



# Nor-Cal Shavings

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## President's Message

Hi Everyone,

Well, here it is June already and it is graduation time. With all my nieces and nephews, I have four graduations this year, three last year. One of them is in Corvallis, Oregon at Oregon State University, about 80 miles south of Portland. I was hoping to combine the symposium and graduation in one trip. But, we have a week between each event. So it looks like two trips to Oregon this month. I hope to see a large contingent from Nor-Cal at Portland this year. It looks like it will be a lot of fun.

Safety is June's President Message. I have noticed that some of us let shavings accumulate in our shops. As a retired firefighter I can tell you that this is not a good practice. You are creating a big fire hazard. It is akin to putting a layer of gasoline on the floor. Very dangerous. So keep your shavings picked up and stored in a container for disposal.

At our June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting Bob Hosea will be turning kitchen tools.

The President's Challenge will be concerning Bob's demo, so bring your notebooks and pencils.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting.

Happy Turning,  
Dick

## Calendar

June 21-23 - Utah Symposium, Provo, Utah

June 24 (Sun) - Melvyn Firmager demonstration  
Sacramento Machinery. Time: 9:00 AM

June 26 - General Meeting, 7:00 pm - Bob Hosea

June 29-July 1 - AAW Symposium, Portland, OR

June 30 - No Mini Workshop this month

July 9 - Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Dick's

July 24 - General Meeting, 7:00 pm

Ice Cream Social

July 28 - Mini Workshop, Bill's shop

Jul 30 - Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Dick's

(Dates?) - Ca. State Fair (Ca. Fine Arts)

Aug 28 - General Meeting, 7:00 PM Hal  
Sveningson

Sep 4 - Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Dick's

Sep 25 - General Meeting, 7:00 pm Peter Polt

Sep 29 - Mini Workshop, Bill's shop

Oct 1 - Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Dick's

Oct 15 (Mon.) - Cindy Drozda demo,

Woodcraft Supply TBD

Oct 23 - General Meeting, 7:00 pm TBD

Oct 27 - Mini Workshop, Bill's shop

Oct 29 - Board Meeting, 7:00 pm, Dick's

Dec 14 - (Friday) Christmas party, 7:00 pm

Date TBD - Board Meeting, 7:00 PM, Dick's

## 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 Mike Johnson 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

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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.

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

If you haven't already done so, don't forget to renew your membership in Nor-Cal Woodturners and pay your dues for this year. The dues are \$30.00 per member and \$10.00 for a spouse if they want to join.

You are no longer required to fill out a membership application for renewal of your membership. Simply pay your dues to the 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.

### June Meeting

Bob Hosea will be demonstrating his methods for turning various kitchen items. These may include such things as treenware, scoops, rolling pins, etc.

### Note

Name tags now have a colored sticker, on the back, indicating paid-up membership. You will need to wear your name tag during meetings if you want to participate in membership activities such as checking out library materials, purchasing raffle tickets, etc.

### Note

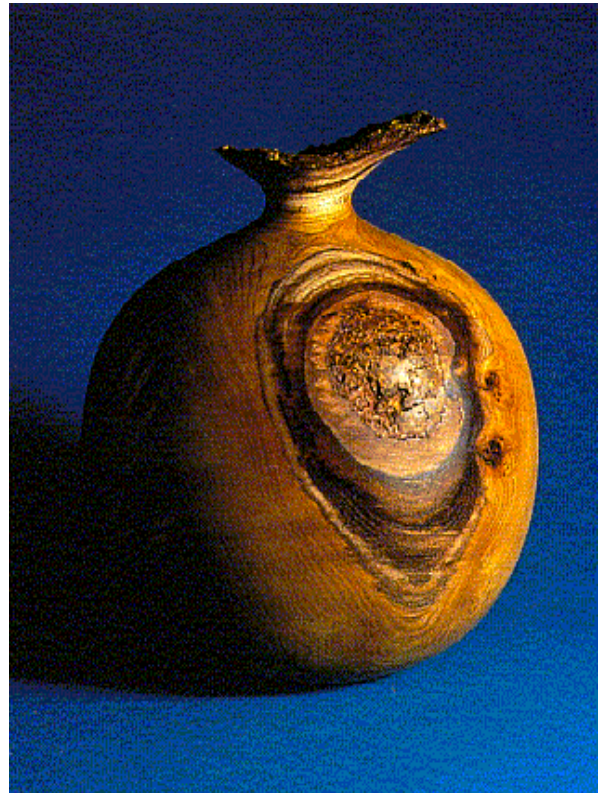
Requests for Nor-Cal polo shirts (green) will be accepted at meetings. An order for them will be placed when the minimum number required by the supplier has been met.

## NOTICES

There will no longer be any sawdust sessions at Bill Flewelling's shop on the Saturdays preceeding the general meetings.

The price of Greenwood Sealer has risen to \$37 per 5 gallon..

**June 24 - Melvyn Firmager**, an internationally acclaimed woodturner from England, will be here in Sacramento to present a demonstration for the Nor-Cal Woodturners. It will be held at the Sacramento Machinery warehouse, 729 W. Del Paso Road. 9:00 AM until 4:30 PM. This is a Sunday, so make your plans to be there. Some of his work is unbelievable! Registration at the door is \$45:00. Registration forms are available at Woodcraft Supply on Folsom Blvd.



Hollow vessel by Melvyn Firmager (Photo: courtesy of Melvyn Firmager website.)

### Membership:

On May 21 Nor-Cal membership stood at: 127.

### Attendance:

79 members at the April meeting



Camphor tree



Same Camphor tree... slightly different view.

### May Meeting

Dewey Garrett commuted from Livermore to regale us with slides, and some explanations, of his work. Some of his pieces display more empty space than wood, and his descriptions of how he accomplished them kept everyone enthralled for the entire evening.



Camphor wood for turning

## *\*Coming Attractions\**

**September 8 - Malcolm Tibbetts**, who never ceases to amaze and astound those who view his work, will honor us with a day-long presentation showing how he does it. His down-to-earth explanations and clear descriptions cause those in attendance to wonder “now, why didn’t I think of that myself?” This will be held at Woodcraft Supplies, 9545 Folsom Blvd, Sacramento. It is on a Saturday, so we shouldn’t (at least most of us) have too much of a problem fitting it into our schedule.

Pre-registration is \$30 for Nor-Cal members. Registration for non-members, and members at-the-door is \$45.



“Neighbors”, by Malcolm Tibbetts. (Photo: courtesy Malcolm Tibbetts’ website.)



**October 15 - Cindy Drozda**, an extremely talented turner from Boulder, Colorado, will demonstrate her prowess with the skew for the Nor-Cal Woodturners. This will be held at Woodcraft Supply, 9545 Folsom Blvd. Again... the exact time has not yet been determined, but this is a Monday. Those of you who are still part of the National Work Force (not yet retired...) may want to start nurturing a dialog with your supervisory persons so that when the time arrives you can have that day off to attend the demonstration.



Cindy Drozda’s lidded vessel with a ‘trademark’ finial. (Photo: courtesy Cindy Drozda website.)

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### **\*\* 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!!  
Presence not required to win.

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