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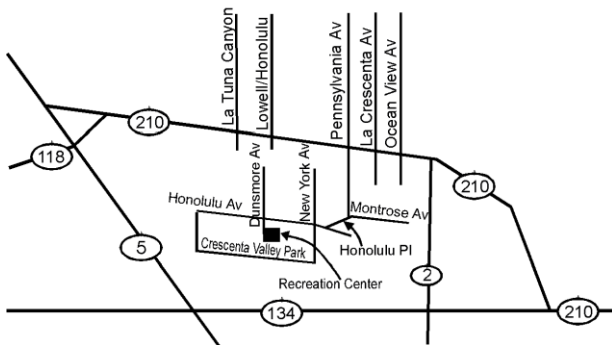
NEXT MEETING

November 10, 2013

Sunday November 10, 2013
2:00 p.m. Sharp

HOW TO FIND US

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SUNDAY MEETING

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

November 10, 2013

Challenge: Holiday Ornaments, Gift Boxes & Toys

Presentation: Paying Attention to Wood Grain- Jim Givens

President's Message

Big ones, little ones, different-colored ones; such variety of Mushrooms! It was great to see such a varied selection for the challenge. Hopefully we can have such enthusiasm for the challenges this



coming year. The results of voting for the challenges for next year were quite focused; it was obvious that there were a number of very popular challenges on the list. I hope that the participation will be as good. The remaining challenge for this year is Holiday Ornaments, Gift Boxes and Toys. For those of you who missed the meeting, we had a lively discussion about the November challenge and added Toys to it. I am still looking for a few volunteers to help out with the administration of the Guild this coming year. These jobs do not require a great deal of time and are very rewarding. Don't sit back and only take all that the Guild has to offer without giving a little bit to help us continue. Give me a call and let's discuss what you can do to help. Looking ahead to our December meeting, which will be our traditional Pot Luck and Auction; it is not too early to start setting aside those extra items that you have accumulated this past year. PLEASE remember that this is not a white elephant auction. We want quality items not the items that you should be donating to your favorite charity. This past year the auction took forever due to a large number of low-value items that we had to beg people to take home; so this year let's make an effort to bring in only the good stuff. Also, remember that we usually get the best results from the sale of pieces that

members have donated. Speaking of this coming year, we will most likely be having an all-day demo by **John Jordan**. I am waiting for **John** to finalize when he will be available to come here. If there are any other demonstrators that you would like to see, let me know and we will look into the possibility of getting them in. Another option would be to look to our own membership. We may have a few members who might be willing to do a half or all-day demo for the club or even a tandem demo of one person in the morning and one in the afternoon. Until we meet again, keep practicing and be safe.
Bill

Challenge

There was an excellent turnout for the challenge this month. We started off in the Novice category with **Jay Reidy** and his four mushroom grouping turned out of mystery wood with a wax finish.



Norm Leduc brought in a four mushroom grouping as well. Three were turned from Chinese Elm and the fourth was from Jacaranda. All had a finish of orange oil and beeswax.



Steve Veenstra brought in a single mushroom box turned out of Ash and a grouping turned out of Brazilian Pepper; all were finished with clear Watco oil.



Charlie Hulien brought in a “Star Trek” mushroom box that was segmented out of White Oak and Walnut with the ladybug turned out of Purpleheart. The finish was lacquer.



Charlie also had the category winner with his five piece grouping; four turned from Elm and the fifth from Pear and all finished with lacquer.



In the Intermediate category **Steve Cassidy** brought in four mushrooms. The first three were turned from Maple and finished with acrylic paint on one and friction polish on the other two. The fourth mushroom was modeled after the Japanese Dancing Mushroom and was turned from Maple and finished with acrylic paints.



Lou Hansen brought in a rain forest mushroom complete with its own dripping rain simulated by lots of CA sprayed with accelerator. Very clever!



John Janssen brought in mushrooms turned out of Jacaranda. One had an off center turned stem. They were finished with Polycrylic.



Robin Brown was the winner in the category with his Buckeye Burl mushroom with a lacquer finish. This was his second win in a row so nice job Robin!



