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The latest news and updates from
South Puget Sound Woodturners

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Happy New Year!

January President's Message by Suzette Edwards

Unfortunately Fred had an accident and is unable to do a president's letter this month so I (your newsletter editor) am filling in for this month. Since I didn't make it to the Christmas party, I cannot speak on that.

January Meeting

This month we will be having our own Devin Garlick demonstrate how cutting a log will determine the figure of the wood in a bowl. This should prove to be quite informative for those who want to step up their bowl game.

For new members, we would still like to hear about some subjects you would like to see demonstrated. You can email one of the board members (see the list toward the end of this newsletter) or talk to one of the friendly people in the yellow vests at a meeting.

Sawdust Sessions

We are back to having sawdust sessions this month so don't miss out. The session is on January 21. See the address on the calendar of events.

AAW Liason

Have you been following Kent Horton's great articles about AAW? He has been doing a lot of research and passing on great information. Be sure and read it. If you missed some, remember, the newsletters are also on the website under Members Only/ Newsletters.

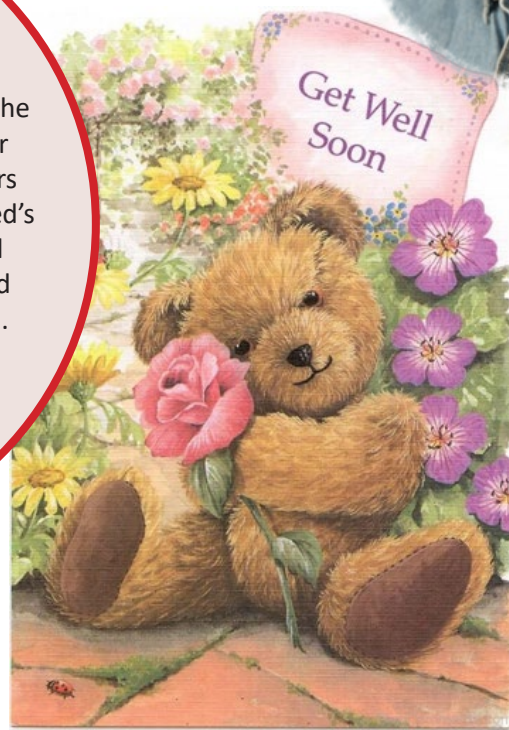
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GoFundMe for Fred

Fred Abeles, current South Puget Sound Woodturners chapter President, fell on the ice during last month's ice storm. Fred was admitted to the University of Washington's Harborview Medical Center ICU with significant head injuries. Ultimately the doctors determined that surgery would not be required, but Fred's recovery will take a significant amount of time. Fred will need to spend some time in a skilled nursing facility and physical therapy before he will be able to return home.

This GoFundMe will help Fred and Donna with the substantial medical expenses to ensure Fred's recovery. Click [here](#) to go to the GoFundMe page at <https://gofund.me/06b12b1e>



January Demonstrator - Devin Garlick

My story starts when I was about 8 years old. My dad was a cabinet maker and I was invited to his shop to help him balance plywood as he cut it on the table saw. That was the beginning of my obsession with wood-working.

20 years ago I started cutting trees as a side-gig and five years ago I decided to go out on my own being so booked out for work. It wasn't until about 4 years ago that we came across the demonstrators from the Olympia Woodturner's club that mesmerized my wife. That is all it took for me to finally get a lathe and spend time in my shop just 'practicing'. I was on the fast track in learning about what is beneath the bark. After about a year of cutting trees full time, I got into wood turning and have not looked at a tree the same. I have since learned the names and characteristics of the trees that I am cutting: Black Locust, fruit woods, Maples, Holly and Sycamore to name a few. Now I see crotches, burls, color, figure, spindles, bowls, hollow forms, boxes and many other things.

After attending my first meeting at the SPSW, I took my wife to the Sawdust Session over at Nancy's where we were invited to several members' shops to work on our turning skills. Harry Lincoln brought us over and showed us around and I was able to go with him and Roy Lane on a few harvests where he imparted his many decades of knowledge. Gary Thompson was also at that sawdust session and seeing the glow on my wife's face invited us to go to his shop to turn as well. Of course I couldn't let my wife show me up and had to use his pier block lathe, it is a monster, but oh so much fun to turn on.



