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## **NEXT MEETING**

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Sunday December 10, 2006 2:00 p.m. Sharp

# HOW TO FIND US

Crescenta Valley Regional Park Recreation Center Dunsmore & Honolulu, La Crescenta

### Holiday Party & Auction At December 10 Meeting

Bring your family and friends to our Holiday Potluck and Fundraiser on Sunday, December 10 at 2 PM! Bill Kelly will be our auctioneer and you will be able to taste the many wonderful dishes our members contribute. We always have a great time. Please bring food that is ready to serve (we can't use the kitchen to heat or prepare dishes) plus the utensil necessary for serving it. There are very few electrical outlets available and if your dish is presented in an appliance which must be plugged in (like a crock pot) please bring an extension cord. Each of the items you want to take home should be clearly marked with your name. GWG will provide the plates, eating utensils, napkins, etc.

Your poinsettias, garlands, small trees and other colorful items will help decorate the room. Please be certain your name is on any items you lend us so we can make sure they go home with the right person at the end of the day!

This once-a-year auction is the source of the funds we use to publish our excellent remain newsletter and to а dues-free organization. Your participation makes this possible! Please contribute serviceable items (and white elephants) from your closets and garages-books, tools and equipment, kitchen gadgets, household goods. Homemade cookies, cakes, pies and brownies have been popular items. Shop aids of your invention or design, turning blanks and especially your own turnings all make wonderful contributions. You will also have the opportunity to bid on the pieces which were produced by the expert and talented professional demonstrators who have been part of this year's programs.

Bring all those donations on December 10!

By Cathy Pearman



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Before our regular meeting this month all of the committee heads for the AAW 2007 Challenge and I got together to work on the scale and placement for all of the parts for our project.

We hope to have all of this done by the end of the year so that we can

start turning parts at the first of the new year. If you haven't yet volunteered be sure to sign up on a committee. I for one can't wait to get started. It's going to be great fun seeing it come together.

Since we don't charge dues; and I wish to keep it that way; as a cost cutting measure I decided that everyone that has email will receive the newsletter by email. By cutting down the mailing list it will save the club not only the postage but also the extra costs of printing, envelopes, labels and Bob Ulrich's time. Bob is the one who stuffs the envelopes and mails them. He is one of the behind the scenes hero's who doesn't get thanked enough. So thanks Bob! Of course anyone who doesn't have email will continue to receive it by US Mail.

Ed Hotchkin is not returning as Vice President this year. Ed has done a great job getting pro demonstrators, setting up presentations for the meetings, etc. Thanks for the hard work Ed!

I am happy to say that Dave Ellis was easily sweet talked into taking over the position of our new Vice President. Dave announced at the meeting that a few people had given him ideas for Saturday demos. He plans on bringing a notebook to the Holiday Party to get <u>your</u> input. I am sure Dave will come up with lots of great activities for next year.

Another retiree is Kathleen Sutherland, our news letter editor. Kathleen has been doing a bang up job putting out an informative and entertaining news letter for several years. She wrote the majority of the articles and <u>even</u> let me dictate my President's column over the phone. Thanks so much Kathleen! Amy Earhart is our new editor. Amy has been writing a few of the articles for the past few months and she is also going to let me dictate my President's column over the phone. I really appreciate Kathleen's and Amy's extra efforts on this matter I guess they figure if I had to type it myself they might not get it until the following meeting. All of the other officers have agreed to continue on for another year. Thanks everyone.

Once again Bob Stone brought a ton of wood for the raffle. Everyone who bought tickets walked away with some nice thick pieces. Thanks Bob!

December is our big Holiday Party, this is a terrific meeting! It combines three of my favorite things- wood turning, eating good food with friends and shopping. Be sure to bring a dish for the pot luck ,and most important, items for the auction. We especially encourage you to donate one of your turnings. I suggested at the last meeting that you bring two turnings so that you can outbid Bob "Deep Pockets" DeVoe. This is a family party so bring your spouse or significant other and we will all eat, drink and spend money!

Happy turning, Carey!

#### Challenge

The challenge this month was to make a Christmas Ornament. Dan Hogan and Bob Devoe were the judges and had quite a time deciding on the winner in the crowded Advanced classification. Ed Hotchkin was 1<sup>st</sup> runner-up.

Novice: No entries Intermediate: Amy Earhart Advanced: Don Comer Our wonderful ornaments included: two small



turnings by Amy Earhart One was a Christmas light bulb and the other was an ornament of Buckeye and yellow and green color stabilized box elder burl.



### Show and Tell



Don Comers winning painted mahogany birdhouse.



Carey Caires made a small ornament with a Holly ball and a red heart icicle.

Ed Hotchkin turned a birdhouse ornament made of Bloodwood and Maple. He also had a lovely Ebony icicle hanging on his stand as well. On another stand was an ornament of dyed maple and ebony with some surface ornamentation

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O'Connor did various woods ribbon. Last month the members present were asked to bring a few of the first pieces they ever turned to the next show and tell and two people remembered, Ed Hotchkin and Dick Lukes. That was very brave of you gentlemen.

Cal Elsoff was back with us after a long absence and he brought in 4 bowls he has turned recently.



Floyd Petersen had two vases to share and a beautiful black walnut segmented bowl.





Dave Hergesheimer brought an 11" bowl with a natural edge and inclusions. The wood is Buckeye Burl and the finish is CA glue and Lacquer.

Ralph Chamlee brought in a small platter with about a 1 inch raised rim that he carved using his carving tool. The wood is Myrtle and the finish is Deft.



Dan Hogan brought in a stunning piece made from Utah Alabaster.



Jim O' Connor brought in three functional bowls, a spherical hollow vessel with off center arcs and a goblet made from English walnut with a triple barley twist on the stem.

Terrell Hasker brought in 3 bowls, one of ash and



2 of sycamore all finished with Mahoney Oil.

Pete Carta turned three miniature cowboy hats, one from eucalyptus and two from California Sycamore. All three were on stands.

Rick Hoard brought in two lovely bowls. One was of Australian Elm Gumwood and the other of Brazilian Rosewood. Very nice!

#### Important Announcement

Starting with the January 2007 issue of our Slightly Skewed Newsletter we will no longer mail a hard copy to members who have an e-mail address. You will have to get your copy like the rest of us, via e-mail from AI Sobel or the Yahoo by going website. List. or to our www.woodturners.org .lf this creates an extreme special problem for anyone then please contact AI at alsobel@verizon.net or bv phone at 818-360-5437.

#### Lost and Found Department

Found at the last meeting in October one abandoned wooden round ball approximately 3 inches in diameter. President Carey Caires has it and will bring it to the next meeting.

And here is new adoptive father Terrell Hasker taking home an abandoned kitten that was rescued by Cathy Pearman and her daughter Trish. She will be joining two other cats that Terrell and his wife already have. Aw, what a nice holiday story.



## Finishing Thoughts From The Editor

This is not about finishing your fine pieces with a chemical, paint or other natural substance but more like the little odds and ends that occur during and after the meeting that may or may not be of interest to club members.

The Glendale News Press had a terrific article on GWG member Herbert Harder in the November 1, 2006 issue of the paper. I found out things about Herbert that I didn't know.

Fine Woodworking sent us three books for review. Ten people had signed up last month to be reviewers so Carey had three names drawn from a bowl of reviewers present and the lucky three are John Fisher, Dick Lukes and Jay Jackson. They will submit their reviews direct to Fine Woodworking and if they wish can keep the book or donate it to the club library.