



# Nor-Cal Shavings

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## President's Message

At our August meeting Hugh Buttrum discussed and demonstrated hollowing small items and the tools used to do that. The program was excellent and was well received by many members. Unfortunately the program was marred by one of Hugh's turnings being stolen. Many members expressed their dismay over the theft to me, to other members, and to Hugh. In an effort to make things right with Hugh, Nor-Cal has paid Hugh \$100.00 for his loss. (This is the amount Hugh gets for similar items. It does not completely make up for his loss because the piece stolen was a "keeper".) To Hugh we offer our sincerest apology for the breach of trust that was done by one of our members.

Bert and Hilde, our librarians, are grateful for the response to the letters regarding overdue books, tapes, and DVDs. Many forgotten or misplaced library materials have been returned. There are still a few overdue items out, so look around and bring them back. No questions asked and no overdue charges on those items. However, starting with items borrowed in September and thereafter, the fee is \$1.00 per month for books, tapes, and DVDs (magazines remain \$.50 per month). Lost items must be replaced by the borrower.

Has hearing the demonstrator been a problem for you? Beginning with the September meeting things should be better. Nor-Cal has purchased new microphones for use at the meetings. A lapel microphone will enable us to hear the demonstrator/presenter much better, and a wireless hand-held microphone will be used for the members' gallery and other things. Dick has tested them and he says they work great.

At the August meeting Woodcraft donated two DVDs and a tool roll. Bert immediately confiscated the DVDs for the library, and Dick put the tool roll in the raffle for that night. Thanks to Woodcraft and Michael Bush for the donation. We appreciate the many ways Woodcraft supports Nor-Cal and its members.

Congratulations to the President's Challenge winners. This was a different challenge. The items were quite varied and showed a lot of imagination as well as skill. The winners were:

Novice: 1<sup>st</sup> – Mike Johnson; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Jerry Hall; 3<sup>rd</sup> Tyler Hosea

Intermediate: 1<sup>st</sup> – Dale Blue; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Corwin Jones; 3<sup>rd</sup> – Alton Gay

Advanced: 1<sup>st</sup> – Bill Flewelling; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Rollie Bowns

The September meeting is the time for nomination of officers for 2007. If you would like to run for office, contact a board member and we will be sure that you are nominated at the meeting. We will also be taking nominations from the floor. The nomination of officers will be done after Diana's program is completed. Voting will be at the October meeting.

On Friday, November 10, Woodcraft is sponsoring a pen turning event. The pens will be sent to California National Guard serving overseas. More about it later, but put it on your calendar now and plan to come and turn pens.

Binh Pho, an internationally known woodturner, will be in Sacramento on November 21. See the announcement elsewhere in this newsletter. This will be a rare opportunity. Don't miss it.

Happy turning,

Rollie

## Nor-Cal Woodturners

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General Meetings on the 4th Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

### Roster of Officers 2006

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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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## Mentor's Opportunity

LOCATION	NAME	PHONE
Auburn	Dan Clark	530-878-0931
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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.

## CALENDAR

Aug 22 – General Meeting, 7:00 pm  
 Aug 26 – Mini Workshop, Bill's shop  
 Aug 28 – Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Dick's  
 Sep 26 – General Meeting, 7:00 pm  
 Sep 30 – Mini Workshop, Bill's shop  
 October - Davis City Hall Exhibit  
 Oct 2 – Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Dick's  
 Oct 24 – General Meeting, 7:00 pm  
 Oct 28 – Mini Workshop, Bill's shop  
 Oct 30 – Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Dick's  
 Nov 10 – Pen Turning  
 Nov 21 – Binh Pho  
 Nov 28 – General Meeting, 7:00 pm  
 Dec 2 – Mini Workshop, Bill's shop  
 Dec 4 – Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Dick's  
 Dec 12 – Christmas Party, 7:00 pm

## DAVIS CITY HALL EXHIBIT

Each year the City of Davis asks the Nor-Cal Woodturners to exhibit some of their turnings at the City Hall. This year the exhibit runs the month of October. Charles Brownold, also a Nor-Cal member, is the curator of the exhibit. Please bring up to 3 turnings to the September meeting for Charles to take to the exhibit. They should be in a paper bag or a box, and **must** be labeled with your name. Please indicate the type of wood. You can also write out any other interesting facts about the piece. Charles will make display tags and set up the exhibit. He will return your turnings to you at the Nor-Cal meeting following the close of the exhibit. If you have any questions, call Charles at 530-756-5010.

## August Meeting

### Jet Mini-lathe Raffle

The next 'big' item to be raffled will be a Jet mini-lathe. The prize will include a Nova Midi chuck by Teknatool. The lathe has a 10" swing with 14" between centers. The headstock spindle is 1"-8 TPI with #2 MT head- and tailstock spindles.

Don't miss out on this...Get your tickets!!



(Drawing will be at the September meeting.)



**Hugh Buttram**

On the spur of the moment, Hugh was called on to discuss, and demonstrate, the design and fabrication of some of the tools he uses in making his fine turnings. He gave us a great program.

Thank you, Hugh.

## SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

### Diana Kwan

Diana Kwan will be with us for the September meeting. Diana will demonstrate carving techniques. She is well known for her carvings and decorations on plates, boxes, and other items. Her work is available at the Artery in Davis and at other venues. She will have completed work for display and will demonstrate the carving techniques she uses (primarily chip carving). Come and see very attractive and well done work, and learn an interesting technique.

## BINH PHO DEMONSTRATION

**November 21 (Tuesday)**

World renowned woodturner Binh Pho is coming to Sacramento to demonstrate his techniques for members of Nor-Cal Woodturners. Binh is noted for his uniquely styled air brushed and pierced thin-walled vessels. He will show us how he does it. The demonstration will be held at Woodcraft, 9523 Folsom Blvd, Sacramento, from 9:00 am to mid-afternoon. The cost is \$25.00 for Nor-Cal members and \$30.00 for non-members. Sign up and pay at the September or October meetings (payment is required at the time you sign up). Checks should be made payable to Nor-Cal Woodturners. (Bring your own lunch or buy it locally.) We will hand out an article about Binh Pho at the September meeting. If you need to, schedule a day off work so that you can attend (November 21 is a Tuesday).

### Demonstration Materials (Reminder)

Please remember that all materials, tools, equipment and examples of work used in a demonstration, and which may or may not be passed around the room for viewing, are the property of the demonstrator. Please help to make certain they get returned to the demonstrator.

## August Challenge Pine Block Art



Novice



Winners Mike Johnson, Jerry Hall and Tyler Hosea



Intermediate



Winners Dale Blue, Corwin Jones and Alton Gay. (Bill Flewelling standing in for Alton in Photo)



Advanced



Bruce Friederich's Bastogne Walnut bowl



Winners Bill Flewelling and Rollie Bowns



Rollie Bowns' crow chaser (loud!!)

**MEMBERS' GALLERY**



Bruce Friederich's Walnut burl platter



Ron Coney's segmented lidded vessel



Bruce Friederich's English Walnut urn for a dinosaur



Kenn Womack's Maple burl spice jar



Ron Coney's segmented square footed dish



Bob Adam's segmented closed vessel with a feature ring



Kenn Womack's hollow vessel of Black Walnut and Maple



Corwin Jones' Walnut cheese dish (in progress)



Phil Sargent's Walnut candle-stick



Bill Flewelling's Black Oak vase



Dale Blue's pentagon bowls of Maple and Chinese Tallow, heptagon platter of Chinese Tallow.

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My apology to Barry Hannah  
for failing to acquire a photograph  
of his Camphor hollow form turning.

*Norm Hinman*


Editor

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