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## NEXT MEETING

October

Sunday October 14<sup>th</sup> 2001  
2:00 p.m. Sharp  
Crescenta Valley Regional Park  
Recreation Center  
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## PRESENTATION

Lidded Boxes with Inlaid Lids  
by Al Sobel

## CHALLENGE

Goblets Goblets Goblets  
Try your hand at this fun challenge □



## LAST MEETING

Treasurer **Bob Devoe** conducted the meeting. He welcomed new members and visitors who introduced themselves.

- Welcome & Introduction of New Members
- This month's presentation is Power-Carving by **Bill Haskell**
- Today's challenge is Alternative Materials
- September's demonstration will be **Bill Kelly** demonstrating Goblets On September 22. This is a half-day demonstration starting at 9 am here at Crescenta Valley Regional Park.
- On October 13, **George Hatfield** will demonstrate Spindle turning.

### EVENTS

- Eagle Tools has several new Oneway lathes available
- Woodcraft Supply has a new catalogue out. This includes coupons for Nova 3000 Lathe, Forstner bit sets and !0% off Sorby HSS tools. [www.woodcraft.com](http://www.woodcraft.com)
- Woodworker West is a publication listing all the current events in woodworking. Subscriptions are available through [www.woodwest.com](http://www.woodwest.com).
- Woodworking Show will be in Long Beach on October 26-28 at the Convention Center.
- 10<sup>th</sup> annual Craftsman Weekend will be presented on October 5-7 in Pasadena. There will be tours of Arts and Crafts style homes. 626 441-6333 or [www.pasadenaheritage.org](http://www.pasadenaheritage.org).
- Tropical Exotic Hardwoods of Latin America in Carlsbad has African Blackwood, Gabon Ebony, Snakewood, Holly and Tasmanian Figured Rose Myrtle and Tasmanian Black Acacia. [www.anexotichardwood.com](http://www.anexotichardwood.com) or 888 434-3031.

- Northwest Fine Woodworking in Seattle has a Box & Container Competition. The deadline for submissions is Sept. 30. (206) 625-0542.

### Old Business

- **Bob Barnes** spoke about a bad unsafe chuck he purchased from Grizzly.
- Brigantine Project – **Bill Kelly**
- Mentor Program report - Don Comer
- Nominations for Officers – **Al Sobel** had completed his work on the nominations. Call for additional nominations.

Elections we're held. Results are.

President – **Don Comer**

Vice President - **Dan Hogan**

Editor – Al Sobel will continue

Mailing Newsletters – **Ralph Otte and Bob Ulrich**

Sodas – **Cal Elshoff**

Refreshments, Librarian, and Wood crew remains the same.

### New Business

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Appointment of Challenge Judges:

Break for refreshments

Sale of raffle tickets

### Challenge & Show & Tell

- **Show & Tell**

#### Presentation

**Bill Haskell** presented on Power Carving. He passed out an informative paper on what is available, where to get equipment and spoke on the equipment he uses. Good presentation from him as usual. Thanks **Bill**.



### Brigantines Report by Bill Kelly

The latest shipment of South American hardwoods has finally arrived after sitting on the docks in Georgetown Guiana for several months due to civil unrest. There are several large purpleheart billets for the rudder and lots of tatabu and courbril for the planking below the waterline. Mahogany has also arrived and should be ready

soon to distribute to guild members who want to turn stanchions for the afterdeck taffrails.

Work is progressing nicely. Watertight doors (aluminum) have arrived as well as fiberglass reinforced black, gray and white, tanks for water and fuel.

The boatwork's is hosting a Marine Arts and Crafts Fair, October 27 and 28 and our guild will man a couple of booths, same as last year. We will have the club lathe on hand for demonstrations. Contact **Bill Kelly** if you want to participate.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

**Lane Thomsen, Ed Shryock, Claude Woody**

We're glad to have you aboard! □

## 2001 GWG CALENDAR

### SUNDAY MEETINGS

Meetings usually consist of announcements, a feature presentation, challenge, show & tell, and wood raffle.

**Nov 11 GWG Meeting – Kaleidoscopes Bob Coleberd and Round Ball Challenge**

**Dec 9 GWG Holiday Affair and Auction**

### SATURDAY WORKSHOPS (start at 9AM)

**Sept 22 Goblets Bill Kelly**

**Oct 13 George Hatfield**

**Nov 3 Segmented Turnings Don Comer at his shop**

## SHOW AND TELL

**Carl Stude** showed a Corian turned candle finished with wax

**Dave Holzberger** had a hat stand of cocobolo, and elevated ash bowl 16 in. diameter, a segmented bowl of mahogany and dyed veneer 9" by 5", and a segmented bowl walnut and ebony dyed veneer 9 ½ x 6".

