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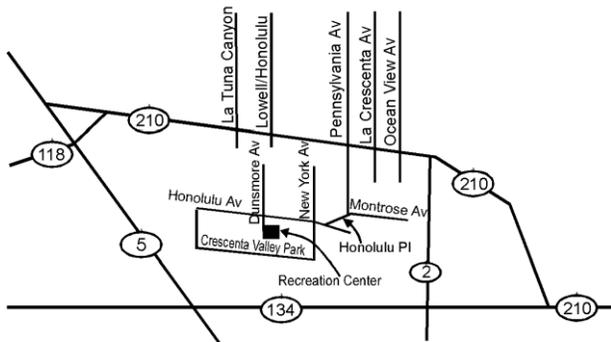
### NEXT MEETING

*December 14, 2014*

Sunday December 14, 2014  
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.

December 14, 2014

**Holiday Potluck and Auction**

### President's Message

Now that we are officially into the Holiday Season I thought it might be a good idea to recap the past year. Plenty has happened so far in 2014. We had some very good challenges with a much improved participation over the prior year. We all learned new ways to embellish our work and some new techniques for making segmented pieces. Membership has continued to grow and we even had a few standing room only meetings. We did get to see a few really good demonstrators. In fact we are already working on setting up a very special demonstrator for late January. We had a few very successful events with *Rockler* and even got a few new members from them. Overall I think it was a very good year for the Glendale Woodturners Guild.

Looking ahead to this coming year, first and foremost, a very big thank you to all the hard working volunteers who have said "yes" to continue or join the leadership of our Guild. I am excited about the coming year, especially the Beads of Courage challenge and some of the demonstrators that we are discussing. It appears to me that there is a growing interest in woodturning in general. I have had a number of non-members contact me looking for instruction and information on how to get started in woodturning. It is exciting to see some of the new and very creative things that members are doing. I hope to see all of you at our annual Holiday Party and Auction on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December.

Enjoy the Holidays,  
**Bill**

## CHALLENGE

This month's challenge was holiday ornaments or gift boxes. We did not have many entries in all categories. We ended up with everyone in the Advanced category.

**John Janssen** brought in a communion set turned from Eucalyptus, Chinese Elm and Jacaranda. It was finished with butcher block oil.



**Steve Cassidy** brought in an inside out ornament turned out of pine. This was his first attempt at this style and it had no finish yet. Nice attempt **Steve**.



**Brian Williamson** entered a bowl turned out of Oak with a lid of dyed Fiddleback Maple. It had a clear polished wood finish.



**Jim Givens** had two sea urchin ornaments with Walnut finials. They had a lacquer finish.



**Sandy Huse** brought in a nice collection of ornaments turned out of various woods.



**Carey Caires** was the winner here miniature sea urchin ornament. She also brought in a pair of earrings, a necklace and a Christmas bell. They were all finished with Mylands and wax.



## SHOW AND TELL

We started off with **James Hurst** and his Oak bowl that had its cracks and voids filled with colored epoxy. He was going to sand down the epoxy flush with the surface but his wife liked it as it was so he left it that way. It was finished with lacquer.



**Floyd Pedersen** brought in a segmented bowl turned out of various woods and finished with shellac.



**Ron Clark** brought in a lidded box and two hollow forms. The box was turned out of Ficus and Purpleheart with a turquoise inlay. The first hollow form was turned out of Liquid Amber.



The second hollow form was turned out of Ficus with copper inlay. All had a CA and Mylands finish.



**Carl Christensen** brought in an off center platter after attending the Keith Gotschall demo. It was turned out of Ironwood and has no finish yet.



**Ron Shafer** brought in a spiral segmented bowl turned out of Padouk, Maple, Mahogany and Ebony. It was finished with Danish oil.



**Steve Cassidy** brought in a cracker and dip plate turned out of Oak. It was finished with five coats of Maloof oil/wax.



**John Janssen** brought in a small photo frame he made out of Hibiscus and finished with acrylic spray.



We finished up with **Vartan Akopian**. He brought in a backgammon set he had made.



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## 2015 CALENDAR

### Meetings:

- January 11
- February 8
- March 8
- April 12
- May 17 (Third Sunday)
- June 14
- July 12
- August 9
- September 13
- October 11
- November 8
- December 13

## Sunday Demo

On Sunday October 26<sup>th</sup> we had **Keith Gotchall** from Salida Colorado. He gave a jam packed demonstration of his turning skills. He turned a Quaich, a lidded bowl, an off center platter and a three legged stool. There were lots of tips and tricks that **Keith** shared as well.

Here he is in the middle of turning the Quaich. If you weren't there you can look up the description.

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The lidded box was made to be a sugar bowl so the walls were meant to be about ¼ inch thick, “it’s not an art piece”, he said. He encouraged us to decorate the underside of the lid because “people will look inside here too.”



The off center platter was turned with the beads being put on the face first. Then **Keith** took a little “shim” of Purpleheart that was “sharpened” and used to transfer color in between the beads. Then the “bowl” or depression was cut after the piece was shifted off center. Here is the result.



The three legged stool was about 16 inches tall with the seat at about 12 inches in diameter turned out of Sugar Pine. The legs were turned from Poplar.



Thanks **Keith** for an entertaining and informative demonstration. Thank you to **James Hurst** for the photo of **Keith** turning the Quaich.

## Finishing Thoughts

Don’t forget the Holiday Potluck and Auction is this month. Get your turnings ready to be auctioned off and get your old tools or excess wood collected.

Label your serving dishes for the potluck with your name so they get back to you. And bring an extension cord if you need to plug something in. Bring your turnings because we like to collect our fellow members work!

This is our only fund raiser to help the guild with expenses for the coming year. So bring cash or your checkbook. We will eat first and socialize and then **Pete Carta** will be our auctioneer for the fun part of the day. You will get your bidding number at the door as you come in. So bring a salad, a main dish or favorite dessert to share and bring your significant other or friends to join us.