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NOV MEETING BONNIE KLEIN WILL DEMO ON SPECIAL PROJECTS AND TECHNIQUES

Bonnie has been involved with woodturning since the early 1980's, attending most of the major woodturning symposiums for over 25 years. In 1986 she designed the small Klein Lathe which has been in production for over 20 years. In 1992 she introduced the Klein Threading Jig as an accessory to the lathe for cutting threads in wood. Bonnie produced 5 turning videos which have now been converted to DVD's and in 2005 wrote a woodturning project book. Her popularity as a demonstrator and educator has resulted in invitations to countries around the world, as well as all around the USA. In recent years she has been a featured demonstrator in several International Symposiums – in South Africa, Canada, the UK and Australia. In 2003 the American Association of Woodturners awarded Bonnie with an AAW Honorary Lifetime Member in recognition of her contributions to woodturning.."

Visit her website at www.bonnieklein.com

NOV. MEETING

30 NOV 6:30 pm,
Kitsap Adventist School
5088 NW Taylor Rd.
Bremerton, WA

With Social, Library, Show
and Tell Tables and Wood
Auction viewing before

A Word from our President

During the last four plus years that I have been involved with the Olympic Peninsula Chapter of the AAW there have been a number of changes and improvements made. Each and every one of these improvements was discussed and approved by the Board of Directors for the benefit of the membership.

With the assistance of the AAW we received a grant that allowed the purchase of equipment which enabled those that are hearing impaired to better understand what the demonstrator is saying. The current sound system has been upgraded and tweaked by Stan Stumbo for the benefit of all.

A few modifications have been made and several more are pending in regard to our video system. Dick Bird has taken the initiative to suggest improvements that will allow us to be much more flexible during the recording of the demonstrations. The overall goal includes the installation of large flat screen TV's and higher quality video equipment. This has been approved and is in the works.

With the permission of the Church we have been able to acquire additional storage space and install a locking doorway which will assist us in securing our turning equipment, audio and video systems as well as our library and canteen goodies.

Thanks to Larry Hamon and Ralph Lindberg our web site and "Chattermarks" newsletter has improved. Larry has instituted a program of recognition of our sponsors in "Chattermarks" that thanks them for their assistance and gives our members an excellent source of supplies when needed.

We now have a weather warning system that allows members to call a specific phone number for any updates on how the weather may affect our meetings.

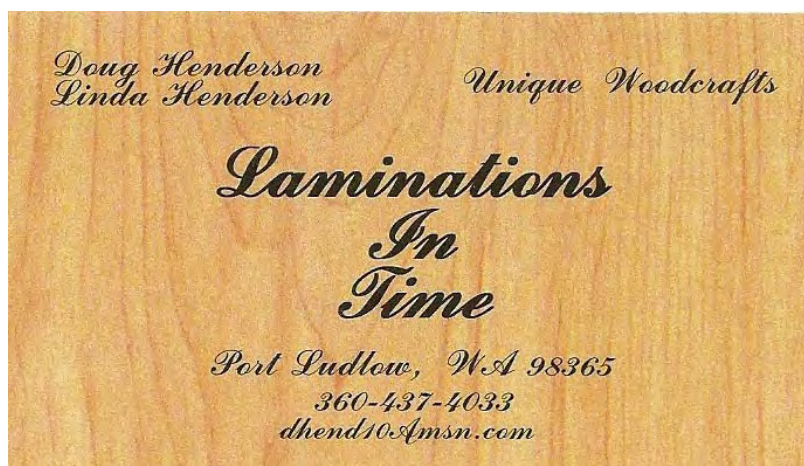
Our Chapter has made several financial/material contributions to the Church for the benefit of not only the students but also our members. The new floor in the Gym is one of those improvements we assisted with.

While many of the events presented are considered fairly routine by many of the members such as our monthly demonstrations, few stop to consider the effort put forth by Jimmie Allen our Vice President of Education and Training in finding such talented individuals that have the ability to make it all look so easy. Every now and then our chapter has held day long events which included a swap meet, turning demonstration, wood auction etc. This has allowed many of our members to clean out their shops and trade or sell the goodies as well as bring home more that they don't have any idea where they are going to store. This is also an effort brought about by board members combining their efforts.

