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THE LATEST NEWS AND UPDATES FROM
SOUTH PUGET SOUND WOODTURNERS



Maple Toothpick
Holder
Kathy Garlick



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FEBRUARY PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Fred Abeles

Hi all you great South Puget Sound Woodturners members. Our January meeting went very well with close to 30 people in attendance at the Fife Center and an equal number of members logged in online for our Zoom presentation. We are very fortunate to have a meeting location that is allowing in-person meetings as many clubs are not allowed to do this yet and we have some great demonstrators lined up throughout the year. We greatly appreciate those who attend our meetings in-person and welcome those who are able to view our meetings as they are broadcast online through Zoom.

Our Next Meeting

On February 17th, will feature our very own Ken Light doing a presentation on resin casting for pen turning.. He will have some of his equipment on display, some samples to view and a discussion of the entire process.



157 Piece Beech & African Mahogany Vase
Michael Poirier



Padauk Box
Pat McCart



Willow
Devin Garlick

CASTING
with Ken Light
February 17th, 2022

My wife, Polly introduced me to quilting. One of the tools used is seam rippers to undo seams. I made multiple rippers out of wood but one day I saw a video of a lael added to a pen tube. I decided I wanted to add fabric to a seam ripper. That is what began my quest. Doing so was not as easy as I thought it would be. Once I figured out how to add the fabric I began making seam ripper & pen sets. My demonstration will be on adding fabric to a pen and seam ripper casting. I will be sharing my failures and learning experience as I show how to do it.



2022 Membership Renewals

Despite the global pandemic our membership has stayed relatively stable and last year we ended up with about 130 paid members. But it is time to renew membership for 2022.

Terry Broberg, our Director of Membership, started taking dues for the 2022 year in October. I hope each of you will join us again for another event-filled year. I would like to encourage everyone to get your 2022 dues paid as soon as possible. Your dues are what enable us to rent our great meeting facility, provide equipment like the new multiple camera system used to enable members to better view demonstrations in person and on-line, and purchase the tools and equipment we need to run demonstrations and sawdust sessions.

You can either pay your dues at the meeting, or an even easier method is to do it online through the members only tab on the SPSW website at www.spswoodturners.org



Spalted
Chestnut Bowl
Devin Garlick

2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Demonstrator(s)	IRD	Subject
February 17th	Ken Light		Resin Casting
February 17th	Sawdust Session		Wayne Well's Shop *
March 17th	Mini Symposium		**
March 19th	Sawdust Session		Wayne Well's Shop *
April 21st	Tom Willing		Turning an Egg: Warm up Exercises
April 23rd	Sawdust Session		Wayne Well's Shop*
May 19th	Michael Poirier		Segmented Coffee Cup
May 21st	Sawdust Session		Wayne Well's Shop*
June 16th	Michael Dresdner	X	Finishing
June 18th	Sawdust Session		Wayne Well's Shop*

* 12012 28th Ave E, Tacoma 98445

X Note: In house demos will be broadcast on Zoom from the Fife Center. DO NOT MISS OUT! Read the ZOOM instructions on the last page.

**Sarah Haberman-ETSY STORE
 Jimmie Allen Box Making;
 Doug Reynolds Signing Your Work;
 Kent Horton Bow Ties;
 John Howard Tormek Sharpening
 Dan Stromstead Boiling Wood to Reduce Cracking



Sweet Gum Box
Kathy Garlick

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Want to Teach Future Woodturners?

Woodcraft in Seattle is looking for the possibility of adding some instructors to their staff of woodturning instructors. If you or anyone you know would be interested in teaching woodturning to beginners, intermediate and advanced students, please contact Woodcraft in Seattle at (206) 767-6394, by email at woodcraft307@woodcraftseattle.com or contact one of the employees when you're in the store.



Maple Bowl
Terry Broberg

A Word From Kent Horton

Hello, again, this is Kent Horton your SPSW liaison with AAW. First, are you planning on attending AAW's Annual Symposium in Chattanooga, Tennessee on June 23-26 **AND want a \$30.00 discount?** AAW is again offering a chapter group discount with 10 or more SPSW members to receive the discounted rate of \$315 per 2022 AAW Symposium registration. As your AAW Chapter representative, I will complete the necessary registration paperwork for a group discount. If you are interested, please let me know by phone at 206-909-2701 **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**. AAW is requesting a commitment for the club by February 15th. Credit card payments will not be accepted, personal checks or a chapter check should be made payable to American Association of Woodturners. Personally, I am looking to the 2023 Symposium in Louisville, Kentucky, June 1-4. Hopefully my hip replacement surgery is completed (whenever it gets scheduled after the current covid elective surgery moratorium ends) and I have recovered sufficiently by then.

