

CHIPS AND SHAVINGS

The latest news and updates from South Puget Sound Woodturners

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July President's Message

by John Howard

July Demo: Our Interactive Remote Demonstrator will be Ed Pretty. Ed was one of the founding members of the Greater Vancouver (BC) Guild and has been woodturning since he was 9 years old.

Ed's program is titled "Beyond ABC". We have all heard the old ABC's mantra about how to safely cut wood at the lathe. This is a presentation of all the things that aren't covered when someone talks about "anchor - bevel - cut". Ed doesn't just present a list of "rules" for people to follow. Rather, he explains the logic behind the concepts so people can figure out how and why things happen and what to do about problems and concerns as they arise when working at the lathe. Dave Best highly recommends this as great program of newer woodturners, and a good refresher for the rest of us! Please join us for what I am sure will be a great demo!

Please Join Us For Our Remote Demos: I have talked to many of you that have joined us for these virtual demos. Each of you have reported how good they are. This is a benefit of membership. Your dues pay for these and I hope each of you will take advantage of the resource! For the past 2-months, we have had about the same number of members logging in to these demos as we have had at in-person meetings. But there is room for more of you!



Lidded Box
Alan Winslow



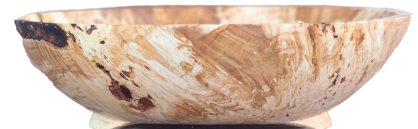
Zoom Meeting If you haven't been on Zoom before, just follow the steps below. (If you have been in a Zoom meeting before, just start at step 3.)

1. The meeting notice is only sent to active members. So, if you have not paid your dues, please go to the members tab on the [SPSW website](http://spswoodturners.org) (<http://spswoodturners.org>) and do so. Please note that it would normally cost more to attend one of these just one of these demonstrations in person than SPSW dues for the entire year.
 - a. Please note: Those of you that 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). You will also need either a smart-phone, lap top, or computer with video capability to view the demo.
2. Before the scheduled meeting, you need to go to zoom.com and download the free "Zoom Meetings" app. Again, it is quick, easy, and free!
3. We will email out "meeting invitations" on July 11th, the Saturday before our meeting and demonstration. This invitation will contain a link which can be used to log into both the practice session on Wednesday evening (July 15th), and Ed's remote demo on Thursday (July 16th) evening. (see below for more information on the practice session). Log in to either or both at about 6:45 PM.
 - a. When you click on the link, 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.
 - b. If you don't see the invitation(s) in your inbox, then please check your "junk" or "spam" folder. But if you get our newsletters, the meeting invitation should come right into your inbox.
 - c. **Hint:** I suggest people use a cell phone calendar reminder so they remember to log in for the meeting
4. We will send out an email meeting reminder in July 15th, the day before the meeting. (Several people indicated that they just forgot about the last meeting.)
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5. On July 15th and 16th, just click on the link in that meeting invitation to join either the practice session, or the demo occurring on that evening.
 - a. It will load you right into the meeting waiting room. Just follow the on-screen directions to join with computer audio on the device you are using to view the program.
 - b. **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.
 - c. Devices can be smartphones, tablet computers, laptops, etc. To fully participate, the device needs to have audio and a camera.



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For Zoom Security, Please Rename If Needed: We have a number of people that participate in the Zoom demos. When you join the session, we get a thumbnail photo with your name under it. If yours's comes up with something like "John's iPad", or just "John" we don't really know who you are, which is a security issue. So, if that happens when you join the meeting, please just click on your name, and then click "rename" and change it to your full name. It will help Ramon and I as we co-host the meeting. Thanks!



Three Legged Bowl - Perry Shaw

Practice Session Available: As mentioned above, Ed will conduct a practice session/shop tour for those of you that want to meet him, or would like to practice using Zoom. This will be a good chance to ask any questions you might have about using Zoom, and also get to know Ed. You will be able to log in at Wednesday July 15th at 6:45ish for some social time until the actual practice session starts. In addition to getting some minimal instruction on how to use Zoom, you will ensure everything is in place for you to get logged in for the actual Thursday night demo. I assure you, this is worth doing, and it is really easy!

Both the Wednesday practice session and the Thursday remote demo will use the same link. The link will be sent to all active members on Saturday. Our own Ramon Lyn and I will assist Ed as co-hosts. We will admit members logging in to the meeting, and will assist in muting microphones when needed, and getting questions answered as they arise. Again, before joining us, you will need to go through steps 1 and 2 above. You will see how to log into the meeting, how we ensure security, how we keep control of the meeting, and how to mute or unmute your microphone, and how to pose a question to the demonstrator. You can ask us any questions you might have about Zoom during this practice session and Ramon and I will do our best to answer them.

July Picnic and Wood Auction Postponed: Chris Johnson, who usually sets up the North Lake Improvement Center for our summer pot-luck meal and deal event, was contacted by the North Lake Improvement Center, and informed that the facility is closed for group events due to the pandemic. Our “wood-rats” have been cutting all year, and we have some really great wood ready for the auction. I have tentatively reserved the Northlake facility for the third Saturday September 19th. All we can do for now is remain flexible as health department guidance related to the Coronavirus continues to change. You will be informed as we get further information.

Show and Tell: Fred Abeles usually takes beautiful photos of all the show and tell items at the meetings, and Suzette Edwards puts as many as she can into the newsletter. We know a lot of you are doing some great stuff in your shops right now. If you would like to share some of your more recent work, send photos of your work to Suzette (winginsue@gmail.com). We can't promise we have room for everything, but we will do the best we can.

What happened with Cindy's finial box?: Cindy sent us the lidded box with finial she made during this month's demonstration. At the board meeting, we decided to draw a single name from all the 85 people that attended, and give the box to that person. The name drawn was Maureen Harkcom, who is one of the Woodturners of Olympia attendees, and the box was sent to her. Congratulations, Maureen!



Burl Vase - Terry Broberg



Maple Burl bowl - Perry Shaw

Free Trial AAW Membership: The SPSW is a Chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW). Many of our members are just members of the chapter but not the AAW. The AAW offers a n introductory free 3-month trial membership to chapter members. The free membership allows access to all on-line publications like The American Woodturner and Woodturneing FUNDamentals magazines, and AAW enewsletters . I recommend that you check it out! If you are interested, just click on the link below and it will connect you to the AAW's website and a simple sign-up process.

FREE: Chapter Affiliate Membership

Be healthy, be safe, and keep making shavings!



2020 Monthly Schedule

Date	Demonstrator(s)	Subject
7:00pm July 16th	Ed Pretty (remote)	Beyond the ABCs of woodturning
11:00am July 19th	Wood Auction/Picnic	Postponed
6:30pm Aug 20th	Scott Groves (remote)	How to Inlay bugs, Dragonflies, and Butterflies with stone
9:00am Aug 22nd	Sawdust Session	Canceled
7:00pm Sept 17th	Eric Lofstrom	Skew Skills
11:00am Sept 19th	Wood Auction/Picnic (Tentatively reserved)	North Lake Improvement Center

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Spalted Maple Bowl
Suzette Edwards

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

Become a free Complimentary Guest Member for 60 days and enjoy sampling of AAW benefits and resources. Visit the website 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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Hollow Form - Ramon Lyn



Spalted Bowl - Perry Shaw

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), 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

Milton WA 98354

If paying online, [visit our website](#), fill out the online form and pay with Paypal