



CHIPS AND SHAVINGS

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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. Also, you may join or renew membership at the membership table at each meeting.

Now is also a good time to sign up for the American Association of Wood turners (AAW). Annual memberships in the AAW operate on a yearly anniversary cycle, whereby your membership will start with your join date and continue for one year. See below for options!

Free AAW Guest Membership Available

American Association of Woodturners membership is in addition to membership in the SPSW. AAW offers a Guest Membership option to turners who have never been an AAW member before. Become a free Complimentary Guest Member for 60 days and enjoy sampling of AAW benefits and resources. Visit the website <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

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President's Newsletter April 2019

April Demo: Our own David Best will complete his demonstration of video guided hollowing at this meeting.

Happy Anniversary: At our April general membership meeting, we will be celebrating the 25th anniversary of the South Puget Sound chapter's affiliation with the American Association of Woodturners (AAW). Our affiliation with the



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AAW enables us to get excellent insurance for the club, and many other benefits.

We will be celebrating at our April meeting with cake and coffee.

Yellow Vests: Last month was the second time we had a number of our directors and mentors walking around wearing a yellow vest at the meeting. Several of those wearing the vests had people come up to get more information about various aspects of the SPSW during the meeting. This is exactly what we hoped would happen. New members know who to approach to ask a question, and are getting information from people who know what is going on! Please keep using this resource, and if you have a question, just ask one of the people wearing a yellow vest. Many thanks to Ken and Polly Light for the idea, getting the vests ordered, and for doing the lettering on the vests.

Wood Rat: Doug Reynolds is doing a great job of finding some great wood to share with club members. On Saturday March 30th, we had a group of members go out to Ray Pelzel’s house and we cut more than enough big leaf maple to keep most of the club members in wood for the year. Members that cut wood can take a few pieces home for their own personal use, but most of this wood is destined to be auctioned off at our annual Auction/Picnic in July. Some of the wood figured, and some has great spalting and color. Start planning to attend the picnic now, as the low prices for great wood available at the wood auction is one of the most valuable benefits of being an SPSW member!

Woodcraft Eliminates 10% Member Discount: I am sad to announce that we were informed today that Woodcraft Seattle needs to discontinue the discount given to all of the local woodworking, carving and turning clubs effective April 16th. For many years, SPSW members making purchases on most tools, supplies and materials at the Woodcraft “brick and mortar” store on Corson Avenue got a 10% discount thanks to Woodcraft’s owners. This was a popular benefit, and one often used by SPSW members. According to the letter, the this change was necessitated by increased costs of doing business in several categories. I am sure that our members join me in thanking Woodcraft’s owners, Ron and Michele Hall, for all their past support of the SPSW and our individual members.

Keep practicing, keep turning and have fun!



PLEASE HELP US LIMIT SNAIL MAIL COPIES OF THE NEWSLETTER

We have about 20 members that receive their SPSW newsletter as a hard copy. If you do not have access to a computer or e-mail, that is just fine. But hard copies are both time-consuming and expensive to print, and mail. In an effort to conserve resources, we are asking members who can receive their newsletter electronically to please consider changing their preference to electronic delivery. If currently get your copy of the newsletter by snail-mail, and can change your preferred delivery method, please let Terry Broberg know either at the meeting or at (membership@SPSWoodturners.org).

PLEASE GET REGISTERED

Most members have now registered as dues paying members on our website. From April forward, we will be delivering the electronic version of this newsletter through the SPSW's website. If you hear of anyone not getting their newsletter, please let them know that they need to go the members section of the SPSW website and get registered there.

Thanks!

Dates to Remember

April 18th – Regular meeting

April 20th – Regular Sawdust
Session at Nancy's

Beads of Courage

Have you heard of "Beads of Courage" (BOC)? In many children's hospitals kids are given beads to represent the procedures go through as they battle cancer. They get different colored beads that represent each procedure they go through. For example, they get different beads for transfusions, chemo therapy, infusions, etc., as they battle their disease. Some of these kids earn hundreds of beads as their treatment progresses. The beads offer some tangible recognition of all the steps in their treatment, and also help the children explain what is going on to their friends and family. If you would like to see a Sunday Morning clip on BOC click on this link.



Beads of Courage – Continued

(<https://beadsofcourage.us11.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4663d722c170876593f3ae936&id=6534ec5429&e=eda93d335d>)

Although the video focuses on the beads, how they are made, and what they mean, This is where we could contribute to this program. The Beads of Courage folks solicit donations of wooden lidded boxes that the children use to store their beads. If you might be interested in making one or more of these Beads of Courage bowls, please contact me and I will send you an e-mail with more information on how you can participate in this worthwhile program.

SPSW Store Sales – New Items

Ken Light recently ordered 3” sanding disks and quick-change mandrels for the SPSW’s Store Sales. We immediately sold out. We are ordering more, for those that want them, and they will be available soon. Check with Ken at the next meeting. Also, Ken is ordering a box of those gold-colored 3M ScotchBrite pads for people that want to try them.

The SPSW Needs You!

We still need some help. I notice that for the past few months, we have had difficulties getting the audio and video equipment set up. Pat and John spent several hours eliminating extra cables, and labeling the ones that we use, to simplify set-up of the system. If you have experience, or interest in doing something like that, please let me know, or just show up to the meeting a little early so you can see how we set it up. Later, I would like to have one person very familiar with the system, and then we could train several other people to help, or step in if someone is unable to make one of the meetings.

If you have such skills, and are interested, please call me or see me at the meeting.



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>

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 – 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/>

SPSW Mentoring Program

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. Please contact AlisaBeth Nash (atlarge@spswoodturners.org if you have question or are interested in becoming a mentor.

Month	Challenge	Description	Winner
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	

Photos by Fred Abeles. For additional club photos by Fred please visit his web site.
[South Puget Sound Woodturners Newest Photos](#)



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





2019 SPSW and AAW Membership

We are collecting 2019 dues. Dues for individuals or for the whole family are \$35/year. We accept cash, check, Visa®, MasterCard®, American Express®, Discover® or debit card. T

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 pay at the meeting or mailing 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, fill out the form, and pay with PayPal. (<http://www.spswoodturners.org/about/become-a-member>)

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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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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.*