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The latest news and updates from
South Puget Sound Woodturners



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December Presidents Letter *by Kathy Garlick*

Is it December already? I don't know about you, but November came and went in the blink of an eye and we are wrapping up 2023.

Looking forward to the Christmas season that is upon us has brought to remembrance the story of the first Christmas over two millennia ago. A little babe wrapped in swaddling clothes lying in a manger, such humble beginnings, born to be the King of all! Raised as a carpenter's son, a worker of wood, one who could bring out the beauty in the wood he worked. The ability to see beyond the cracks and scars in a tree worn from weather, growing stronger and ever adapting to its surroundings, the feel of the grain beneath his hands, growth rings pressed together intertwining of the fibers healing and growing. The figure in wood can't be seen from the outside, only when you uncover the outer layer can you even begin to see the beauty within. I like to think that as woodworkers ourselves, we can get a glimpse into the past, living in the future, preserving the art in the heart of ages past.

What a crazy year it has been. We have been blessed as a club with some amazing artisans; your talents are mind blowing. It is truly evident in the quality of workmanship, beauty and creativity shown each and every month. I look forward to your creations in 2024 as we ring in the New Year!

President's Challenge

I would like to bring back the President's Challenge in 2024. January 2024 challenge will be given at our annual Christmas Party on December 21st. I look forward to seeing you all there! We will have some fabulous prizes and wood for you each to bring home. Please remember to bring your +1.

Christmas Party

Here is the potluck food assignments and raffle outline for the Christmas Party:

Potluck Assignments:

A-G Salad or Side Dish

H-O Dessert

P-Z Main Dish

1. Everyone in attendance gets one ticket for the wood lot and one raffle ticket for the general prize raffle.
2. Additional prize drawings will be conducted for those who have submitted raffle tickets with your name - in the tin for helping at meetings.
3. Gift Exchange - If you brought something for the gift exchange, please put it on the gift exchange table and get a ticket from the bowl, make sure you leave one half for your drawing time. We encourage you to bring a turned piece (made by you), but that is not a requirement, many of you have multiple talents that you would like to share.

Kathy Garlick



A Word From Kent Horton

Hello again this is Kent Horton, your SPSW/AAW liason back at it again after 6 ½ weeks in the hospital following a stupid mishap whereby our small camper van backed over my right leg. No broken bones but a major wound up my right leg. The folks at St. Joseph's Hospital did a great job of patching me up, and am now back at home with a long road ahead to complete recovery. Thanks to all who wished me a speedy recovery.

Once again my mantra:

"If you are serious about becoming a better wood turner and improving your skills, you owe it to yourself to join AAW, they provide many resources for improving your turning skills – no matter what your current level."



First, I would like to encourage all SPSW members who also belong to AAW to take advantage of their club member discount of \$40.00 off the 2024 ticket price of \$375.00 to attend this year's International Symposium. (The price increases to \$425.00 after April 5th, 2024.) I am in possession of the secret code available to SPSW members who are also AAW members wishing to receive this \$40.00 discount – just email me (scimankent@gmail.com) or call (206) 909-2701 to receive this code. Note: I signed up for 30 slots for SPSW members, but can get more if needed.

The AAW Annual Symposium is the highlight of the international wood turning world with 3 days of 80 demonstrations and panel discussions, on line access to select recorded demonstrations, the world's largest woodturning trade show, social events, galleries, exhibits and auctions.

Yes, it's a BIG DEAL, and with Portland just to the South of us, it's well worth attending.

Note: I am still working on the issue regarding SPSW shirts and will provide more information soon.

Yours in Turning

Kent Horton,
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GROUP DISCOUNT!

Kent registered SPSW for AAW's Portland symposium group discount. They sent him a special code for 30 slots that AAW members need to use when they register to receive this discount. Thus far he only has four names on his list. Contact Kent to get on the list. **SAVE MONEY!**

If you haven't gone to a symposium because they always seem to be so far away, here's your chance. GO!

Contact Kent. scimankent@gmail.com
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Do it now.

