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President's Message

by John Howard

This month's demonstration: Both at the monthly meetings, and at the Sawdust Sessions, we have had several demonstrations on how to do end-grain hollowing that feature broken arm systems, captured arm systems, and using laser and video systems to make vases and hollow forms with smooth and uniformly thick walls.

We will continue that exploration this month with our own Roy Lane, who will demonstrate his system that could be called Hollowing for the Frugal Woodturner. [continued] ...Roy makes his own tools, and uses them to achieve remarkable results. He will demonstrate his process at our May 16th meeting.

AV Coordinator: Thanks to Ramon Lyn for volunteering to take on the AV Coordinator position. His job will be to work with other volunteers to get the AV system set up for our meetings to enhance the ability of the members to see and hear what is being demonstrated.

Spring Cleaning: Each year, Nancy Sweazey generously allows us to use her excellent shop facility for Sawdust Sessions. For many years, we have gone out there once a year to clean up the shop, and do a few other things on the property both to help her out, and to offer a small token of our thanks for her generous support of the SPSW. This event is actually a lot of fun, and something I look forward to each year. We usually have 12 – 20 people that come. We start at 9:00 and usually finish by 1:30. Lunch will be provided. I will pass around a signup sheet at the meeting on the 18 th . Please join us for this year's spring cleaning at Nancy's!

A New Member Benefit – SPSW Classified Ads: SPSW members can now sell extra tools, lathes, or woodturning accessories on our website! Access our website at spswoodturners.org and click on the "For Members" tab. Then place your cursor over the "SPSW Classifieds" button at the bottom. A drop down menu appears at the right, and then click on "place an ad" or "Tips for creating a new listing in the SPSW classifieds" as needed.

Keep practicing, keep turning, be safe, and have fun!

-John

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PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGES

June - 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 - 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 - Holiday Decor

Ornaments, table decorations, Menorahs, candle holders and other items used to decorate for the holidays. secretary@spswoodturners.org



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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)

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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