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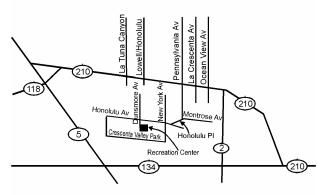
#### **NEXT MEETING**

July 10

Sunday July 10, 2005 2:00 p.m. Sharp

### **HOW TO FIND US**

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Thomas Guide 534-E-1

#### **SUNDAY MEETINGS**

Meetings will usually consist of announcements, a feature presentation, a **Challenge**, **Show & Tell** and a **wood raffle**.

July 10 Round Ball Contest Chairperson: Don Comer



### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Jim O'Connor

The 1<sup>st</sup> annual Stude small treasures challenge was fun and there was much imagination used with or without turning the block of Stude walnut. It was an honor for the club to have Carl's son Carl and his wife Linda, and Carl's beloved companion Sherry there and they were gracious and willing to judge the challenge.

Bill Kelly asked for volunteers at our last meeting to help with the Tall Ships Regatta 2005 in LA harbor San Pedro from August 11-14. Big Class A Ships from all over the world will be here competing during this time and volunteers are need to staff booths, sell merchandise, handle lost and found, give information ,etc. If interested call the Maritime Institute office 310 833 6055. If you don't want to travel to San Pedro that weekend you can help by making a turning for one of the many prizes given during the races. Call Bill 310 541 1144 for more information. This is a great cause and all the proceeds go to the American Sail Training Association (ASTA) and LA Maritime Institute (LAMI).

The AAW is looking for a donation of a good digital camera and it would be tax deductible. Contact Mary Lacer at iafrateturns@cox.net.

Upcoming symposiums:

AAW – July 22-24 Overland Park, Kansas www.woodturner.org.

Tennessee Association of Woodturners – August 13-14 <a href="https://www.tnwoodturners.org">www.tnwoodturners.org</a>.

(Hands on sessions August 11-12)

Texas Symposium – September 30-October 2 Wichita Falls, Texas www.swaturners.com.

Craft Supplies has a special for the month of June code 05SPAAW6. 15% off Mahoney's finishes and with a \$75 purchase of sanding discs you get a free Tilt-a-bin disc holder.

Craig Sobel will give one more month to get your supplies sources to him for the Club's Supplier Catalog. This is a great asset to the club and we appreciate Craig's time to put it all together so spend a few minutes and contact him with your sources.

There is a work shop for sale and it all goes together. The asking price is \$2,750, but it has a lot of great stuff. Call Gerald at 818 248 1268.

An old time turner named Harold is selling off his shop in pieces. If interested call Jerry 310 831 4317

The Old Pasadena Summer Fest
Photo and text by Jim O'Connor

The Old Pasadena Summer Fest turned out to be

a big success.
We ended up having more than enough pieces and at times had too many members at the booth because many came early and



stayed late and some members had so much fun they kept coming back. We had a great representation of all different kinds of turnings and from all levels of turners. People were amazed at what could be done with a piece of wood and many showed interest in taking up the hobby and I think the most coming to our meetings. consistent comments I heard were "That's wood?" or "These pieces are really beautiful". demonstrators drew small crowds with wide eyed little kids and amazed adults. Our demonstrators turned everything from a half inch spinning top to a natural edge platter one foot plus in diameter. While bowls, natural edge bowls, goblets, miniature hats, a lidded box, colored spinning tops, and more were continually being turned on the lathe, other members explained to interested onlookers the details of making the wide array of

pieces on display. The members that worked the booth had time to discuss turning techniques and share ideas. There was a lot of enthusiasm and there was talk about how we could get more involved as a club. Ray Leier couldn't have been more helpful. We were provided with a room to store the pieces each night and one of his assistants helped us bring all the pieces back and forth from the booth to the secure room in a cart. Thanks to everyone who participated in the event and to those that let us display their work. Everything went rather smoothly and I think we should do this every year without fail.

