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TURN AN EGG
With Tom Willing



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APRIL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Fred Abeles

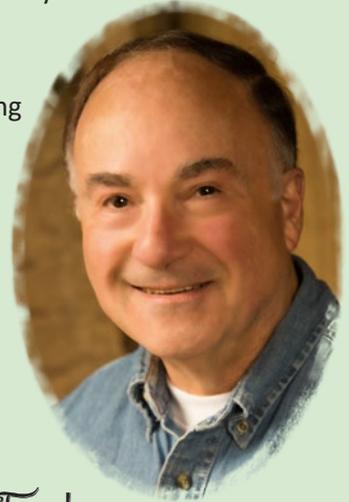
Hi all you great South Puget Sound Woodturners members. Our March meeting went very well and was our semi-annual mini-symposium at the Fife Center. We had about 6 demonstrators all demonstrating their specialties. I understand it was well attended and most people stuck around until the end. I'm sorry that I missed it as I was in Canada for my granddaughter's hockey tournament.

Our Next Meeting

On April 21st, will feature Tom Willing showing us by live demonstration, some turning skill exercises that we can all use.

Our club, as great as it is, has suffered some financial challenges lately such as a substantial increase in the fees we pay the Fife Center for our meeting place. We are in the process of evaluating some alternative locations where we may be able to save some money on our monthly rental. In the meantime, we need to support our club by purchasing some of the wood at our monthly meetings being offered by our wood rat supreme Doug Reynolds. Also please support our club's sales table being run by John Howard as well as the wood auction/picnic to be held this summer.

Stay healthy, stay safe and happy turning.



Fred



Wood Rats

If you would like to be notified when we are going out to cut wood so you can get a little for yourself, please let our wood-rat, Doug Reynolds, know. You don't necessarily need your own chain saw. There are many things that folks can do to help at these events. But you will see how to safely use a chain saw and also will see how to section the tree so you get the best and most interesting wood out of it. You will also have access to people who can help you get started on how to seal the wood to minimize checking, explain the advantages of green wood turning, rough turning, and coring processes. If that sounds interesting to you, please let Doug know, and he can put you on his list and you will be contacted by e-mail when he has wood or when we're going out to cut. You can e-mail Doug at dougr83@comcast.net.

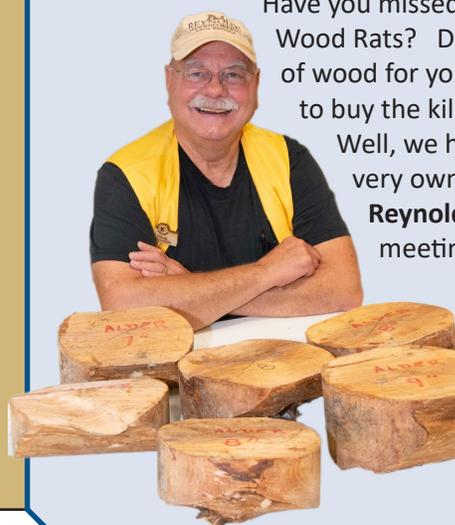
Wood Sales

Have you missed out on goodies picked up by the Wood Rats? Do you want some great pieces of wood for your shop but can't really afford to buy the kiln dried stuff from the stores?

Well, we have great news for you! Our very own chapter Wood Rat leader, **Doug Reynolds** has wood for sale at each meeting for very reasonable prices. He

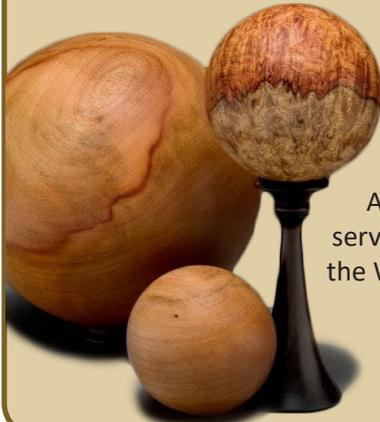
has rough cut stuff, bowl blanks, cut offs and all sorts of wood.

