



Chips & Shavings

SOUTH PUGET SOUND
WOODTURNERS
(SPSW)

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Segmented Vase by Neil Bonn

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(Photograph by Fred Abeles)

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President's Letter & Meet the Turner



Clever ideas and tools

Whenever I get a chance to visit a fellow woodturner's shop, I am always on the lookout for those special aids or fixtures that many turners have. Each device was crafted to fulfill a need or special requirement.

Simplicity and functionality are a common thread to many of the unique little helpers that I have seen. For example Dave Schweitzer's dust collection powered bowl holder with dust sucking port, or Paul Crabtree's multi diameter / multi grit sanding disc storage carousel. Each clever item will soon be replicated in my shop.

At last month's "show and tell" there was a wonderful example of a cutting sled, which is used to make the very precisely cut pieces of wood used in segmented turnings.

I have also seen simple tendon size gauges made from plywood that give a quick reference to the different size jaws on your scroll chuck.

The variety of shop aides available to assist you range from cutting turning blanks to applying flawless finishes.

What useful thing have you come up with to help you make your turning easier or better? Bring it to the next "show and tell" and explain how it helps you. Just think, your idea might be exactly what another member needed.

See you on the 16th, and remember be safe, make chips and have fun!

-Pat McCart, SPSW



This month's cover picture is a vase by Neil Bonn. Neil is a retired cabinet maker, who upon retirement decided he wanted to keep his hand in woodworking. He joined the local woodcarvers club. Dissatisfied with caving he then joined the Evergreen Woodworkers Guild where he met Bob Sweazey, who convinced him to try woodturning and join the SPSW. That was 2002 and Neil has been turning ever since. Neil is an active member who can be counted on to bring interesting pieces for Show & Tell. This past month Neil brought the vase featured on the cover. Neil tells me that it is made of 404 pieces of Jatoba & Oak.

Good job Neil and keep up the good work!



Participation Tickets – If you participate in **Show & Tell, Wood Donation,** or **Set-Up/Clean-Up**, make sure to fill out your **Participation Tickets**.

THIS MONTH AT A GLANCE

- **MEMBERSHIP MTG - Mar. 16th** (Thur.), 7:00-9:00 pm at Fife Senior Center
- **SAWDUST SESSION - Apr. 18th @ Bob Sweazey's Shop**
- **BOARD MTG. - Apr. 28th** (Tues.), 7:00-8:30 pm at Les Johnson's, members welcome (RSVP to Pat McCart)

SPSW CALENDAR – 2009 At A Glance

Jan. 15 Membership Mtg:-
Fred Holder - Making Chinese Balls
17 Sawdust Session at Pat McCart's
27 Board Mtg. - Les Johnson's

Feb. 19 Membership Mtg:-
Malcolm Tibbets Segmented turning
19 **Special all day class with Malcolm Tibbets - Segmented Turning**
21 Sawdust Session
24 Board Mtg. - Les Johnson's

Mar. 19 Membership Mtg:-
2008 Annual Holiday meeting
21 Sawdust Session
31 Board Mtg. - Les Johnson's

Apr. 16 Membership Mtg:- **Dave Schweitzer - Wooden Bowls & Decorative Effects**
18 Sawdust Session at Bob Sweazey's
28 Board Mtg. - Les Johnson's

May 21 Membership Mtg:-
TBD
23 Sawdust Session
26 Board Mtg. - Les Johnson's

June 18 Membership Mtg:-
Summer Symposium
20 Sawdust Session
30 Board Mtg. - Les Johnson's

July xx Picnic / Wood Auction
16 Membership Mtg:-
TBD
18 Sawdust Session
28 Board Mtg. - Les Johnson's

Aug. 20 Membership Mtg:-
TBD
22 Sawdust Session
25 Board Mtg. - Les Johnson's

Sept. 17 Membership Mtg:-
TBD
19 Sawdust Session
25 Board Mtg. - Les Johnson's

Oct. 15 Membership Mtg:-
Fall Symposium
17 Sawdust Session
27 Board Mtg. - Les Johnson's

Nov. 19 Membership Mtg:-
TBD
21 Sawdust Session
24 Board Mtg. - Les Johnson's

Dec. 18 Membership Mtg:-
Annual Holiday Mtg.
20 Sawdust Session
30 Board Mtg. - Location TBD



This Month's Demonstrator - Dave Schweitzer



Dave Schweitzer was born in Midland, Michigan and has resided in the Pacific Northwest since 1962. Dave and his wife Lu now reside near Hartstine Island where they enjoy spending time with their children and grandchildren and entertaining their friends.