#### **CHALLENGE**

Carl Stude's
Family:
Carl III
Linda
Sherry
with some
guidance from
Jim Givens



The challenge this month was the First Annual Stude Small Treasure Same Size Block Contest. For the donation of \$1, we received a piece of "Stude wood" to turn into any object. We saw lidded containers, a beautiful round globe, a whimsical mushroom, and a beautiful candle holder. Carl's family chose the winner with a little help from Jim Givens.

Novice category: Nick Tuzzolino for his hollow vessel

Intermediate category: Dick Lukes for his goblet Advanced category: Don Comer for his candle holder

#### **SHOW AND TELL**

Photos by Jack Stumpf. Text by Kate Sutherland

When we donated our turned objects to the Brigantine Project, Ralph Otte made a beautiful segmented bowl. In fact, it was so nice that the Capitan of the Irving kept it in his office on the ship. Sadly, this ship ran aground a month ago, and sea water covered Ralph's bowl for five days. When it was retrieved, there was no damage at all! Bill Kelly showed us the almost drowned bowl

and we all wondered what type of glue Ralph used. What a tribute to his abilities!



Pete Carta showed beautiful spin tops made of maple and ash. He used chatter work on them.

and discovered that the chatter is different on each top. The colors are great!





Bill Haskell showed a hollow form vase that he says had a plug cut out and reinserted after hollowing - hard to detect. Nice work Bill

!!!

Don Comer brought in a bowl he turned as a demonstration for the Summer Fest. He promised it for our annual auction in December!



chocolate, holly for ice cream, and

Dave Hergesheimer says he is on a diet, so his ice cream sundae is made out of wood. He turned and carved a "sundae" from walnut for

the



purple heart for the cherry. Delicious!

Nickoli told us that he brought "turned and carved pieces." Actually he brought magnificently turned and carved pieces, for he is an excellent artist.

Joe Devinny showed two interesting bowls turned from end grain. One was from silky oak with zebra wood and rose wood accents. The other was from a wood that no one could identify. It had nice character. Both pieces were well done.

Bill Pounds brought two vessels to show. One is made of spalted ficus, and the other is of maple. The grain is beautiful, and the shape is perfect.



Ed Hotchkin brought in two hollow forms made of ash and decorated with blue paint and gold and silver leaf. This was his first attempt, and they are beautiful.





President Jim and Steve Dunn have been turning hats. Steve's hat was a hit at the Summer Fest. Everyone wanted to know if it was

for sale. This photo proves that Jim's hat fits perfectly. Great work!

#### **PRESENTATION**



Mark Fitzsimmons did a great job with his presentation on hollowing vessels. He had a good assortment of large tools and a piece partially finished to talk about the various cuts he makes. He began by showing us how he shapes the outside. Then he said that the most important aspect of hollowing the inside is to begin at the top and work down going only one half inch at a time. Of course sharp tools are important, and Mark mentioned that as he gets closer to the bottom of the vessel, he frequently measures thickness and takes feather light cuts. showed his steady rest, which can be seen in front of the table in the photo. And he also explained the use of each of the tools, including how he holds them for the safest cut possible. Mark's presentation covered every aspect of turning a hollow vessel, and his suggestions gave many of us the confidence to try.

## 2005 CALENDAR

Meetings:

Aug 14 Presentation: Dave Ellis
Dust masks and dust control
Challenge: Candle holder(s) or
holder(s)

Sept 11 Presentation: Jim Givens
Finishing-panel discussion

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Challenge: Natural edge vessel
Oct 9
Presentation: All

Spinning top contest
Chairperson Carey Caires

**Nov 13** Presentation: Ray Ford Ornaments Carving, burning, coloring, etc Challenge: Dec 11 No presentation or challenge Holiday Party and Auction Demonstrations Jun 25 Kevin Kleinsteuber Chain saw operation **Jul 16** Art Fitzpatrick Hollow vessel Aug 20 Bill Haskell Piercing and carving thin walled hollow vessels Sept 3 Stuart Mortimer Spirals, Barley twists, Hollowforms Oct 22 Bob DeVoe "Hands on" sharpening workshop at Bob's shop

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Challenge: Spinning top contest

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