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The latest news and updates from
South Puget Sound Woodturners

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October President's Letter By Kathy Garlick

Happy October and the Fall season is fully upon us. The air is crisp, evenings are cooling and the leaves falling all around the sound. The rainy season is upon us so get those boots out and slosh in the puddles with those little ones as you revel in the memories of a time so simple and pure.

I hope you had a wonderful experience at the Mini Symposium last month. Did you learn something new? Get stocked up on your turning supplies and tools? How about that wood sales table? A big THANK YOU to all who came and participated, I hope you went away with a smile on your face, excited to return.

October also brings us to our annual Board of Directors elections. If you are interested in being more involved in the South Puget Sound Woodturner's club by serving as a Board member, please see John Howard. If you are interested in helping on a committee or assisting a board member in their duties, please see me. We will have many opportunities for you to wet your feet in 2026 and look forward to getting to know you a little better.

Happenings this month:

- We welcome our demonstrator this month, Craig Timmerman doing a multi axis weed pot. See below for his bio and then come and see him in person. I am excited to see this demonstration.
- There is a President's Challenge in October. It is the lidded box, embellishments a plus, but not required. If you haven't had a chance to stop our membership table or store, please come on by.

As Always, Happy Turning!

Reminder: The ticket tin at the membership table is for those who help out each month with set up, take down, general helping as listed on the tin, bringing a President's Challenge Piece, bringing a Show-and-Tell item. Each one of these things gets you one ticket. (Just sign your name on the back and put it in the tin.) These tickets are for our Christmas Party Participation raffle. We have some wonderful items being collected throughout the year.

Thank you to all of you who have volunteered to help and those who keep on pitching in. You are appreciated immensely. I look forward to seeing you all this month. Bring a friend and introduce them to this great group of individuals.

Kathy





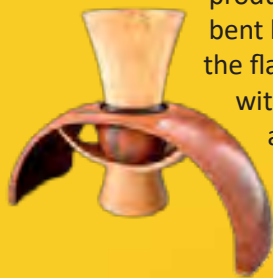
Welcome to the Great Pacific Northwest



Our October guest demonstrator is Craig Timmerman. He will demonstrate his process for turning a delightful multi-axis project he calls a Weed pot. A link to his handout for this project is included at the end of the short description – Making Multi-axis Weed pots



After many years in the computer and software industry, Craig has been a full-time wood turner and artist since 2008. In addition to demonstrating and teaching at many AAW chapters, he has demonstrated at AAW Symposiums, numerous SWAT symposiums, the Utah Symposium, the North Dakota Symposium, Oregon Symposium, and the Rocky Mountain Symposium. Craig has started the Armadillo Woodworks YouTube channel and is set up to do remote, interactive demos. He is a member of the Olympic Peninsula Chapter of the AAW and prior to that was a member of the Central Texas Woodturners. He picked up woodturning over twenty-five years ago when he took a weekend class at a local store. After that weekend the woodworking equipment in his shop ceased to be used for anything except woodturning. His specialties include non-round turnings, hollow forms, spheres, lamps, and production gift items. Many of his pieces combine multiple turnings and bent laminations. He works primarily with reclaimed timber accentuating the flaws by making them the focal point of the piece; often filling them with crushed stone. Samples of Craig's work can be found on his website armadillowoodworks.com. He has recently moved from Texas to Washington State. He has been married to his wife Tina for over 40 years, and they now live just outside Silverdale, WA.



Making Multi-axis Weed pots

This is a fun and simple project to experiment with multi-axis turning. These weed pots are miniature versions of the large vases I show in my multi-axis vase and spout off vase demos. They are turned using many of the same concepts, without the complexity of having to hollow out a vessel. As an added plus, they can be done on almost any size lathe. Optionally, this demo can also cover regular weed pots, which are a great exercise for those new to turning as a practice in spindle work and help in creating shapes and forms that are pleasing to the eye. [Download handout.](#)

Always Turn Safe,
Ed White
Your SPSW Program Director

Bio & Project
description provided by
Craig Timmermin



October Store

During our September meeting we sold out of several items commonly purchased by our members. By our next meeting, I will have replenished our stocks of walnut oil and shellac-based finishes, abrasives, and Star Bond adhesives and accelerator. We also have the freeze-stable version of Anchor Seal available, but if you want some, please call me at 253-370-5704 to make sure that I bring one for you.

