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President's Message

The Sacramento Woodworkers Show has come and gone. I hope many of you were able to attend and see new woodworking tools displayed, along with the tried and true tools and techniques. Bargains were had by some members, and a bit of money was spent. Also, Nor-Cal was well represented, doing demonstration turning and talking about Nor-Cal and woodturning to all who stopped by the booth.

Don't forget the President's Challenge. Turn some fish and bring them to the meeting for display. Awards will be given in both "beginning" and "the rest of us" classes.

The April program will feature Hal Svenningsen doing hollowing. He will demonstrate a successful hollowing technique. He will also discuss and display various hollowing tools, both for smaller work and for really deep hollowing.

There are two opportunities for showing your work coming up that you may want to consider. (Actually there are many opportunities held each year. WoodWorker West is a great source for shows.) One is the California State Fair. Consider both the Fine Arts Competition and the Spirit of Wood (part of California Creative Arts). Entry forms are due May 27 for the Fine Arts Competition and June 10 for the Spirit of Wood. See the State Fair's website for information and entry forms at www.bigfun.org.

The other is a show to be held in San Luis Obispo May through June 2006. It will be held in an art gallery and is limited to California woodturners. More on that later, but those who may be interested should begin planning that special project.

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Calendar

- Apr 26-General Meeting, 7:00 pm. Hart Sr. Ctr.
- May 1-23-Davis Library Exhibit
- May 7-8-Woodcarver's Show, Scottish Rite Ctr.
- May 2-Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Curtis' house
- May 24-General Meeting, 7:00 pm. Hart Sr. Ctr.
- June 6-Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Don's House
- Jun 16-18-Utah Woodturners Sym., Provo, Utah
- Jun 28-General Meeting, 7:00 pm. Hart Sr. Ctr.
- Jul 9-Board Meeting, Carl's house
- Jul 22-24 - AAW Symposium, Overland Park, KS
- Jul 26-General Meeting, 7:00 pm. Hart Sr. Ctr.
- Aug 1-Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Don's house
- Aug 19-Sep 5 - Spirit of Wood, Cal Expo
- Aug 23-General Meeting, 7:00 pm. Hart Sr. Ctr.
- Aug 29-Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Dick's House
- Sept __-Davis City Hall Exhibit
- Sep 27-General Meeting, 7:00 pm. Hart Sr. Ctr.
- Oct 3-Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Perry's house
- Oct 25-General Meeting, 7:00 pm. Hart Sr. Ctr.
- Nov 7-Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, tba
- Nov 22, General Meeting, 7:00 pm. Hart Sr. Ctr.
- Dec __-Holiday Party, 7:00 pm. Hart Sr. Ctr.



April Program

Hollow Form Tools & Techniques
Hal Svenningsen



May Program

Cut Logs Into Turning Blanks
Norm Hinman

Nor-Cal Woodturners

Ethel MacLeod Hart Senior Center
915 27th Street, Sacramento CA
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General Meetings on the 4th Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

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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 Dan Clark for more membership information.

*Newsletter deadline is the tenth of each month. All submissions should be sent to **Nor-Cal Woodturners, Rollie Bowns, 8722 Cabra Court, Elk Grove, CA 95624. EMail to: rkbowns@frontiernet.net.***

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Mentor's Opportunity

LOCATION	NAME	PHONE
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Davis	Bill Flewelling	530-753-2664
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Sacramento	Kirk Stubbs	916-428-7099
Sacramento	Leonard Klima	916-334-7218
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.

Announcements

1. Bill Flewelling has Greenwood sealer for those who need it. The sealer comes in 5 gallon containers and costs \$32. Contact Bill at 530-753-2664 to make arrangements for your purchase.
2. Don't forget our Swap and Sell table at the meetings! If you bring items in to sell, please unload at the door, then move your vehicle to the street so others have room to unload.
3. Mike Cox will have Instant Glue (CA) and club clothing (Sweatshirts, Hats, Polo Shirts, Tee Shirts, and Mock Turtle Necks) available at the General Meeting.
4. Don Bradway is our Woodgathering Coordinator. Call Don at 530-878-9199 (home) or email at dbradway@pacbell.net to let him know of available wood or your interest in gathering wood.

