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JANUARY MEETING

When: January 28, 7:00PM

Where: Kitsap Adventist School

5088 NW Taylor Rd. Bremerton, WA.

Demonstrator: Dan Burleson

PRESIDENT'S TURN

I think we can mark the Christmas party up as a success. A special thanks from all of us to Tones for coordinating it. The company was some of the best people in the world, our club members and their spouses. The food was yummy and there was plenty of it. Best of all were all the gifts to be won and there were a bunch. Some got their names called what seemed an unreasonable amount of times by the ones who didn't get theirs called but they earned every ticket with their name on it. Better luck next year to those who did not win anything this year. Special congratulations to Jan Wee for winning the grand prize of the Jet mini lathe. Our appreciation goes out to all those who brought food and assisted with the set up and clean up.

As your new club President I would like to personally thank each and every one of you for participating. The strength and quality of our OPAAW club is the best I have ever seen it. Credit should go to Russ and his support crew for bringing the club to this point.

A little history about your new President. A few years ago I served as club President for one year. There was some support for the President then but nothing like there is now. I am 52 years old, originally from South Dakota. I am the Chief Fire Inspector for Navy Region Northwest. Basically with the help of 16 Fire Inspectors we are responsible for stopping fires before they start at all the Navy Bases in the Northwest.

I was first introduced to woodturning in High School shop class. All scraping and a lot of sanding but I really loved it. I still have my first woodturning projects, a small bowl, a nut bowl, and a lamp. Nothing special but I never forgot the feeling of that piece of wood spinning and I made a functional shape appear from a block of wood. That was 1967, I never turned again until 1982 when I got a \$50 lathe from AMC with two aluminum tubes for the ways. It didn't run true, and the tool

This month Dan Burleson will be showing us how to use a spiral tool. These are very interesting tools that can get many variations of textures and patterns by the level of presentation of the tool to the work, speed of the lathe, and angle of cutting edge in relation to the axis and grain orientation of the wood. The tool is designed to be used on spindle work such as candlesticks, table legs or goblet stems.

Experimentation has shown that you can get interesting texturing designs and actual spirals on bowls and vessels depending on the shape and density of the wood. For this demonstration he will concentrate on spindle work. making uniform beads, different sizes and different lengths of spirals, and control of the tool.

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