Second, I am working to get a collection of examples of "Student Projects" presented in AAW's Teacher's Resource and Project Guide to share with students, teachers and novice turners. My plan is to turn these items following the process presented in the guide myself. However, I think having examples from other turners would be helpful to illustrate variations of different woods and turning techniques. Donations of these examples would be greatly appreciated.

Lastly, I want to say a word or two to encourage each of you to check out AAW's Remote Demonstration Event Calendar. These are excellent demonstrations and are guaranteed to improve your turning skills and techniques.

Kent Horton,
Director-at-Large
AAW Liaison
206-242-4432

Saturday Sawdust Sessions

Our Sawdust Session is happening on February 19th, the Saturday after the February general membership meeting. Our last Sawdust session was spectacular with 12 people in attendance. We had 3 lathes going and the sharpening station. Pat McCart had a great demonstration on his OneWay Coring system. The sawdust session is an excellent opportunity for all members to come, join in the comradery of working with other members to learn a variety of new skills or improve on some old ones and share with new turners a skill they may be struggling with. We meet in a member's shop and we have 3 or 4 lathes all going at once. Wayne Wells has generously offered us the use of his shop for these activities. If you would like to attend, just join us at Wayne's. The address is 12012 28th Ave E, Tacoma 98445. It is just off 112th, between the Summit and Parkland areas.



One of our more experienced members is at each lathe showing people how to make good, clean, and safe cuts at the lathe. We can usually put the tools in the hands of people who have never turned anything before. We can also assist with learning how to sharpen tools.

Sawdust sessions are one of most valuable benefits of belonging to the SPSW. We usually have some very new woodturners, some intermediate turners who might have a project with them that they are stuck on, and some very experienced members to help anyone that needs it. We all have great time!

This is a great opportunity for everyone. If you are a new turner, please come! I guarantee you will get to make some cuts, will have a good time, and will make some great friends. Please take advantage of this opportunity and join us.

SPSW Store



We buy discount quantities of member recommended turning supplies and pass the savings onto SPSW members through the SPSW Store. I think that many of our members may be unfamiliar with what we have, and what an opportunity the Store provides, so I am going to try to write up something for the newsletter each month to highlight some of the great products we have for you. This is the first one!

This month I would like to highlight two of our offerings. The first is Anchorseal 2. We have many opportunities to get "green" wood, and wood in its green state is full of



water! If you just cut wood and wait for it to dry naturally, it will often be ruined by cracks and checks. This can be avoided by slowing the drying process. One of the best ways is by sealing the end grain on the wood. Anchorseal 2 is a commonly used product slowing water loss and drying. We sell it for \$18.00/Gallon, which is a significant savings over other sources. Also, Anchorseal 2 is freeze stable! This is a product that should be part of almost every member's shop. I highly recommend it!

The second group of products that I would like to highlight is our full line of Doctor's Woodshop finishes. We have the following finishes available at the prices indicated:



\$14/16 oz. Bottle	\$18/16 oz. Bottle
Walnut Finishing Oil	High Build Friction Polish
Microcrystal Wax Bowl Finish	Pens Plus
Walnut Oil & Wax Woodturning Finish	Walnut Oil/Carnauba Wax & Shellac Finish

These are screaming deals! Check prices from other sources and come see these great items at the next meeting. I am sure you will find that these are excellent products. Come check us out at the SPSW Store table at your next in-person meeting.

John Howard

Horse Chestnut Bowl
Terry Broberg



Laurel Bowl
Henry Retailiau



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SPSW is a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW). Many of our members are just members of the chapter but not the American Association of Woodturners (AAW). **The AAW offers an introductory free 3-month trial membership to chapter members.** The free membership allows access to all online publications like The American Woodturner, Woodturning FUNdamentals magazine, and AAW e-newsletters .

Visit the website www.woodturner.org (or click the link if you are an email newsletter subscriber) and look under Membership then Join Today. Scroll to the bottom of the page. The above hyperlink will also take you there. For those who prefer to do it by phone, call 877-595-9094 M-F 8:30 to 4:30 Central time.