Even if you're not buying anything, stop by the table to let us know how the things you bought from us work for you in your shop! That feedback really helps me to keep what our members use and want in stock. Also, please let us know if you think of anything else we should be carrying. We try to focus on things that are of high quality, on which we can offer at a discount and most of our members commonly need or use. If you have suggestions, please let me know.

Until next week, keep all those chips flying!

John Howard

[See page 14 for store product list with prices.](#)

A Word From Kent Horton

Hello, SPSW members, this is Kent Horton without another installment. If you are not a member of AAW you should be. The resources they provide will help elevate your turning skills – be you a beginner with the craft or someone with many years of turning experience.

I'm taking a break this month but will be back with fascinating things next month.

Yours in turning,

Kent Horton,

Director-at-Large

AAW Liaison

206.909.2701

aawdirector@spswoodturners.org



2025 Calendar of Events

Date	Time	Demonstrator(s)	IRD	Subject
Oct 16th	7pm	Craig Timmerman		Multi-Axis Weed Pot
Oct 18th	9am	Sawdust Session		Wayne Wells' Shop*
Nov 20th	7pm	Mike Poirier		All About Sharpening
Nov 22nd	9am	Sawdust Session		Wayne Wells' Shop*
Dec 18th	7pm	Holiday Party		

* 12012 28th Ave E, Tacoma 98445

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Beyond the Bevel

Did you get your "Beyond the Bevel" email on Sept 25th from AAW? Each week there is an email to AAW members with the latest chapter and member news. I always look forward to those emails as there is usually one or two helpful articles on turning. On the 25th there was one on Celtic knots. I've been interested in doing something with a Celtic knot but not sure where to start. The article was in this weeks "Turning Fundamentals" which I hadn't read. John Lucas explains intricacies of Celtic knots that I wasn't aware of. Matching the cut to the thickness of the veneer. Some folks have all the nifty tools to do intricate work like a Celtic knot but some of us either don't have the room or haven't had the finances to get more of those tools. You know... we keep spending the money on the next gadget shown on one of the demos we watch. Those demos are costly.



John's article covers how to do the Celtic knots with just a bandsaw and some homemade jigs. The article is well worth reading. I just printed it out so I could work on building the jigs. Like Kent says, "If you aren't a member of AAW you should be." Although it costs more it is worth it. Even the extra subscription to the American Woodturner magazine is worth the cost. I've gotten great tips and save lots of good stuff on my computer for later. If you don't want all the magazines laying around, you can go to the AAW website and download the magazine to your computer. If there's an article you want to keep in print, you can use Adobe reader and just print those pages. A notebook with the "keeper" articles is a good addition to the shop.

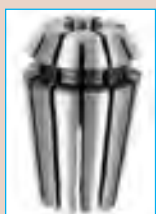
Suzette Edwards



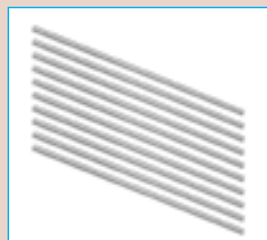
Mini Hollow Forms and the Tools Used to Make Them

I'd like to thank everyone who stopped by my demonstration of the mini hollow forms at our September Mini-Symposium. That was my first time demonstrating in front of the club and you all made it fun and friendly.

Many expressed an interest in making the mini hollowing tools for themselves so below are the part numbers for locating them online. When looking at the 4mm high-speed steel rods, be cautious of similar material in stainless steel. Do not use stainless steel rods. You will also need a drill bit at 25/64" to drill your handle to accept the tube of the collet chuck holder. (Pictures are links to Amazon items.)



