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THE SILICON VALLEY WOODTURNERS

COMING UP!

November 5th
Monthly Meeting

November 15
Bob Rosand Demo

December 3rd
Christmas Party



IT'S THAT TIME ALREADY?

Jim started off by pointing out that he wears an air respirator face mask. Finials and ornament body should be made of contrasting colors. Finial needs to be straight grained hardwood; e.g. similar to a pen blank.

Ornament Body

Jim drills a 3/8" hole through the body. He previously used one longer piece of wood but this time used a glue block to save wood and make it easier to get into the back side of the body. For hanging purposes, Jim uses very small eye hooks; but one can also use thread or fishing line. Avoid a right angle cut on finial where it attaches to body. He recommends to undercut it and leave a chamfer in order to get a good fit (space for glue?).

Jim turns the basic shape and then drills a 3/8" hole. Turning at 3000 rpm is ok because of the relatively small diameter; i.e. the circumference is not moving that fast. By using a contrasting colored glue block, he can tell when he has drilled through the main body. For hollowing, Jim used tools made by Rich Dege. Jim previously used a right angled hex key that he ground for hollowing. He marks depth on tool. First he begins the hollowing by making the hole bigger all the way through. He made a thickness gauge out of coat hanger. Set it wider than the desired wall thickness. A coat hanger is good because it has memory.

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PRES SEZ



As you know the end of the year is approaching. As mentioned last month it is time again to come up with a SVW STAFF for 2009. All positions are open or available and need your support. Some of the current staff need to move on to other activities and will not be available for the

next year. So this is a real request asking for your help and support. Maybe you could help on a part time basis or only for a few months but help is what we need. Step forward and let us know where or how you can help the Silicon Valley Woodturners. The November meeting is the time to join our SVW Staff as this is our last meeting for 2008.

It is also time to remind you to renew or join the AAW. Their new color Magazine is well worth the membership price. Also for me I find the Resource Directory to be a good tool. It is a great tool to use when traveling. Members are listed and have indicated their willingness to open their shops for your visit. I have had people from Europe, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Ireland, Hawaii, and many states throughout the US visit my shop

because of the Resource Directory. Some of the people have become family friends.

In fact Amir is here from Italy for a visit again and over the years he has become one of our family! This week we hooked up my PC with "SKYPE" and called his family in Italy for FREE! When he is here, we spend most days turning. He is on one lathe and I am on the other. The project he made the other day was a necklace for Michelle made from Black wood. We also go on many adventures together. This time we are off to Fresno to visit another friend to see his new "Ring Master". Again all this was because someone used the Resource Directory from the AAW.

Please plan ahead and join us for dinner at the Chicken Coop in Campbell on Dec 3, 2008.

Keep it Round!!

Rich

Next month...

Join us Wednesday, Nov. 5th, at 7 P.M., Rich's Center is located behind his home at 14979 Joanne Ave., San Jose. From Hwy. 680, take the McKee Road exit East about 1.5 miles to Toyon Ave. Turn left and go 0.6 mile, turn right onto Joanne Ave.

Bring your chair and items for Show and Tell. We all learn together.

PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE: STARTS WITH "N" AND "D"



Jim Gott's ornament in process

The reason for hollowing is to reduce weight; a lighter ornament does not pull the tree branch down. Jim then finishes turning the shape near the headstock and sands to 400. He then applies Deft lacquer sanding sealer sanding sealer, but not in the hole or glue won't bond. Jim then applies a final finish of 50/50.

He applies the finish by hand with paper towels (Note: he has not noticed a problem with Bounty paper towels). Then buffs with lathe on.

He then takes a 3/8 spindle gouge to clean out hole from headstock end where he parted off the body.

Finial and Top

Jim uses a chuck with long nose jaws for turning finial; this gives more support. The chucks he uses are a V100 for finial and a V120 for the body. Note: he also uses one piece of wood for both the finial and top. Each finial is about 4 fingers long.

He then makes a cylinder and reduces to a taper. Bottom of the finial is at tailstock end. Jim was using a large gouge; roughing gouge makes it easier to get a smooth curve as opposed to smaller spindle gouge. Re-measure hole diameter before taking spigot/tenon end of finial to its final diameter. He used a 3/8 wrench ground into home made tool. Then he makes an undercut. To part off the finial, he was using a home made tool from an old skew chisel. Then he makes an indent in top of top for drill for eye hook. He made a handle for a small drill chuck to hold the small drills. He uses medium CA glue on inside of hole (don't put on tenon or glue will squeeze out) and put accelerator on spigot. Finally tries to line up grain on finial and top!! Screws in eye hook and is done.



