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February 2017

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February — Carl Jacobson

Carl Jacobson

Carl started woodworking with his grandfather as a young boy. He continued woodworking through high school, and started woodturning after seeing a turned project in a friends shop. Some of his fondest memories are working with his grandfather in his wood shop. Being able to share our passion for woodworking, ties it all together.

Carl will be turning a three piece lidded box decorated with Lichtenberg figures*.

Check out Carl's web site:

www.thewoodshop.tv



*Lichtenberg figures, or "Lichtenberg dust figures", are branching electric discharges that sometimes appear on the surface or in the interior of insulating materials.

Annual Dues Reminder

If you have not already done so, please get this year's dues in as soon as possible. You can find a renewal form in this newsletter, or on our web site.

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Letter from the President

February 2017

SPSW 2017 is off to a strong start thanks Jay Shepard's outstanding demonstration at our January meeting. His simple techniques and thorough descriptions had me captivated the entire time. Hopefully you were able to grab a gem for yourself. Speaking of gems Jay generously donated the beautiful bowl that was passed around at the meeting. We will be raffling it of at a meeting in the future.

SPSW's event coordinator Dave Best is searching near and far for quality demonstrators to fill out the calendar year. If you know of a woodturner you would like to see demo at our meeting, let Dave know. Additionally we need several club members to show case their unique skills and talents at our March 16th mini-symposium. Here is a great chance to show what you can do, because everyone can do something. Again let Dave know.

The SPSW on-line library continues to grow and we are going to sell the books that are currently in our physical library. Here is a chance to pick up a great reference book for cheap.

Thanks to everyone that came out to the sawdust session after our January meeting. I am looking forward to seeing results from some of the instructions that were shared on how to turn a sphere. Februarys' meeting we will be having "The Big Roll off". Straightest roller wins, with special recognition given to the prettiest one and the largest and smallest. Prize tickets will be given to all participants.

A special thanks to Alisabeth Nash and Don Westergard for stepping up and filling positions on the board. We are still looking for a volunteer or 2, could it be you?

See you on the 16thth be safe, have fun, make shavings!

Pat





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 Mini Symposium

18th: Demo

25th: Board Mtg Pat McCart's **April 2017**

20th: Membership Mtg Mike Poirier

22nd: Sawdust Session

25th: Board Mtg Pat McCart's

May 2017

18th: Membership Mtg TBD

20st:

30th: Board Mtg
Pat McCart's

June 2017

15th: Membership Mtg TBD

17th: Sawdust Session

27th: Board Mtg
Pat McCart's

July 2017

20th: Membership Mtg TBD

22nd: Sawdust Session

25th: Board Mtg Pat McCart's August 2017

17th: Membership Mtg
TBD

No Sawdust Session

29th: Board Meeting Pat McCart's

September 2017

21st: Membership Mtg
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23rd: Sawdust Session

26th: Board Meeting Pat McCart's October 2017

19th: Membership Mtg

21st:Sawdust Session

31st: Board Meeting Pat McCart's November 2017

16th: Membership Mtg
TBD

18th: Sawdust Session

28th: Board Meeting Pat McCart's December 2017

20th: Holiday Mtg

no Sawdust Session

Jan 2nd: Board Mtg Pat McCart's

The Month at a Glance

• Membership Meeting: February 16th (Thursday) 6:00—9:00 pm at Fife Senior Center

• Sawdust Session: February 18th (Saturday) 10:00 am

Board Meeting: February 28th (Tuesday) 7:00—8:30 pm at Pat McCart's,

members welcome (RSVP to Pat McCart)





President's 2017 Challenges

We are starting a new feature for SPSW general meetings in 2017, a President's Challenge, which will be open to all members who wish to participate. The purpose of the challenge is to take you out of your 'comfort zone' and encourage you to learn new techniques, the use of different tools, and encourage problem solving. The idea is to make the item (s) which meet the requirements listed in the chart below and bring it or them for Show and Tell at the

specified monthly meeting. Please note some items set a test parameter.

Just bring your completed piece to the general meeting on the 3rd Thursday of the listed month. Each "challenge" allows you freedom of expression and there is no expectation regarding what you turn, so long as it meets the criteria listed.

