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July 2007 MEETING

Kitsap Adventist School July 25th, 7:00 pm 5088 NW Taylor Rd. Bremerton, WA.

President's Message

Summer is racing by, and if your house is like mine, there doesn't seem to be enough time to get everything done, even with 16 hours of daylight.

For those of you who weren't able, or chose not to go to the AAW Symposium, boy did you miss a great event. I'm not usually into crowds, and big occasions, but this was really fun and educational. My wife Lynn, who is not a wood turner, attended every rotation, except when she was watching my grandson at the youth turning experience (yes, he was one of the lucky kids who won a mini-lathe set up!). Every demonstration I attended was very well done, without seeming "slick". I came home with a lot of ideas, as did every attendee I have spoken too. Of course, I added a pile of wood to my already overstuffed garage. First thing I did on returning, was start reorganizing my storage space...bad plan for the ninety degree weather!

Hartville Tool has made us an offer for a member discount. If you want to be on the contact list we provide to Hartville, add your name to the form which will be on the sign-in table at the next meeting. We must have a minimum of 20 people sign up to participate. If we do, those people will get a catalog, a 20% discount, and the club will get a 3% rebate. Look at : www.hartvilletool.com to see their new tool line-up.

This month's meeting will be a little different. We are planning no demonstration. There will be an extended show and tell, with a critique session and a discussion of tools you have made. I hope all of you will be willing to put up work for discussion and bring tools you have made to talk about. There will be an extended wood auction, so I once again encourage you to bring wood, and bring money. And finally, there will be a question and answer session. I hope you will think of your most think of some great questions to share with the group.

Finally, don't forget to get your balls turned for the picnic!

Keep on making wood round!

Norm

July Demonstration

This month we will be doing an extended Show n Tell, Critique Section, Wood Auction, and Question and Answer period. All are encouraged to bring in their early work and recently turned to show the migration of skill and process. I'll have mucho tables set up, so there'll be room for as many as you can carry. This will be helpful to beginners to learn through your journey. Also, all "beginning" turners are asked to bring in work and take this opportunity to get suggestions and advice on how to improve. There'll also be a critique table for those who would like their items discussed. And to all you creative minds out there with hand-made tools, please bring them in - we'd love to see them. You could have the solution that someone else was looking for. If nothing else, it'll be darn interesting to see what people have come up with.

This will be an evening to share ideas and shortcuts and to celebrate the beauty that is wood turning. We have people who are new to the club and those that haven't had the opportunity to spend time with a mentor - in both cases, there are plenty of questions that come up, no matter where you are in the journey. We each have our own gifts and this club (and the wood turning community in general) is famous for being generous with its knowledge and desire to help all to grow and succeed.

Cindy

2007 Picnic

Reminder to all members...It's time for one of the major events of the year - THE PICNIC!! Mark your calendars for Saturday, August 25th. The picnic will again be held at Dan and Kathy Ackerman's waterfront home. Fun and games start at 2:00pm and food will be served from 4:00pm onward. Please bring chairs, beverages, and folding tables or TV trays. The club provides hamburgers, buns, condiments, and this year thanks to Lynn Hix – BBQ Ribs! Salads, side dishes, and desserts are potluck. Members with last names beginning with A-M bring salads and dressings and chips or a side dish. Last Names between N-Z, bring desserts. Remember to bring your own serving utensils for the dish you're bringing and to label your dish and utensils.

