

CHIPS AND SHAVINGS

The latest news and updates from South Puget Sound Woodturners

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August President's Message

by John Howard

August's Remote Demonstration: Our Interactive Remote Demonstrator on Thursday, August 20th will be Scott Grove. Scott will be demonstrating from the East Coast, **so we are going to start this demo a half hour earlier at 6:30 PM.** You can log into the meeting any time after 6:00.

If you are not joining us for these remote demos, you are really missing out! You helped fund them when you paid your dues. There is no extra charge for access to instruction from some of the finest woodturners in the world! Please join us.

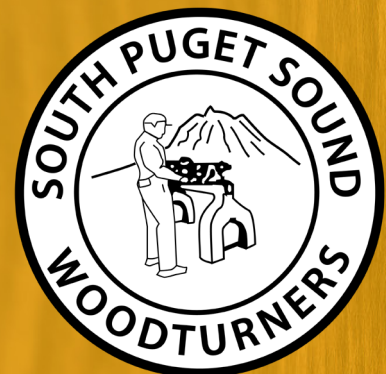
Scott Grove will demonstrate how to create beautiful beetle, butterfly, and dragonfly inlays to accent turned vessels. He will show a variety of methods that include pigments, metal filings, and exotic minerals like mother of pearl, opal, paua abalone shell, and more. Scott will review the pros and cons of different resins including quick setting UV resins. Surface, translucent, and window inlays be covered, too. This will be an action-packed demonstration with lots of tips and tricks and tools to boot. During the live, interactive demonstration, his wife and co-host, Nancy, helps organize Q&A and provides links in real time, too.



Scott Grove is an international award-winning master craftsman, a woodworker, artist, sculptor, teacher, author, tool designer, and YouTuber who lectures, demonstrates, and judges at national conferences as well as regional and local woodworking groups. He is also a contributing writer for Woodworking Network, Fine Woodworking, Woodshop News, FDM, and American Woodturner. He's published three books on woodworking with a fourth about the business of craft on the way. His work can be found in prominent museum, gallery, and private collections, and he maintains an educational site for craftspeople, ImagineGrove.com.

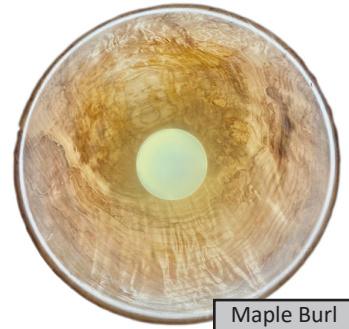


Maple Burl and Madrone Bottles
Dave Schweitzer




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 Zoom meeting invitation is only sent to active members. So, if you have not paid your dues since October 2018, you will need to go to the members tab on the [SPSW website](http://spswoodturners.org) (http://spswoodturners.org) and renew your membership. Please note that it would normally cost more for just one of these demonstrations than your SPSW dues for the entire year.
 - a. Those of you who 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)
2. Before the scheduled meeting, you need to go to zoom.com and download the free "Zoom Meetings" app. The Zoom download is quick, easy, and free!
3. **Information and Invitation Delivery Schedule:**
 - a. **Saturday Aug. 15th** – The Zoom Meeting Invitation will go out to our active member's distribution list.
 - i. This invitation contains a link that appears in blue letters. Just click it to join the remote demo on Thursday.
 - ii. Please save this where you can find it.
 1. If you don't see the invitation(s) in your inbox, then please check your "junk" or "spam" folder. our newsletters, the meeting invitation should come right into your inbox.
 - b. **Wednesday Aug. 19th** – A reminder will be e-mailed to our active member's distribution list.
 - c. **Thursday Aug. 20th** - Log into the meeting between **6:00 – 6:30**.
 - i. **The meeting will start at 6:30 PM PDT.**
 - ii. When you click on the link, you will be asked if you want to join with video and audio. Answer "yes" to both, then 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.
 - iii. **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.
 - iv. Devices used to view the demo can be smartphones, tablet computers, laptops, etc. To fully participate, the device needs to have audio and a camera.



Maple Burl
Lampshade
Ramon Lyn

For Zoom Security, Please Rename If Needed: We have a number of people that participate in the Zoom demos. When you join the session, you will be able to see yourself and the other participants in thumbnail photos with the name of each person under their picture. If your name appears as "John's iPad", or "iPhone 189567", then we don't really know who you are, which is a security issue. 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 me as we co-host the meeting. Thanks!



Looking for some inspiration while you are staying home? Check out the [SPSW YouTube Channel](#)

No Practice Session This Month: For the past several months, we have been running a practice session the day before the demo, so folks could ensure the links work and all the equipment is functioning on both ends. But the number of people who have used this extra offering has declined each month, and only 6 people used it in July. Therefore, we are discontinuing practice sessions for now!

July Picnic and Wood Auction Postponed: Although our “woodrats” have some great wood ready for the annual auction, the North Lake Improvement Center, where we usually have the event, remains closed to group meetings. I have tentatively reserved the facility for the third Saturday, September 19th to hold this event. Watch this space in next month’s newsletter for the final word on whether or not we can have the event this year.

Sawdust Sessions Temporarily Cancelled: For many years, we have run a monthly “Saturday Sawdust Session” at Nancy Sweazey’s shop. We usually have 4 or 5 lathes, and experienced turners available to teach woodturning techniques to all comers. We have not been able to hold these since group meeting size limits and isolation directives were put in place. As soon as it becomes possible to safely meet in groups, we hope to be able to get back to providing this important SPSW member benefit.

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 our monthly newsletter. We know a lot of you are doing some great stuff in your shops right now, and Suzette would love to put more examples of members’ work in the newsletter. 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.

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!

John Howard 



Walnut Bowl - Ramon Lyn



Sugar Maple Bowl - Bob Stafford

2020 Monthly Schedule

Date	Demonstrator(s)	Subject
6:30pm Aug 20th	Scott Groves (<i>remote</i>)	Enhance your work with Bug, Dragonfly, & Butterfly Calcite Inlays
9:00am Aug 22nd	Sawdust Session Canceled	Canceled
7:00pm Sept 17th	Eric Lofstrom	Skew Skills
9:00am Sept 19th	Sawdust Session Canceled	Canceled
11:00am Sept 19th	Wood Auction/Picnic (Tentatively reserved)	North Lake Improvement Center
11:00am Saturday Oct 24th	Glenn Lucas	Thin walled Bowl

2020 President’s Challenges: President’s challenges require a physical meeting. As soon as we are able to hold conventional meetings at our regular Fife location, we will continue with the evaluations of the President’s Challenge contestants. If we need to evaluate entries and award winners for several months of President’s Challenges all at one meeting, then that is what we will do.



Maple Burl Platter
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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Maple bowl - Suzette Edwards



Decorative Figured
Maple Bowl
Bob Custer



Finial Boxes - John Howard

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