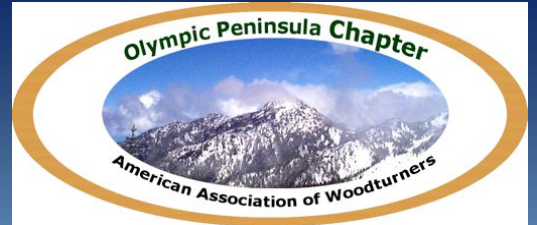


CHATTERMARKS

This month's Demo Dave Schweitzer



MEETING DATE

25 March 7:00 pm, Kitsap
Adventist School 5088 NW
Taylor Rd. Bremerton, WA
With Social, Library, Show and
Tell Tables and wood auction
viewing before

Dave Schweitzer was born in Midland, Michigan and has resided in the Pacific Northwest since 1962.

Dave & his wife Lu now reside near Harstine Island where they enjoy spending time with their children, grandchildren and entertaining their friends.

Dave retired from Operating Engineers; he was a diesel mechanic, welder and fabricator for 40 years.

Dave spends some of his retirement hours tending his oyster and clam beds and spoiling his cat. Dave was looking for an art medium now that he was retired. Having worked with metal most of his adult life he considered metal sculpture but felt wood was a much softer medium, readily available considering the area in which he lives.

Like many woodturners Dave started out working in his garage. He now turns in a large studio on the shores of South Puget Sound.

Dave has taken his talents, fabricated his own lathe and tools which he uses on his turnings. He does one of a kind pieces as no two pieces of wood are the same. He shows particular attention to form, detail and finishes which best show the fine grain and beauty of the natural woods.

Dave is a member of American Association of Woodturners. He is affiliated with the Olympic Peninsula Chapter and is on the Board of Directors of South Puget Sound Chapter. He likes to spend his time teaching and educating others interested in the fine art of woodturning.

Message from the President

Spring is almost here; I know that because I saw some daffodils trying to shovel their way through the snow the other day. The other sure sign of spring is when we start getting new members in the club. Last meeting we had five plus a couple of guests.

For the March and April meetings why not invite a friend or neighbor to a meeting? Make them an offer they can't refuse. If you stop and think about it we have to be one of the luckiest organizations around. Who else has a facility for meetings like we do? Who else has the club equipment that we do? Who else has the members with the skills to operate all the lights and sound and electrical stuff? The real big thing that we have to offer is a number of very highly skilled turners with a great deal of experience that can pass on the knowledge and wisdom they possess.

We also have a large number of very interested turners that are developing their skills. From the looks of our "Show and Tell" table the number of skilled turners is increasing rapidly.

We have a mentor system, actually two mentor systems, one that is official listed on our web site of those persons who have offered their services as mentors and the other group, just a great bunch of guys and gals that won't hesitate to answer questions or direct new members to those that can answer those questions.

We are very fortunate to have monthly demonstrations by some excellent well-known woodturners.

We have a fantastic web site that has continued to grow and provide information to our members and prospective members.

Our library is still being sorted out and a list created to purchase new materials for the benefit of the members.

All of this for only \$25.00 a year or \$ 2.08 a month or less than \$1.00 an hour. With the deals you get during the "Wood Auction" the club is almost paying you to be a member, well not quite but you get the idea.

Bring a guest to a meeting!

Doug Henderson

Announcements

Health Insurance Coverage for AAW Members

Association Health Programs (AHP) from Overland Park, Kansas is offering Health Insurance coverage to AAW members, for more information see <http://www.associationpros.com/assoc/aaw/>

Membership message

Membership dues will be collected at this months' meeting. Dues are still a good deal at \$25.00 (cash, check or money order).

We will be set up the same as last year, in alphabetical order. Check at the table for the letter that your last name starts with and check in with that person. I will be doing new members and verifying e-mail and street addresses. After you pay your dues stop and see me to verify your addresses. We are getting a few rejects as we mail out the "Chattermarks", so I guess it's time to check that everything is good.

You will get your little sticker to place on your badge and a receipt like last year. The club will continue to send the newsletter until the April meet then if dues are not paid we will discontinue it and drop you from the roster.

If dues are not paid you cannot buy glue, sandpaper, etc. and not bid for wood at the wood auction.

Remember that membership dues are the club's main source of revenue.

Dues may also be sent to:

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Announcements

FOR SALE:

- 1 - Sears 6" Jointer 1960's? on stand \$350.00
- 1 - Sears 12" Bandsaw 1930-40? no stand or motor \$100.00
- 1 - Delta Wet/Dry grinder \$50.00

Call: 1-360-452-5673 John Elliott

John and Jackie's annual Shop and Ladies days have been set. These can be a great opportunity to learn or to introduce someone (like your wife) to our hobby

Shop Day August 1,2009

Ladies Day August 2,2009

At John Elliott and Jackie LeDoux home in Port Angeles

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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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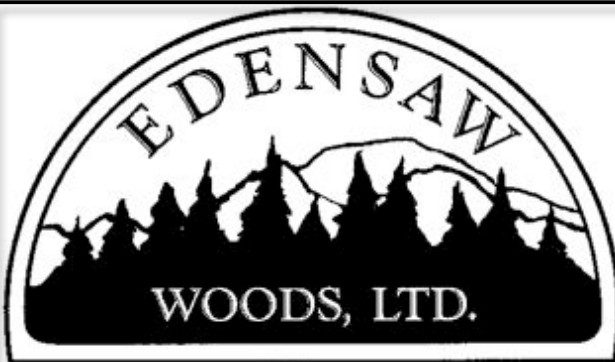
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