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### June 2007 MEETING

Kitsap Adventist School June 27<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm 5088 NW Taylor Rd. Bremerton, WA.

## President's Message

This month there are a lot of things to talk and think about so I've divided them up by topic.

### Wood from Peru (compliments of Exotic Wood World):

The second truck of wood is now in the club's possession, thanks to George Kromka, Bob Hickernell, and Dan Marler.

At the June meeting, each attending member will be given a piece as they check in. No choice, just the next piece off the pile. This will give everyone a chance to see what this wood is like. See the article by George Kromka on what we have learned so far about how to treat this wood. Please keep George informed of your experience so we can add your knowledge to the collective consciousness.

We will also be bringing some of this wood for the wood auction, but not too much. We are specifically trying not to water down the great wood some of you have been bringing in. So please continue to bring in your contributions!

If you want to try turning some pieces for the school auction, please tell George Kromka. This wood will be free to those who want to try it, but we do expect the school to get something out of it.

Finally, if you want to buy some of the wood, George has agreed to act as our salesman. The Board agreed to keep the price low: a) so everyone can try it, b) because this wood is unstable and presents some risks and challenges. On the flip side, most of it is really striking, and exciting to turn. The prices are:

**Pen and stopper blanks** will be **\$.50 each**, but we are only going to sell them in groups as packaged. This is so George doesn't end up rewrapping all the loose pieces.

**Mid-size pieces**, those about 6"x 6"x 6"-10" will be **\$5.00**

**Big pieces**, those about 11" x 11" x 2" to 6" will be **\$10.00**

Please contact George Kromka by phone or e-mail if you would like to get some of this treasure. Checks are preferred so that George doesn't have to sweat having change, etc. Remember, the money goes directly to club activities.

### **Elections are coming:**

It's time to start thinking about being a club officer. All the offices are up for reelection, but four of us have said we are willing to stay on. We will need a person to replace Rick Hurst (VP of Public Relations), Susan Hurst (Secretary), and Cindy Allen (Sergeant at Arms). I'm told these jobs are almost as easy as being President, but what makes them easy is that we have the work spread out over the various officers. If we don't have all the offices filled, everyone will be overburdened, want out, and the club will just cease to function. To prevent that, I hope you will step up and put your hat in the ring. Doing so will help avoid a lot of haranguing and whining by yours truly. If you want particulars please talk to me, or to the person whose job you're interested in.

### **Chairs:**

As a "thank-you" gesture for the great facility they provide, the BOD has agreed to buy some good used chairs for the school. You may have noticed that the number, condition, and comfort of the chairs leaves something to be desired. The replacements will be a great step up.

### **Checking In:**

George's count shows that only about 45 people are checking in at each meeting. But the number of chairs being filled is nearer to 60. Does this mean that 15 people are still afraid of getting the "Traveling Bowl" and don't yet know that you can opt out? Or does it mean that 15 people haven't paid their dues and still want the advantage of seeing the demonstrators? We don't know what's going on, but we'd like to encourage you to sign in.

### **The Top Situation:**

Unfortunately, so far the top turned by Bonnie Klein at the last meeting is still missing.

Norm

### **June Demonstrator: Scott Trumbo**

Our demonstrator this month will be Scott Trumbo from Serious Toolworks, Inc. He recently acquired this company and is excited for the opportunity to share the capabilities and advantages of this tool line. He will also be doing some basic turning and encourages questions about the tools he's using and how they differ.

Due to the fact that Mr. Trumbo and several members have to leave the next morning for the AAW Symposium, we expect to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 PM.

Cindy

## 2007 Meeting Calendar

### Picnic and Holiday dates still open

January 31	July 25
February 28	August - picnic
March 28	September 26
April 25	October 31
<b>May 30 (Note the change)</b>	November 28
June 27	December Christmas party

### Mark your calendars for Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup>.

This year's picnic will again be hosted at Dan and Kathy Ackerman's waterfront home in Brinnon, WA. At this and next month's meeting we'll be taking a head count of those that plan to attend and how many guests they will be bringing.

The Ackerman's set up a great lawn golf course that's lots of fun – no experience necessary. If you'd like to give it a go - turn a 4" diameter ball and enjoy a leisurely round or two. Since joining the club, this is one of the events I really look forward to. It is not only fun and well worth the effort, but also boasts a beautiful scenic drive.

Cindy Allen, SAA

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### 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.

#### 48<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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

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## **From the Secretary's Desk**

Last General meeting of the OPCAAW held on May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007, the General membership voted and passed a change of the By-Laws. The original By-Law stated that the membership would nominate new Board members during the October meeting and vote in the new Board during the November meeting. The change to the By-Laws state that membership will nominate new Board members during the September meeting and vote in the new Board during the October meeting. This change will facilitate the change of leadership so that the incoming board has one month to learn their new position while the outgoing Board will still be in office.

## **Preparation for the Peru wood Prior to finish turning**

This is a small write up on what I am trying with the wood the club has received from Exotic Wood World in Maltby.

There are other club members experimenting to get the best results to pass along to the membership. We'll keep you updated as things progress.

I have done a little bit of research on the boiling of wood for turning and it seems that most of the write ups refer back to this gentleman at his website. <http://www.woodturningvideosplus.com/boiling.html>. This may not be the one that is the best but it seems to cover most of the hows and whys of boiling. I have been using his data and will know in a few months if it works. Nothing seems to work go very fast in wood turning except money.

I had some of the items lying around to get started but decided I needed more. I had an old stainless crab pot that I was going to use but it was only about 10" dia and I wanted to rough turn a few bigger items. I went to Wally world (Wal-Mart) and picked up a porcelain 34 qt pot for about \$20.00. About 13.5" dia X 9" deep. In the article mentioned above he uses a cut off 55 gal drum. Maybe later I'll do that.

I also had an old Coleman stove that was converted to propane so I used that. Some people use propane crab cookers, turkey fryers or even hot plates. You need something that will get the water boiling and keep it boiling with the wood in.

Now we have a pot, a heat source, wood and water. Ready to go?

1. Rough turn your items leaving the rim thickness about 10% of the dia. I.E. 10" dia bowl =1" thick rim ,  
12" = 1-1/4 thick rim (easy math). If they are going to wait awhile (not a good idea with this wood) place in a sealed plastic bag.
2. Boil the blanks 1 to 2 hours, start the time when the water boils. What I've read says 1 hour per inch of thickness.
3. Remove from water and let stand a couple hours to dry excess water. There are two schools of thought here some say remove and let dry and cool, others say let bowls cool in the water before removing. From what I have read this is only needed for madrona, start cold and finish cold.
4. Wrap in a few layers of newspaper or place in closed paper bags.
5. Label with type of wood and date cooked.
6. Check in a couple months to see if they are ready to finish turning.

This will get you started and the club will keep everyone interested updated as we find out more.

Visit the website and read the article for more complete info also Google "Boiling wood for turning "

George Kromka

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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.

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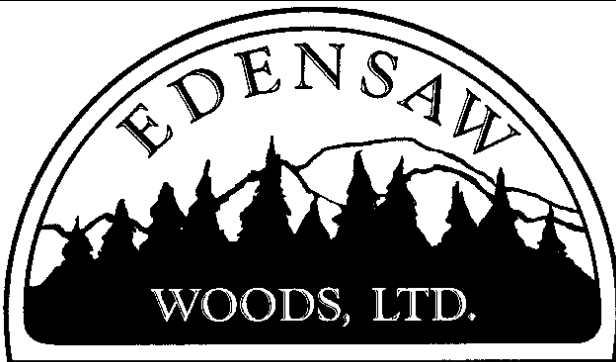
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