



# Nor-Cal Shavings

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## President's Message

October is the last regular meeting of the year. And it will be packed with a variety of things. Barry Hanna will show us how he puts collars on the beautiful hollow forms that he makes. The election of officers will take place, and the next President's Challenge will be announced. In conjunction with announcement of the next President's Challenge, Floyd Norling will show us how he makes bottle stoppers.

Were you able to get out to see the Nor-Cal Woodturners' exhibit at the Davis City Hall? Thanks to Charles Brownold and his team for another successful exhibit.

Don't forget to let the Newmans know if you can help with the playground construction. That takes place November 7 – 12. Come out and rebuild Fort Natomas. Any help will be appreciated, and tools are still needed.

The pen turning event is taking place at the Woodcraft store on Folsom Blvd. on November 10. You can turn pens, assemble pens, or sweep the floor. I'm sure there will also be other things to do to help with the project. Help send pens to military personnel from California.

Remember, there is no meeting in November. The Christmas party will be December 12.

Keep those lathes running, and bring something to the Members' Gallery, whether it is a finished item, a turning in progress, or a disaster.

Rollie  
(soon-to-be-past) President

## OCTOBER MEETING

You have probably noticed the beautiful hollow forms (vases, etc.) that **Barry Hanna** brings to the Members' Gallery. Have you seen the collars that he puts on some of them? At the October meeting Barry is going to demonstrate how he makes and fits the collars in the tops of the hollow forms. Using a different color wood or a different material, the collar can add much visual interest to a turning. Come see how it is done.

## PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE FOR DECEMBER

Our next President's Challenge will be held in December at the Christmas party. You would think that the challenge would be to make a Christmas ornament. But no! We are going to make bottle stoppers. (Holidays and bottles – I guess there is a relation.)

At the October meeting Floyd Norling will show us how he makes bottle stoppers. We will hand out drilled corks to those who want to participate in the challenge. Of course, if you want to supply your own high tech material instead of using our cork, you are free to do so. You supply your own wood or other material, to finish the bottle stopper. Use your imagination and use some wood or other thing that will stand out. (It must be turned, however. After all, we are a wood turning group.)

We will have the usual three classes: novice, intermediate, and advanced. However, I really don't see why in this case. But we will stick with it because it gives out more prizes than a single class would. The prizes will be a little different this time. Winners will be chosen by popular vote.

## Nor-Cal Woodturners

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### 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).*

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*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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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

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  
 Dec 4 – Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Dick's  
 Dec 12 – Christmas Party, 7:00 pm

## Please note!

Due to an apparent mis- or missed-communication, Binh Pho of the Chicago Woodturners will **not** be presenting a scheduled program in Sacramento as was previously announced. This was not due to any failure on the part of our President, Rollie Bowns, or any member of Nor-Cal Woodturners.

Norm Hinman, Editor

### \*\*\*Note\*\*\*

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

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A slate of officers was nominated at the September meeting. We still need a Member-at-Large or two. At the October meeting we will take additional nominations for any and all positions, and then hold the election of officers for 2007. The nominations to date are as follows:

President – Dick Lambert  
 Vice-president – Don Bradway  
 Secretary – Gail Wheeler  
 Treasurer – Mike Johnson  
 Librarians – Phil Sargent, Bert & Hilde Fortier  
 Editor – Norm Hinman  
 Historian – Sonja Lemon

## CHRISTMAS PARTY

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.

## September Meeting

Attendees at the September meeting were regaled with an array of fine works and encouraging words by master carver Diana Kwan. She presented us with many nuggets and 'little' secrets of how to get ideas and then convert them into real live objects d' art. Some (read: "many") were amazed at her list of tools she uses for most of her work: ONE.



Diana explaining the way she develops her ideas.



Some of her very exquisite chip (a term she does not prefer) carvings.

## MEMBERS' GALLERY



Phil Sargent's 'very' natural-edged Walnut burl bowl



Diana describing a relief carving



Phil Sargent's starburst Walnut bowl



Checkeded Vessel of Rosewood and Birdseye Maple. (Author anonymous)



Malcolm Tibbetts' "Man in the Shadows"



Tom Castaldo's Bowl From a Board



Norm Hinman's Walnut bowl



"Elixir"  
(Author unknown)



Herb Medsger's two vessels.  
One of Peach and one of Plum.



Two Cherry Burl bowls and one Birch/Mistletoe Burl by Mike Johnson



Gerry Anderson's vase of Ohia wood



A plate and a platter of Pear wood by Dale Blue



Dan Clark turned three items, cut each in two, then re-assembled them. Interesting. (I usually mark the parts when I dis-assemble things so I'll know how the parts go together... Editor)



Gerry Anderson's Kue wood bowl



Glenn Robison's natural edged - and natural lidded - lidded vessel of Silver Maple



Herb Medsger's tinted Red Oak bowl with handles



Four ladles, turned on a lathe, by Barry Hanna



Glenn Robison's Honey Locust salad bowl



Closed vessel of Alder wood with Raffia decoration by Glenn Robison




Multi-center turning by Rollie Bowns

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