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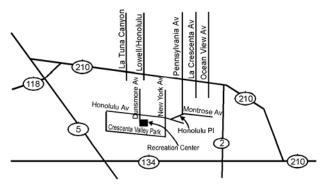
#### **NEXT MEETING**

November 11. 2007

Sunday November 11, 2007 2:00 p.m. Sharp

# **HOW TO FIND US**

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#### SUNDAY MEETINGS

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

**November 14, 2007– Presentation**: Metallurgy by Frank Guarino

Challenge: Christmas Ornaments

# **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**



I am happy to announce that after some pleadind and begging, we have filled almost all of the officer and helper positions that we had open. I will continue as your Queen another year. Frank for Guarino will be our new Vice-President for 2008 and Pete Carta will be his assistant. Thanks Frank and Pete. Our two new drink committee guys are Bob Ricard and John **Doyle**. Thanks Bob and John.

Al Sobel said he would continue as Secretary. Thanks Al. Bob Devoe will continue as Treasurer, PA guy, etc., etc. Thanks Bob. Amy Earhart will continue as newsletter editor. Thanks Amy. Cathy Pearman will continue on snack duty and Kathleen Sutherland volunteered to be her backup person when she can't make the meetings. Thanks Cathy and Kathleen. Craig Sobel volunteered to keep the website updated and add more new things such as material sources. Send Craig pics of your work so he can expand the member gallery section. Pictures of some of the jigs from last month would also be a great addition to the website. I am sure Bill Nobel will be thrilled, he has been asking for help with the site for years. Thanks Craig. The only officer we still need a volunteer for is Librarian. Bill Nelson is retireing from the job after about 10 years. He is going out with a bang too. He converted all of the videos to DVD and he redid every DVD so they are brand new! Thanks Bill for all of the long hours you put in on that project and for all of your years of service. Ken Pazera said when we get one librarian for the books and DVD's he will be the backup person for the drink committee. Ken also arrives one hour early to make coffee for our meetings. Thanks Ken. So let's think about helping out the club and become our new librarian.

Thanks to **Jim O'Connor** for giving us a great presentation on turning an ornament with a finial. This is the challenge for November's meeting. You can make any kind of holiday ornament to enter. Thanks go out to **Jackie Comer** for spending half of her Saturday baking cookies for our meeting. And thanks to **Don Comer** for running the round ball challenge. As always it was a lot of fun! I thought it was appropriate that **Jim O'Connor** took first prize since he gave us a presentation on turning a round ball awhile back. Don't forget that December is our big holiday party and auction. So gather up any tools or wood you aren't using to donate. The most popular items are your turnings. I have aquired several pieces of members work and am looking forward to expanding my collection.

See you next month. Happy turning, Queen Carey!

#### CHALLENGE

The challenge for the month was the Annual Round Ball Contest. The contest was run by Past President **Don Comer**. He was assisted by **Craig Sobel**, **Dan Hogan**, **Frank Guarino** and **Bob Ulrich**,

The Booby Prize winner, the ball that was the most off target, went to **Bob Faust**. His round ball



failed to cross the finish line and almost rolled door! out the He donated his \$10.00 cash prize back to the club. He also had the best pre contest presentation of a round ball.

The winner of the contest was **Jim O'Connor**, shown here in his moment of triumph.



He managed a come from behind victory in the final three, with his competition being **Ken Pazera** and **Queen Carey**. There were over a dozen

round balls entered in the contest with one determined member, **John Doyle**, supplying four entries.

This group includes two balls by **Terrell Hasker** and one by **Queen Carey** and the winning entry by **Jim O' Connor**.



**Jack Wooddell** had two entries, one turned from Black Acacia and the other from Eucalyptus.



**Pete Carta** had three entries made of Purple Heart, Mahogany and Chinese Elm.



# SHOW AND TELL

**Jim O' Connor** brought in a cowboy hat turned from Liquid Amber and the lacquer finish was so fresh that Queen Cary was getting a little light headed from the fumes during the meeting..



**Pete Carta** brought in a great Christmas ornament bird house on an off center base turned from peach. The roof of the house can be taken off to reveal a <u>hollow form to put secret things in</u>.



**Bill Nobel** had Bob Devoe bring in his natural edge vessel turned from Liquid Amber with a carnauba wax finish.



**Dan Hogan** brought in another one of his beautiful and delicate bowls turned from alabaster. This one had a segmented maple rim.



**Tex Isham** brought in another of his interesting sculptural pieces. This one was mahogany that had been bleached and then dyed and oiled. It had a concealed 3 inch lazy-susan turntable under the base.



**Dave Hergesheimer** brought in a unique segmented bowl turned from an interesting alternative material, Trex Decking.



**Ed Hotchkin** brought in a hollow form turned from Brazilian Pepper with an ebony finial and base. Nice work Ed.



## PRESENTATION

This month's presentation was about making a Christmas ornament given by Past Club President **Jim O'Connor**. He passed out a terrific guide, in color (thanks to **Kathleen Sutherland**). This is a great project to use up some of that scrap wood we all have or to use some exotic woods on a small scale for maximum effect.

This piece will require 5-6 different tools and will give practice in hollowing as well as spindle turning.



Here are some examples of the finished project. Jim gave us good step by step instructions and passed around several ornaments with their three pieces not glued in place so we could see and feel the fit. He passed around several of his tools that he uses for turning the ornament and he also passed around a bag of the brass eyelets he uses on the finial. (He gets them at that other hardware store, OSH.) Thanks Jim.

## 2007/2008 CALENDAR

#### Meetings:

December 9, '07- Holiday Party January 13, '08- Challenge-Fruit February 10, '08-

Demonstrations: February 17, '08- Jimmy Clews

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#### **FINISHING THOUGHTS**



Thanks for a lot of laughs everyone.