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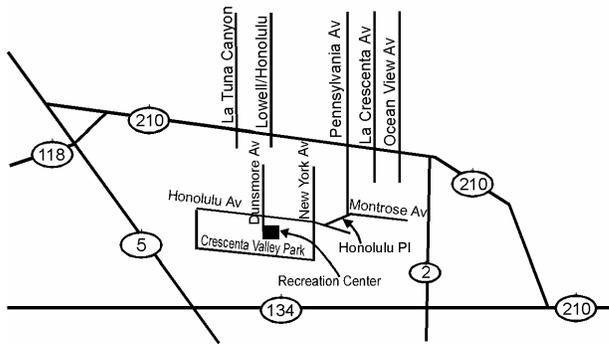
November 13, 2005

Sunday November 13, 2005

2:00 p.m. Sharp

HOW TO FIND US

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



Thomas Guide 534-E-1

SUNDAY MEETINGS

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

November 13 –

Presentation: Ray Ford – Surface Decoration

Challenge: Ornaments

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President's Message



Jim O'Connor

Congratulations and thanks go out to our new officers for next year. They are President - Carrie Caires, Vice-President - Ed Hodchkins, Assistant VP - Dick Lukes. Let's not take for

granted the officers that are returning and have been doing it for many years. They are Treasurer - Bob DeVoe, Secretary - Al Sobel, Library - Bill Nelson. I think we have an excellent group of leaders, but they will need our support and help in order to be effective.

Remember to bring your piece(s) that you are submitting to "California Contours 2006" for judging. Dick Lukes has volunteered to take the photos that will be put on a CD and sent to the judges. It would be great if the pieces could be presented at show and tell, but be sure to bring the wrapping for safe transportation to and from Dick's studio.

The spinning top competition went well thanks to the Chairpersonship of Carrie. It is relatively easy to make a spinning top, but a lot of consideration goes into making it the longest spinning top or the most beautiful. It was fun, but I was hoping to see more entries into the competition.

Arizona Woodturners are holding the Desert Woodturning Roundup Symposium In Mesa Arizona February 18-19. For more details go to <http://www.desertwoodturningroundup.com>.

AAW is holding its 21st annual symposium in Portland Oregon in 2007. If you have suggestions or would like to recommend a turner to demonstrate contact Angelo lafrate at (401) 034 1349 or iafrateturns@cox.net.

CHALLENGE

Our challenge this month was to make a spinning top. But not just any spinning top would do --- our tops had to be beautiful and spin forever and ever. Carey did an excellent job of organizing this fun event.

Longest Spinning Top – 3 Inches or Larger

This category was won by Ed Hotchkins because he submitted the only top of this size. It was well done, and nicely shaped.

Prettiest Top – Pete Carta won for his beautiful cocobolo top with perfect finish

Longest Spinning Top – Under 3 Inches –

Great tension prevailed during the play-offs for this category, but Bill Pounds won. Congratulations!



Pete's Most Beautiful Top winner

Art's winner for The Biggest Top



First Round



Play-offs!

Show and Tell

Ray Ford not only does beautiful wood turning, but he also has great titles for his works. "Split personality" is the name of a little bowl that he wanted to make bigger. He did that by cutting it in half and inserting a jute string portion.



"Trivessel" is a lovely avocado vessel with butternut legs. A bowl with butterflies burned onto each end is titled "Flight." And "Shattered Dreams" is a wonderful oak bowl which looks like a puzzle. All are impressive, but we all seemed most fascinated with "Shattered Dreams" -- what unique work!

Floyd Pederson is busy with zig-zag designs. He showed two segmented bowls, one of ash and the other of maple. The designs are beautiful, as are the shapes. Great work!

Cathy Pearman made a beautiful top after taking a class from Bonnie Klein. The shape was perfect, as were the colors.



Ed Hotchkins brought in "Racing Tops." He decided that "bigger is better" for his fingers, so he entered his biggest top in the contest.

month. It is made of carob with wonderful color and grain. He did a great job.

