Gold Country Woodturners Invites you to our

Christmas Potluck Dinner

December 14 -- 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. 5:30-6:30 appetizers and drinks. Dinner @6:30

Nevada City Elks Lodge, Highway 49, Nevada City

Please R.S.V.P. by logging in and registering at <u>www.goldturners.org</u> (*we need a headcount*)

Or email Randy Panos ... <u>RandyPanos@gmail.com</u>

The plan

- Family members and guests are welcome
- Please bring a dish of your choosing (sized for 10 helpings at least) ... an appetizer, salad, side dish, or desert also serving utensils. (two dishes are also ok if you are so inclined)
- Your beverage of choice other than water or coffee which the club will provide. Wine/beer are ok ... \$5 corkage fee per bottle for wine
- Drinks may be purchased at the Elks bar also

The Club will provide:

- Main meat dish
- Water and coffee
- Plates, glasses, eating utensils and napkins

Evening Events:

- **Display table** gallery. Bring 1-3 pieces of your best work of this year. (or mistakes you'd like to talk about)
- Silent auction fund raiser for our woodturning
- scholarship program
 - Brown Bag Turned Object **Gift Exchange.** Optional (details on back)

The plan

Brown Bag Gift exchange

PARTICIPATION IS ENTIRELY OPTIONAL ... basically if you bring a bagged gift, you get to draw and pick a gift from the table. Otherwise sit back and enjoy.

- Members turn a small present to their liking, something modest -- perhaps \$25-\$50 max value. Suggestions: pens, bottle stoppers, coasters, pepper mills, small bowls, ornaments, etc.
- Place your item in a stapled or otherwise closed brown paper bag.
- Take it to the brown bag gift table, and the member will receive one half of a numbered raffle ticket for receipt and other half of ticket goes in bowl.
- During exchange, tickets will be pulled one at a time and member with the same number will go up and pick out a bag.
- Member that turned item will identify themselves once the bag is opened and item is shown to audience.
- You can make and bring more than one gift item so that each of your family members can have a shot at picking a gift.

The Gallery Display Table

- Bring 1-3 of your best pieces you've made this year.
- Don't be bashful ... we all started at the beginning and it is the journey that counts.
- If you have things that didn't quite work out, and that you'd like to share or get suggestions for bring those

The Silent Auction

This is our major fund raiser for the year to support the club's scholarship program. Last year we raised \$2,300 dollars and awarded scholarships to 13 of our members to attend either a woodturning class or a woodturning symposium. Our goal is to beat that this year.

As GCWT is a registered 501-c3 charitable nonprofit, any contribution or donation, in excess of the fair market value of the item, can potentially be deducted on your federal income tax. Forms are available.

The Auction will include:

- Tools and other items donated by suppliers
- Turned items from professional turners (Mike Mahoney, Kirk DeHeer, Guilio Marcolongo, Soren Berger, Pat Johnson)
- Day in the shop tutoring sessions with local turners
- Other good stuff

BRING CASH, CHECKBOOK or CREDIT CARD.

100% of proceeds go to the scholarship fund.