



Chips & Shavings

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WOODTURNERS
SPSW

Sep 12, 2016

September - Mini Symposium

This month we are having our second and final Mini Symposium of the year.

These events are special in that they offer the opportunity to observe several different aspects of turning and decoration at one event. They are also special in that the demonstrations are performed by our own members. This club is very proud to have members of all skill levels. We can all learn something new and woodturners are, in large, well known for their willingness to share their secrets with all.

The demonstrators for this month are:

Brad Husby - Rose engine

Roy Lane - Hollow forms

Jeff Marshall - Beginning projects for kids

Carol Zandel - Something fun

Stephanie Lane - Pyrography

Doy Ford and Jim Thorn - Pin cushions

Pat McCart - Sharpening

There will be no Show and Tell this month but feel free to bring your projects for display.

This event always seems to start early so get there early and enjoy the evening.

Special Event

Our Vice President, David Best, has outdone himself by getting Michael Blankenship to put on a demonstration on September 29th. Michael has put on demonstrations throughout the country. His work is outstanding.

Michael is completely blind. He became blind in 2003 from a rare disease called AZOOR.

Michael's demonstration will be at Nancy Sweazey's on September 29th, from 9:00 to 3:00. The cost is only \$30.00.

Check out his website at <http://turningblind.com>

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Letter from the President



September Opportunities

September is “turning” out to be a very good month to be a member of the SPSW. We will have several opportunities to both learn new ways of turning and share the knowledge that we already possess.

On September 15th we will be having our 2nd mini-symposium of the year. Demos will range from big too small. Lathes that operate differently than “normal”. Along with things that you can use to enhance your turned items, both on and off the lathe. Oh also Carol Z. said she will be doing something “fun” and with her imagination and skill it should be great.

One week later on September 22nd we will have a rare opportunity to meet with and learn from a highly sought after wood turner who has overcome a seemingly insurmountable challenge. Michael Blankenship grew up working with wood in one form or another but had never used a lathe. Michael’s world changed dramatically in 2003 when the rare disease of AZOOR took his sight he chose to move forward and learn something new. With his love of wood already will engrained he decided to try turning. His first lessons came from listening to videos. Now his demonstrations at the AAW national symposium have the top turners from around the world squeezing into an already packed room to get a chance to learn from him.

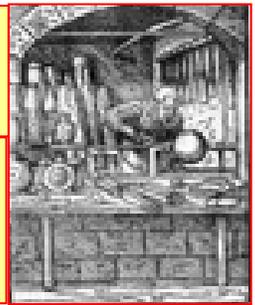
We will be having an all-day class at Nancy’s shop. We will start at 9 and go until 3 with a break for lunch. The cost is only \$30 and we will pass around a sign-up sheet at this month’s meeting. I’m sorry for the late notice but we didn’t want to miss out on this great opportunity.

Saturday the 17th marks the return of our monthly turning session at Nancy’s shop. This month we will be focusing on learning to turn an ornament worthy of hanging on your tree. If you have ever successfully accomplished turning one or more please come and share your knowledge and skill with those of us that have yet to try to make one, myself included.

See you on the 15th.

Be safe, have fun and make shavings.

Pat



SPSW 2016 Event Calendar

January 2017 19th - Membership Mtg Jay Shepard 21st - Sawdust Session 31st - Board Mtg Pat McCart's	February 2017 16th - Membership Mtg Carl Jacobson 18th - Sawdust Session 28th - Board Mtg Pat McCart's	March 2017 16th - Membership Mtg TBD 18th - Demo 28th - Board Mtg Pat McCart's	April 2017 20th - Membership Mtg Mini- Symposium 22nd - Sawdust Session 25th - Board Mtg Pat McCart's
May 2016 19th - Membership Mtg Kim Hoover 21st - Clean -up at Nancy's 31st - Board Mtg Pat McCart's No Sawdust Session	June 2016 16th - Membership Mtg Roy Lane 18th - Sawdust Session 28th - Board Mtg Pat McCart's	July 2016 21st - Membership Mtg Bruce Campbell 23rd - Sawdust Session 24th - Annual Wood Auction & Picnic 26th - Board Mtg Pat McCart's	August 2016 18th - Membership Mtg John Shrader 30th - Board Mtg Pat McCart's No Sawdust Session
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Upcoming national & international events courtesy of Fred Holder and More Woodturning