Jim Givens made a beautifully shaped bowl out of box elder. Or was it California Buckeye? There was some discussion, but the outcome was unclear. Nevertheless, the work was perfect! Jim also brought a spinning top for the contest. He said, "It looks ugly but spins well." Actually it looked just great.



Carey Caires was busy making tops. One was made of maple with chatter work. Another was made of

bloodwood. She put a lovely little fan design on a top made of olive. All were tiny and just beautiful.

Bill Haskell brought the two hollow vessels he started during his August demonstration. Both are of olive. One has an S-shaped carved opening and he donated it for our holiday auction. The other has Bill's signature pierced/carved design and a carved oval opening. We'll probably be seeing more of these now that we've learned from his demonstration how to do this fine work.

Pete Carta made tops, goblets and cowboy hats. In fact, he made a posse of cowboy hats on stands. One of them even looks like a cowboy. They are made of California Sycamore, Ash, Oak and Magnolia. One of his two tops was made of maple with colors in a Bonnie Klein style. The other top was made of cocobolo and maple, and it was just beautiful --- in fact, so beautiful that it won the beautiful top contest. And Pete's goblets were made of ash and done with two twists. They were beautiful, too



Bill Pounds didn't complete his natural edge bowl for last month's challenge, so he brought it this



Terryl Haskens brought a bowl full of tops. Each was a different shape and color. Some even had chatter work. He did great work on each of them.

Dan Hogan brought a stunningly beautiful turned and carved alabaster bowl. The piece weighed 40 lbs when he began. He explained that it turns like wood but Jerry Glazer's tools worked best on it. It is truly a work of art!



Ralph Chamlee is working with carving and color on his pieces. The one he showed is eye-catching for its design and subtle use of colors. Hopefully he will be doing more of these for his style is lovely.

2005 CALENDAR

Meetings:

December 11 No presentation or challenge,
Holiday Party and Auction

***January 9, '06** Committee Selection
Presentation: Jim Givens
Finishing-panel discussion
Challenge: Best surface decoration

February 12, '06 Presentation: Bob Devoe –
Bandsaw features and blade
selection
Challenge: Pair of knitting Needles

March 12, '06

April 9, '06

***May 7, '06**

June 11, '06

July 9, '06

August 13, '06

September 10, '06

October 8, '06

November 12, '06

December 10, '06

***Please note that these two dates are NOT the
2nd Sunday of the month**

This is an important message from Cathy Pearman about our December Party. Our December meeting will be our Annual Holiday Pot Luck and Fundraiser. Don't forget to invite your family to join us! Please contribute one of your family's favorite Holiday dishes, ready to serve and accompanied by serving utensils. If you bring it in a crock pot or another appliance which must be plugged in, please bring along an extension cord. (Remember that we have a very limited number of electrical outlets available!) Your name should be CLEARLY WRITTEN on any containers, utensils or other equipment that you intend to take home with you. GWG will provide the plates, napkins, eating utensils and drinkware. Your decorative items always make our meeting room festive! Poinsettias, miniature trees and any other colorful seasonal decorations you bring will be returned to you that day. (Please be sure your name is on them so we get them back promptly to the right person!) The annual auction is our primary source of operating funds each year and Bill Kelly has agreed to return as our

auctioneer! The available items will include the turned works produced by our expert and talented demonstrators, exotic wood turning blocks, delicious baked goods and many other "treasures" donated by our members. Tools and equipment in good order that you no longer use, turned works, shop aids of your invention or design (remember those beautiful depth gauges made from exotic woods?) and the serviceable items accumulating in your garages, closets and storage areas can generate the funds we need to continue publishing our newsletter and holding our monthly meetings without charging dues or membership fees. Please bring your contributions to the December meeting!

Demonstrations

- Oct. 22** Bob DeVoe
"Hands on" sharpening workshop at
Bob's shop
- Jan. 14, '06** James Santhon
Platters and Goblets
- Feb. 4, '06** Alan Lacer
Skews, hook tools, and everything
related

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