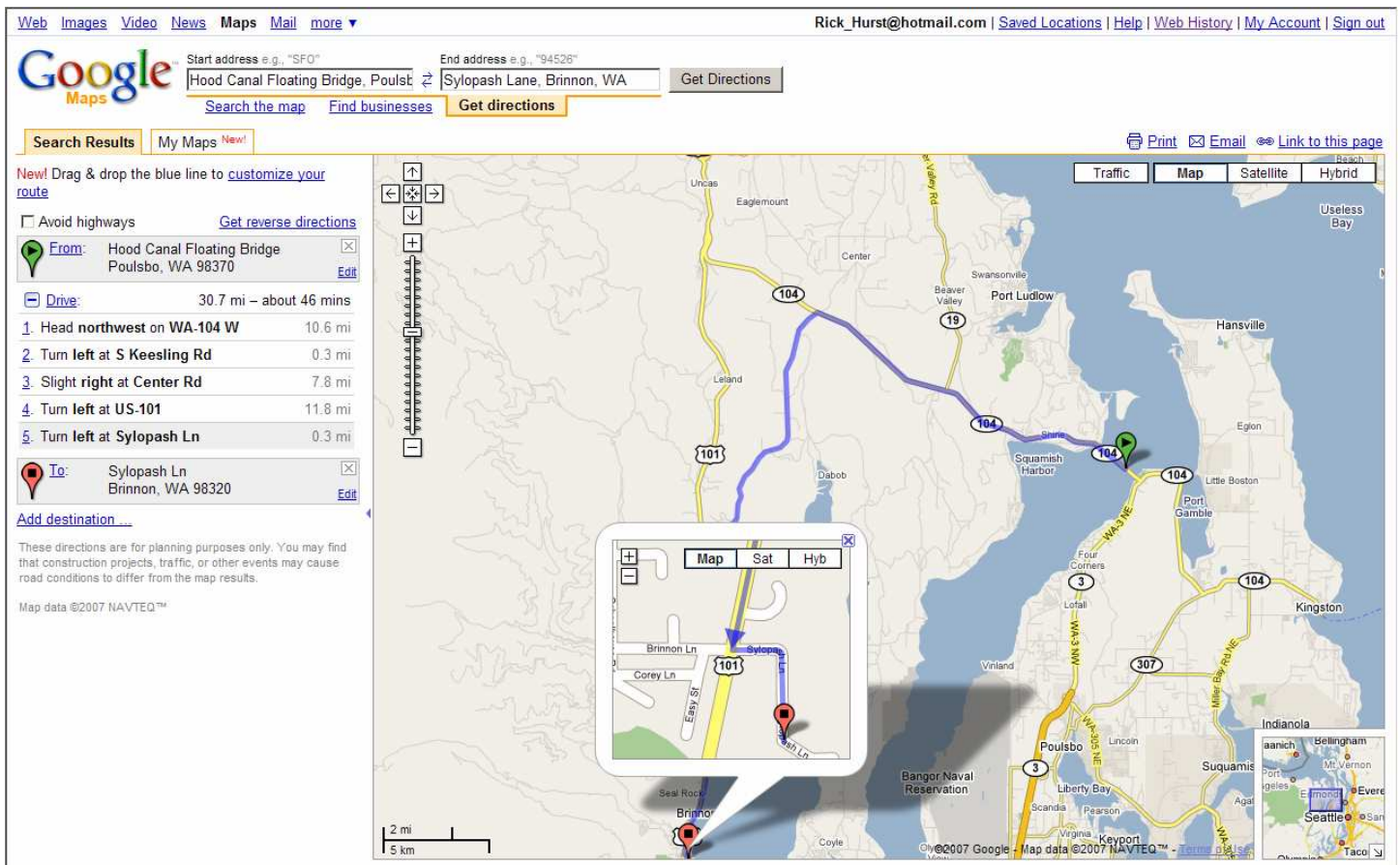
At June's meeting we took a head count of those planning to attend. I'll be doing it again this month to get an accurate estimate. If you are planning to come, but won't be there to be counted, please email me and give me a number of how many more to add. I would like to come up with a working number by August 4th, so if you could let me know by then it would be appreciated. If you have any questions, you can contact me at 360 373-3041 or email.

Dan will once again have the lawn golf course set up. If you'd like to give it a go – get to turning a 4" diameter ball. It's a lot of fun.

See map on next page.

Cindy Allen, SAA

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Stepping Down

After two and a half years as VP of Public Relations I will be stepping down effective 31 December.