ER11 4mm
Spring Collet
Chuck in 4mm

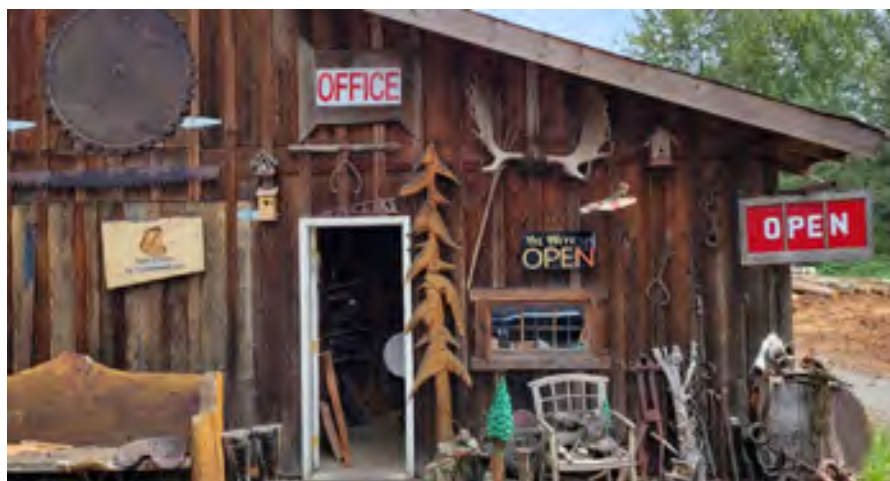


Round Steel Rod, 4mm HSS Lathe
Bar Stock Tool 150mm Long



C10-ER11M-150L for
the collet chuck

Ethan Green

LOCAL WOOD SOURCE TO SUPPORT

I recently was looking for a thick slab for small tabletop. My wife and I went to visit Dahlquist Construction in Lake Tapps. We were amazed at the number of live edge slabs we found there. The owners, John and Delberta, have been milling on that site for 43 years, and kiln drying for 8 years. Their main business now is slabs and shelving. They source all their wood from local trees, and have an amazing variety, from redwood to fir to oak to maple, etc. They have slabs of burl, crotch pieces and other sizes of wood as well.

They also sell dry firewood, it's worth a visit to their place just to see the huge pile, in addition to what is stacked and ready to load. Even though we only purchased a small slab, John and his wife were very friendly, helpful and talked to us about their business for an hour.

John explained that 30% of what he dries cracks, and he cuts up for firewood what he can't use for slabs. When I was there, there were a few pieces of dried oak laying there that he had just cut from a slab, that would make awesome platters or 2 ½" spindles. I asked him what he was going to do with them, he said "giving them to you, if you want them." I took three pieces and am donating two of them to our club. (They can be seen in one of the attached photos.)

John was also cutting up a Deador cedar into 3" by 3" strips for dunnage. What he doesn't use for dunnage, he cuts into 16" lengths for firewood. He gave me a few of those as well. He said that Deador is much more dense than Western red cedar, so his mill will cut it only at 25% of the speed that he can cut normal cedar. I brought a couple of those for our wood rat table as well. Those pieces from dunnage are not dry, but he has no problem letting visitors take what they want from his scraps. He cuts other trees for dunnage as well, such as "gnarly" maple.



I called John to ask him about sharing his information with our group, and he declined to come speak to us, but he is happy to have us send visitors. (BTW, it was he who gave me the lead on the maple and burl we recently harvested in Bonney Lake, because it wasn't appropriate for his use.)
Please consider visiting and supporting the Dahlquists!

Address 519 182nd Avenue East, Lake Tapps, 98391,
(located just east of Lakeland Hills}
Tuesday – Saturday 9-5.
Telephone 253.740.2992
Website <https://liveedgeslabslaketapps.com/>
- Check it out for more photos and information

Steve Urback



Calling WSU Alumni



Calling all SPSW Club members who are also WSU Alums!
Please contact both Ed White and Kathy Garlick. With your help, the club may be able to receive a benefit for our 2026 facility rental costs.

Ed White - 206-218-3797 / eswhitearts84@outlook.com

Kathy Garlick - 253-204-9278 / kgcloset@yahoo.com

SPSW - Westend Woodturners ~ Come Get Better ~ Sawdust Sessions

New to woodturning? Want to improve your turning? Stuck with a current turning project?
Come join us at The Chuck Stop! (shop)

Host: Chuck Burke

Location: 15511 Bandix Rd. SE Olalla, WA 98359.