Dave retired from Operating Engineers he was a diesel mechanic, welder and fabricator for 40 years. Dave spends some of his retirement hours tending his oyster and clam beds and spoiling his cat. Dave was looking for an artistic outlet to occupy his time during his retirement. Having worked with metal most of his adult life, he considered metal sculpture but felt wood was a much softer medium. Wood also had the advantage of being readily available considering the area in which he lives. Like many woodturners Dave started out working in his garage. He now turns in a large studio, approximately 3300 sq. ft. on the shores of South Puget Sound.



Using his metal working skills Dave has fabricated his own lathe and tools which he uses on his turnings. He turns one-of-a-kind pieces as no two pieces of wood are the same. He shows particular attention to form, detail and finishes that best show the fine grain and beauty of the natural woods.

Dave is a member in good standing with the American Association of Woodturners. He is affiliated with the Olympic Peninsula Chapter and the South Puget Sound Chapter. Dave has demonstrated throughout the Pacific Northwest and has been acknowledged in several publications.

During the meeting Dave will be spending some time on sharpening, hollow forms and off center turning that can be done with a chuck and screw chuck.

Dave's techniques will be covered in greater detail at Saturday's Sawdust Session and will feature hands-on learning for those members in attendance. Please see the Announcements section for more details.



Last Month's Meeting - Christmas in March

Photos by Fred Abeles: For additional Club photos by Fred please go to <http://avoided-artist.smugmug.com/Woodworking>





Last Month's Meeting

Photos by Bob Seivers





Announcements

Are you a new member or visiting our club for the first time?

We are glad you are here and want to welcome you to our general membership meeting. **Please introduce yourself to an officer or mentor so we can welcome you.**

Need help with a splintering question?

Contact one of our "MENTORS." These club members have stepped up and would like to use their knowledge and expertise to help other turners with their questions. If these turners aren't able to answer your question, they will do their best to help you find a solution.

SPSW Mentors

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- **Jim Cotter**
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- **Pat McCart**
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- **Paul Crabtree**
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- **John Moe**
(425) 643-4522
- **Jack Hegseth**
(360) 832-8499
- **Dave Schweitzer**
(360) 432-9509
- **Hal Johnson**
(425) 788-2221

- **SEATTLE AAW MEMBERSHIP MEETING** – 2nd Thursday of each month, Overlake School in Redmond
- **OLYMPIA AAW MEMBERSHIP MEETING** – 4th Thursday of each month, Thurston County Fairgrounds
- **A NOTE FROM OUR LIBRARIAN** - We are trying to take an inventory of the books and DVD's in our library to see what needs to be replaced or purchased. In order to take a proper inventory we are asking all members to return any items that they may have checked out. A preliminary review of checked out items indicates that many items have been checked out for more than 6 months. Please see the list below; if you have any of the items on this list, please return them at this month's meeting.

Item #	TITLE	AUTHOR	Media Type
1	Tips for Turners - Vol 1	David Ellsworth	VHS converted to DVD
2	Tips for Turners - Vol 2	David Ellsworth	VHS converted to DVD
4	Techniques and Projects - Video 1	Bonnie Klein	VHS converted to DVD
5	Turned Bowls - Video 2	Bonnie Klein	VHS converted to DVD
6	Turned Boxes - Video 3	Bonnie Klein	VHS converted to DVD
7	Turning Unusual materials - Video 4	Bonnie Klein	VHS converted to DVD
8	Turning Boxes with Threaded Lids - Video 5	Bonnie Klein	VHS converted to DVD
9	Hollow Turning	John Jordan	VHS converted to DVD
10	Bowl Turning	John Jordan	VHS converted to DVD
12	Woodturning Projects - Vol 2	Nick Cook	VHS converted to DVD
14	The Basic Box	Ray Key	VHS converted to DVD
18	Turning Boxes	Richard Raffan	VHS converted to DVD
31	Woodturning - A Foundation Course	Keith Rowley	VHS converted to DVD
32	Turning Projects from Scrap	Robert Rosand	VHS converted to DVD
33	The 'Slim Line' Pen	Russ Fairfield	VHS converted to DVD
35	Segment Wood turning	R.P. Corriveau	VHS converted to DVD
42	Hollow Vessels with Side Twists	S. Mortimer	VHS converted to DVD
43	Cutting and Sharpening for Woodturning	Chris Stott	VHS converted to DVD
46	History of Turning	Ernie Newman	VHS converted to DVD
47	Sharpening Turning and Carving Tools	J. Kingshott	VHS converted to DVD
48	3-sided Vase Turning	Bob Sievers	VHS converted to DVD
50	Turning Bowls with Chriss Stott	Chris Stott	VHS converted to DVD
51	Basic Offcenter Turning	Chris Stott	VHS converted to DVD
52	First Steps in Woodturning	Chris Stott	VHS converted to DVD
53	Twists and Advanced Turning	Dennis White	VHS converted to DVD
58	Woodturning Projects Vol 2	Nick Cook	VHS converted to DVD
59	Offset Turning	Bob Sievers	VHS converted to DVD
62	Goblet w/Twisted Stem and Finial	Stuart Mortimer	VHS converted to DVD
63	Decorative Effects and Coloring	Chris Stott	VHS converted to DVD
67	Square Box	Stuart Batty	VHS converted to DVD
68	Flat Boxes	Johannes Reiber	VHS converted to DVD
70	Shop Secrets from Master Craftsman	Time Life Art of Woodworking	VHS converted to DVD
73	Turning Bowls and Boxes	Chris Stott	VHS converted to DVD
76	Turning Segmented Platters	Russ Fairfield/Ted Bartholomew	VHS converted to DVD
78	Twisted Candlesticks and Twisted Edge Bowls	Stuart Mortimer	VHS converted to DVD
82	Turning Wood	Richard raffan	VHS converted to DVD
83	Woodturning Projects	Richard Raffan	VHS converted to DVD
201	Polychromatic Assembly for WT *BOOK*	E. Brown & C. Brown	Book
202	Woodturning Woodworkers Class *BOOK*	Barrons	Book
204	Penturners Workbook	Barry Gross	Book
205	Jigs,Fixtures, and Shop Furniture	Nick Engler	Book
207	Build Your Own Furniture	Peter Stamberg	Book
210	Easy to make Childrens Furniture	David Stiles	Book
211	Country Furniture	Nick Engler	Book
303	WT-Fundamentals of Sharpening	AAW-2006	DVD
401	More Woodturning	Fred Holder	DVD