President's Challenge

TURNING OUT

STARTS WITH "O"

Clockwise from top left:

1. Rich Johnson – made an ornament from one of his palm nuts; saw it on Sunday morning woodturning show. And he also showed something made from red heart.

2. Phil Roybal – showed a hollow snowman ornament made of maple, finished with spray lacquer. It is several pieces and includes carved acrylic.

3. Herb Greene – created an oak segmented mug; each ring is 10 pieces.

4. Harry Levin – Also created an ornament, this one for a Hanukkah bush. It is actually called a dreidel which consists of a 4 sided orthogonally shaped top. The difficult task was putting Hebrew letters on the sides. Harry painted the sides with whiteout to allow tracing with carbon paper. He then carved and filled the lettering with gold pen. The base is blackwood.

5. Kent Mosley – made an oblong olive bowl and said lots of other "O" words to go along with his exhibit.

6. Jim Gott – Turned 3 ornaments. The bodies are all made from redwood burl with maple and cocobolo finials.

7. Becky Frisbee– Showed an olive platter

8. Howard Cohen – Made an olive natural edge bowl, It was finished with Masters spray lacquer

9. Brian Butler – Showed an olive bottle stopper with a natural edge. For August, Brian made an Afzelia pen. And, for September, he created a spalted sugar maple pen.

10. Rich Horton – Made a couple of bottle stoppers using black onyx and ivory.

11. Scott Landon – Showed an oak, shallow bowl with soapstone segmented rim. He used a wipe on poly finish so as to prevent scratches on the soapstone.

12. Colin MacKenzie – Made an oil lamp from Douglas fir and African blackwood.



Show and Tell

1. Rich Johnson, (no pic) in doing his O project was reminded about anti-seize-on screws for chuck jaws. Treating screws with this material helps to save screws on the chuck. You can get this product at an auto store. Just a dab every time you change jaws.



2. Becky Frisbee – showed a small box made from azelia burl. Becky used the remaining “scrap” to turn an inset for another box. In other words, don’t just throw away good wood.



3. Rich Horton – brought a piece of wood from a pond close to his property and is looking for it to be identified. Rich Johnson thought it looked similar to pepper tree but the bark didn’t match.



4. Kent Mosley - big leaf maple , east India rosewood, madrone, walnut, paduak, Tasmanian blackwood and paduak – for an order for boxes. Camphor burl and blackwood.. Blood wood and blackwood, cocobolo and blackwood. 50 50 friction polish, orange oil.



5. Scott Landon – myrtle wood with soapstone rim segment. Glued soapstone with system 3 epoxy (flexible). He power carved the rim and tried to turn it but had to make another one.



6. Colin MacKenzie – went to Richmond in June and saw a demo on hollowing by making two pieces like a box and then gluing together. He showed an example of trying this himself on a Camphor piece finished with 50 50.

SVW needs YOU

It takes more than the officers and program chairs to make our club function at its best. If your name's not in the column at right, we still need your help in smaller ways to manage some of the club's activities.

This is a HELP WANTED ad, and we need you to respond. There are always things that need doing here. In particular, we need:

- Volunteers for shop tours
- Volunteers to present at meetings
- Members to write up their profiles for the newsletter
- Short articles for *Chips & Chatter*

Please volunteer to Rich Johnson and help make our activities happen.

permission, you must secure that same permission in order to use that material.

Volunteer Instructors

The turners below have graciously offered to open their shops to help members who want to learn to sharpen, try something new, or master a technique that just doesn't seem to be working. We all love to share. You just have to ask.

Willing to help? Contact Lloyd Frisbee to join this list.

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Sharing Knowledge

MEMBERS: Please contribute your expertise to our newsletter. The editor will help you get your article ready if need be. Deadline is the 12th of the month.

OTHER WOODTURNING

CLUBS: you may use materials in this newsletter for the benefit of other turners. Please credit Silicon Valley Woodturners and the newsletter month and year for any material you use, and mention our web site: www.svwoodturners.org. Note that if we've flagged an article as having been reprinted from another source with

Join Silicon Valley Woodturners

Want to join a great group of turning enthusiasts in an atmosphere of sharing and camaraderie? Become a member of Silicon Valley Woodturners.

