



Chips & Shavings

June 2018

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AAW's 32nd International Woodturning Symposium

Portland, Oregon, June 14-17, 2018.

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As you read this, many SPSW members are returning after the AAW Symposium in Portland. We will be conducting a panel discussion/feedback session at our June 21st meeting. We can share this experience with those of you that were unable to attend this wonderful event.

Please share your feedback with the group.

Some of the **possible** topics:

- Did you see as new trends in turning, finishing, woods, shapes, or designs?
- Did you see any interesting combinations of methods, materials and finishes?
- What new tools (can't wait to purchase) did you see?
- What was your " **WOW** " moment?
- What was your "**How did they do that**" moment?
- How were the sessions and which you enjoyed the most and why?
- What was your favorite demonstration and why?
- What turner did you enjoy watching? Why?
- Would you attend another AAW symposium?
- etc....

FYI- Did you win a lathe?

2018 Membership

Join or renew your membership for 2018. New membership information is under the "ABOUT" tab on our web site. Renewals can be found under "Members" tab. In person new membership or renewals may be submitted prior to the start of any of our monthly meetings.

Social Media accounts:

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/South-Puget-Sound-Woodturners-173957185984457/>

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Letter from the President



Saturday, the 23rd, we will again have one of my favorite events of the year; our annual Spring clean-up at Nancy's shop. This a great opportunity to thank Nancy Sweazy for the use of her shop for all of our sawdust sessions. We will be passing a signup sheet around at the June meeting, so we have some idea of who will be joining us there and how many lunches to get. We will start up at 10:00 and are usually done by 1:30, and as I mentioned, lunch is included. This will be a fun time, and a great chance to let Nancy know

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I'll talk about next month's meeting in the next newsletter, but for those of you that are asking about the annual wood auction/picnic on Sunday July 22nd, here is what we will be doing. This event is one of the great benefits of membership in the SPSW! You get to have an enjoyable afternoon having a wonderful meal and a chance to buy some great turning wood at unbelievable low prices! All proceeds from the wood sales benefit the SPSW and support our activities throughout the year.

The picnic/auction will happen again at the North Lake Improvement Center. If you have a cell phone or GPS, just plug in the address at 3328 38th Ave. S., Federal Way, WA 98001, and it will get you there.

Set-up and wood drop-off will start at 12:00 and we will eat at about 1:00. We will mix up the food suggestions a little this year. So, if you last name begins with A-G, please bring a dessert, H-P Salad or Chips, and Q-Z please bring a main dish. As always, if you do something special, feel free to bring that! When we finish eating, we will start the auction. Ken Light has volunteered to serve as auctioneer again this year. The auction usually takes about an hour, so by 3:30 hundreds of pieces of wood will have a new home. I hope you will be able to join us, and that some of it could end up in your shop!

Be safe and make some shavings!



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SPSW Mentors

SPSW Mentors: Mentors are SPSW members that have enough experience to invite other club members into their shops and help them learning various turning skills. In the past, the SPSW has identified a group of skilled turners that invited people into their shops and helped people to gain new skills. This service is very valuable to newer turners and also helps connect our members with each other. Over the next couple of months, we will be asking for volunteers willing to fill this role.

Sometimes people hesitate to volunteer for such a role, thinking that they “don’t know everything”, and therefore aren’t qualified to teach. The fact of the matter is, you don’t need to be the best turner in the club or be a professional teacher to be very effective in this role! If you are able to have someone come over to your shop and are willing to pass on the skills that have been passed on to you, then you would be a great mentor. All you need is to have a solid understanding of basic turning techniques and be able to show people how to turn safely. Remember that some of our new members have never turned before, and just need a little help to get started. Also, if you have an unusual thing that you do, many people, both new and longer-term members, would love to have a little one-on-one time with you. Special or unusual things might be things like pepper mills, bowls, segmented turning, hollow-forms, lidded boxes, coring, stabilizing wood, or many other skills we are all trying to master.

Think about volunteering to be identified as one of our mentors. I assure you that it will bring a great deal of satisfaction. It is also a great way to make new friends, and get even more enjoyment out of your SPSW membership.

Contact AlisaBeth if you have question or are interested in becoming a Mentor

AlisaBeth Nash

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The SPSW Board currently has 2 openings.

- **A/V Coordinator:** Responsible for the chapters Audio/Video equipment. Captures video at meetings, sawdust sessions and special events.
- **Equipment Coordinator:** Responsible for the chapters trailer and it's contents' (lathes, tools, video equipment).
- Please contact John Howard if you have questions or are interested in one of the openings.



President's 2018 Challenges

We will continue to offer the by-monthly president's challenges that started last year.