Announcements Continued

- **Wooden Laser Engraved Name Tags** are now available. The cost is \$10. To order a name tag please see Les Johnson at our supplies table at the monthly meeting.
 - **Mark your calendars- the Woodturners of Olympia WA 2009 “Creativity in Woodturning” Symposium** will be held Saturday, July 25, 2009. Eric Lofstrom will begin the day with a demonstration on woodturning basics. Eric will be followed by Jimmy Clewes. Jimmy is a well-known teacher and demonstrator in his native England as well as here in the USA. He will be performing demonstrations covering:
 - Design, shape, form & aesthetics
 - Oriental Boxes
 - Turning a twist and long stem goblet, and ColoringsThe cost for the full day is \$70 for early payment. After June 1, 2009 the cost is \$80. Children under the age of 18 can register for \$10 if attending with a paying adult. Lunch is included in the cost if payment is received before July 12. Demonstrations will start promptly at 8 a.m. and end by 4:30 p.m. Door prize drawings will be made after the final presentation. Location is the Komachin Middle School located at 3650 College St. SE, Lacey, WA 98503. For more information or to register see <http://www.woodturnersofolympia.org/> or send payment directly to Al Price at 4112 Teakwood Ct. SE, Lacey, WA 98503. Questions may also be directed to Al at 360-791-0396 or aprice44@aol.com
- In addition to the symposium, Jimmy will be putting on two one day classes for up to 8 people per class. The first class will be for beginning turners and the second will be for intermediate turners. A one day class with Jimmy will cost \$125 and two days will be \$250. The classes will be held on the 26th & 27th.
- Please email Larry Miller at sawdusterlarry@hotmail.com or Al Price at aprice44@aol.com if you're interested. The classes will be Sunday/Monday, July 26-27.
- **The South Puget Sound Woodturners now has a club policy for harvesting wood as a club function. Please go to our website <http://www.SPSWoodturners.org> for details.**
 - **It's time to start planning for the 2009 AAW symposium.** It will be held in Albuquerque, NM on June 26 - 28, 2009. Please go to <http://www.woodturner.org/sym/sym2009> for details on this years Symposium.
 - **Vendor appreciation gifts still needed** - We are still in need of about 10 items to send as vendor appreciation gifts. If you have donated one as yet please bring one to next month's meeting.
 - **This month's sawdust session will feature Dave Schweitzer.** Dave will be continuing Thursday's demo at Bob Sweazey's shop. This will give members a chance to see Dave's techniques up close and to be able to try them for him or her self. There will be a small fee of \$10 for the all-day class. The fee is payable at the sawdust session or in advance to Jim Cotter at the monthly meeting on Thursday. Please see Jim Cotter or Pat McCart for directions if you require them. Their contact information can be found on page 1



Upcoming Club Raffles

Tickets \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00

The next drawing will be held at the April meeting.

