing to put on a demonstration for the club? If that is you, please call Ted Young at 916-574-9117.

JOHN JORDAN CHALLENGE PROJECT

After we have a demo, we ask the attendees to design and finish a project much within the guidelines of what we were taught by the demonstrator. We will hold the John Jordan challenge in the month of June. Bring something ala John Jordan to the June meeting for review. Since many of you may have seen John Jordan at another venue, or read literature, or watched his DVD's, join us in this challenge to broaden our turning skills. Nothing ventured, nothing gained!!!

Davis Library Display

The Nor-Cal Woodturners' display is in place in the Davis Library whose temporary location is at 2801 2nd Street in Davis. It is in the same building as the "Explorit". Our work is in three display cabinets, behind glass.

NEWS & NOTES

Nor-Cal Woodturners welcomes

New Member:

Jerry Samla

Attendance

72 attended the May meeting.

Membership:

On May 13th. Nor-Cal membership stood at:

98

Notes from the Library

Library materials may be checked out by members for one month at a time. There is a 50 cent fee for each book or magazine and a \$1.00 fee for each DVD or VHS tape that is checked out. There is a limit of three library items that may be checked out at any one time. Be sure to return the items at the next meeting.

Treasurer's Report

The club is in good shape. We have enough funds to finish out the year in good style. Expenses in all the different categories are in line with past experience. We have had two major demonstrations this year and the club members gained valuable knowledge and experience and the club financially broke even.

Greenwood Sealer

Greenwood sealer is available in **5-gallon** quantities only. If you want smaller quantities, get in touch with some of your turning buddies and split 5-gallons among yourselves. For the near future, at least, contact Dwight Rutherford to obtain it. If you need it posthaste, give Dwight a call at 916-783-5082 and go to his house at 1407 Hermitage Way, Roseville, 95661. Otherwise, give Dwight a call, and he will bring it to the next meeting.

ROSTER REMINDER

If you are not getting your newsletter it may be that your address or email address has changed. Notify Dan Clark (at the Treasurer's desk)

President's Message (Cont. from page 1.)

projects. The 2012 AAW symposium will be in San Jose. We will need a strong contingent of volunteers from our chapter to do our share toward making the symposium a success. It's nice to attend a good symposium, but they don't just happen. A lot of effort is required both before and during the symposium for it to be effective. We need to plan for that. WE need to _____ (fill in the blank)!!!!!!

And the HOT LAZY DAYS OF SUMMER WILL BE WITH US SOON. Be thankful for what we do have. Cheers!!!

Corwin

PRODUCT SALES POSITION

A person is needed to cover the Product Sales table during meetings. If you are interested in helping out with this task please bring that fact to the attention of any board member. Thanks in advance.

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Hrs: M-T-W-F: 9am - 7pm, Th: 9am - 9pm, Sat: 9am - 6pm, Sun: 12pm - 5pm

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