Harry had a saying that I have found to be true: "Some wood is for turning and some wood is for burning."

2023 Calendar of Events

Date	Time	Demonstrator(s)	IRD	Subject
Jan 19th	7pm	Devin Garlick		How You Cut A Log Determines The Figure Of The Wood Inside Your Bowl
Jan 21st	9am	Sawdust Session		Wayne Well's Shop*
Feb 16th	7pm	Craft Fair Sales		Dan Neyens
Feb 18th	9am	Sawdust Session		Wayne Well's Shop*
Mar 16th	9am	Mini Symposium		TBD
Mar 18th	9am	Sawdust Session		Wayne Well's Shop*

* 12012 28th Ave E, Tacoma 98445

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.

A Word From Kent Horton



Hello again, this is Kent Horton your SPSW/AAW liason. Every few days I get an email from AAW's Exchange regarding Chapter Leadership issues. This is an ongoing forum whereby different chapter leaders within the AAW universe have an opportunity to bring up questions for discussion various issues that other clubs might have in common. I always find it interesting to read these conversations from clubs across the country and beyond and the different ways these clubs have dealt with the issues. Many clubs have the same issues and questions that mirror these we have at SPSW. Earlier conversations have centered on the transition from in-person meetings to remote meetings during Covid and the needed technology to make it be successful, and now how to deal with hybrid meetings.

A recent entry by Mark Toomy, president of the Central Illinois Woodturners, spoke to their club's long-term project of turning wig stands for cancer patients. In this article, Mark describes the lessons his club has learned over the 5-years (and some 1500 wig stand) they have been producing their wig stands in hopes of helping other clubs be more productive if they were to embark on a similar effort. I applaud them in their focus on supporting local cancer centers. Not only do they collect needed wood and mill it to size to make "kits" that members take to produce the final product, they also work with local schools to enlist art students to decorate and embellish the unfinished wig stands prior to distribution. They also use this project to provide an opportunity to teach new club members basic turning skills. This is but one example of an outreach program that connects local clubs to the greater community.

Another idea presented in these exchanges was that some clubs have a monthly "challenge" that their members turn items based on a theme. AAW does this through their Member-Moderated Forum each month. Suzette, our wonderful newsletter producer, participated in December's event by submitting a pair of "Snow People." While not winning first place in the on-line voting process, she did garner 14.3% of the total votes out of the 13 entries – way to go Suzette! The theme for January is "Turn a Kitchen Implement" – If interested, you can check out the guidelines in the AAW website under "Forums."

The most recent discussion thread deals with whether clubs should or should not make their contact information available outside the club – example: email addresses of club members available to vendors who support the club with discounts. Frankly, I have mixed feelings on this issue. It seems I am constantly being bombarded with unsolicited offers and generally don't like the idea of my personal information out there for all to have access to. Perhaps this is an issue we need to look into and develop a clear and concise club policy.

Once again, my goal is to promote SPSW members to also become members of AAW. If you are not already a member of AAW, please consider becoming one.

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Go to smile.amazon.com

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From Fred's
archive pictures

SPSW Store January - Open Again



The Store Sales table will be open again and fully stocked with all our abrasives, finishes, adhesives, and all the other items that we carry at the membership meeting. Check our price list in this newsletter and bring your shopping list to the meeting. For your convenience, we can take payment in cash, check or credit card.

SPSW's Store Sales table has been a significant benefit of being a member of the SPSW for years. Our sole purpose is to offer a cost-effective source for all the various in-sundry items that are used by most of us in our own shops every day.

We try to buy in bulk and negotiate low shipping charges and pass any savings on to our members.

I am especially interested in hearing how the products that you got from us worked for you! Please stop by the table and give us your feedback on the things we sell. Let us know how we are doing. I look forward to seeing you!

Keep those chips flying!