When: First Saturday of the month from 1PM to 4PM.

Chuck Burke, Ethan Green & Ed White

Contact Ed White – eswhitearts84@outlook.com to join the SPSW Westend mailing list

A few additional items of business/volunteer opportunities: (Many Hands make light work)

At the meetings, we could use a hand with our show and tell, getting items in front of the cameras and also making sure that during our demonstrations that a microphone is available to audience members for questions so all can hear, even those at home.

We would like to have a few more volunteers to be able to fill in when needed for the Club Store & Membership table so it isn't too much for John and Chuck when Terry Broberg is traveling for work. If you are familiar with how the Square card reader works is a bonus for us all!

We could use a couple of extra hands with our AV/Zoom with Ramon Lyn. Set up and take down takes a lot of time for one person causing us to start a little late each month and getting out of the building after our meetings. Ramon is happy to train you on set up and take down to store our cameras and equipment. Having an extra boom operator when Ken Huff is not available is helpful.

Participation Tickets

Want more chances for prizes at the December meeting?
If you participate in **Show and Tell**, **Wood Donation**, or **Set-up / Clean-Up**, make sure you fill out a participation ticket.

Support the Businesses that Support SPSW

Selling Premium Hardwood Lumber

(Image is a link to the site)

Expert Industrial Sharpening
Solutions for Every Blade



10% Discount for SPSW cardholders

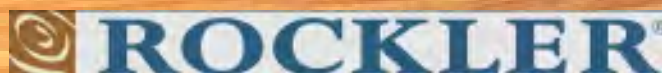


Woodcraft of Seattle



5% Discount for
SPSW cardholders

A Family Owned Business
Since 1996



10% Discount for SPSW cardholders

September Mini-Symposium



Ethan Green demonstrating his mini-hollow form turning.



Devin Garlick at the wood sales table



Jeff Marshall demonstrating making Santa figures.



Jeff Marshall's Santa figures

September Mini-Symposium



*Jimmy Allen and his crew selling
D-Way and Boxmaster tools.*

*Jim Robson turning
Christmas ornaments*



Pam Parson manning the store

*Tim Spaulding helping members
understand how to navigate
SPSW's website.*



Meeting Location and Time:**

WSU Extension in the D.F. Allmendinger Center
2607 W Pioneer Ave, Puyallup WA 98371

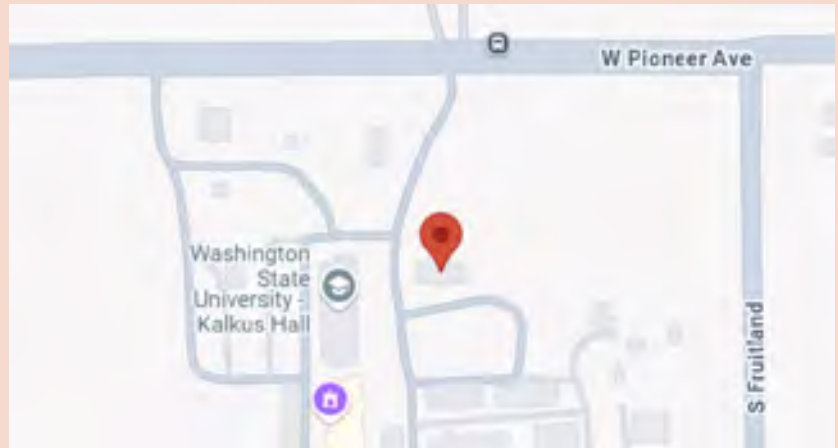
Social Hour 5:30 – 6:30 pm (bring your show-and-tell, President's Challenge or just mingle)

Meeting Starts 6:30 – 7:00 pm

(Announcements, show-and-tell, President's Challenge, etc.)

Demonstration 7:00 – 8:30

**If you would like to help with the set up or clean up, please plan to come at 5 or stay after and help to clean up.



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



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.

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2026 Membership Renewals



If you enjoy SPSW please take the time to renew your membership.

