



Northwest Corner Woodworkers Association

November 2015

General Meeting

**Tuesday, November 3
7:00 PM
Hillcrest Lodge
1717 South 13th Street
Mount Vernon**

Take I-5 to Exit 226 (Kincaid Street Exit). Go East up the hill. This is Broadway Street. Continue on Broadway to South 13th Street. Turn right onto South 13th Street and go about 6 blocks. The park is on your right. Turn into the park. The parking lot is in front of the lodge.



November 2015 Meeting

Toys for Tots

The program for November will be the presentation of the toys made by the Toys for Tots Committee to representatives of the Marine Corps Reserve. Many thanks to all the members who have contributed of their time and skill to make this program a success.

NCWA General Meeting Notes October 6, 2015

- President Bill Rawls convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- Bill introduced the new members and guests and welcomed them to the meeting.
- Dale Brandland gave the Education Committee Report.
 - Dale encouraged members to get on the standby lists if they were interested in classes that had already been filled. It is not uncommon for members listed as attending the class to have conflicts come up. The standby list also gives the Education Committee an idea of the demand for more classes on that subject.
 - Jerry Anderson gave an update on the status of the classes.
 - Education Committee was going to meet on October 8 at Bob's Burger and Brew in Burlington.
- Toys built by club members for the Toys for Tots program will be handed off to the Marine Reserve at the November meeting.
- The Christmas Dinner will be on December 1 at the Hillcrest Lodge in Mt. Vernon. It will include a 2x4 contest.
- Tim Wynn announced a Wood Sale by Al Stratton on October 10 & 11.
- The program was a presentation by Steve Dando from Woodcraft on alternate joinery. Steve highlighted the use of Biscuits, the Kreg Jig, and Dominos. Steve knocked together a 'Mother-in-Law' - nightstand to illustrate the use of each method of joinery. Kudos to Steve. He made the program very educational as well as fun.
- Raffle.
 - Bill Baer won the raffle for the four Aluminum Clamps donated by Tom Dolese. Many thanks to Tom for his generous donation.
 - Tom Kuhn won the raffle for the \$50 gift certificate from Woodcraft.
 - Many thanks to Jim Hickey for organizing and conducting the raffles this year. The program was so successful that the Board of Directors has decided to continue it in next year starting in January.
- Bring & Brag.
 - Jim Bucknell brought another one of his spectacular boxes. This one was a Pagoda Box which used black lacquered pine for the legs, a Koa veneer and figured Sapele for the carcass. It was finished with Sam Maloof Poly-oil.
 - Val Matthews displayed the Toy of the Month which was a Grasshopper.
 - Mike Forst displayed a really nice jewelry box made out of Curly Maple and black walnut. It looked fabulous.
 - Andy Rudy showed us the first product of his 'duplicator'. It was Maple wooden Monk copied from a stone version he had. He finished it with a dark stain. It left us wondering what the duplicator looked like and how it worked. (Next Bring & Brag, Andy?)
 - Ray Heltsley wowed us all with nine presentation cases illustrating Civil War vintage revolvers. Those of us who are Civil War buffs were as much fascinated by the collection as we were by the very nice cases made of Walnut, Cherry, Rosewood, or Chestnut. Ray that was a great B&B. Many thanks from all of us.

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- Tom Dolese not only donated four Aluminum clamps for the auction but also showed us a desk that he has been crafting. Typically, the desk showed Tom's outstanding craftsmanship and artistry. It was made out of Cherry and Curly Maple finished with Sam Maloof Oil and conversion varnish.
- The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Do you have an interesting piece of **WOOD** that you just haven't found a project for?
A **slab, blank** or **burl** that hasn't found its calling?

Why not donate it to the club for the annual Christmas Dinner **Toys 4 Tots** benefit raffle? Every dollar generated at the raffle is donated to the Skagit Valley Detachment of the Marine Corps League.

Bring donations to the **November** general meeting at Hillcrest Park and drop off at the library table. Or call Jim Bucknell (north end), Al Ashley (south end), or Ed Pysner (all other ends) and ask about how you can make a wood donation. Thank you!

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

Still only \$30.00

Yes, it is that time again – time to **renew** your membership for 2016!

Benefits of membership include:

- NCWA woodworking classes
- Discounts from our vendor support group
- Library books and CDs
- Shop tours, and
- The opportunity to associate with the best group of woodworkers in the Northwest.

Remember, you can only sign up for a class if you are a current member.

