



# Chips & Shavings

Apr. 13, 2015

## April - 50 Nifty Shop Tips

Bring a pen and a pad of paper to the April meeting and be prepared to take lots of notes.

Four members of the Olympic Peninsula Woodturners Club will be presenting Fifty Nifty Shop Tips, a collection of wonderful ideas for woodworkers. It promises to be an evening filled with tons of useful information.

This is a concept that began with an internet thread that has gone semi-viral, with contributions from dozens of veteran woodturners from throughout the United States, Canada, and England.

About two years ago Russell Neyman posted several tips on the SawmillCreek.org Woodturners Forum, and other craftspeople jumped on board to create one of the website's most popular features. Over 30-thousand people have viewed it.

The team of presenters will be sharing the best of these and adding their own, with visual aids and "live" examples of most of the concepts. Actually, there will undoubtedly be more than 50 tips.

One aspect of this coming meeting is audience participation as SPSW members are encouraged to bring their own ideas and share them with the group.

Subjects are wide-ranging and include everything from abrasives to ziplock bags.

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April 18, 2015 8 am - 5 pm

Evergreen Woodworkers Guild Presents

Getting the Most from Your Bandsaw with Michael Fortune

Registration is \$40 and includes lunch. The location is Nancy Sweazey's Shop.



## Letter from the President



### April Ideas

I was talking to a co-worker about the SPSW and what we did at our monthly meetings. I explained how we get together to show each other our woodturnings. Then get to watch an experienced woodturner demonstrate his or her own unique skillset or special thing that they do. He asked me how many meetings I had attended over the years. I informed him that I have been to over 150 demonstrations and continue to learn something new at each meeting. His immediate response was “slow learner”?

This month the SPSW is thrilled to welcome four members of The Olympic Peninsula Woodturners and their informative demonstration “Fifty Nifty Ideas”. They will cover a wide variety of topics ranging from safely getting started, to finishing and selling. There will be tips on how to cut wood; then securely mounting it to the lathe and many more. I would strongly encourage everyone to bring a pad and pen and take notes to help capture some of the many gems of knowledge that are sure to be tossed out.

April 18 we will not be having our monthly sawdust session at Nancy’s shop but are invited to attend a bandsaw class being held there by the Evergreen Woodworkers Guild featuring Michael Fortune. Cost is \$40 and lunch is provided.

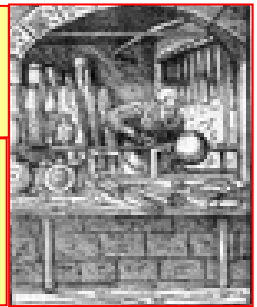
Looking for a good used empty 55 gallon drum? I have 4 and would love to share them with anybody that needs one. Let me know if you want 1 or all 4, delivery is included.

See you on the 16<sup>th</sup>.

Be safe, have fun, make shavings!

Pat

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# SPSW 2014 Event Calendar

## January 2015

15th - Membership Mtg  
**Dan Stromstad**  
17th - Sawdust Session  
  
27th - Board Mtg  
Pat McCart's

## February 2015

19th - Membership Mtg  
**David Best**  
21st - Sawdust Session  
24th - Board Mtg  
Pat McCart's

## March 2015

19th - Membership Mtg  
**Mini Symposium**  
21st - Sawdust Session  
24th - Board Mtg  
Pat McCart's

## April 2015

16th - Membership Mtg  
**50 Nifty Shop  
Tips**  
**18th - No Sawdust  
Session**  
28th - Board Mtg  
Pat McCart's

## May 2015

21st - Membership Mtg  
**Glenn Schaefer**  
23rd - Sawdust Session  
26th - Board Mtg  
Pat McCart's

## June 2015

18th - Membership Mtg  
**Bob Espen**  
20th - Sawdust Session  
30th - Board Mtg  
Pat McCart's

## July 2015

16th - Membership Mtg  
**Art Liestman**  
28th - Board Mtg  
Pat McCart's  
TBD - Picnic & Wood Auc.  
26th - Creativity in  
Woodturning - Olympia  
**No Sawdust Session this month**

## August 2015

20th - Membership Mtg  
22nd - Sawdust Session  
25th - Board Mtg  
Pat McCart's

## September 2015

17th - Membership Mtg  
**Mini Symposium**  
19th - Sawdust Session  
30th - Board Mtg  
Pat McCart's

## October 2015

16th - Membership Mtg  
**Stan Gardner**  
18th - Sawdust Session  
27th - Board Mtg  
Pat McCart's

## November 2015

19th - Membership Mtg  
21st - Sawdust Session  
24th - Board Mtg  
Pat McCart's

## December 2015

17th - **Holiday Mtg**  
No Sawdust Session  
Jan 5th - Board Mtg  
Pat McCart's

**No Sawdust Session this month**

Upcoming national & international events courtesy of Fred Holder and More Woodturning

## This Month at a Glance

- Membership Mtg. - Apr. 16th (Thur.) 6:00 - 9:15 pm at Fife Senior Center
- No Sawdust Session This Month
- EWWG Bandsaw Class - Apr. 18th (Thur.) - 8am - 5pm at Nancy's Shop \$40
- Board Mtg. - Apr. 28th (Tue.) 7:00 - 8:30 pm at Pat McCart's, members welcome (RSVP to Pat McCart)





# Pictures from March Meeting

Photos by Fred Abeles: For additional Club photos by Fred please go to <http://avoided-artist.smugmug.com/Woodworking>



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# Pictures from March Meeting

Photos by Dawn Shirron





We are collecting 2015 dues. Dues for the whole family are \$35. We accept cash, check, credit card, and PayPal. This is still one of the best deals around. For this, 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 (Sawdust Session) on the Saturday following the meeting. Use the membership application below or pay at the meeting.