The dues for 2026 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 2026 year. I hope each of you will join us again for another event-filled year. I would like to encourage everyone to get your 2026 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](#).

We are now collecting dues for 2026. 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 on-line! Just go to our website (www.spswoodturners.org), fill out the form, and pay at that time.

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](http://www.aaw.org) (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 on-line, [visit our website](http://www.spswoodturners.org), fill out the on-line form and pay at that time.

Store Product List

Brand	Description	Unit Size	Price
Sanding			
Woodturners Wonders	Toughy Tapered Sanding Disc Mandrels 2"	ea	7
	Tuffy Tapered Sanding Disc Mandrels 3"	ea	10
	Soft Intermediate Sanding Pad 2"	ea	4
	Soft Intermediate Sanding Pad 3"	ea	5
	Green Remover Smoother (2" oversized)	25 Pack	4
	Green Wave Mylar backed Sanding Disks, 2" Oversized	25 Pack	5
	Green Wave Mylar backed Sanding Disks, 3" Oversized	25 Pack	7
	Wonderweave 2" disk Kit, Low Grits (60- 600)	40 Discs	9
	Wonderweave 3" disk Kit, Low Grits (60- 600)	40 Discs	10
	Wonderweave disk Kit 3" High Grits Grits (800-3000)	25 Discs	5
	Wonderweave 3X8" 60-600 rit sheets Assortment	Pack	5
	1/3 Sheet Hook and loop Flexible Hand Sanding Pad	ea	8
Uneda NW	Sand Paper, Ekablue from Sweden 120 - 360 grit	2 Sheets	1
	EkaMant Blue Sanding Discs 2" 120 - 400 Grit	10 Pack	1
	EkaMant Blue Sanding Discs 3" 80 - 1000 Grit	10 Pack	4
	Emory Cloth Sheets 8.5X11" (120, 180, 220, 320)	ea	1
	9x11 Wet Dry Sand Paper 400 - 600 Grit	4 Sheets	3
Ultra Flex	Micromesh Wet/Dry Sand Paper 3"x6"	12 pack	24
	Micromesh Wet/Dry Sand Paper 3"x6"	6 pack	13
Finishes and Finishing Materials			
GluBoost	Fill n Finish Kit	ea	43
Doctors Workshop	Walnut and Waxpaste	Jar	10
	Walnut Finishing Oil	ea	14
	Microcrystal Wax Bowl Finish	Pint	14
	Walnut Oil and Wax Woodturning Finish	Pint	14
	Walnut Oil/Carnuba Wax & Shellac Woodturning Finish	Pint	18
	High Build Friction Polish	Pint	18
	Pens Plus Finish	Pint	18
Doctors Woodshop	Cutting Board Wax	4 oz	12

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Brand	Description	Unit Size	Price
Lathe & Turning Accessories			
	Nomar Grinder Angle Gauge	ea	5
	Anchor Seal 2	1 Gal	24
	E-Z Lock Metal screw inserts, 10/bag	Pkg	5
	E-Z Lock Metal screw inserts, 25/bag	Pkg	13
Multi-Marketing Group	Index Wheel for 3/4", 1" or 1-1/4" spindle	ea	20
	Dyna-Glide Plus dry lubricant, 13 oz. Aerosol Can	ea	16
Adhesives			
Starbond	Starbond Thin, kit	2 oz	10
	Starbond Instaset accelerator spray bottle	8 oz	13
	StarBond Thin, set	16 oz	35
	StarBond Medium	2 oz	10
	Starbond Brown Medium, kit	2 oz	16
	Accelerator, Pump	2 oz	9
Bob Smith Industries	MaxiCure, Extra Thick Gap Filling	2 oz	9
	Maxicure Medium, Gap Filling	2 oz	9
	20 minute cure epoxy resin	13 oz Kit	12
Insta-Set	Insta-Set Accelerator, Pump Spray	2 oz	10



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://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.
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. **The Wednesday the week before the meeting** – 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. **The Saturday before the meeting.** – A reminder will be e-mailed to our active member's distribution list.
 - c. **The day of the meeting** - Log into the meeting by 6:30pm
 - i. The 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.