



Inland Northwest Wood Turners

Monthly Newsletter



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President's Message

There is not a lot to say about club activities over the last 45 days as there have been none other than a Board meeting last week using the Zoom application. Before that meeting most of us had never heard of Zoom.

Most of the Board meeting was consumed with cancellations and what to do about them. There were discussions about holding meetings using the Zoom applications, and we will make our first attempt at that on April 9 @ 7:00 PM. By now all club members should have received an e-mail from Carl Bodenstein with an invitation to participate in the meeting. Please read the invitation carefully, because it will tell you how to participate. There is a [LINK](#) in the e-mail that you must use in order to participate. All members are encouraged to participate in this Zoom meeting, but going forward, only paid members will be invited.

The 'Demonstration' will be a hosted 'Show & Tell'. This is your opportunity to show all of us what you have been turning with all of your stay at home time. Carl will moderate, and everybody who has a piece will be able to show their work, and tell all of us about it. Please participate.

As part of the Zoom discussion we considered using the App (Zoom) to occasionally invite professional demonstrators to our meetings. Cost is a factor that we are considering.

We had an informative discussion about the website usage and the obvious lack of participation by members. We would like to encourage all members and especially Board members to add an Avatar (photo of yourself preferably) on the Member page. If you have a problem adding the Avatar, either Carl or I will assist you in doing so. Please e-mail your request to either of us. We also had a discussion about a gallery page where members could submit and show off their pieces.

Woodcraft will re-open some time in the future presumably after the statewide stay at home restriction is lifted.

Doug, INW President dougeaton@mac.com

Announcements

Show and Tell / Exhibit Table: Please bring your current work. We anticipate having a table for critique for those that want constructive appraisal, as well as a table for those that just want to show their work without critique. We encourage learning and getting new ideas from evaluation, but some work needs none, and some artists prefer not to participate in that fashion. The choice is always yours !

Raffle Table: Please feel free to bring extra wood, new or used tools, or other items for the raffle table. The money raised from the raffle helps us maintain day to day operations of the club.

Treasurer's Message:

Dues are per annum, beginning at each New Year, January 1, 2019. Renewal dues are \$35.00, including family memberships, with students registered as members for free.

We prorate annual dues for NEW MEMBERS ONLY till June 30th, after which a minimum dues for the remainder of the year is \$20.00. Current new members pay \$32.50 for sign ups in February and March. Make checks out to Inland Northwest Woodturners or INW for short. Or see Treasurer Carl at a meeting. Please remember membership dues for INW have no relation to membership or dues for AAW, which is encouraged.

Also note that we have a limited supply of gouges left from our sub-wholesale purchase from Serious Toolworks. Please go to the Store page on the INW Website for details and prices. Excellent gouges at a great price !

WEBSITE UPDATE: our website is up and running and getting better all the time. Members and visitors are encouraged to view the new features at: <http://inwoodturners.com/>

FUNDAMENTALS AT RIVERVIEW: On the third Saturday of each month there are demonstrations and opportunities for hands-on experience under the mentoring of more experienced club members starting at 9:00 am until ????? Riverview Retirement Community is located at 1801 E Upriver Dr, Spokane, WA 99207 and the workshop is located just south of the main entrance on Ross Ct.

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General Meeting
April 9th, at 6:30
Zoom Meeting
Members Only
See Carl's Email

Any comments or suggestions or additional content would be very much appreciated. Email to: dalecscott@gmail.com. Please put "WoodTurner" in the subject line.

Volunteer Opportunities

The Inland Northwest Woodturners is a volunteer organization

Meaning that everything is performed by members who give of their time to conduct the business and activities of the organization. Besides helping to promote woodturning, volunteers also develop friendships by working alongside their fellow woodturners and you can learn new skills as well.

Volunteering is not time consuming. Board members spend 6-10 hours a month on their duties but most volunteers only contribute at meetings or special events. For example, the video assistant is responsible for setting up and operating the video equipment during our regular monthly meetings. It usually takes less than a half hour to set up before the meeting and 15 minutes to take down after the meeting - and the rest of the time is during the meeting - and you're already at the meeting!

Current volunteer opportunities and their estimated time commitment per month are:

- Video Assistant (~1 hour)
- Assistant webmaster (~4 hours)
- Facebook coordinator (~4 hours)
- Assistant Coffee Coordinator (~1 hour)
- Newsletter Editor (~2 hours)
- Cutting Party Coordinator (~1 hour + event)
- Assistant Special Event Coordinator (~1 hour +~5 hours / event)
- Assistant Librarian (~1hour)
- Wood Raffle Coordinator (~1 hour)
- Club Photographer (~1 hour per meeting or event)

Give of yourself - help your fellow woodturners (and yourself) and have fun while you're doing it! Training will be provided!