**And now a new way to pay. Go to our website, fill out the form, and pay with PayPal.**

*We now also have the option for you to join, renew, purchase supplies or just donate (we are a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit) using Square. You can use your Visa®, Mastercard®, American Express®, Discover® or debit card.*

Now is also a good time to sign up for the American Association of Woodturners (AAW). Annual memberships in the AAW operate on an anniversary cycle, whereby your membership will start with your join date and continue for one year.

If your level of membership includes a printed copy of the American Woodturner journal, you will receive six issues starting with the issue published after your join or renew date.

See <http://www.woodturner.org/org/mbrship/index.htm> for the various levels of membership.

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## South Puget Sound Woodturners (SPSW)

### Membership Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_

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Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

How do you want to receive the newsletter? By:  email  US Mail

How long have you been turning? \_\_\_\_\_ AAW Member? \_\_\_\_\_

Woodturning interests: Spindle turning \_\_\_\_\_ Bowls \_\_\_\_\_ Vases \_\_\_\_\_

Segmented turning \_\_\_\_\_ Tool making \_\_\_\_\_

Tool sharpening \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Membership dues for South Puget Sound Woodturners are \$35.00 annually. Please make check payable to South Puget Sound Woodturners (or **SPSW**) and mail with this form to:

South Puget Sound Woodturners

P.O. Box 1792

Milton, WA

98354



## Announcements

### *Are you a new member or visiting our club for the first time?*

We are glad you are here and want to welcome you to our general membership meeting. **Please introduce yourself to an officer or mentor so we can welcome you.**

#### *Need help with a splintering question?*

**Contact one of our "MENTORS"**. These club members have stepped up and would like to use their knowledge and expertise to help other turners with their questions. If these turners aren't able to answer your question, they will do their best to help you find a solution.

### SPSW Mentors

- **Jim Cotter**  
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- **Bob Sievers**  
(360) 897-8427
- **Jack Wayne**  
(425)488-9561

- **SEATTLE AAW MEMBERSHIP MEETING** – 2nd Thursday of each month, VFW Hall, 4330 148th Ave NE, Redmond, WA 98052
- **OLYMPIA AAW MEMBERSHIP MEETING** – 4th Thursday of each month, Thurston County Fairgrounds
- **Wooden Laser Engraved Name Tags** are now available. The cost is \$10. To order a name tag please stop in at our supplies table at the monthly meeting.
- The South Puget Sound Woodturners now has a club policy for harvesting wood as a club function. We also have a Wood Rat - Jerre Griffin. You can contact Jerre at [jgriffin@centurytel.net](mailto:jgriffin@centurytel.net)

### **MORE WOODTURNING**

The magazine for turners. Published electronically 10 times a year by Fred Holder. One yr: \$25.00; Two yrs: \$50.00; Three yrs \$75.00. Effective immediately More Woodturning is published only electronically at: [www.morewoodturning.net](http://www.morewoodturning.net) Lots of great information for your browsing pleasure.  
More Woodturning PO Box 2168 Snohomish WA 98291-2168  
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### **Would you like to have a vintage Dunlap (Dunlop) lathe?**

Contact Ron Scofield at [ronscofield@gmail.com](mailto:ronscofield@gmail.com)

The price is really right on this one.

**Woodturners of Olympia  
Present**

***Creativity in Woodturning Symposium 2015***



***A Day With  
RICHARD RAFFAN  
Saturday July 25, 2015***

***Workshops July 26-29, and August 1&2 2015***

Richard Raffan is perhaps one of the best known woodturners in the world and is the 2012 recipient of the AAW Professional Outreach Program Merit Award. At this symposium Richard will share his life-long knowledge of and passion for woodturning.

**Symposium Demonstrations:**

**Back to Basics  
Bowls  
Lidded Bowls  
Suction Fit Boxes**

**Workshops:**

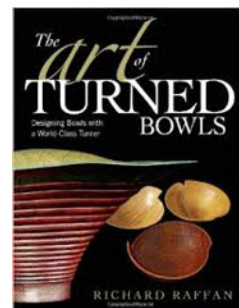
**Basics Revisited  
Bowl  
Boxes**

A couple of years ago, Richard noted that 'he is drifting into his retirement years' and may not be coming to the 'States' much anymore. Now, after he had to cancel his participation in our 2014 Symposium, we are **thrilled** to have another opportunity to host him in 2015. *Consider this Symposium a 'must attend' event.*

**Register at <http://www.woodturnersofolympia.org/>**

**Don't miss this rare opportunity!**

***RICHARD RAFFAN* July 25, 2015 in Olympia Washington**







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