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### SPSW 2019 Membership

Join or renew your membership for 2019. 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.

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. See below for options!

### AAW MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

AAW is offering a Guest Membership option 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](http://www.woodturner.org) and check out Membership and Guest Services.

For more information on membership options, visit the AAW website or call (877) 595-9094 M-F 8:30 to 4:30 Central time.

### SPSW Social Media accounts:

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

Pinterest - <http://www.pinterest.com/spswoodturners/>

Twitter - <https://twitter.com/spswoodturners>

YouTube - [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCE8ZRLhj4kVG\\_n8QqBST6pw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCE8ZRLhj4kVG_n8QqBST6pw)



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**SPSW 2018 Executives**

**President: John Howard**  
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atlarge@spswoodturners.org

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wood\_rat@spswoodturners.org

**AAW Coordinator: John Jacobs**

**A/V Coordinator: Leah Young**

**Equipment Coordinator: Open**

**Letter from the President — Holiday Party!**

One of the biggest events on the annual SPSW calendar is our annual holiday dinner. This is a potluck event, and the food is always great. Also, each year, we purchase gift certificates or high-quality turning tools from the many vendors that support all of us through the year. We also will be buying some \$800 worth of excellent bowl blanks and other wood. All of this will be given away to members attending this event. **DON'T MISS IT!!!**

Our goal this year will be for every member to go home with at least one piece of wood. Members get tickets from Terry Broberg at the membership table. Members earn tickets at our meetings by participating! This is by helping to set up, put things away, unload or load the trailer, or bringing something for show and tell. In this way, you can earn up to 3 tickets per meeting. If you have not gotten your tickets in, stop by and see Terry at the December meeting and catch up. If you know you helped set up at 5 meetings, get 5 tickets and put your name on them, then put them in the can. If you brought show and tell projects in 4 times, get another 4 tickets. But get your tickets in the can, as these are the tickets will be drawn to distribute the tools, gift certificates, and a few very special pieces of wood.

After last year's holiday party, the Board noticed that some of our more active members with lots of tickets in the can ended up with multiple raffle items, where other members walked away from this event with only a piece of wood. This year, as I mentioned, we want everyone to be able to get something at the raffle. Therefore, we are going to limit each member to one prize. If one of your tickets is drawn from the can you will get the item being raffled off. But if another of your tickets is called, then you will have a choice. You can either keep the prize you already won, or if you like the new item better, then you can give the first item back and take the new one.

The Board hopes that this change will further encourage participation in meetings, but also spread the wealth a bit further than has sometimes happened in the past.

For those that want to get started planning what food you will bring to the December potluck, we will change it up a little this time. So...

**If your last name starts with A – I: Please bring a dessert**  
**If your last name starts with J - S: Please bring Salad or chips**  
**If your last name starts with T – Z : Please bring a main dish or vegetable**

**Classified Ads:** Our website now has a new feature for members. If you have tools or equipment you want to sell, we can put a classified ad on the website. Contact our webmaster, Tim Spaulding and let him know what you have.

Be safe and keep making shavings!

John



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## The SPSW Needs You!

In any club like ours, 80% of the work is done by about 20% of the people. But there comes a time, when a few of that that 20% need to step back. Although we value each and every one of our members, if we can rely on a little help from the general membership when we need it, it makes the club vibrant and more fun for everyone.

We have a situation like that now. Don Westergard, our long time “newsletter guy” needs to step down from that role. I know we all appreciate and thank Don for all he has done to help keep everyone informed by assembling and distributing the newsletter each month.

The newsletter is critical to the SPSW, the primary method that we use to communicate with our 170+ active members. It is a very important service that is used by all our members. We need someone to step forward and fill this role. It is a board position, which means one extra meeting per month.

If you have the capability, please consider stepping forward to help us by getting out the monthly newsletter. Don has indicated he is willing to help you get started. Not that much writing is involved. The main things that change are the description of each month’s presentation, which is written by the presenter, and the president’s message that I write. So mainly, the job is cutting and pasting those into the newsletter, and e-mailing o the membership. There are a few members that get a hard copy mailed to them.

So if you are interested, please give me a call at (253) 370-5704 to discuss it, or I can put you in direct contact with Don to discuss what he does each month in detail.

Be safe and keep making those shavings!

