

CHIPS AND SHAVINGS

November 2020

The latest news and updates from
South Puget Sound Woodturners

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November President's Message

by John Howard

November's Remote Demonstration: Trent Bosch is this month's demonstrator. Trent is highly regarded as an experienced teacher and as an inventor and tool manufacturer. One of his tools is his "Video Visualizer" hollowing system. Trent will be demonstrating what he calls his "Vessels of Illusion." These are a series of hollow-forms that are carved after turning so they look like an opening flower. There is also a contrasting wood insert placed inside the form. If you would like to see some examples of Trent's beautiful work, please see his portfolio on his webpage at www.trentbosch.com. During this demo, Trent will demonstrate turning and hollowing the outer form, turning the insert, and wood bending for woodturners.

Trent will open the Zoom meeting at 6:30PM on November 19th so people can get logged in and visit with the other members before Trent's demonstration starts shortly after 7:00PM.

Unlike other Zoom demos we have done, **we will need to take a few minutes to take the bylaws-mandated November vote for the 2021 slate of officers and directors at the front of this demo.** The names of those that have placed their names in nomination for these offices are below. After the vote, we will get right into Trent's demo.

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| 1. President - John Howard | 9. AV Coordinator - Ramon Lyn |
| 2. Vice President/ Program Chair - Open | 10. Wood Rat - Doug Reynolds |
| 3. Secretary - Fred Abeles | 11. Mentorship - Michael Poirier |
| 4. Treasurer & Newsletter - Suzette Edwards | 12. Director At Large - Jeff Marshall |
| 5. Membership Director - Terry Broberg | 13. AAW Liaison - Open |
| 6. Webmaster - Tim Spalding | 14. Director At Large - Open |
| 7. Store Sales - Ken & Polly Light | 15. Director At Large - Open |
| 8. Industry Liaison and Immediate Past President - Pat McCart | |



Low rider box study by
Doug Reynolds.
Practice makes perfect!



It's Dues Time Again: We had a very successful year, despite all the pandemic-related challenges we dealt with this year. Our remote demos have been gratefully received by all of those that have seen them. Our wood cutting activities have resulted in some great wood for many members. We currently have about 140 active members in the SPSW as of the end of 2020. We are now taking new dues payments for the 2021 year. I hope you will join us again for an even more event-filled year as we, hopefully, get back to in-person meetings, sawdust sessions, picnics, wood auctions, and all the other activities that we enjoy so much.



Please Note:
These dues are for 2021.

The easiest way to renew your membership is online through the SPSW website <https://spswoodturners.org/members-only/membership-renewal>. You can also fill out the last page of this newsletter and send it to the PO Box with a check, if you prefer

Windfall: Due to current restrictions and falling membership, a sister organization in the area, the Evergreen Wood Workers Guild (EWWG) has chosen to disband. Like we are, they are a 501.c.3. , and rules require that the assets of such an organization be transferred to another 501.c.3 organization. EWWG's board chose to donate slightly under eight thousand dollars to the SPSW! On the one hand, I am happy to report this cash infusion into the SPSW coffers. But, on the other hand, I will miss all the great people and all the wonderful programs that the EWWG was offering to the area's wood working community!



Work from the
SPSW photo archives

The SPSW board is discussing several options for how to best use these funds. We decided to offer 1 year of free membership in the SPSW to the remaining members of the EWWG. We are also considering putting together a system of equipment that would allow us to have individual members do remote demonstrations just like the ones we have been doing since April. We could also utilize this system to do shop tours and other activities that might be interesting to the membership. I am working with Ramon Lyn and we are evaluating the systems some of the professional demonstrators use. We will have to see where it goes.

December Meeting/Party Postponed: I'm sorry to announce that considering the continuing unavailability of the Fife Community Center and current group meeting restrictions, we will be unable to safely host our annual holiday potluck dinner. Therefore, your Board of Directors decided to postpone the holiday party and wood give-away until we are able to safely meet in person.



Since so many people already have a full calendar in December, we have also decided not to put on another interactive remote demo in December. As soon as we are able to meet again, we plan to have a potluck combined with the wood auction, so we can get things going again. We will continue putting on remote demonstrations starting with Lyle Jamieson's Winged Bowl demo on January 21st.



