



Its Time for the Great Holiday Give-Away

Jan 27th

Every year, the OPCAOW Board of Directors hosts an annual holiday party as a Thank You to the membership and your participation in the club. Typically, the club pays for turkey and ham and all members who attend bring a potluck dish to share.

Keeping everyone safe from COVID led the Board to move to virtual meetings and to cancel the in-person Holiday Party. In its place, the Board will be hosting a Zoom Holiday Party ... or actually a "Holiday Giveaway".

Every year club sponsors donate gifts and the Board spends some money on gifts as well. Because of the economic impacts of COVID, 2020 has been a lean year for our sponsors, but we've still received some nice gifts from them. In addition, the Board has allocated some money to purchase additional gifts. All those gifts will be up for grabs at the Holiday Party on Jan 27, our normal Wednesday club meeting time. Here is how the Great 2020 Holiday Giveaway will work;

1. The zoom invite will be sent out to everyone who paid membership dues for 2020.
2. The zoom invite will also be sent to all new members who have paid dues for 2021.
3. During the virtual Holiday Party, all members who participate in the Jan 27 Zoom session will have their names placed in Hat 1.
4. The second Hat (Hat 2) will contain the names of all persons who paid dues in either 2020 or so far in 2021. (That means that anyone attending the Jan. 27 Zoom session will have their names in both hats.)
5. During the Zoom session, gifts will be announced and shown and will be awarded to a name pulled from Hat 1. This will continue until all gifts have been awarded. During the Hat 1 drawing, members are eligible to receive one gift only.
6. The names in Hat 2 will be for the Grand Prize drawing for a gift from D-Way Tools. You do not have to be participating in the Zoom session to be eligible to win the Grand Prize, and Zoom session participants who won a prize from the Hat 1 drawing are still eligible for the Grand Prize drawing. ... Thanks, The Board of Directors

**January
2021**

**Regular
meeting is
the last
Wednesday,
of the month
THIS MONTH
WE ARE
Meeting
VIRTUALLY**

**Members in good
standing
should watch
for the link
via email.**

*Remain in
Good Stand-
ing Pay your
Dues online*

**Other
activities
include**

**Featured
Demonstration,**

**BYO
Refreshments,**

Show and Tell,

**See our
website at**

OPCAAW.COM

President's Corner

It's a New Year and we all are looking for life to get back to something normal.

I know I am , our goal is try and get back to some meetings at the school and begin having some social time together.

Just a few house keeping items ... Dues are due. As all of you know this January meeting ,all paid up 2020 & 2021 members will be invited to the zoom session on Jan 27th. Starting in March only those folks that have paid 2021 dues will get the Zoom invite . So please take the time to either log into the website and pay your dues or you can send it via "Snail Mail" to **OPCAAW PO Box 623, Silverdale, WA 98383**

Brad Stave, OPCA AW President

HELP, HELP, HELP...

We desperately need some folks to step forward and join the Board ... we need a

Secretary

Vice President of Public Relations

Sergeant at Arms (once we start meeting again)

HELP, HELP, HELP, HELP

Let's get you into Show and Tell at the Zoom meeting!

It's time to submit photos of your recent work for the **OPCAAW Virtual Show & Tell** for **January** . All photos submitted by **8 p.m. on Monday, January 25th** will be included in the **Show & Tell** presentation during our **Zoom** meeting **Wednesday, January 27th**

You can submit up to two photos each of two projects. Please place your items on a plain background and make sure to focus your camera on the part of the item you wish to emphasize.

Jeff Brody is back on line and **Jeff** will take your photos this month. Send photos in .jpg format to;

webmaster@opcaaw.com

and should be saved as a large .jpg file. File size should be at least 1 mb.

Jeff will contact you if there is a problem with your submission.

NEW, New , New

Tech Talk with Coffee ...