Go check out Doug's table and get yourself some treasures for turning! You will be glad you did.



March Demonstrator - Tom Willing

It has been over 50 years since Oregon artist Tom Willing created his first woodturning in his father’s woodshop. Since then, he has come to focus on pieces that are sensitive to the interplay between light, form, and material. Working with both native and exotic species of woods, Willing seeks to reveal the visual magic within each piece of timber with which he works. In addition to sculptural display work, he designs pieces that combine the aesthetic and functional - bowls, pepper grinders, platters and more. Willing’s work is elegantly finished on the lathe with walnut oil and wax, then buffed to bring out the natural luster of the wood.



Willing holds his BA degree from the University of Oregon, an MA from the Ohio State University, and a MAT from Lewis and Clark University. He taught middle school in Newberg, Oregon, until retiring in 2013. President and Certified Member of the Pacific Northwest Woodturning Guild, he teaches woodturning workshops, and is an active member of both Northwest Woodturners and the American Association of Woodturners. A founding member and past President, he continues to serve as a Director of Frogwood, a 501(c)(3) Arts Education Organization. Willing lives in the Willamette Valley with his wife, watercolor artist Mary Burgess.

2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Demonstrator(s)	IRD	Subject
April 21st	Tom Willing		Turning an Egg: Warm up Exercises
April 23rd	Sawdust Session		Wayne Well’s Shop*
May 19th	Michael Poirier		Segmented Coffee Cup
May 21st	Sawdust Session		Wayne Well’s Shop*
June 16th	Michael Dresdner	X	Finishing
June 18th	Sawdust Session		Wayne Well’s Shop*
July 21st	Fred Abeles		Pen Turning
July 23rd			Annual Wood Auction
August 18th	David Best		Carving and Surface Texture
August 20th	Sawdust Session		Wayne Well’s Shop*



* 12012 28th Ave E, Tacoma 98445

X Note: In house demos will be broadcast on Zoom from the Fife Center. DO NOT MISS OUT! Read the ZOOM instructions on the last page.

A Word From Kent Horton

Hello again, this is Kent Horton, your SPSW/AAW Liaison. I will begin by once again reinforcing the support you get by becoming an AAW (American Association of Woodturners) member and encourage you to join if you are not already a member. I also want to be sure to encourage you to think about attending the 2022 AAW International Symposium in Chattanooga, Tennessee on June 23-26. Looking over the list of presenters, I am impressed with the line up and those of you who do attend the symposium will have a wonderful opportunity to advance your turning skills.

As I read through the latest issue of American Woodturner magazine I was intrigued by an article by John Stiehler on drying green turned bowls using silica desiccant and was about to suggest to John Howard, our store sales director, that the club should look into purchasing some and offer it to fellow members, when John mentioned recently that a while back the club did just that and it took a LONG time before the club was able to finally sell the last of it. So, forget that idea. I guess I will just have to once again add to Jeffy Boy's billions – or not, and stick to waiting it out to finish turning.

The other article that caught my attention was the one about different woodworking schools that offer specialized week-long immersion courses for turners. I looked up each of the eight schools highlighted in the article and was quite impressed with the offerings. The one local school, the Port Townsend School of Woodworking had three week-long courses with one of them already on a waitlist-only basis. Unfortunately, my schedule would not allow me to take Beth Ireland's class on "Turning for Furniture Makers." (Darn!) I know several of our club members have attended courses at the Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, and at least one other club member that I am aware of has attended courses at the Marc Adams School of Woodworking in North Franklin, Indiana. The course offerings at these schools vary widely with some even providing room and board for an additional fee. I could certainly encourage each of you to get online and check them out. You might just find the perfect fit with location, instructor, schedule, cost and turning focus to meet your specific need and help you expand your turning skill set. If you have attended a week-long course (or longer) focused on woodturning, I would really appreciate hearing from you either by phone or email and sharing with me your experience and impressions. I am considering attending an immersion course one of these years myself and would value your advice and suggestions. Thanks!

