

# CHIPS AND SHAVINGS

*The latest news and updates from South Puget Sound Woodturners*



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## President's Message

*by John Howard*

**Annual Wood Auction and Picnic:** We have another great opportunity for SPSW members coming up again this month! Our annual summer wood auction and SPSW picnic is going to happen again on Sunday, July 21, 2019! This year, our “wood rat, Doug Reynolds” has worked hard with his merry band of volunteers to set aside a lot of highly-figured maple, some black locust, and some pieces of Japanese walnut.

We will enjoy a good potluck lunch, and then will auction off more than 40 lots of wood, each consisting of recently cut and anchor-sealed slabs and rounds. Each lot will contain several pieces of wood, and they usually go for \$5 - \$20 per lot.

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I promise that if you join us, you will have an enjoyable afternoon. You will have a wonderful meal, get to know other members better, and you will have a chance to buy some great turning wood at unbelievably low prices! All proceeds from the wood sales benefit the SPSW and support our activities throughout the year.

**The picnic/auction will happen again at the North Lake Improvement Club.** If you have a cell phone or GPS, just plug in the address at 33228 38th Ave. S., Federal Way, WA 98001, and it will get you there.

Set-up and wood drop-off will start at noon, and we will eat as soon as we can get everything set up at about 1:00. Lunch is pot-luck so if your last name begins with A-L, please bring a main dish, M-S Salad or Chips, and T-Z please bring a dessert. As always, if you do something special, feel free to bring that! When we finish eating, we will start the auction. The auction usually takes about an hour, so by 3:30ish hundreds of pieces of wood will have a new home. I hope you will be able to join us, and that some of That great wood will end up in your shop!

**This month's demonstration:** Have you been looking for a way to make your projects something beyond just "round and brown"? This month, Russell Nyman will present a program titled "The Devil is in the Details – Simple and easy embellishments to add "pizzaz" to your projects." During this presentation, a great number of different methods for texturing, or adding simple inlays, beading, burring lines in a way that will accent your work and make it more interesting.

**Newsletter Editor needed!** We still need someone to volunteer to take over the newsletter. This position is critical because it provides our primary means of communication to the members. Most of the writing is done by others, and the job mainly consists of cutting and pasting the President's message into the document, adding a few recent pictures supplied by Fred Abeles, and then checking to ensure everything else is up to date. Occasionally we need to check AAW's site to see if there is anything there we want to push out to all the members too.

We are using a free and easy-to-use program, and there is help available from past newsletter editors to get you started. If this sounds like something you could do, it is a great way to become more active in the club we all love! Please contact me if you might be interested in the position.

**Coming soon:** Limited Participation Seminar – Pyrography with Cynthia Gibson. Program chair Dave Best is coordinating with the Vancouver B.C. woodturners group to offset travel costs and bring Cynthia Gibson for a 2-day SPSW seminar on pyrography or “wood-burning”. Cynthia has worked with many professional woodturners on collaborative projects. In addition to the Thursday night meeting, she will be offering a hands-on class on Wednesday and Thursday. The class will be limited to 10 - 12 participants and the cost will be \$100/day, or \$185 for both days.

Participants will need to bring wood-burning equipment to participate in the class. Check out her website at [www.cynthiagibsonpyrography.com](http://www.cynthiagibsonpyrography.com) and mark your calendars!

**SPSW Classified Ads:** SPSW members can now sell extra tools, lathes, or woodturning accessories on our website! Access our website at [spswoodturners.org](http://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, make some shavings, but be safe, and have fun!**

John

<b>2019 Monthly Schedule</b>		
<b>Month</b>	<b>Demonstrator</b>	<b>Subject</b>
7:00 July 18th	Russell Nyman	Simple & Easy Embellishments
12:00 July 21st - SPSW Picnic & Wood Auction	North Lake Improvement Club	33228 38th Ave S Federal Way, WA 98001.
7:00 Aug. 15th	To be announced	
7:00 Sept. 19th	Mini Symposium	
9:00 AM Oct. 16-17	Cynthia Gibson	Pyrography 2-day Seminar
7:00 Oct. 17th	Cynthia Gibson	Pyrography Demo
7:00 Nov. 21st	Kathleen Duncan, AAW Secretary	Pierced work
7:00 Dec. 19th	Annual Holiday Dinner	Dinner, Fun, & Giveaways of Wood and Tools
7:00 Jan. 16th	Dave Best, John Howard and Jeff Marshall	Sharing lessons learned at Arrowmont with Avelino

### **Directions to the Annual SPSW Picnic & Wood Auction!**

The fun begins at noon on Sunday at the North Lake Improvement Club. Plug this address into your phone or GPS:

**33228 38th Ave S  
Federal Way, WA 98001.**

Or, if you are feeling lucky, take the Weyerhaeuser Way S exit off Hwy 18. Go North. At the turning circle, take the first right onto 33rd Pl. S. This will become S. 334th St. At the next turning circle, take the second right onto 38th Ave S. You will see the Improvement Club on your right in about one block. If you are coming down Military Rd S, turn west, the only way you can turn, on S. 328th St. Follow it around to where it becomes 38th Ave S and look for the Improvement Club on your left. We hope to see you there!

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## PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGES

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**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.  
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## AAW MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

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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. or call (877) 595-9094 M-F 8:30 to 4:30 Central time.





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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>)

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: \_\_\_\_\_ 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.*