Items will be judged by an impartial panel, based on the description in the requirements section. All participants will get a round of applause and the satisfaction of having acquired some new skill and knowledge. Each entrant will get a Participation Award ticket for the annual PA drawing in December. The winner will get 2 tickets.

The bi-monthly President's Challenge schedule is as follows:

Meeting	Challenge	Requirements to be met
February 16 th	Sphere	Any size. Must be round and done with only hand-held turning tools. Use of a jig is not permitted. The test will be that it rolls smoothly. Your choice of wood.
April 20 th	Birdhouse	Any size. No perch. Does not need to be functional and can be ornamental. All parts need to be turned. No test. Originality is the criterion for the judging. Your choice of wood
June 15 th	3 Tops	Any size. Must be embellished using the method of your choice. Test will be that it spins without being unbalanced both right-side up and upside down. The embellishment must compliment the piece and each of the 3 tops must be of the same dimensions. Your choice of wood(s).
August 17 th	Footed natural edged vessel	Any size. Wall thickness at rim must not be more than 3/8ths of an inch thick and the edged vessel rest of the bowl must have a consistent wall thickness dimension which may differ from edged vessel rest of the bowl must have a consistent wall thickness dimension which may differ from the rim. The footed base may have 3 or more feet and the piece must stand with the rim parallel to the surface on which the piece sits No test to this. Originality, adherence to the requirements, style and effectiveness of footing, and amount of natural edge bark are the judging criteria. Your Choice of wood.
October 19 th	Lidded box	Any size or style, May be single box or stacked boxes, Requirement is that the piece must be a box with a lid. Test is how well the lid fits (not how tight the fit is). Extra points for innovative design, integrated knob (turned from the same piece of wood and not added onto the lid), threading the box and lid, originality, and overall aesthetic appeal. Your choice of wood(s).
December 21st	Holiday ornament	Be creative. Do something you have not done before using at least 2 species of wood. No test to this. Judging criteria include lightness (weight), originality, and design balance. Your choice of woods.





Photo's from January Meeting

Photos by Fred Abeles. For additional club photos by Fred please visit his web site.

<u>South Puget Sound Woodturners Newest Photos</u>

 $\underline{https://avoided\text{-}artist.smugmug.com/Woodworking/South\text{-}Puget\text{-}Sound\text{-}Woodturners}$







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	

• Hal Johnson (425) 788-2221	• Pat McCart (253) 370-8986
• Eric Lofstrom (253) 320-4788	• Jim Cotter (206) 954-9548
• Jack Wayne (425) 488-9561	• Bob Sievers (360) 897-8427
	• Dave Schweitzer (360) 432-9509

- Seattle AAW Membership Meeting 2nd Thursday of each month, VFW Hall, 4330 148th Ave NE, Redmond, WA 98052
- Olympian 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 igrifin@centurytel.net
- More Woodturning Magazine

The magazine for turners. Published electronically 12 times a year by Dennis Daudelin. One yr: \$25.00; Two yrs: \$50.00; Three yrs \$75.00. Effective immediately More Woodtuming is published only electronically. Lots of great information for your browsing pleasure. www.morewoodturningmagazine.com

Lathe for Sale, Quality Titan 4000 Lathe: click this link for full information: Sale Information

The lathe is a Titan 400 Magma Black line with a swing over the bed of $15\ ^{3/4"}$ ($31\ ^{1/2"}$ diameter turning capacity) and between centers of about 51". Note the lathe was built and shipped from Austria so the components are metric*. For more information on this line of lathes you can go to :

Woodturning Lathes Magma Black Line TITAN





Membership

We are collecting 2017 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 tile option for you to join, renew, purchase supplies or just donate (we are a registered 501 (c)(3) non-profits 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 Wood turners (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 Woodturners journal, you will receive six issues starting with the issue published after your join or renew date.

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

South Puget Sound Woodturners PO Box 1792 Milton, WA 98354





Our Sponsors



1-800-472-6950 Use code SPSWT at checkout



In order to receive club discounts from some of our mail order vendors we are required to provide them with an up-to-date membership list. This is so to verify that you are a member in good standing with the club and therefore entitled to the discount they provide us. If you would prefer not to be included on the list please email StanGardnerstangard@comcast.net.