Briefly there are four major responsibilities of the VPPR:

1. Edit, publish and distribute the newsletter every month. Most members receive the newsletter electronically. A few still get their's by post. Barb Davis helps out with this responsibility.
2. Maintain the web site. Our website is very simple but requires updates monthly.
3. Photograph the items brought to the meeting, process and post them to the website. Currently, Dan Marler is our photographer.
4. From time to time, distribute special messages of interest to our club members.

In addition to these responsibilities, the VPPR is a member of the board. Board meetings are held two weeks prior to the general meeting.

If you are interested in this position contact me,

Rick Hurst

360 876-1373

PublicRelations@opcaaw.com

2007 Meeting Calendar

Picnic and Holiday dates still open

January 31	July 25
February 28	August 25 th - picnic at Dan and Cathy's
March 28	September 26
April 25	October 31
May 30 (Note the change)	November 28
June 27	December Christmas party

Don't Miss!

Display and Sales Opportunities

We have a number of opportunities coming up in the next year to reach out the community and tell them about how interesting and rewarding woodturning is.

48th Annual Kitsap Arts & Crafts Festival

July 27, 28 and 29 in Port Gamble, Washington. This is a sales and static demonstration opportunity only as no power will be provided. Anyone interested in participating in a club booth should contact the Public Relations Officer at PublicRelations@opcaaw.com

or call 360-876-1373. If you want more information or would like to have a personal booth at this event contact mmarler@earthlink.net.

Poulsbo Arts Festival

Held in August, exact dates not yet determined. This is a sales and demonstration opportunity. Power will be provided. Anyone interested in participating in a club booth either as a host or a demonstrator should contact the Public Relations Officer at PublicRelations@opcaaw.com or call 360-876-1373. If you want more information or would like to have a personal booth at this event you can get contact information at <http://www.cafnw.org>.

For all these events, you may only sell items in the booth if you are willing to participate in the setup, breakdown or manning of the booth. If you call us, make sure you leave sufficient contact information so that we can get back to you.

Since we have to get back with these organizers soon please respond with your interest soon. If you are not sure but would like to please let us know, we'll not hold your feet to the fire if your plans should change.

Shop Day and Lady's Day at John Elliott's Shop

John Elliott and Jackie Le Doux will be offering a "Shop Day" and a "Lady's Day" again this year.

Date: Shop Day Saturday August 4, 2007

Lady's Day Sunday, August 5, 2007

Time: Both Days 9:00AM to -----

Where: 819 West 6th Street, Port Angeles, WA 98363

Food and beverages provided. All the wood you can take home

We are also partnering with Woodcraft's "Freedom Pen" project, Turn a pen for the Troops in Afghanistan and Iraq, and a second pen at our cost for you.

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Dave Schweitzer discussing his work with David Marks at the 2007 Symposium in Portland

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MENTORING PROGRAM

We are looking for some new mentors. The folks who are currently doing the great service have been doing it for a long time. George Kromka has stepped up to the plate but based on what I see every month at the show and tell table there could be a lot more. See any of the board officers if you are interested.

The mentoring programs has been set up to answer questions and give help to new members and those whom may be having a problem in a specific area. Although not intended to be free lessons in woodturning (many of those volunteering are professional turners and derive their income from turning and teaching), these are some friendly folks willing to give you a point in the right direction.

Dan Ackerman..... (360)796-4155
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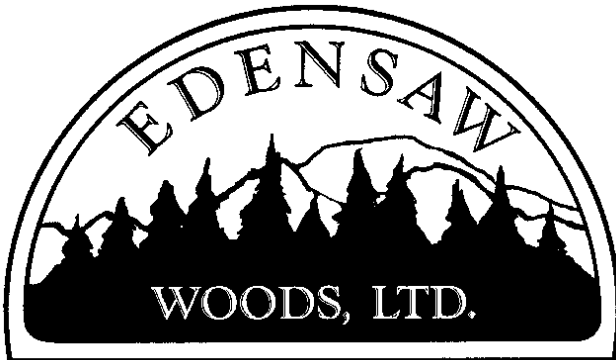
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