Track lights and covers - Suzette Edwards



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Club Activities that continue despite current restrictions: Group meeting limits imposed during the pandemic have affected our ability to meet in person, and made many of the benefits we have traditionally offered to members much more difficult until we are able to meet in person again. But there are three things we are still able to provide. One is that Michael Poirier continues to offer mentoring up in the Lake Morton/Covington area. Second, Doug Reynolds offers wood cutting parties, when we have downed trees donated to the club. This is a great source of what is usually green wood for members to turn. Lastly, through Zoom, we have also been able to offer world-class demonstrators during our regular meeting time on the third Thursday of the month. If you are not joining us for these remote demos, you are really missing out! You helped fund them when you paid your dues. There is no extra charge for access to instruction from some of the finest woodturners in the world! We would like to see more of our members taking advantage of this wonderful resource! Please join us. If you haven't used Zoom to join a similar event before, just follow the directions at the end of this newsletter.

Newsletter photos: Would you like to see some of your work in the newsletter? Suzette Edwards puts as many as she can into our monthly newsletter. We know a lot of you are doing some great stuff in your shops right now, and Suzette would love to put more examples of members' work in the newsletter. If you would like to share some of your recent work, send photos to Suzette (winginsue@gmail.com). We can't promise we will have room for everything, but we will do the best we can.



Free AAW Trial Membership Available to SPSW Members: 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. I recommend that you check it out! If you are interested, just click on the link below and it will connect you to the AAW's website and a simple sign-up process.

FREE: Chapter Affiliate Membership



John Howard



Deep Hollowing System For Sale

A Brian McVoy "One Good Turn" deep hollowing system was donated to the SPSW this week in like new condition. We are selling it for \$400. This is a large "captured bar" system with a 6 foot long 1.5" heavy steel boring bar that is intended to make turning relatively large hollow forms safe and easy. In the photo, you can see where Devin Garlick and I set it up to test the system. The heavy captured boring bar prevents any twisting or torque as you hollow, and one can completely hollow the form with none of the vibration and torque common with some hollowing tools. If you would be interested in owning this tool, please give John Howard a call at 253-370-5704, and we can make arrangements for payment and delivery

2020 Monthly Schedule



Date	Demonstrator(s)	Subject
7:00pm Nov 19th	Trent Bosch	TBA
7:00pm January 21st, 2021	Lyle Jamieson	A bowl bigger than the Tree (Winged Bowl turning)
7:00pm February 18th	Open	TBD
7:00pm March 18th	John Jordan	TBD



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

2020 President’s Challenges: President’s challenges require a physical meeting. As soon as we are able to hold conventional meetings at our regular Fife location, we will continue with the evaluations of the President’s Challenge contestants. If we need to evaluate entries and award winners for several months of President’s Challenges all at one meeting, then that is what we will do.

2020 Bi-Monthly President’s Challenges

Month	Challenge	Description
March	Lidded Box	Lathe turned lidded boxes
April	Shop Built Jigs	Items built to help make lathe turning more efficient or safer. Examples include, but are not limited to circle cutters, items used to make segments, and stabilizing blocks for cutting off spindles and tenons.
June	Use of Color and Texture	Turned projects enhanced with paint, resin or stone inlay, pyrography, paint, dyes, etc.
Aug	Children’s Toys	Lathe turned items to play with, such as, but not limited to tops, toy rockets, croquet mallets, automatons, cryptic boxes, or other items that are lathe turned.
Nov	Holiday Decor or Gift	Ornaments, table decorations, Menorahs, candle holders and other items used to decorate for the holidays, or a holiday gift that was turned on the lathe.
Jan2021	“The Podiatrist’s Special”	Any lathe turning enhanced by unusual foot treatment. Judging will be based on how the foot design contributes to the aesthetics of the overall project.



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 2018, you will need to go to the members tab on the [SPSW website](http://spswoodturners.org) (<http://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 November 14th** – 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 November 18th** – A reminder will be e-mailed to our active member's distribution list.
 - c. **Thursday November 19th** - Log into the meeting between 6:30 and 7:00
 - i. Trent's demo will start shortly after the vote, at about 7:05 PM PDT.
 - 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.

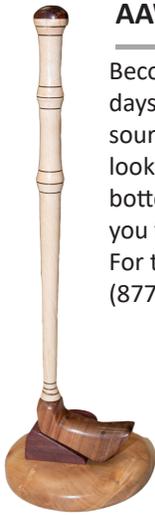
For Zoom Security, Please Rename If Needed: We have a number of people that participate in the Zoom demos. When you join the session, you will be able to see yourself and the other participants in thumbnail photos with the name of each person under their picture. If your name appears as "John's iPad", or "iPhone 189567", then we don't really know who you are, which is a security issue. If that happens when you join the meeting, please just click on your name, and then click "rename" and change it to your full name. It will help Ramon and me as we co-host the meeting. Thanks!

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AAW MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

Become a free Complimentary Guest Member for 60 days and enjoy sampling of AAW benefits and resources. Visit the website www.woodturner.org 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.



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We are collecting 2021 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 is- issues starting with the issue published after your join or renew.

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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