**Jim O'Connor** had 4 bowls – birch, black acacia, maple, and elm all started from logs from tree neighbors and friends cut down.

**Ed Hotchkin** showed colored trays using gold paste as grain filler.

**Don Comer** brought a black acacia bowl, 10" dia. x 4" high with lacquer finish and a lamp base from laminated white oak frame cutoff from the Brigantine 4" dia. x 16" high with arbor wax finish

**Joe Larsson** showed his Kachina Doll as an example of woodturning and embellishment.

**Jean Claude Brule** displayed his segmented maple, walnut, and padauk with fishpaper between segments.

**Curt Thompson** had Christmas tree ornaments from various woods and in new shapes lacquered and buffed. He's getting ready for Christmas early. He sure does his ornaments well.

**Amos Thompson** had a eucalyptus burl and rosewood urn finished with Deft.

**Dick Lukes** brought a cocobolo lidded and threaded box. Threads were cut on end of cylinder then parted off and inset in the base to get grain match on the sides of the box. He also showed his "Eye – Con #22", an ebonized walnut split turning with Lexan Eye on a bored out column, 21" high.

**Bill Haskell's** challenge and winning piece was a shaving set, brush, and razor hanging on a stand. The brush, razor and stand were all turned out of Corian with a contrasting light and dark granite colored material set off with the use of black fish paper. Pieces of Corian and the fish paper were glued together with epoxy in some cases, and CA glue in others. The glue joints are almost imperceptible. **Bill** said turning Corian can give good results, but the process is not fun like turning wood. He also had four other razors, three with handles in colorful granite, marble and mother of pearl resin material sold by **Craft Supplies** for fountain pens and one with a rose wood handle.

## Mentors

**Here is the current list of volunteer mentors. Those interested in their help should contact them.**



## HOW TO FIND US

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

## HOW TO FIND US ON THE INTERNET

- (1) At our Web page <http://www.woodturners.org>, and
- (2) A Mail List for Q&A and Information exchange within GWG at [turnings-subscribe@onelist.com](mailto:turnings-subscribe@onelist.com).

## President's Column

The weather is changing, leaves are beginning to fall and the heat of summer has broken. Autumn is a great time to be turning wood.

I heard raving reports on our last meeting. In my absence, **Bob DeVoe** did a fine job of leading the meeting. Thank you so much for a wonderful job. I would also like to thank **Al Sobel** for arranging the fine list of nominees for the annual election. In fact, he compiled the list so quickly, that Bob held the elections at the September meeting.

Congratulations to **Don Comer**, President and **Dan Hogan**, Vice President. **Bob DeVoe** will continue as Treasurer and **Steve Jacobs** as Secretary. **Al Sobel** will continue writing his wonderful newsletter. I look forward to handing over the gavel to **Don**, while I will be making lemon bars. **Carl Elshoff** will be taking over those big ice chests and handling the drinks for our meetings. **Bill Nelson**, Librarian, and **Cathy Pearman**, Refreshment Chairman, will continue in the same capacity next year. I predict that we will

have another stellar year with this fine team. Please provide them with your patience, understanding, and help. They cannot be successful without your support.

**Bill Haskell** gave a wonderful presentation at the last meeting.

I understand that **Bob DeVoe** has proof that he actually turned wood. Can a new lathe transform "The Man of Steel" into "Geppetto, Wood Cutter"? Rumor has it that there are shavings under his lathe. I can hardly wait for "Show and Tell" to see his beautiful handiwork, maybe it will be "Pinocchio".

I look forward to our Holiday Party at the December meeting. It is time to start searching for those special treasures that you would like to donate to the club's auction. The more you bring, the fatter the coffers become.

Let's continue to make shavings together.

Linda Emery

## Flash

I was fortunate to have seen "**our lathe**" prominently displayed at the **Smithsonian Renwick Museum** in Washington DC on September 6 and was able to give particular details of its execution to the 25 docents being lectured by the museum's director. The time spent at the lathe was some 15 minutes with many questions asked to answer. The response I got from them was overwhelming.

Further, I gave the director a picture of our **1902 La France Steam Fire Engine**, expressing the hope that upon the death of the present owner, it would be given to the **Renwick**. He and all were greatly impressed.

I'll have more pictures and comments about this encounter at the October meeting.

Cal Elshoff



Pix from **Bill Kelly** goblet demo as he shows us how to make them with twist stems and mystery rings. Photos by **Don Comer**



***How's this for a closer?***

Why do they put pictures of criminals up in the Post Office? What are we supposed to do? Write