



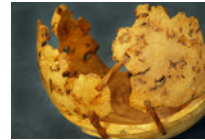
Chips & Shavings

June 15, 2015

June - Bob Espen



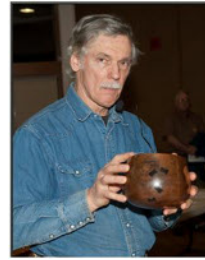
Bob Espen lived in Anchorage, AK. for 23 years. While there he helped found the Alaska Creative Woodworkers Association and the Alaska Chapter of the AAW. He participated in several juried art shows at the Anchorage Museum of Fine Arts, The Portland Rose Festival, and Beneath the Bark in Provo Utah. He has done demos



in Bremerton, Olympia, Seattle, Portland, Salem and Eugene, as well as The AAW in Tacoma and Portland. has been turning for



over 20 years and does a variety of things, bowls, rolling pins, oil lamps. wall hangings, boxes and other things. Bob has demonstrated for us in the past and it has always been an enjoyable evening.



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Save the Date

Sunday, July 19th is our annual Picnic and Wood Auction. This is a fun event and a great chance to pick up some new turning blanks at a more than reasonable price.

The fun begins at 1:00, at the North Lake Improvement Club. Plug this address into your phone or GPS, 33228 38th Ave S, Federal Way, WA 98001. Or, if you are feeling lucky, take the Weyerhaeuser Way S exit off Hwy 18. Go North. At the turning circle, take the first right onto 33rd Pl S. This will become S. 334th St. At the next turning circle, take the second right onto 38th Ave S. You will see the Improvement Club on your right in about one block. If you are coming down Military Rd S, turn west, the only way you can turn, on S. 328th St. Follow it around to where it becomes 38th Ave S and look for the Improvement Club on your left. If you get lost, call me at 253-740-7147.

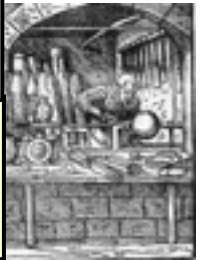
This is a potluck. Bring your favorite dish: main, side, salad or dessert. Drinks, plates and utensils will be provided by the club.

Remember, this is a family event. Get there early for some great camaraderie.

Raffle

We have been gifted a Rikon 10-345 bandsaw. The Rikon is an 18-Inch bandsaw driven by a 2-1/2-horsepower, 220-volt motor. It has cast iron wheels.

We will be starting a raffle for it at this meeting. We will also be inviting other clubs to participate in the raffle.



Letter from the President



Give back month

With the long days of summer upon us my wish is that you have had ample time at your lathe to create a turned piece that will bring you a sense of accomplishment and pride. I'm not complaining but lately I have not been able to find any amount of time to dedicate to turning. With that said and the awareness that I have recently asked the membership of the SPSW to consider donating a turned item or 2, I searched through the bowls that I have not yet given away and came up with a few items that I will gladly give to the wonderful causes that we support.

Bob Mower, Stephanie Lane and Andy Firpo are the club's contact for each group that has benefitted from your generous donations.

Stephanie would love to tell you about the "Empty Bowls" project that has helped countless people in our region that are struggling to put food on their tables.

Bob Mower has been able take your wonderful pieces with him to the annual "Blind Veterans of America" convention for several years in a row. Each year your items are the hit of the auction that is held to benefit the college scholarship program and have generated several thousand dollars for this very deserving program.

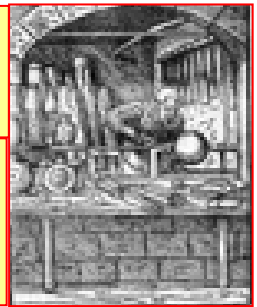
Andy Firpo will proudly share your turned pieces with the terrific corporate sponsors that offer our membership discounts and great places to buy super tools and needed supplies.

Please consider supporting one or all of these important and worthwhile causes.

Be safe have fun and make shavings.

See you on the 18th.

Pat



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 Schaffer
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
17th - All Day Session w/
Art Liestman
19th - Picnic & Wood Auc.
26th - Creativity in
Woodturning - Olympia
28th - Board Mtg
Pat McCart's

August 2015

20th - Membership Mtg
Stan Gardner
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
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

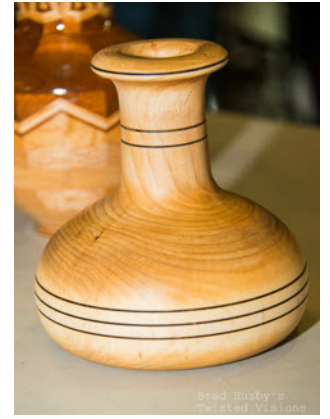
This Month at a Glance

- Membership Mtg. - May 21st (Thur.) 6:00 - 9:15 pm at Fife Senior Center
- Sawdust Session - May 23rd (Sat.)
- Board Mtg. - May 26th (Tue.) 7:00 - 8:30 pm at Pat McCart's, members welcome (RSVP to Pat McCart)



Pictures from May Meeting

Photos by Brad Husby





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.

South Puget Sound Woodturners (SPSW)

Membership Application

Name _____

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City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

Telephone No. _____

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

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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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- **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

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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 Lots of great information for your browsing pleasure.

More Woodturning Magazine

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Sumner Woodworker Store is looking for someone for part time employment. Requirements are a knowledge of woodworking and ability to interact with customers. This is a great job for a retiree looking for a couple of days a week employment.

**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:

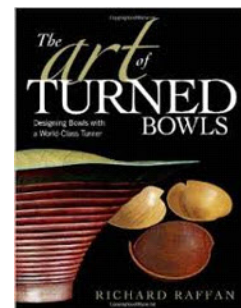
**Basics Revisited
Bowl
Boxes**

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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