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The latest news and updates from South Puget Sound Woodturners



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June Presidents Letter by Robert Fender VP

Hello all you great SPSW members! Fred is still laid up but he is improving steadily and all our prayers are definitely with him and his family during this very trying time. Hopefully Fred will be back with us soon and be back to his old self. If you missed the go fund me option for Fred and family, it is now shut down but you could donate directly.

May Meeting

In may we had the pleasure of having Ken Conte demonstrate how to make levitating spheres. He explained how using electormagnets create the levitating sphere. He also showed the precision with which the spheres needed to be made so that the magnet would work properly. There are sections that are quite close. The weight of the sphere is important as well. If you weren't able to see the demo, check out the video on our website under members only.

Sawdust Session

We had a great experience with our Sawdust session in April. There were about a dozen participants showing up to complete or help with projects or mentor those that were seeking help. Some were just plain seeking guidance and new knowledge about turning on a lathe.

Get Involved, Show Off Your Skill!

We are still looking for volunteers for our mini-symposium for our September 21 meeting. We have volunteers for pen turning, tool handle turning, and baby rattles but could still use more to round out the knowledge for all to add to their abilities and improve their own personal abilities at turning.

AAW Liaison

Have you been following <u>Kent Horton's great articles about AAW</u>? He has been doing a lot of research and effort and then passing along the great discoveries and information. Be sure to read it to increase your own personal knowledge. If you missed some, remember, the newsletters are also on the website under members only/ Newsletters.

Robert

Volunteer Needed

Les Young, who has provided coffee and drinks for both our December Holiday Dinner meeting and our July Picnic/Wood auction, is no longer able to fill that role for us. We all owe Les a very big thank you for all his years of service to the club! We need someone to volunteer to step into that role.

If you would be interested in filling that position, please contact John Howard at 253-370-5704, or see John at the meeting so that he can get the coffee pot, coffee, napkins, plastic dinnerware, etcetera all well packed in totes transferred to you.

June Demonstrator - Russell Nymen a Man of Many Passions

This month's demonstration, "Airbrushing and Other Methods of Adding Color," will be presented by a familiar face: Russell Neyman, a longtime friend of the South Puget Sound Woodturners.

"I came to the conclusion very early in life that I wanted to do many different things," Neyman said recently. "Perhaps I'm easily bored or maybe I have some sort of ADHD disorder, but doing the same thing for any great length of time bores me."

Woodworking and, more specifically, woodturning is in his blood. His grandfather, built cabinets and furniture, and many of his tools are in Russell's shop today.

Russell makes tall, dramatic hollow forms – vessels with incredibly small openings through which he has removed the interior with a series of hooks and scrapers – typically adorned by a sweeping finial or decorative feather. He also makes gift boxes and cabinets, often featuring a secret compartment.

Neyman was President of the Olympic Peninsula Woodturners for more than three years, taking over when the previous club leader was unable to complete his term in 2013. Since leaving office in January of 2016, he has dedicated himself to promoting the craft, mentoring new woodturners and teaching formal classes in his Port Orchard studio. Currently, he conducts one-on-one sessions for would-be turners through a program called, "The Woodturning Experience." Nearly 1000 individuals have turned with him.

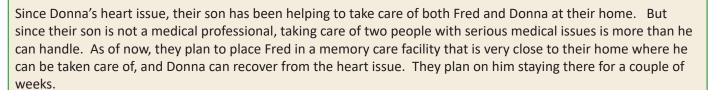
Update on Fred

As most of you know, SPSW President Fred Abeles took a bad fall in that last ice storm event. He hit the ground with his head hard enough to fracture his skull and cause a brain injury.

Since that happened, Fred has been in hospitals, a rehabilitation facility, and convalescing and getting some therapy at home.

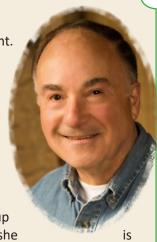
Last week, Fred had a spinal tap, which was supposed to relieve pressure which might have been causing many of his symptoms. After the procedure, Donna did not think that it had much effect on his symptoms.

On top of all that, Donna had a cardiac issue over the Memorial Day weekend and ended up getting a stent placed in one of her coronary arteries. I just talked to Donna, and she said she doing much better now.



At the end of my call to her, Donna asked that I tell everyone how much she and Fred have appreciated all the visits, contributions, prayers and good thoughts that they have received from members of the SWSW.