Kent Horton,
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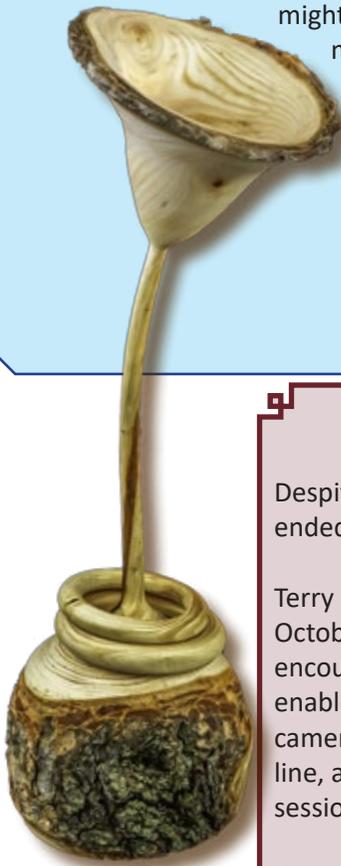
2022 Membership Renewals

Despite the global pandemic our membership has stayed relatively stable and last year we ended up with about 130 paid members. But it is time to renew membership for 2022.

Terry Broberg, our Director of Membership, started taking dues for the 2022 year in October. I hope each of you will join us again for another event-filled year. I would like to encourage everyone to get your 2022 dues paid as soon as possible. Your dues are what enable us to rent our great meeting facility, provide equipment like the new multiple camera system used to enable members to better view demonstrations in person and online, and purchase the tools and equipment we need to run demonstrations and sawdust sessions.

You can either pay your dues at the meeting, or an even easier method is to do it online through the members only tab on the [SPSW website](#).

Cedar Flower
Suzette Edwards



WIT

Women in Turning

Ladies, did you know there is a group under AAW that is especially for women? [Women in Turning](#) has their own newsletter and events. Each year they have the WIT eXchange where women are teamed together during the annual [AAW Symposium](#). Fortunately for those of us who can't make the symposium WIT began doing Virtual eXchanges. I participated last year and pushed my turning and carving skills to the limit along with some sewing. My team members did some painting and stained glass work to complete the project. Here is a photo of our contribution to the event. Once you get your team members two words are drawn for which the team must create something to represent. Last year my team received the words "Bountiful Generosity". This was the result of the team effort. If you would like to see the work of all the teams, [here](#) is a link to a video of the presentations. If you would like to see how our team came up with this presentation, go to 37:18 in the video. Ladies, although sign up time has close, you MIGHT be able to get in on this year's WIT eXchange is you contact Marie Anderson or Linda Ferber right away. If not, please get yourself signed up for the WIT emails so you will get notified each year. It's a great way to meet other women turners. When they assemble teams they try to get an experienced turner, a mid level turner and a newbie teamed up.



Saturday Sawdust Sessions

Our Sawdust Session is happening on April 23rd, the Saturday after the April general membership meeting. Our last Sawdust session was spectacular with 12+ people in attendance. We had 3 lathes going and the sharpening station.

The sawdust session is an excellent opportunity for all members to come, join in the comradery of working with other members to learn a variety of new skills or improve on some old ones and share with new turners a skill they may be struggling with. We meet in a member's shop and we have 3 or 4 lathes all going at once. Wayne Wells has generously offered us the use of his shop for these activities. If you would like to attend, just join us at Wayne's. The address is 12012 28th Ave E, Tacoma 98445. It is just off 112th, between the Summit and Parkland areas.



One of our more experienced members is at each lathe showing people how to make good, clean, and safe cuts at the lathe. We can usually put the tools in the hands of people who have never turned anything before. We can also assist with learning how to sharpen tools.

Sawdust sessions are one of most valuable benefits of belonging to the SPSW.

We usually have some very new woodturners, some intermediate turners who might have a project with them that they are stuck on, and some very experienced members to help anyone that needs it. We all have great time!