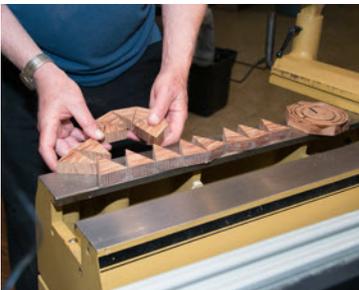
This Month at a Glance

- Membership Mtg. - September 15th (Thur.) 6:00 - 9:15 pm at Fife Senior Center
- Sawdust Session - September 17th (Sat.) 10:00
- Board Mtg. - September 27th (Tue.) 7:00 - 8:30 pm at Pat McCart's, members welcome (RSVP to Pat McCart)



Pictures from August Meeting

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





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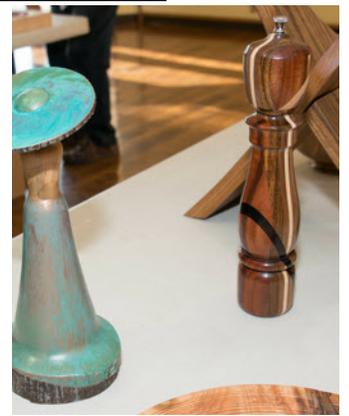
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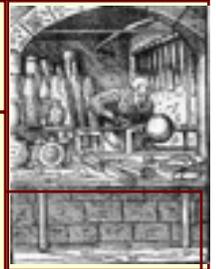




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Announcements

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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- **Dave Schweitzer**
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- **SEATTLE AAW MEMBERSHIP MEETING** – 2nd Thursday of each month, VFW Hall, 4330 148th Ave NE, Redmond, WA 98052
- **OLYMPIA AAW MEMBERSHIP MEETING** – 4th Thursday of each month, Thurston County Fairgrounds
- The South Puget Sound Woodturners now has a club policy for harvesting wood as a club function. We also have a Wood Rat - Jerre Griffin. You can contact Jerre at jgriffin@centurytel.net

MORE WOODTURNING

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We are collecting 2016 dues. Dues for the whole family are \$35. We accept cash, check, credit card, and PayPal. This is still one of the best deals around. For this, you get a monthly meeting featuring top notch presenters, an avenue to display your talents, and a forum to seek advice and ask questions. You have access to a group of mentors who can help you improve your skills. Also, there is a monthly open turning session (Sawdust Session) on the Saturday following the meeting. Use the membership application below or pay at the meeting.

And now a new way to pay. Go to our website, fill out the form, and pay with PayPal.

We now also have the option for you to join, renew, purchase supplies or just donate (we are a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit) using Square. You can use your Visa®, Mastercard®, American Express®, Discover® or debit card.

Now is also a good time to sign up for the American Association of Woodturners (AAW). Annual memberships in the AAW operate on an anniversary cycle, whereby your membership will start with your join date and continue for one year.

If your level of membership includes a printed copy of the American Woodturner journal, you will receive six issues starting with the issue published after your join or renew date.

See <http://www.woodturner.org/org/mbrship/index.htm> for the various levels of membership.

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How do you want to receive the newsletter? By: email US Mail

How long have you been turning? _____ AAW Member? _____

Woodturning interests: Spindle turning _____ Bowls _____ Vases _____

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Tool sharpening _____ Other _____

Membership dues for South Puget Sound Woodturners are \$35.00 annually. Please make check payable to South Puget Sound Woodturners (or **SPSW**) and mail with this form to:

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