JOHN

Store Sales Price List

Brand	Description	Unit Size	Price
Adhesives			
Starbond	Starbond Thin, Kit	2oz	10.00
	Starbond Instaset accelerator	2oz	4.00
	StarBond Thin, set	16oz	35.00
Insta-Set	Insta-Set Accelerator, Pump Spray	2oz	10.00
Bob Smith Industries	MaxiCure, thick Gap Filling	2oz	9.00
	Maxicure Medium, Gap Filling	2oz	9.00
	20 minute cure epoxy resin	13oz	12.00
Adhesive Accessories			
	Extender tips	3 ea	1.00
	Extra fine glue tips	3 ea	1.00
	Tubing (2 feet)		1.00
	CA Applicator, Fine	3 ea	1.00
	Glue Cap Replacement	ea	1.00
	SuperSolvent	2oz	7.00
	Superglue Pipettes (eye droppers)	3ea	1.00



Segmented box
Mike Poirier



Store Sales Price List continued

Brand	Description	Unit Size	Price
Sanding			
Woodturners Wonders	2" Sanding Disc Mandrels	ea	7.00
	3" Sanding Disc Mandrels	ea	10.00
	Wonderweave 2" disk Kit, Low Grits (60- 600)	ea	9.00
	Wonderweave 3" disk Kit, Low Grits (60- 600)	ea	12.00
	Wonderweave 3X8" 60-600 rit sheets Assortment	pack	5.00
	Flexible Sanding Pad	ea	8.00
	Sand Paper, Ekablue from Sweden 120 - 360 grit	2 sheets	1.00
	Green Wave Sanding Discs 3" Various grits	25 Pack	700
Uneeda NW	EkaMant Blue Sanding Discs 2" 80 - 1000 Grit	10 pack	3.00
	EkaMant Blue Sanding Discs 3" 80 - 1000 Grit	10 pack	4.00
	Uneeda Wet Dry Sand Paper 400 - 600 Grit	2 sheets	1.00
Uneeda Ekamant	Emory Cloth Sheets 8.5X11" (120, 180, 220, 320)	ea	1.00
Ultra Flex	Micromesh Wet/Dry Sand Paper	pack	13.00
	Micromesh Wet/Dry Sand Paper	2 pack	24.00
Finishes and Finishing Materials			
Doctors Workshop	Walnut and Waxpaste		10.00
	Walnut Finishing Oil		14.00
	Microcrystal Wax Bowl Finish	Pint	14.00
	Walnut Oil and Wax Woodturning Finish	Pint	14.00
	Walnut Oil/Carnuba Wax & Shellac Woodturning Finish	Pint	18.00
	High Build Friction Polish	Pint	18.00
	Pens Plus Finish	Pint	18.00
Lathe and Turning Accessories			
	Anchor Seal	1 Gal	18.00
	E-Z Lock Metal screw inserts, 10/bag	Pkg	5.00
	E-Z Lock Metal screw inserts, 25/bag	Pkg	13.00
Multi-Marketing Group	Index Wheel (.75" shaft hole)		20.00
	Index Wheel (1.00" shaft hole)		20.00
	Index Wheel (1.25" shaft hole)		20.00
GluBoost	Fill n Finish kit		43.00



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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.



Looking for some inspiration?
Check out the [SPSW YouTube Channel](#)

2023 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 2023

Terry Broberg, our Director of Membership, has started taking dues for the 2023 year. I hope each of you will join us again for another event-filled year. I would like to encourage everyone to get your 2023 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. The dues for 2023 are only \$45 for the entire year and that is for your whole family.

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](#).

ROCKLER

As many of you know, there are suppliers who give club members a nice little discount on regularly priced merchandise all year long. Rockler is one of them. As of Jan 1, 2023, you must physically show your membership card to receive the discount at Rockler, no exceptions. I was told this about a month ago, and verified it today, 12/31/2022. Apparently, they have had a suspiciously large number of people claiming to be members of woodturning clubs who are not. - Eileen Collins

We are now collecting dues for 2023. Dues for individuals or for the whole family are \$45/year. We accept cash, check, Visa®, MasterCard®, American Express®, Discover® or debit card.

This is still one of the best deals around. For just \$45 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 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 \$45.00 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



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.)b.**

1. **The Zoom meeting invitation is only sent to active members.** So, if you have not paid your dues since October 2022, 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, Jan 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, Jan 18th** – A reminder will be e-mailed to our active member's distribution list.
 - c. **Thursday, Jan 19th** - Log into the meeting between 6:30 and 7:00pm
 - i. Devin'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.