



Nov 30

Sawdust Session

Important NOTE: There will be no Zoom for this meeting as the nature of a Sawdust Session makes it impossible to have a video feed. There will be no wood auction or Show & Tell at the November meeting.

Over the years, Sawdust Sessions have been among our most popular meeting programs. These sessions offer a variety of mini-demonstrations and give members an opportunity to try some new techniques or just to watch. In addition to the Sawdust Session, the meeting will feature the opportunity for you to sell some underused tools you may have and also a display of wood for sale by Steve Bartocci, the Board Hoarder.

The following members will be demonstrating Wednesday night:

Ellen Winnie – Alternative Ornaments

Tones Briggs – Christmas Ornaments

Tim Larson – Taming the Skew

Brad Powers – Pen Making

George Kromka – Sharpening your Bandsaw blades

Jimmie Allen – Box Making

Scott Overby – Using Ruth Nile Offset Jig

The members tools sale is an opportunity to pass along at a reasonable price tools and whatever to other club members . We will set up tables and members will be responsible for selling and collecting the money, the club will take no responsibility for handling the money, the club would appreciate a 10% donation based on your total sales to help defray club expenses.

The Board Hoarder, Steve Bartocci will be bringing a bunch of domestic and exotic hardwoods for sale, Steve is a member of the International Wood Collectors and travel the world collecting wood that he will be bringing. Steve is also one of the leading experts on wood here in the northwest.

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This month's
meeting is
Nov 30th at
Kitsap
Adventist
School, 5088
NW Taylor
Road,
Bremerton.

**In-person
meeting.**

**Masks
optional.**

No Zoom.

**Other
Activities
include:**

**Tool/Wood Sale,
Demonstrations,
BYO
Refreshments**

**See our website
at:
OPCAAW.COM**

President's Corner

Well, my 3 years are over. This will be my last comments to the club in Chatter Marks. At the November meeting we will all be voting for a new set of folks that will be the guiding light for the club. I will say that with the pandemic, my time as the president was mostly virtual and that was too bad, but it was what it was.

OPCAAW actually faired very well through COVID, our savings account grew, we actually increased our membership ... so not too bad.

This month's meeting will be a bunch of fun. Make sure you show up and take part and remember this is a great time to sell some of that "stuff" you no longer need.

Just a few reminders:

No meeting in December

No Chatter Marks in December

In closing it has been a real treat being your president this last 3 years and take care, have a great holiday season... Thanks

Brad Stave, OPCA AW President

To renew your membership by going to the **OPCAAW.COM** website, please log in and then and click on

"Renew Membership."

The Nov 30th general meeting will in-person **ONLY**.
There will be a tool and wood sell. No wood auction or Show & Tell.
Last chance to buy glue and sandpaper this year!

Mask are optional for all attendees

OPCAAW is in process of scheduling classes at the 7th day Adventist school every last Sunday of the month. OPCA AW has contracted with the school to rent the space. The price of the classes will be minimal so we can cover the cost of renting the school and each class will have a material fee and will be different for each class based on the material required.

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/>

Save the Dates!



2023 AAW Symposium in Louisville, KY

Kentucky Exposition Center

June 1 - 4

More info coming soon!

“He who works with his hands is a laborer. He who works with his hands and his head is a craftsman. He who works with his hands and his head and his heart is an artist.” — St. Francis of Assisi



OREGON WOODTURNING SYMPOSIUM

THE OREGON WOODTURNING SYMPOSIUM

**Is now planned for
 March 17-19, 2023 in
 Albany, Oregon**

OPCAAW's Board of directors has been looking at ways to increase member participation at the monthly meetings and other club events. Some of the ideas that have come up include:

Presidents challenge — Before COVID, we had a monthly presidents challenge that encouraged members to take on a turning project and bring the results in for Show & Tell each month. These challenges could be a small project (under an hour) to some more elaborate.

Open Shops — This would be a scheduled event where a member opens his shop to other members... it may be to show a particular topic in more depth, to show off some specialty tools (ie. Chainsaw usage/sharpening, coring system, captured hollowing, vacuum chucking, etc.) or perhaps to allow other members to try a piece of equipment before they buy it.

Gentle Nudge, for when your stuck... — This has been a part of Show & Tell, but would it be more helpful to have a table set up just for this.

Before meeting demos — We have the small lathes, setting up one and 30 mins before the meeting start having a small demo from a fellow member.

An Idea that came from other AAW clubs, is creating special interest groups. Say Pen Turning, Segmenting or Benchtop Lathe Turning.

If you have ideas that would improve attendance, increase participation, grow our membership please let any board member know. You can also email bod@opcaaw.com anytime with the suggestions.

Tim Larson

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The Mentoring Program

CONSIDER A MENTOR—The OP-CAAW **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, ad-

vanced formal instruction is available at an hourly rate.

OPCAAW 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)	360-913-8073
Brad Stave (Gig Harbor)	206-910-5459
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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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