In the Advanced category President **Bill Loitz** brought in a four mushroom grouping turned from Orange, Apricot, Plum and mystery wood. All were mounted on a piece of driftwood and finished with Maloof's poly oil.



Carey Caires brought in four mushrooms for the challenge. The first three were turned out of multi colored laminated wood and the fourth was mystery wood. All were finished with Mylands friction polish.



Sandy Huse brought in a work in process of a piece called "Marinade" that was a mix of copper, glass and mystery wood mushrooms.

Show and Tell

We started off with **Robin Brown** who brought in a beautiful Figured Maple plate with a Waterlox and lacquer finish.



And she also brought in a piece she called "Fungi Jump" that is also a work in process. It was made out of wood, paper and metal.



Jim O'Connor was the winner in the category with his Black Palm and Curly Maple mushroom bird house. It's the one on the far right. The one on the left is turned from Red Palm and Bloodwood. The one in the center is turned from Ebony and Spalted Beech. No finish was mentioned.



Steve Cassidy brought in an interesting lighthouse that was turned out of Maple with a friction polish finish. See the [Lighthouse Ornament](#) article in the October 2013 issue of *American Woodturner* for more ideas.



Deb Sigel brought in two menorahs that she has recently completed. The first was made from wood, copper and steel wire.



The second one has a miniature Mars rover on it roaming a piece of the red planet.



Alan Pepper brought in a hollow vessel that has been gilded and patinated. This was turned from Maple Burl and Poplar and then painted and had silver leaf applied then the leaf was treated with potash sulfite. **Alan** has applied a few coats of lacquer with “a few more coats to go” he says.



And we finished up with **Henry Koch** who brought in a wonderful little vase turned from Birch. It was dyed several times and then finished with lacquer.



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2013 CALENDAR

Meetings:

December 8- **Holiday Potluck and Auction**

PRESENTATION

Our presentation this month was given by **Charlie Hulien** on building a Longworth Chuck. If you did not get one of his handouts just send him an email at nogaps@aol.com and he will be happy to send one to you. This is a project that combines both some woodworking and woodturning skills to make it. The last page of the handout has a material list that will send you to your local hardware store for nuts, bolts and washers; the internet for the rubber stoppers; and your preferred wood vendor for some plywood. The project may



take you a weekend to complete it depending on your skill level. Maybe several members could get together and make a work day for it. You will have a great chuck when you are done. Thanks Charlie!



You can make the adjusting wrenches with offcuts from the plywood circle.



Finishing Thoughts

The presentation by **Jim Givens** will be directed toward beginning woodturners and the topic is "Paying Attention to Wood Grain". But I bet there will be something that all of us will learn from it.

At the September meeting **Dick Lukes** announced that he is closing down his shop due to health reasons. So if you are interested in some additions to your own shop then consider giving **Dick** a shout. We will send out an email with a list soon.

Pete Carta is still working on the polo shirts for the guild. President **Bill Loitz** has the signup list so make sure you get your name on it if you are interested.

The AAW is offering scholarships to the *Arrowmont* and *John C, Campbell* schools. We are nominating **Sandy Huse** from our guild so we are submitting her name for one of the 27 spots. Good luck **Sandy!**

For planning ahead to next year remember to mark your calendar for the 35th Utah Woodturning Symposium. It will be held May 15 -17 2013 at the Utah Valley University campus in Orem Utah. This year's theme will be "A Tribute to Dale Nish". Information will be available at the website: www.utahwoodturning.com . Registration will open December 1, 2013.

November is election time for our guild so be ready to cast your vote at our meeting.

Anchor Seal is available at the library table from **Kathleen Sutherland** for a mere \$12 per gallon. A great deal!

Remember that the **Holiday Auction** is our major fund raiser for the year. We do not collect dues from our members but we still have things that must be paid for by the guild. The pot luck beforehand is a time when we can eat and socialize with our friends and their significant others. So bring your family, friends and a dish to share and help us raise the necessary funds to keep our guild running for the coming year.