The Picnic and Christmas Dinner brings out the talents and planning of our Vice President of Special Events, Cindy Allen who along with our Sergeant at Arms Eric Fehrman always does a fantastic job. Also appreciated is that jump in and help out attitude of the spouses that attend these events. For those of you who are not aware, Eric had recent heart surgery and had to give up his position as Sergeant at Arms.

Ralph Lindberg jumped in and filled out the balance of Eric's term and is running again for this upcoming year.

We have also participated in Community events such as Forest Product Days in Port Gamble, Festival by the Bay in Port Ludlow and the display of works by members in the Sylvan Library in Bremerton. Each of these events takes time and effort by Board of Directors AND our members.



Linda Henderson has done a great job of handling the Library, creating a computerized list of materials that we have available as well as finding some new CD's upon request of the membership.

How many of you have looked through our web site at the different galleries of photos of all the creations that Dan Marler has photographed? There are a ton of great photos and lots of creative ideas waiting to be discovered.

Then we have the quiet ones, Ellen Winnie our Treasurer and Vern West our Secretary. Everything we do must be paid for and documented. Both Ellen and Vern keep us on the straight and narrow keep up with our funds in the bank, our post office box, contact with our sponsors and solicitations for more goodies. That money you put in the jar for soda pop, cookies and coffee? It is all counted and banked and last night I learned from Ellen that our "Tip Jar" is allowing us to break even with the costs of the items for the canteen.

We can't forget the "Big Guy" who sits at the end of the table at every meeting checking you in, handing out raffle tickets, signing up new members and collecting lots of money. Jeff Jackson has done a great job as Vice President of Membership. Our current membership? One hundred and eight!

Do you have any idea of how many chairs and tables are set up and taken down for each one of our meetings? We have another group of people that always seem to show up early and stay a few minutes later than most to set up and clean up. Who says our members don't participate?

Are we perfect? Not yet, not quite, but just like in turning, it looks pretty close to what we had in mind before we started.

I would like to thank all the Board members both past and present for all their assistance as well as the opportunity to participate.


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REMEMBER—
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DATES TO REMEMBER

30 NOV – Monthly Meeting with Bonnie Klein

14 DEC – Annual Christmas Party

25 JAN – Monthly Meeting with a demonstration by TONES

29 FEB – Monthly Meeting with a demonstration by Dale Larson

NEW ANNUAL DUES

IT IS THAT TIME. REMEMBER IF YOU PAY YOUR DUES PRIOR TO 1 JAN 2012, THE PRICE IS ONLY \$25 AFTER 1 JAN THE PRICE INCREASES TO \$30. (FAMILY MEMBERSHIP IS \$50 A FAMILY LIVING UNDER ONE HOUSEHOLD) JEFF WILL NOT BE COLLECTING DUES AT THE CHRISTMAS PARTY, SO THIS MONTH'S MEETING IS THE LAST CHANCE TO SAVE A FEW DOLLARS.

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**Remember to mark your calendars for the
Olympic Wood Turner's annual Holiday Party on
December 14th at 6:00pm.**

It will be held at the same location as our monthly club meetings. Anyone wishing to help with setup the night of the party please arrive about 5:00pm.

We'll be asking that members with the last name starting with

A - P, please bring hors d'oeuvres or your favorite potluck dishes.

R - Z, please bring desserts.

As in years past, sliced ham and turkey will be provided. We will also have tables set up for a special display at the party so that members and their families can see and admire the talents and growth of the club. Encouraging all members to bring in some of your work - if something is for sale, feel free to put a price on it (may help some of us do our Christmas shopping!).

For members who have items to donate for the December party's drawing, I will be accepting them at the November OPCA AW club meeting. Also, if you still have unused gift certificates lying around that you think you'd like to add to the kitty – that'd be great. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

Cindy Allen

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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. See any of the board officers if you are interested. The mentoring program 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
- “Tones” Briggs..... (360)871-7607
- George Kromka (360) 373-1028
- Jim Leary..... (360) 297-5872
- Bob(Hicke)Hinkernell.....(360) 479-5501

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