Advanced Woodturning Seminar

On Saturday, May 14, Jerry Kermode is offering an advanced seminar in wood turning. Hours are from 10 am to 5 pm at his studio in Sebastopol.

Throughout the day his philosophy of "non-violent woodturning" will be woven into the presentation, as he stresses the importance of posture, breathing and relaxation in order to allow the wood to be cut rather than forcing the cut.

The day will begin with a brief review of Jerry's beginning woodturning class, followed by demonstrations of advanced between center and faceplate turning. The main focus will be on multi-axis spindles, turning a ball, natural edge bowls, burl turning and bowl stitching. During the end of the program there will be a chance to take part in hands on turning on Jerry's seven lathes. This will allow for the opportunity to share knowledge and problem solving in a group setting.

Cost is \$65.00. Class size is limited, so early registration is advised. Participants are asked to bring a bag lunch.

For information or to register for the seminar, please call or e-mail Jerry or Deborah Kermode at 707-824-9893 or debjer@earthlink.net.

Outside Opportunities

Demonstrations in Sebastopol

Don Weber (www.handcraftwoodworks.com) will be doing a series of demonstration days in Sebastopol May 27, May 28 and May 29.

Friday May 27. Hands-on Day. Using the Shave Horse and Pole Lathe. Cost \$125 per person.
Saturday May 28. All-day demo Day. Using Pole Lathe and Shave Horse. Cost \$45 per person.

Contact Julian Shaw via email (jdshaw@sonic.net) or phone (707) 829 2129

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Davis Library Exhibit

This will be Nor-Cal's 16th year exhibiting at the Davis Library. Bring turnings to the April meeting. Turnings will be displayed from May 1 through May 23. They will be returned to their owners at the May 24 meeting. The exhibit needs 45 to 50 turnings, so each person can display 3-4 turnings (4-5 if they are small).

Bill Flewelling will collect the turnings and deliver them to Charles Brownold, who is in charge of the Davis Library exhibit.

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Keep turning, and let's see some of your work in the Members Gallery at the meetings. If you want to bring something you have made and show it but not talk about it that is OK too.

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**SYMPOSIUMS**

The **Utah Woodturning Symposium** will be held on the Brigham Young University campus in Provo, Utah, on June 16-18, 2005. There will be a number of well-known, professional woodturners giving presentations (including our own Malcolm Tibbetts, Richard Raffan, Allan Batty, and Ray Key). There will also be a swap meet, some turning competitions (egg cup races), and a fabulous gallery of work by the attendees and the presenters.

In addition to the Symposium, Craft Supplies has "Super Wednesday" the day before the Symposium begins. They have free woodturning demonstrations and a clearance sale. Also this year they will have the Yahoo Pen Turners conducting demonstrations on unique pen design and turning techniques.

Treeline has its facility next to Craft Supplies, and they also have a number of activities and special sales. Some say the Wednesday at Craft Supplies and Treeline is the best part of the trip.

Many people stay in the dorms (quite inexpensive) and meet at the local ice cream establishment in the evening. Other accommodations are available.

Nor-Cal usually has from 8 to 20 members at the Symposium. It's great fun, and very inspirational.

To find out more and to get a registration form, go to their website at [www.utahwoodturning.com](http://www.utahwoodturning.com).

The **AAW Symposium** will be held in Overland Park, Kansas, July 22-24, 2005. National and international professional woodturners will give presentations, along with some local presenters. The AAW Symposium also has a vendors hall where many major companies sell woodturning tools and equipment. Wood vendors are also there selling special pieces of wood. Take your checkbook or credit card (cash is OK too), but be careful. It is easy to spend a lot

of money! For more information see [www.woodturner.org](http://www.woodturner.org). Registration forms will be available in March.

Most people come away from the symposiums with more ideas than they can possibly do in the next year. If you haven't been to one, consider going. If you have been, you consider going again.

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Beginning Balance	\$5397.24
Income	
Dues	220.00
Glue	30.00
Video	25.00
Library	10.00
Sealer	32.00
Raffle	85.00
Change fund	30.00
Expenses	
Refreshments	16.00
Equipment	294.78
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