



# ROSE ENGINE TURNING

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## President's Message

*by John Howard*

### The March Mini-Symposium and SPSW's response to Coronavirus (COVID-19):

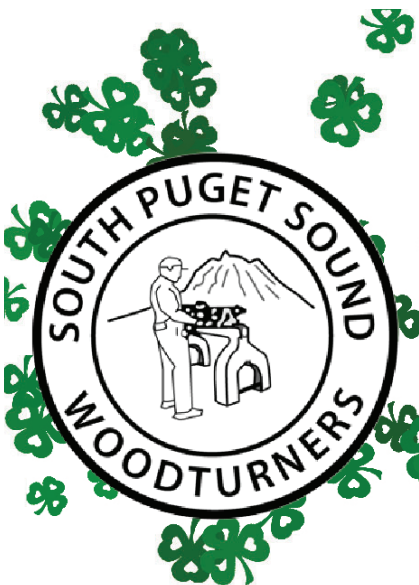
Today, Thursday March 12th I got word that the Fife Community Center is closing, and will not be available for our meeting this month. Although we have been monitoring the coronavirus situation closely, and were planning to make our own decision about whether or not to run our monthly meetings, the Community Center's decision makes this decision for this month for us. Therefore, we will not be having our mini-symposium this month. Further, even though it is a much smaller meeting, we also need to cancel the Sawdust Session on the 21st. Nancy has some health issues, and we don't want to take any chance on exposing her to anything, let alone coronavirus!

The SPSW's Board of Directors is closely monitoring updates and recommendations concerning the coronavirus pandemic. Things seem especially difficult for our friends in King and Snohomish Counties, and our thoughts and good wishes go out to them!

We encourage all of our members to continue to check themselves, and follow recommendations from reliable sources to avoid this disease.

I will be discussing this subject with the full Board of Directors later this month. If the worst comes to pass, and we need to cancel more of our monthly membership meetings, we may be able to tape the entire meeting and make the demonstration available on the SPSW website. ([SPSWoodturners.org](http://SPSWoodturners.org))

I will do my best to keep everyone informed as we go forward.





**This month's President's Challenge:** This month's challenge was a lidded box. We will shift the judging for this project to next month, and hopefully we will be able to resume our regular meeting schedule at this time. Judging will be done by SPSW Board members, and the winner will receive a \$25 gift certificate donated by Woodcraft. Good Luck!

**April's Demo Teaser:** We have all heard the basic mantra of wood turning – "A-B-C" (Anchor – Bevel – Cut). Next month, we will host a renowned woodturner, Ed Pretty, who will present a program he calls "Beyond A-B-C". This will be a clinic that is specifically geared toward beginning and intermediate turners. Mark your calendars!

**Sawdust Session:** Canceled for March



**The 2020 AAW Symposium** will be held this year from June 4th through June 7th in Louisville, Kentucky. The event is being held at the Kentucky Exposition Center (Kentucky State Fair Grounds). There is a wealth of information about the event on [AAW's new website](#). [Click this link](#) to view a short video from the AAW that shows you what it is like to attend an AAW Symposium.



**Dues:** 96 of our 170 members that paid dues last year have already paid for 2020. I would like to encourage those of you that haven't paid for this year yet to everyone to get your 2020 dues paid as soon as possible. We already have 94 members that have signed up for the 2020 calendar year. Dues are our main source of income that we use to rent our great meeting facility, provide equipment like the new camera boom needed for members to better view demonstrations, and purchase the tools and equipment we need to run demonstrations and Sawdust Sessions. I hope each of you will join the SPSW again for another event-filled year. Probably the easiest way to pay dues is to do it online through the SPSW website ([sp-woodturners.org](http://sp-woodturners.org) (click on "for members"). Otherwise, you can just see our Membership Director, Terry Broberg, at the membership desk at any of our regular meetings. Thank you!

**Future President's Challenges:** See the new list of President's Challenges for the 2020 year. Our first one for this year will be some sort of turned lidded box, which will be judged during the March meeting.

Be safe and keep making all those shavings!

*John*





# ADDITIONAL WORK BY MEMBERS



## Sawdust Session



### 2020 Monthly Schedule

Date	Demonstrator(s)	Subject
7:00pm Mar 19th	Mini-symposium	Pens, vacuum chuck, wood burning, boxes, tool swap, and more
9:00am Mar 21st	Sawdust Session	Nancy's Shop
7:00pm April 16th	Ed Pretty	Beyond ABC
9:00am April 18th	Sawdust Session	Nancy's Shop
7:00pm May 16th	Pat McCart	3 Footed Bowls
9:00am May 18th	Sawdust Session	Nancy's Shop

Cancelled

### 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.
August	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.
November	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.
January 2021	"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.

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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 [www.woodturner.org](http://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 2020 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](http://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