John

### **New Board Members:**

- Leah Young was elected to the AV Coordinator position
- Michael Poirier was elected as a Director at Large



### 2018/2019 Chapter Event Calendar

October 2018

18<sup>th</sup>: Membership Mtg  
**Pat McCart**

20<sup>th</sup>: Sawdust Session

30<sup>st</sup>: Board Meeting

November 2018

15<sup>th</sup>: Membership Mtg  
**David Best**

17<sup>th</sup>: Sawdust Session

27<sup>st</sup>: Board Meeting

December 2018

20<sup>th</sup>: Membership Mtg  
**Holiday Party**

No Sawdust Session

January 2019

17<sup>th</sup>: Membership Mtg  
**Stephen Hatcher**

19<sup>th</sup>: Sawdust Session

29<sup>st</sup>: Board Meeting

February 2019

21<sup>th</sup>: Membership Mtg  
**Dan Stromstad**

23<sup>th</sup>: Sawdust Session

26<sup>st</sup>: Board Meeting

March 2019

21<sup>th</sup>: Membership Mtg  
Mini symposium

23<sup>th</sup>: Sawdust Session

26<sup>st</sup>: Board Meeting

\* **Sawdust Sessions: Bring safety equipment (eyewear, hearing, etc), bring a lunch, bring your tools if you have them.**

### The Month at a Glance

- Membership Meeting: December 20<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) 6:30—9:00 pm at Fife Senior Ctr
- Sawdust Session: No Sawdust Session
- Board Meeting: RSVP John Howard for location and time



### SPSW Classified ads

A classified ads page has been added to our web site. You can access the page through "For Members" tab on our web site. You must be a SPSW member to access this tab.



## 2019 Events



**AAW'S 33rd Annual International  
Symposium  
Raleigh, North Carolina  
July 11-14, 2019**

<https://www.woodturner.org/page/2019Raleigh>

### 2019 Regional Events

#### **Oregon Woodturning Symposium**

March 15-17, 2019

Linn County Expo

[www.oregonwoodturningsymposium.com](http://www.oregonwoodturningsymposium.com)

#### **NORTHWEST WASHINGTON WOODTURNERS**

presents

**A Day with Mike Mahoney**

**COMING ON MARCH 23rd!**

<http://www.nwwwt.org/MahoneyDemo.pdf>

#### **Local AAW Chapter Meeting 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** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month, Olympia First Baptist Church, parking and entrance is located behind the church off Franklin St. SE, between 9<sup>th</sup> & 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/>



## President's 2018 Challenges & Openings

Month	Challenge	Description	Winner
December 2018	Holiday Decor	Ornaments, table decorations, Menorahs, candle holders and other items used to decorate for the holidays	
January 2019	Pepper Mill	Create a pepper mill or salt/pepper combination. This project will be graded on pleasing form, beauty if the wood and grain pattern, texturing, Mills may be laminated or solid wood	
March 2019	Staved Segmented Turning	This project involves gluing up a turning blank out of angled sticks, like a tall ring on a normal segmented turning.	
April 2019	Collaborative Project	Use this as an opportunity for two or more members to work together to create an art like project. Perhaps one member could design, another member could do the turning, one could apply surface texture or color.	
June 2019	Suspended Form	This is a lidded hollow form using an undercut rim design that is supported by legs that are connected to the vessel body by metal or wooden cross members. This is an "artsy" project. Let your imagination run wild!	
August 2019	One tool	Make any sort of turning using only a single tool. No finish, no sanding, one tool only. Entry's will be judged on how clean the cuts are.	
November 2019	Holiday Decor	Ornaments, table decorations, Menorahs, candle holders and other items used to decorate for the holidays	

### The SPSW openings

**Librarian:** Responsible for the chapters library ( DVD's and printed material).

**Newsletter:** Responsible for the creation and distribution of the chapter's newsletter.

**Wood Rat:** Responsible for coordinating the collection of donated wood.

Please contact John Howard if you have questions or are interested in one of the coordinator openings

**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. Over the next couple of months, we will be asking for volunteers willing to fill this role.

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

**AlisaBeth Nash** , [atlarge@spswoodturners.org](mailto:atlarge@spswoodturners.org)



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

[South Puget Sound Woodturners Newest Photos](https://avoided-artist.smugmug.com/Woodworking/South-Puget-Sound-Woodturners)

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## 2019 Membership

We are collecting 2019 dues. Dues for the whole family are \$35. We accept cash, check, Visa®, MasterCard®, American Express®, Discover® or debit card. 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 pay at the meeting or mailing it to the address on membership form.

We now also have tile option for you to join, renew, purchase supplies or just donate, we are a registered 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization.

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.

**You can pay online! Go to our website, fill out the form, and pay with PayPal.**

**<http://www.spswoodturners.org/about/become-a-member>**

[Become a Member](#) « [South Puget Sound Woodturners](#)

### South Puget Sound Woodturners (SPSW) Membership Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ New membership \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

How would 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  
Milton, WA 98354

*\* If paying online, visit our website, fill out the online form, and pay with PayPal.*