- **Tickets will go on sale in February** for a turning class with **Eric Lofstrom**. The drawing for the class will be held in April.
- **In May** tickets will go on sale for a **Jet Mini Lathe** with the drawing being held in July.

Classified Ads

Would you like to place an ad? Contact Jeff Marsden at (206) 347-3521 or jeffmseattle@yahoo.com

2009 SPSW Membership: \$25 for single / family membership (only one card issued per \$25). Contact Fred Reinke at the general membership meeting or contact our treasurer, Paul Crabtree at (253) 273-2147 or crabtreepaul@yahoo.com

FOR SALE:- PACIFIC YEW From a freshly downed 100+ year old tree. A number of 12"x12" and 16"x16" sections are available. Please contact Steve Byrd for price and availability at 253-261-1121.

This month's Club Special - Please remember to support those who support us. Current membership card must be presented at time of purchase to qualify for special offers from the vendors below. Offers are valid for in-store purchases only.



Woodcraft furnishes all types of turning supplies in addition to a wide general stock of wood-working equipment. Additionally, a 10% discount (some exclusions apply) is available off your purchases when you show your current club membership card.

Your Seattle **Woodcraft** is located at 5963 CORSON AVE SOUTH, SEATTLE. Tel: (206) 767-6394.

THIS MONTH ON APRIL 17th, 18th & 19th **WOODCRAFT** WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN THE 2009 SEATTLE WOODWORKERS SHOW AT SEATTLE CENTER.

AS A SHOW SPECIAL WE WILL BE OFFERING A 10% DISCOUNT ON MANY ITEMS.

AT THIS YEAR'S SHOW WE WILL BE FOCUSING ON THE NEW TABLE SAWS FROM **GENERAL**, **DELTA** AND **SAWSTOP**. AS USUAL, WE WILL BE DEMONSTRATING THE **SAWSTOP** AT VARIOUS TIMES THROUGHOUT THE SHOW.

IN ADDITION TO TABLE SAWS OUR **RIKON** REP WILL BE THERE DEMONSTRATING THEIR 18" BANDSAW, WHICH IS A PERFECT SIZE FOR CUTTING BOWL BLANKS.

IN ADDITION TO THE REPS MENTIONED ABOVE, WE WILL ALSO HAVE REPS FROM **PORTER CABLE**, **DEWALT**, **FASTCAP**, **SANDFLEA**, **JET** AND **POWERMATIC**.

AS ALWAYS WHEN WE PARTICIPATE IN THE WOODWORKERS SHOW THERE WILL BE UNMARKED SPECIALS!

SO IF YOU'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR A GREAT DEAL ON THAT NEW PIECE OF EQUIPMENT YOU'VE BEEN HOLDING OFF ON BUYING FOR YOUR SHOP, COME ON OUT TO THE SHOW AND TALK TO US.



Classified Ads Continued

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Club supplies

The following items are available for purchase at the monthly meetings. The proceeds earned from the sale of these items go back into the club.

CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRICE
	GLUE	
HS-4	HOT STUFF (Thin) 2 oz	9.00
HST-4	SUPER "T" (GAP) 2 oz	9.00
HS-4T	SPECIAL "T" (Thick) 2 oz	10.00
BSI	5 MIN. EPOXY 4.5 OZ 4.5 oz	6.00
	ACCELERATOR	
QA-6	NCF QUICK AEROSOL 6 oz	11.00
	NCF MILD 2 oz	6.00
	COMPANION PRODUCTS	
US-1	ULTRA SOLVENT 2 oz	5.00
HT-600	GLUE CAP REPLACEMENTS	1.00
PT-100	TIP EXTENSIONS 4	1.00
301	TIP EXTENSIONS 3	1.00
303	LONG TIPS 4.5 oz	1.00
322	CA APPLICATOR FINE	1.00
	OTHER	
IND	INDEX WHEELS	20.00
SEAL	SEALER 1 gal	12.00
	FINISH 1 pt	12.00
	FRICTION POLISH 1 pt	14.00
	SANDING	
MICRO M	3" x 6" SHTS 1 ea	13.00
MICRO M	3" x 6" SHTS 2 ea	24.00
	GRITS 80 THROUGH 1000	
	SANDPAPER (5) 5	2.00
	GRITS 80 THROUGH 220	
	SAND CLOTH (1)	1.00
	DISKS	
DISCS	2" SANDING KIT	25.00
DISCS	3" SANDING KIT	30.00
	GRITS 80, 120, 180 & 280	
DISCS	2" SANDING KITS 10	2.00
DISCS	3" SANDING KITS 10	3.00



Vendors



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