Every Saturday morning at 10:00 am OPCA AW Members can Zoom into a session to discuss, ask technical questions or just sip your coffee and listen. Larry Lemon will be the initial host and you can zoom in every week with the same link .. This will start Saturday Jan 30th @ 10:00 am. The week before the first session a Zoom invite with the link will be sent out to all Paid up 2021 members ... Should be fun and informative

"It is time to Pay 2021 Dues . Go to the OPCA AW Website and click on "Renew Membership"

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Calendar of events, shows, classes and other things

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January 2021 — Happy New Year! Our virtual holiday party will be held on the 27th of January 2021.

Feb. 24th—Jim Echter Sensational Skew

More to follow and you can **keep up to date at our club website** [calendar](http://opcaaw.com/my-calendar/):
<http://opcaaw.com/my-calendar/>

From the **STRAIT TURNERS**

Strait Turners are also taking the month of December off and will return with great demonstrations in 2021—Stay Tuned

Invitation details will be sent to **OPCAAW** members in good standing for 2021 via email. ; **please make sure we have your current email address**. Send any updates to webmaster@opcaaw.com



"...craft is about making things well...art is about manipulating and arranging materials to visually articulate an idea." (from Studio Craft as Career by Paul Stankard)

News from the Wood Wranglers

For the Last 3 years Ray Ewing has helped organize and co-ordinate the Wood Wranglers . Its time to pass that on to some new (younger soul) so we are looking for some one to take this task on ... its not much every couple of months we get a request to to get some free wood for the club . We do not always respond because sometimes the wood is not worth the effort .. But sometimes its terrific.. Please contact any board member if you are interested .. Thanks Brad

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AGENDA for January 27th Meeting on Zoom (login details by separate email): This is our Holiday Give-Away so this a modified agenda

5:30 PM — meeting starts; **Zoom** meeting “opened” for a quick social time for members signing on to **Zoom** Only members can login before 6:00 please.

6:15 PM — Announcements from **Brad Stave** our current *President*

About 6:30 PM — Commence **Show and Tell** (virtual, using photos submitted to our Webmaster), led by Jeff Brody. **SUBMIT IN-FOCUS PHOTOS WITH A SIMPLE BACKGROUND of up to 2 pieces (up to 2 photos of each piece) TO webmaster@OPCAAW.com no later than 5 PM on Monday January 25th.**

About 7:00 PM — Commence roughly **OPCAAW’s Holiday Give Away** ; ***all microphones will be muted*** You will be able to unmute to ask questions or use the “raise hand” feature on **Zoom**. BYOC: Bring Your Own Cookies

“The impatient desire to make masterpieces can prove to be a stumbling block to progress because it is perseverance with simple work, until every tool movement becomes confident, that gives the ability to tackle complex things.” (Bill Jones, Further Notes from the Turning Shop)

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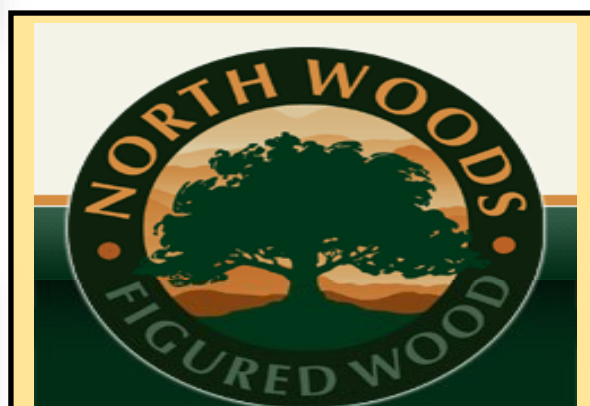
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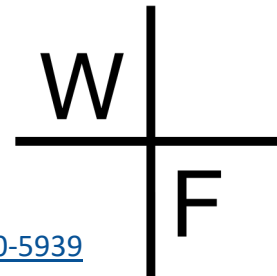
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While not actually a formal training program, meetings with mentors often become just that. In some cases, ad-

vanced 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:

George Kromka (Bremerton) 360-373-1028

Jim Leary (Kingston) 360-297-5872

Brad Stave (Gig Harbor) 206-910-5459

Go to this [link](#) on our [website](#) for an updated article on the Mentor Program — what it takes to be a good mentor!

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Brad Stave, Editor

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