

AAW Portland Symposium

If you're not sick of hearing about it yet, we have more for you!

The fact that the AAW, our American Association of Woodturners, held its annual—NATIONAL—Symposium in our back yard is something to not dismiss lightly. This does not happen but about as often as Haley's Comet comes around.

Not everyone could attend that might have wanted to go. We know. That can be disappointing. This newsletter has endeavored to bring back as much as possible to give you a flavor of what it was like to attend.

At this month's meeting, Jamie Straw, VP of Training will host a



presentation of individual impressions and thoughts to come from the Symposium. Good, bad and indifferent; all will be revealed to you.

She has a cast of



several members who attended the Symposium and each will give a short 15 minute summary of what they got from the event. Plenty of time will be allotted for questions.

So for those inquiring minds, you will have your opportunity to know.



July
2018

Regular
meeting is
the last
Wednesday,
of the month

Meet & Greet at
6 PM followed by
announcements
at 6:30.

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activities
include

Featured
Demonstration,
Refreshments,
Show and Tell,
Wood Auction,
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Summer is here!

I am looking forward to the **Joint Picnic with the Strait Turners** again this year. There is more information about the event elsewhere in this newsletter.

Anticipation is building for the **Kitsap County Fair** again this year. I have been attending organization meetings with the Fair people for a while now. We will again have two lathes one of which will be my NOVA 1624 variable speed and the other will be a MIDI lathe possibly a RIKON 70-220 VSR (12 ½ x 20). There will be some tools there and a chuck for each lathe. You are welcome to bring your own favorite tools and chucks. 1 ¼ x 8 or 1 x 8 thread sizes. The club's grinding station will also be there. There will be some wood for demonstration purposes but you are encouraged to bring your own as well.

Everyone in the past that has participated has enjoyed the experience. With two lathes in the booth for demonstration we can accommodate two to three members at a time. Take turns turning and talking with the crowd as you see fit. All those who participate receive free admission to the Fair as well as free parking. This year there will be a special prize drawings after the fair only for those who volunteer and participate in the booth.

The Presidents Challenge this month is a **lidded container box**, lidded bowl, any type of vessel with a lid. Remember that there is a prize drawing at the Christmas party only for those who enter the Presidents Challenge during the year. You need not be present at the Party to win this one!

Enjoy your summer

Keep Turning

Larry Lemon—President

Don't forget ——

Set-up before and Clean-up after the meetings is great help. With many hands a job is quickly done.



Calendar of events, shows, classes and other things

2017

July —25	July Meeting.
August 11	Joint Woodturner's Summer Picnic. 507 NW Island Lake Rd. Poulsbo WA
August 22-26	Kitsap County Fair. We'll have a booth. Make your tops! Sign up for a slot
August 29—	August Monthly Meeting with a Round Robin multi-station demonstration of different techniques and styles of turning and finishing.
Sept 26—	Rick Rich on creating a four legged stool.
Oct 7—	Sawdust Session—Demonstrators TBA different techniques and styles of turning and finishing.
Oct 31—	Jim Leary on Christmas ornaments
Nov 28—	Bruce Claiborne on "Eggs!" How to hold them, how to turn them.
Dec 11—	Christmas Potluck Dinner



August is the month for the **Kitsap County Fair**, where we will have a booth to display works by our members and live demonstration to dazzle and impress with our turning skills those who walk by.

So, here are some things for you to do to help get ready for the Fair—

- **Sign up for a shift or two** at the booth. You'll have fun, meet other members and meet new potential members that want to talk to a wood turner. Contact Ellen Winnie when you see her at the meeting or call her at 360-779-5979.
- **Turn some tops.** We give them away to kids who play with them while their parents stand and watch us demonstrate how we make those tops.
- **Loan a bowl** or two that can be displayed at the booth. Inspire the potential new members. Show them what can be done on a lathe, no matter your skill level.



Some things about the Fair

☼ For every hour that you work as a volunteer in the club's booth at the Kitsap County Fair, your name will be placed in a raffle bowl. Tickets will be drawn at the end of the fair and special items awarded to the winners

☼ The booth will need to have a display of turned items to show the public what is possible in the world of turning. You are asked to "loan" one of your special turnings to the club for display during the fair. You can take your piece to Larry Lemon at the July meeting. Make sure your name is on the piece and that it is wrapped the way you want it to be protected. For every turned item loaned you will get one raffle ticket placed in the bowl. Pick up your item at the August meeting.