When I hear more, I'll let you know. - John Howard



A Word From Kent Horton

Hello again, this is Kent Horton, your SPSW/AAW liaison. Yet again I will repeat my mantra:

"If you are serious about improving your turning skills, you owe it to yourself to join AAW."

This message has been really reinforced with me as I attend this years' AAW International Symposium by way of their Virtual attendance option. Thus far I have had the opportunity to watch Pat Carroll making a square box with pewter inserts, carving techniques by two people - Elizabeth Weber and Laurent Niclot and Jim Echter's presentation on tool control through spindle turning. I have plans to watch several more over the next few weeks.

I very much appreciate having the opportunity to watch these demonstrations on my own schedule. The down side is the strong urge to spend big bucks to purchase the many different tools these folks are using and promoting. I am sure that my turning skills will magically improve 300% if I get all of them. (RIGHT!) I was impressed, however, with the number of great ideas shared that would help me be better organized and efficient in my approach to turning.

Since most of the AAW helpers/volunteers assigned to jobs like managing the cameras and monitoring the on-line chat input during the presentations had limited experience, the quality varied greatly from demonstration to demonstration. There were some significant interruptions in some of the presentations and getting the best camera angle to show what was being demonstrated was also a bit of a challenge at times. These things improved as the symposium sessions progressed. All in all, I have been quite impressed with AAW's attempt at including the virtual audience in active participation.

In addition to the turning demonstrations, several "Bonus Content" videos are provided to their virtual audience, including David Ellsworth greeting new turners, 2023 POP Exhibition and auction, How to turn pens from a Louisville Slugger Bat, Hunter Tool System with Mike Hunter and an Introduction to sharpening with Denis Belcher.

I truly give a great amount of credit to the AAW for making the effort to include those of us who were unable to attend in person to still be also to participate as a member of the greater AAW turning community.

Kent Horton, Director-at-Large AAW Liaison





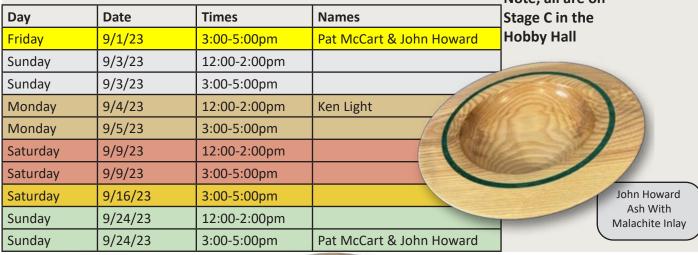


Be the "Top Turner" at the Washington State Fair

The SPSW will again demonstrate in the Hobby Hall at the Washington State Fair in September. This activity is a wonderful way to attract new members to the organization. Fair goers love it. Where else can you see a demonstration and walk away with something free? Our members who have volunteered like it so much that each year they have asked me to get more slots. We have ten 2-hour time slots to fill. We usually have 2 or 3 demonstrators manning the booth. That way one can answer questions and pass out club brochures, and the other can be actually turning something on the club's lathe.

Demonstrators can turn whatever they are comfortable doing on the lathe. Some turn small bowls or boxes. Many demonstrators choose to turn tops. They are quick to do, and we usually give them to the kids. It is a great deal of fun to watch the kids pick out a top and get it spinning on the floor. The smiles on those kids faces are worth the effort to demonstrate alone!

Things always go better at the fair when we have good traffic in the hobby hall. Therefore, we have scheduled our demonstrations so they fall on weekend and holiday afternoons when there is good attendance and no music shows to compete with what we are doing. I (John Howard) will be passing out a signup sheet at the meeting. Please find a friend and sign up to fill one of more of these slots. As the fair gets closer, I will be sending detailed information about parking, free admission, where things are stored, and all the other things you will need to know. I promise you will have a good time if you do this. You too can be known as one of the "top turners" at this year's fair! If you have any questions or would like to know more about what we will be doing there, please call me (John Howard) at 253-370-5704.





SPSW Store April - Anchor Seal Plus

The store sales table will be at the June SPSW meeting with all our regular products.

Several people have been asking for Anchor Seal Plus, but I usually only bring a gallon a month and it has sold out quickly. I will bring a couple of gallons with me this month, but get there early, because it goes fast. We will also have all of our regular abrasives, adhesives, finishes, and turning accessories that we always carry. Keep those chips flying!