This is a great opportunity for everyone. If you are a new turner, please come! I guarantee you will get to make some cuts, will have a good time, and will make some great friends. Please take advantage of this opportunity and join us.



SPSW Store

Store Sales Price List

Brand	Description	Unit Size	Price
Adhesives			
Starbond	Starbond Thin, Kit	2oz	10.00
	Starbond Instaset accelerator	2oz	4.00
	StarBond Thin, set	16oz	35.00
Insta-Set	Insta-Set Accelerator, Pump Spray	2oz	10.00
Bob Smith Industries	MaxiCure, thick Gap Filling	2oz	9.00
	Maxicure Medium, Gap Filling	2oz	9.00
	20 minute cure epoxy resin	13oz	12.00

Price list continued on the next page.



Burl Bowl
John Howard



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

Store Sales Price List continued

Brand	Description	Unit Size	Price
Adhesive Accessories			
	Extender tips	3 ea	1.00
	Extra fine glue tips	3 ea	1.00
	Tubing (2 feet)		1.00
	CA Applicator, Fine	3 ea	1.00
	Glue Cap Replacement	ea	1.00
	SuperSolvent	2oz	7.00
	Superglue Pipettes (eye droppers)	3ea	1.00
Sanding			
Woodturners Wonders	2" Sanding Disc Mandrels	ea	7.00
	3" Sanding Disc Mandrels	ea	10.00
	Wonderweave 2" disk Kit, Low Grits (60- 600)	ea	9.00
	Wonderweave 3" disk Kit, Low Grits (60- 600)	ea	12.00
	Wonderweave 3X8" 60-600 rit sheets Assortment	pack	5.00
	Flexible Sanding Pad	ea	8.00
	Sand Paper, Ekablue from Sweden 120 - 360 grit	2 sheets	1.00
Uneeda NW	EkaMant Blue Sanding Discs 2" 80 - 1000 Grit	10 pack	3.00
	EkaMant Blue Sanding Discs 3" 80 - 1000 Grit	10 pack	4.00
	Uneeda Wet Dry Sand Paper 400 - 600 Grit	2 sheets	1.00
Uneeda Ekamant	Emory Cloth Sheets 8.5X11" (120, 180, 220, 320)	ea	1.00
Ultra Flex	Micromesh Wet/Dry Sand Paper	pack	13.00
	Micromesh Wet/Dry Sand Paper	2 pack	24.00
Finishes and Finishing Materials			
Doctors Workshop	Walnut and Waxpaste		10.00
	Walnut Finishing Oil		14.00
	Microcrystal Wax Bowl Finish	Pint	14.00
	Walnut Oil and Wax Woodturning Finish	Pint	14.00
	Walnut Oil/Carnuba Wax & Shellac Woodturning Finish	Pint	18.00
	High Build Friction Polish	Pint	18.00
	Pens Plus Finish	Pint	18.00
Lathe and Turning Accessories			
	Anchor Seal	1 Gal	18.00
	E-Z Lock Metal screw inserts, 10/bag	Pkg	5.00
	E-Z Lock Metal screw inserts, 25/bag	Pkg	13.00
Multi-Marketing Group	Index Wheel (.75" shaft hole)		20.00
	Index Wheel (1.00" shaft hole)		20.00
	Index Wheel (1.25" shaft hole)		20.00

John Howard

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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.

Visit the website www.woodturner.org (or click the link if you are an email newsletter subscriber) 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.



We are collecting 2022 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 issues starting with the issue published after you join or renew.

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



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.)b.**

1. **The Zoom meeting invitation is only sent to active members.** So, if you have not paid your dues since October 2019, you will need to go to the members tab on the [SPSW website](https://www.spswoodturners.org) (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, April 16th** – 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. **Wednesday, April 19th** – A reminder will be e-mailed to our active member's distribution list.
 - c. **Thursday, April 20th** - Log into the meeting between 6:30 and 7:00pm
 - i. Tom's demo will start at 7:00pm
 - 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.