Month	Challenge	Description	Winner
February	Pepper Mill	Completed	Bob Sievers
May	Embellished lathe turning	Completed	
June	Segmented Turning	Cups, vessels, or bowls constructed out of rings of glued segments. Judged on number of pieces used (highest number does not automatically win) and the esthetics of the piece,	
August	One tool	Once the piece is mounted on the lathe, create a turned piece using only one tool. Pick any one tool to complete the entire project. No sanding or finish allowed. Judged on smoothness and lack of tear out.	
October	Inside/Outside	This technique involves turning 4 pieces at the same time to create a hollow, and then turning them around and gluing them together again, to turn the outside. The result is a hollow form open on the sides, and you can add various elements inside too. I suggest that you check YouTube videos Carl Jacobson inside out Turning for ideas	
December	Holiday Decor	Ornaments, table decorations, Menorahs, candle holders and other items used to decorate for the holidays	

Wanted-

Work Sharp 3000 Wood Tool Sharpener- Jeff Marshall is looking to purchase a used unit for use when visiting wood shop classes in our local schools. If you have a unit that you are not using or don't need anymore, contact Jeff. jmarsh62@hotmail.com



2018 Event Calendar

<p>May 2018</p> <p>17th: Membership Mtg Carol Zandell</p> <p>19th: Sawdust Session</p> <p>29th: Board Meeting</p>	<p>June 2018</p> <p>21th: Membership Mtg AAW Symposium Review</p> <p>23th: Cleaning Nancy Sweazy's shop.</p> <p>26st: Board Meeting</p>	<p>July 2018</p> <p>19th: Membership Mtg TBA</p> <p>No Sawdust Session</p> <p>22nd – Annual Pot Luck & Wood Auction.</p> <p>31st: Board Meeting</p>	<p>August 2018</p> <p>16th: Membership Mtg TBA</p> <p>No Sawdust Session</p> <p>28th: Board Mtg</p>
<p>September 2018</p> <p>20th: Membership Mtg TBA</p> <p>22th: Sawdust Session</p> <p>25th: Board Meeting</p>	<p>October 2018</p> <p>18th: Membership Mtg TBA</p> <p>20th: Sawdust Session</p> <p>30st: Board Meeting</p>	<p>November 2018</p> <p>15th: Membership Mtg TBA</p> <p>17th: Sawdust Session</p> <p>27st: Board Meeting</p>	<p>December 2018</p> <p>20th: Membership Mtg Holiday Party</p> <p>No Sawdust Session</p>

* **Sawdust Sessions: Bring safety equipment (eyewear, hearing, etc), bring a lunch, bring your tools if**

<p>June 23 – Our Annual Spring cleaning of Nancy's shop. Long-time member Nancy Sweazy allows us to use her wonderful shop for all of our Saturday Sawdust sessions.</p>	<p>July 22nd – Will be the annual Pot Luck and Wood Auction.</p> <p>This is always a great place to make new friends and pick up excellent truing woods at great prices. It will be on Sunday at the North Lake Improvement Center (3328 38th Ave. S., Federal Way, WA 98001) Set up starts at 12:00, Lunch will start at about 1:00, and the auction will start right after lunch.</p>
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The Month at a Glance

- Membership Meeting: June 21th (Thursday) 6:30—9:00 pm at Fife Senior Ctr
- Sawdust Session: June 23rd (Saturday) Clean up at Nancy Sweazy's shop (no Sawdust Session)
- Board Meeting: June 26th (Tuesday) 7:00—8:30 pm.
Members welcomed. RSVP John Howard for location



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Photo's from the May Meeting

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

[South Puget Sound Woodturners Newest Photos](http://www.southpugetwoodturners.com/PhotoAlbum/PhotoAlbum.asp)

<https://avoided-artist.smugmug.com/Woodworking/South-Puget-Sound-Woodturners>





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Announcements



AAW's 32nd International Woodturning Symposium

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Instant Gallery

The AAW Symposium's Instant Gallery is the largest display of turned-wood objects under one roof! The open member show features more than 1,000 art works and crafts in wood by woodturners who attending the symposium. Woodturners of all skill levels will be represented. Many of the works are for sale.

Symposium attendees are invited to make, bring along, and display up to three pieces of turned work in the Instant Gallery



AAW MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

AAW is offering a couple of Membership options to turners who have never been an AAW member. Become a free **Complimentary Guest Member** for 60 days and enjoy sampling of AAW resources. Visit the website www.woodturner.org and check out Membership and Guest Services.

Alternatively, become a **Trial Member** (open only to those who have never been a member of AAW) for \$20 and enjoy all the Member benefits for a period of 90 days. You can extend to a full General Membership at the end of the 90 days for just \$40 more and get the remaining 9 months of the annual General Membership. For more information call AAW at (877) 595-9094 M-F 8:30 to 4:30 Central time.

Local AAW Chapter Information

- **Seattle Membership Meeting** - 2nd Thursday of each month, VFW Hall, 4330 148th Ave NE, Redmond, WA 98052 <https://seattlewoodturners.org>
- **Woodturners of Olympia Membership Meeting** – 2nd Tuesday of each month, Olympia First Baptist Church, parking and entrance is located behind the church off Franklin St. SE, between 9th & 10th. <http://www.woodturnersofolympia.org>
- **Olympic Peninsula Woodturners Meeting** - last Wednesday of each month. Kitsap Adventist School Gymnasium 5088 NW Taylor Road, Bremerton. <http://opcaaw.com/>



AAW Tips for Woodturners

Spindle-lock Solution

After reading about various solutions to the spindle-lock on JET lathes, here is my solution that frees up both hands. I have a JET 1442 lathe.

I removed the U-shaped metal guard and replaced it with an S-shaped piece of cherry. I used the original tapped holes to attach the piece of wood to the lathe. There are no loose parts to misplace and no parts dangling on a tether.

Not only does the pivoting arm hold the spindle-lock button depressed, it holds the power switch in the off position. I cannot turn on the power before releasing the spindle lock.