We meet on the first Wednesday of each month. See page 2 for details. Drop in at any meeting and check things out. To join, contact Rich Johnson (see listing at the right).

Learn more about our club on the web at www.svwoodturners.org.

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STAFF REPORTS

RICH JOHNSON (PRESIDENT)

We have set the following demos:
Bob Rosand on November 15

Others being considered are: Bill Hunter, Will Smith, Haley Smith, Todd Hoyer, Michael Lee, and Kay Foster.

Our demonstrators are scheduled for a full day. Bay Area Woodturners combines the demo with their monthly meeting. Meeting first, then the demo. We can attend their demos.

**John Whittier
(VP/Programs)**

**November, Show your
ornaments**

CRAIG THORSON (TREASURER)

Treasury reports are available to members. See Craig.

(LIBRARIAN)

The club library has the "The Woodturning Workshop" (PBS) DVD's available. Also Some from Jimmy Clewes. Also 2 new Cindy Drozda DVD's

DICK PICKERING (APPAREL)

Hats are now available at \$10 each. Be sure to wear your SVW insignia when you work shows such as the Woodworking show as an SVW staffer.

BECKY FRISBEE (SUNSHINE)

Let Becky or Lloyd know if a club member needs a get-well card, a new-member info packet, or some other contact from the club.

Other Business

Hartville Tools is offering 20%

member discounts if we pass along our club roster. If you don't want your name released, put your name on the opt out list in the database section of our Yahoo group site.

HAVE YOU CHANGED?

Have you changed email addresses? Have you moved? Have you changed phone numbers? We are trying to update our roster and found many things have changed over the year. If you have changed, let Howard know so that he can update the roster. It is also time to renew your membership to SVW and AAW. It is really important to be an AAW member.

REMEMBER!

Since we will not be having a December meeting at Rich's shop, you will need to bring your November and December President's Challenge items to the November meeting. If you cant make it, maybe you can bring it to a sawdust session before the end of the year. We will want photos also. There are a few people who missed a month here or there over the year. Maybe this would be a good time to catch up. We need to limit it to 2 months only. Any more and it wouldn't be fair to all the other iron-persons.

FOR SALE

- * Jool Tool Sharpening system with all accessories \$200
- * Thin Blade Parting tools - \$20
- * Loggers / fishing gloves - \$3
- * Shop hanging Paper towel holders - \$5
- * Mirca sand paper \$16 per box
80 grit is \$17.
- * Sanding disk punching \$5 per box.

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Even Roy wants to know...
How did you do that?

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Learn the basics, from chainsaw to polish. An all day class. Book available. Sign up now. (408) 254-8485.

CALENDAR

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November 15

Christmas Party
Dec 3rd
Campbell Sonoma
Chicken Coop
Restaurant



Bob Rosand

Ironmen are those who complete all 12 President's Challenge projects for 2008. Those who meet the challenge are awarded distinctive IRONMAN name badges. A blue bar in the chart below means that person

has completed the project for the month indicated.

You needn't be a great turner, you just need to participate. Make something in our Challenge theme and bring it to the next meeting.

Editor's Note

If I've overlooked your President's Challenge entry somehow, e-mail Lloyd at bigguy95124@yahoo.com.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Batek, Michael												
Belden, Charlie												
Bryhan, Tony												
Butler, Brian												
Cohen, Howard												
Davis, Joe												
Dowden, Tony												
Fiend, David												
Frisbee, Becky												
Geren, Ron												
Gott, Jim												
Green, Herb												
Hall, George												
Horton, Rich												
Johnson, Rich												
Jones, Barb												
Landon, Scott												
Levin, Harry												
Mackenzie, Colin												
McLintock, Wally												
Mosley, Kent												
Mulligan, Paulette												
Overmire, John												
Pickering, Dick												
Roybal, Phil												
Sayed, Ayman												
Sealy, Ard												
Thorson, Jeff												
Todd, Jack												
Vaughan, Glenn												
Wiley, Michael												
Wittier, John												

IRONMAN RULES

- Entries must not have been shown before.
- If you miss a month's Challenge, you may bring it to a Sawdust Session, or to the following meeting.
- If you bring a make-up Challenge to a meeting, you must also show the current month's Challenge piece.

2008 CHALLENGES

November With a "N"
and December with a "D"