A Note from our AV Co-ordinator

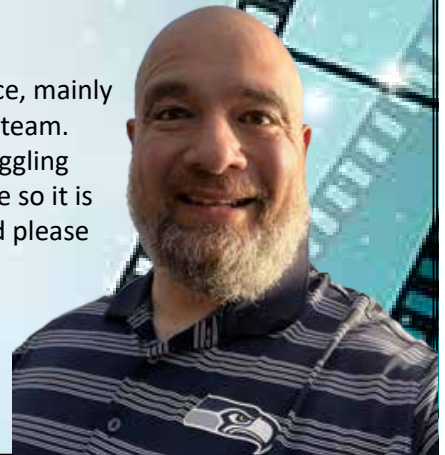
Hello SPSW Members,

From right before the pandemic, I have taken on the role of improving the meetings by changing a single video camera on a boom arm into a multiple camera system with different angles to give you a more immersive experience. This involved adding a very complex video switching system and with that system introduced a lot of wires to feed to various parts of the auditorium and give everyone different camera angles so they can see better. In addition to that, the pandemic brought a new aspect of hosting meetings called Interactive Remote Demonstrations or IRDs for short. This allowed you to stay in the safety of your home and still come to the meeting via the internet and a wonderful application called Zoom. When the pandemic ended, we had to switch to an even newer form of meetings called the Hybrid meeting which is a blend of both in-person and remote viewing that added a newfound complexity to our setup.

With this setup I discovered that I needed extra help so we can have our meetings start on time with a very limited setup window and was lucky enough to find a few members who were willing to help. Now there comes a time to admit that I am no expert in video production. I am completely self taught and I do my best to put on a great presentation despite having some hiccups occasionally. I would like to do better and therefore I am asking for help.

If there is anyone in the club who has audio visual production experience, mainly sound engineering, we would love it if you could volunteer and join our team. Most of the time I'm guessing on what to do at the sound mixer while juggling the video production switching and monitoring Zoom all at the same time so it is getting overwhelming and I am asking for some help. If you are interested please reach out to me at avcoord@spswoodturners.org

Thank you and happy turning,
Ramon Lyn



2023 Calendar of Events

Date	Time	Demonstrator(s)	IRD	Subject
Dec 21	7pm	Holiday Dinner		
Jan 18 2024	7pm	Eileen Collins		Fiber Reactive Dyes
Jan 20 2024	9am	Sawdust Session		Wayne Wells' Shop*
Feb 15 2024	7pm	Terry Broberg		Epoxy Rimmed Bowl
Feb 17 2024	9am	Sawdust Session		Wayne Wells' Shop*
Mar 21, 2024	7pm	Mini Symposium		NEED VOLUNTEERS
Mar 23 2024	9am	Sawdust Session		Wayne Wells' Shop*

* 12012 28th Ave E, Tacoma 98445

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



Cherry



Chestnut



Monkey Puzzle
Leopard Wood



Looking for some inspiration?
Check out the [SPSW YouTube Channel](#)

SPSW Store vDecember

The store is closed this month. We are having a PARTY! See you next month with all the good deals SPSW has to offer.

Until then, keep those chips flying!

John Howard



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
	StarBond Medium	2 oz	10.00
	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



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
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
Doctors Woodshop	Cutting Board Wax	4 oz	12.00
Lathe and Turning Accessories			
	Lyn Grinder Angle Gauge	ea	5.00
	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.

2024 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 2024 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 2024 year. I hope each of you will join us again for another event-filled year. I would like to encourage everyone to get your 2024 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 [SPSW website](http://www.spswoodturners.org).

We are now collecting dues for 2024. 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 [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 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 \$45.00 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 2023, you will need to go to the members tab on the [SPSW website](https://www.spsw.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. **Wednesday November 8th** – 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.
 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.
 2. If you did NOT get the email, the link will be posted on the SPSW website under [For Members/Zoom Meeting Link](#)
 - b. **Saturday November 11th** – A reminder will be e-mailed to our active member's distribution list.
 - c. **Thursday November 16th** - Log into the meeting by 7:00pm
 - i. John'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.