

CHIPS AND SHAVINGS

The latest news and updates from South Puget Sound Woodturners

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October President's Message

by John Howard

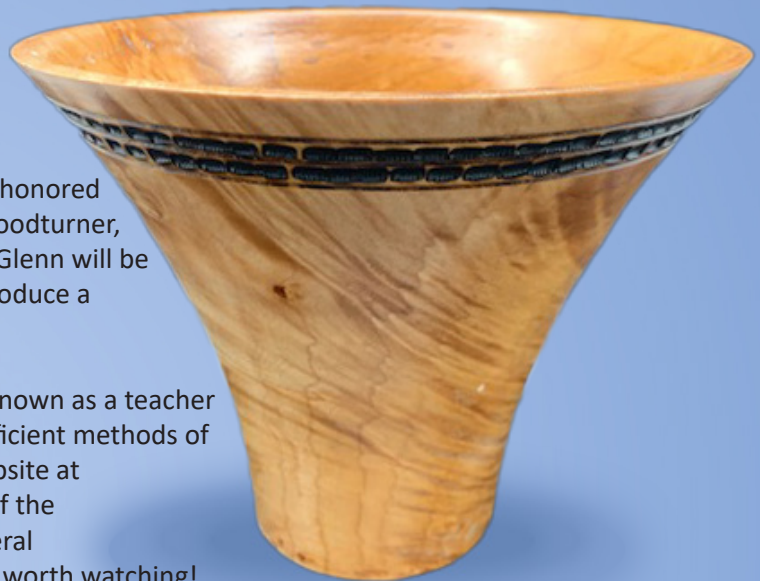
Don't miss this month's very SPECIAL Remote Demonstration!

Together with the Woodturners of Olympia, we are honored to be able to cohost an internationally renowned woodturner, Glenn Lucas as our October remote demonstrator. Glenn will be showing us all how to use our lathes and tools to produce a thin-walled bowl.

Glenn has demonstrated all over the world, and is known as a teacher able to help woodturners at all levels learn more efficient methods of turning. I would encourage you to check out his website at www.glennlucaswoodturning.com and view some of the many clips he has posted there. There are also several YouTube videos that he has done that are definitely worth watching!

Glenn is from Ireland, and will be demonstrating for us from the "Woodturning Study Centre" there. Since Irish time is eight hours ahead of us, we need to move the time and day of this demo so Glenn doesn't have to start his lecture in the wee hours of the morning. Therefore, for the first time, we will be having our regular meeting/remote demo on Saturday morning, October 24th at 11:00AM our time. Please set an alarm on your phone so you don't miss it!

The demo will be limited to the first 100 who sign in, so please log on through the zoom link that will be sent to active members soon after it opens at 10:30 AM!



*Maple with burned band
John Howard*



Thin Walled Bowl - Glen Lucas



SPSW Board of Directors Election - Volunteers Needed! Although I have said that this will be my last year as president, I think it would be unfair to ask someone else to step in and deal with the special challenges that have come up this year. Therefore, if you will have me, I am willing to continue as President for a 4th year. Also, most of our current Board members have agreed to continue in their current positions. However, we do have an opening for the Vice President/Program Chair position, and at least a couple of “At Large Director” slots that are open. Several people have mentioned to me over the years that they feel that they have gained so much from the SPSW that they would like to find a way to “give back”. Here is your opportunity. We need a couple of volunteers. If you would be interested in serving on the board, in any of these positions, please contact nominations chairperson Pat McCart (253-370-8986).

This newsletter is notice that the following individuals are running for positions on the 2021 SPSW Board. Since the Fife Center remains closed to group meetings, we will hold a quick vote on the slate of officers before proceeding with Trent Bosch’s demonstration.

1. President - John Howard
2. **Vice President/ Program Chair - Open**
3. Secretary - Fred Abeles
4. Treasurer & Newsletter - Suzette Edwards
5. Membership Director - Terry Broberg
6. Webmaster - Tim Spalding
7. Store Sales - Ken & Polly Light
8. Industry Liaison and Immediate Past President - Pat McCart
9. AV Coordinator - Ramon Lyn
10. Wood Rat - Doug Reynolds
11. Mentorship - Michael Poirier
12. Director At Large - Jeff Marshall
13. **AAW Liaison – Open**
14. **Director At Large - Open**
15. **Director At Large - Open**



Alder Bowl - Terry Broberg

Active Member Registration: Have you noticed that you don’t get all the communications that some other SPSW members get or that you are unable to view the meeting/remote demo videos? In order to get all benefits for active members you need to be registered on our website and signed up for our member communication email list. Only about half of our paid-up members are completely registered and signed up. If you aren’t registered, it is an easy problem to correct. Open our webpage at www.spswoodturners.org and click on the “For Members” tab. The drop-down menu’s first choice is “How to Register”. Click on it, and there will be a short video that explains exactly how to get registered. After your registration is approved, the second step is required to complete the process. Go to our webpage and click on the “Member Communication Sign-up” under the For Members menu and follow the instructions.