JOHN

Store Sales Price List

Brand	Description	Unit Size	Price			
Adhesives						
Starbond	Starbond Thin, kit	2 oz	10.00			
	Starbond Instaset accelerator	2 oz	4.00			
	StarBond Thin, set	16 oz	35.00			
	Accelerator, Pump	2 oz	9.00			
Bob Smith Industries	MaxiCure, Extra Thick Gap Filling	2 oz	9.00			
	Maxicure Medium, Gap Filling	2 oz	9.00			
	20 minute cure epoxy resin	13 oz Kit	12.00			
Insta-Set	Insta-Set Accelerator, Pump Spray	2 oz	10			
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			

2023 Calendar of Cvents

Date	Time	Demonstrator(s)	IRD	Subject
Jun 15th	7pm	Russell Neyman		Airbrush for Turners
Jun 17th	9am	Sawdust Session		Wayne Well's Shop*
July 22nd	7pm			SPSW's Annual Wood Auction
Aug 17th	7pm	Eric Loftstrom		Turning a multi-axis character
Aug 19th	9am	Sawdust Session		Wayne Well's Shop*
Sep21st	7pm	Mini Symposium		VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!
Aug 23rd	9am	Sawdust Session		Wayne Well's Shop*

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

Store Sales Price List continued

Brand	Description	Unit Size	Price
	Adhesive Accessories Continued		
	SuperSolvent	2 oz	7.00
	Superglue Pipettes (Eye Droppers)	3 ea	1.00
	Superglue Pipettes (eye droppers)	3ea	1.00
	Sanding		
Woodturners Wonders	Toughy Tapered Sanding Disc Mandrels 2"	ea.	7.00
	Tuffy Tapered Sanding Disc Mandrels 3"		10.00
	Soft Intermediate Sanding Pad 2"	ea.	4.00
	Soft Intermediate Sanding Pad 3"	ea.	5.00
	Green Wave Mylar backed Sanding Disks, 3" Oversized	25 Pack	7.00
	Wonderweave 2" disk Kit, Low Grits (60- 600)	40 Discs	9.00
	Wonderweave 3" disk Kit, Low Grits (60- 600)	40 Discs	14.00
	Wonderweave disk Kit 3" High Grits Grits (800-3000)	25 Discs	12.00
	Wonderweave 3X8" 60-600 rit sheets Assortment	Pack	5.00
	1/3 Sheet Hook and loop Flexible Hand Sanding Pad		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
	Emory Cloth Sheets 8.5X11" (120, 180, 220, 320)	ea	1.00
	9x11 Wet Dry Sand Paper 400 - 600 Grit	4 Sheets	3.00
Ultra Flex	Micromesh Wet/Dry Sand Paper	2 Pack	24.00
	Finishes and Finishing Materials		
GluBoost	Fill n Finish Kit		43.00
Doctors Workshop	Walnut and Waxpaste	Jar	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 2	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 for 3/4", 1" or 1-1/4" spindle		20.00
	Dyna-Glide Plus dry lubricant, 13 oz. Aerosol Can	ea	15.00

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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.

2023 Membership Renewals



Our membership renewals are down by 40 people from the total of last year. If you enjoy SPSW please take the time to renew your membership.

The dues for 2023 are only \$45 for the entire year and that is for your whole family.

Terry Broberg, our Director of Membership, is taking dues for the 2023 year. I hope each of you will join us again for another event-filled year. I would like to encourage everyone to get your 2023 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 on-line, 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 <u>SPSW website</u>.

We are now collecting dues for 2023. Dues for individuals or for the whole family are \$45/year. We accept cash, check, Visa®, MasterCard®, American Express®, Discover® or debit card.

This is still one of the best deals around. For just \$45 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 <u>American Association of Wood turners</u> (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: Address:		☐ New ☐ Renewal			
 City:	State: Zip:				
Telephone number:					
Email:					
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 Wood the check payable to South Puget Sound Wood South Puget Sound Wood Wood Wood Wood Wood Wood Wood Wo	dturners (or SPSW) and mail t	his form to:			



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 2022, you will need to go to the members tab on the <u>SPSW website</u> (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. **Wednesday June 7th** The Zoom Meeting Invitation will go out to our active member's distribution list. (This is if we get the link by then)
 - 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.
 - 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.
 - 2. If you did NOT get the email, the link will be posted on the SPSW website under For Members/Zoom Meeting Link
 - b. Saturdary June 10th A reminder will be e-mailed to our active member's distribution list.
 - c. **Saturday June 15th** Log into the meeting by 7:00pm
 - i. Russell'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.