117 Piece
Walnut Bowl
Michael Poirier

Wood Rats

If you would like to be notified when we are going out to cut wood so you can get a little for yourself, please let our wood-rat, Doug Reynolds, know. You don't necessarily need your own chain saw. There are many things that folks can do to help at these events. But you will see how to safely use a chain saw and also will see how to section the tree so you get the best and most interesting wood out of it. You will also have access to people who can help you get started on how to seal the wood to minimize checking, explain the advantages of green wood turning, rough turning, and coring processes. If that sounds interesting to you, please let Doug know, and he can put you on his list and you will be contacted by e-mail when he has wood or when we're going out to cut. You can e-mail Doug at dougr83@comcast.net.





Apple Bowl
Henry Retailliau



Keawe Bowl
John Howard



Maple, Dye
& Woodburning
John Howard

We are collecting 2022 dues. Dues for individuals or for the whole family are \$35/year. We accept cash, check, Visa®, MasterCard®, American Express®, Discover® or debit card.

This is still one of the best deals around. For just \$35 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” (our Sawdust Sessions) on the Saturday following the meeting. Use the membership application below and pay at the meeting or mail it to the address on membership form.

We now also have the option for you to join, renew, or just donate. We are a registered 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization. You can pay at the meeting, or online! Just go to our website (www.spswoodturners.org), fill out the form, and pay with PayPal.

AAW membership is separate from membership in the SPSW Chapter. 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 yearly anniversary cycle, whereby your membership will start with your join date and continue until the same date the following year.

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

South Puget Sound Woodturners (SPSW) Membership Application

Name: _____ Membership: New
 Renewal

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone number: _____ Email: _____

How would you like to receive the newsletter? Email: US Mail:

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

Interest: Spindle Turning Bowls Vases Segmented turning Tool making
 Tool Sharpening Pen Making Other

Membership dues for South Puget Sound Woodturners are \$35.00 annually. IF paying by mail, make the check payable to South Puget Sound Woodturners (or SPSW) and mail this form to:

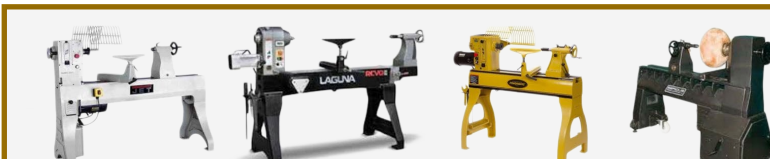
South Puget Sound Woodturners
 PO Box 1792
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If paying online, [visit our website](#), fill out the online form and pay with Paypal



Zoom Meeting If you haven't been on Zoom before, just follow the steps below. **(If you have been in a Zoom meeting before, just start at step 3.)**

1. **The Zoom meeting invitation is only sent to active members.** So, if you have not paid your dues since October 2019, you will need to go to the members tab on the [SPSW website](https://www.spsw.org) (spswoodturners.org) and renew your membership. Please note that it would normally cost more for just one of these demonstrations than your SPSW dues for the entire year.
 - a. Those of you who get the newsletter by snail-mail will need to get us an e-mail address where we can send your meeting invitation. Please send it to (membership@spswoodturners.org)
2. Before the scheduled meeting, you need to go to zoom.com and download the free "Zoom Meetings" app. The Zoom download is quick, easy, and free!
3. **Information and Invitation Delivery Schedule:**
 - a. **Saturday, Feb 12** – The Zoom Meeting Invitation will go out to our active member's distribution list.
 - i This invitation contains a link that appears in blue letters. Just click it to join the remote demo on Thursday.
 - ii Please save this where you can find it.
 1. If you don't see the invitation(s) in your inbox, then please check your "junk" or "spam" folder. If you get our newsletters, the meeting invitation should come right into your inbox.
 - b. **Wednesday, Feb 16th** – A reminder will be e-mailed to our active member's distribution list.
 - c. **Thursday, Feb 17th** - Log into the meeting between 6:30 and 7:00pm
 - i. Ken's demo will start at 7:00pm
 - ii. When you click on the link, you will be asked if you want to join with video and audio. Answer "yes" to both, then you will enter a virtual waiting room. Wait just a few seconds and one of the co-hosts will admit you into the actual meeting.
 - iii. **Note:** If you have previously downloaded the app, you may see an update is available. If you see it, please update your app. Zoom is making frequent changes to the program to strengthen security.
 - iv. Devices used to view the demo can be smartphones, tablet computers, laptops, etc. To fully participate, the device needs to have audio and a camera.



Looking for some inspiration while you are staying home? Check out the [SPSW YouTube Channel](#)