Recordings of some of our previous remote demos now available to members: A few of our remote demonstrators have given us permission to record these virtual demonstrations. Our video librarian, John Jacobs, has worked hard to edit these recordings and put them up on our website under the “members only” tab. So far, we have the recordings for Emiliano Achaval turning his “Hawaiian Calabash”, Ed Pretty’s “Beyond ABC”, and Scott Grove with his program on using resins for inlays and accents. If you are not a current member, you need to renew your membership in order to access the “members only” section of our website. You may both see the recordings or renew your membership at our www.spswoodturners.org website. The recording of Eric Lofstrom’s Skew demo is not on our website, but is available through the link that was sent to active members mailing list on Tuesday, September 22nd.



*Monkey puzzle bowl
John Howard*

Please join us for these remote demos: Group meeting limits imposed during the pandemic have affected our ability to meet in person, and made many of the benefits we have traditionally offered to members much more difficult until we are able to meet in person again. But two things we are still able to provide. One is that Michael Poirier continues to offer mentoring up in the Lake Morton/Covington area. And through Zoom, we have also been able to offer world-class demonstrators during our regular meeting time on the third Thursday of the month. 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! We would like to see more of our members taking advantage of this wonderful resource! Please join us. If you haven't used Zoom to join a similar event before, just follow the directions at the end of this newsletter.



December Meeting/Party Postponed: I'm sorry to announce that considering the continuing unavailability of the Fife Community Center, and current group meeting restrictions, we will be unable to safely host our annual holiday potluck dinner. Therefore, Your Board of Directors voted during our October meeting, and decided to postpone the December party until we are able to safely meet in person. Since so many people already have a full calendar in December, we have also decided not to put on another interactive remote demo in December. As soon as we are able to meet again, we plan to have a potluck combined with the wood auction, so we can get things going again.

Newsletter photos: Would you like to see some of your work in the newsletter? 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 recent work, send photos to Suzette (winginsue@gmail.com). We can't promise we will have room for everything, but we will do the best we can.



Dues: Thanks to all of you, we had a very successful 2020, despite all the challenges we all have dealt with this year. We currently have about 140 active members in the SPSW. We dropped a little in membership from last year, but not all that much. We will start taking new dues payments for the 2021 year this month. I hope you will join us again for another event-filled year as we, hopefully, get back to in-person meetings, sawdust sessions, picnics, wood auctions, and all the other activities that we enjoy so much.

The easiest way to renew your membership is online through the SPSW website <http://www.spswoodturners.org> (click on "for members"). You can also fill out the last page of this newsletter and send it to the PO Box with a check, if you prefer.

Free AAW Trial Membership Available to SPSW Members: SPSW is a chapter of the American Association of Woodturners (AAW). Many of our members are just members of the chapter but not the American Association of Woodturners (AAW). The AAW offers an introductory free 3-month trial membership to chapter members. The free membership allows access to all online publications like The American Woodturner, Woodturning FUNDamentals magazine, and AAW e-newsletters. 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



John Howard

2020 Monthly Schedule

Date	Demonstrator(s)	Subject
11:00am Saturday Oct 24th	Glenn Lucas	Thin walled Bowl
7:00pm Nov 19th	Trent Bosch	TBA



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.

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.
Aug	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.
Nov	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.
Jan2021	“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.



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](https://zoom.us) and download the free "Zoom Meetings" app. The Zoom download is quick, easy, and free!
3. **Information and Invitation Delivery Schedule:**
 - a. **Thursday October 22nd** – 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. If you get our newsletters, the meeting invitation should come right into your inbox.
 - b. **Friday October 24th** – A reminder will be e-mailed to our active member's distribution list.
 - c. **Saturday October 25th** - Log into the meeting between **10:30 and 11:00 :AM**
 - i. **The meeting will start at 10AM 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.

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!



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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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We are collecting 2021 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
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If paying online, [visit our website](#), fill out the online form and pay with Paypal