☼ Larry will have plenty of parking passes and admission tickets for volunteers to the booth. Make sure you get yours so you won't be out the cost of parking or admission.

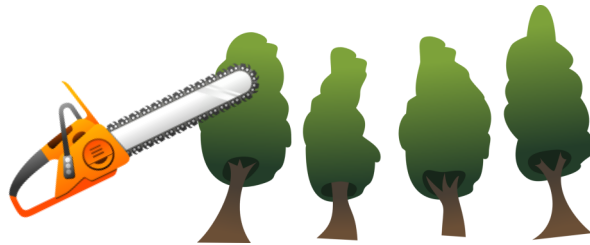
☼ Sign up for your volunteer slot at the fair with **Ellen Winnie**.

Ellen—Secretary@opcaaw.com
or 360-779-5979



About the Picnic

The club's annual picnic will be held jointly with our sister turning group, the Strait Turners from Sequim. It will be at a new location just off Silverdale Way and Bennington (the Chevron station is at the corner.) See the flyer on the next page.



Wood Wranglers

From time to time a tree of woodturning interest comes available. The next thing needed is a group of people and chainsaws to harvest that tree. **Wood Wranglers** is such a group that is being formed to take advantage of such harvest opportunities.

If you have an interest in joining with other members to harvest (cut up into rounds and in half) trees like Maple, Madrone and others, contact **Jeff Brody** or **Ray Ewing**.

Jeff— brody10902@wavecable.com
or 360-692-4147.

Ray— rayewing@wavecable.com or
360-813-2820.



Bring more tops to the July meeting. Fill the bucket with tops to be given away at the fair.

Olympic Peninsula Woodturners & Strait Turners Joint Summer Picnic



When?

August 11
Noon to 5-ish



PICNIC
What are you bringing?

If you last name begins with—

A-I : Desserts

J-Q : Salads

R-Z : Side Dishes

The club will furnish the main course meats and drinks.

WHAT ELSE TO BRING?

- Folding Chairs
- Outdoor Family Games
- Your name tag (memories don't improve with a party.)
- Door prizes will be raffled
- Lake is available to you

This is a "Members Only" function. If you would like to bring a guest and are a paid-up member, great! You and your family and guests are welcome.

If you are NOT a paid-up member and would like to attend, just bring a check and pay your annual dues. It's only \$30.

Where? - 507 NW Island Lake Rd





FOR SALE



JET 1642 EVS FOR SALE \$1795—Sequim, WA

Ken Bittner of Sequim bought this Jet 1642 in June 2016. It proved to be more of a machine than he wanted to deal with, so he is putting it up for sale.

The lathe is a 240 v input. Important to know for your shop wiring.

Only the lathe is for sale. All tools and accessories are being kept for use with his small lathe.

Contact Ken at KJBittner1@msn.com or 360-904-8474.

For those who may not be familiar with the Jet 1642, and extensive write-up can be found with Ken's Craigslist listing of the lathe.



Using Shavings for Horse Stalls

In the past straw was used for bedding in horse stalls. Straw is softer but tends to be dusty and is harder to clean.

Wood shavings have pretty much replaced straw as bedding. It is lightweight and easy to clean around. The most common varieties of wood shavings used are Pine, Cedar and Oak. Pine is the most desirable as most horses will not react adversely to Pine.

As a woodturner, you may be tempted to use **your shavings** in the stall along with purchased shavings. Resist the urge. There are a lot of woods that are not compatible with horses.

Some of the varieties that **MUST** be avoided are **Black Walnut, Cyprus, Maple and Black Cherry**. Black Walnut can be extremely toxic to horses even for a short period of exposure. As we know Black Walnut is also very toxic to humans and we must take extra precautions when working with it ourselves.

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The Mentoring Program

CONSIDER A MENTOR—The OPCA AW Mentors are a select group of artisans and professionals who we have designated to promote, encourage, and guide novice and intermediate woodturners within our organization. Mentors provide counsel on subjects like shop setup, equipment purchase, safety, wood preparation and specialized skills. These are some friendly folks willing to give you a point in the right direction.

While not actually a formal training program, meetings with mentors often become just that. In some cases, advanced formal instruction is available at

an hourly rate.

OPCA AW Mentoring is available only to members. Please bring your current badge with you to the first session.

The current Mentors are:

Dan Ackerman (Brinnon)	360-796-4155
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Bob Hickernell (Bremerton)	360-479-5501
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