Dues can be paid by cash or check at any regular meeting (the November meeting works), or you can mail your check payable to:

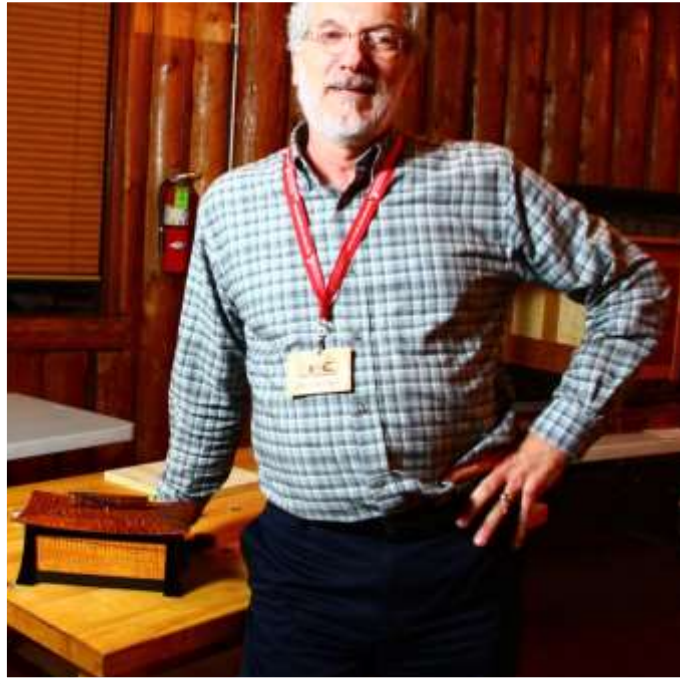
NCWA, c/o Al Ashley, 26220 48th Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223.

Dues are due by the end of January

Membership cards will be available at the February meeting

Bring and Brag Highlights

Jim Bucknell



Ray Heltsley



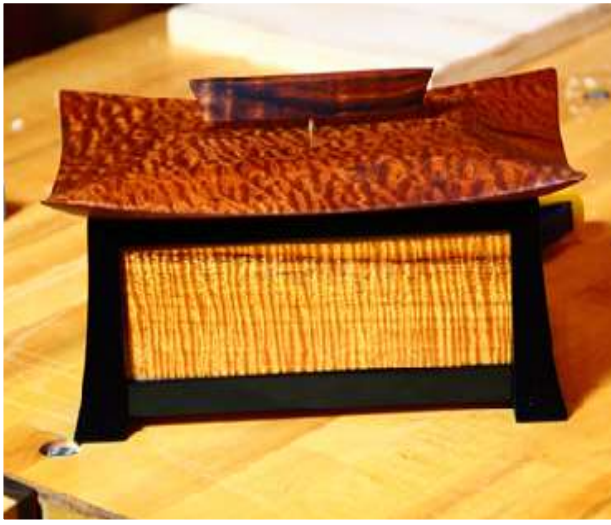
Mike Forst's beautiful jewelry box



Andy Rudy



Bring and Brag Highlights



Pagoda Box
Koa and Sapele



Duplicator Monk in Maple



Civil War vintage revolvers
WOW!



Toy of the Month
Val Matthews' Grasshopper

HELP WANTED Charley Drake is the guy who runs the **video camera** during our General Meetings. This allows us to project the meeting on the screen so everyone can see (not just the folk in the front rows). **Charley** has volunteered to be our **President** for the next year so we need someone to run the video while he is pounding the gavel. Anybody who has taken videos of their grandkids can do this. See Charley to volunteer or for more details."

Tom Dolese and his latest desk creation
Cherry and Curly Maple



2x4

Calling all creative NCWA woodworkers!

We are having another **2x4** woodworking challenge. Use your imagination and craftsmanship to turn an 8' 2x4 (any flavor of wood) into either a Christmas gift for a Loved One or a Children's Toy. Small amounts of non-wood materials can be worked into the project if needed. We'll display and present the projects at our 3rd annual Christmas Dinner on December 1.

Anyone bringing a project will be entered into a drawing for a \$50 Gift Certificate. John Bellinger was our drawing winner last year and I'm sure he bought Marlene something nice at Woodcraft.

Be a part of this year's challenge.



EDUCATION COMMITTEE

November - December - January Classes

There is a nominal charge of \$10.00 to cover the cost of materials and supplies provided by the instructor. This expense reimbursement is due at the beginning of the class and is to be paid to the instructor."

A reminder: members may sign up for only three classes in a three month period. As before, there will be a short wait list for most classes, with a first come, first serve basis. Check the website for updates.

- Nov. 7: BANDSAW TECHNIQUES – CLASS IS FULL!
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- Nov. 14: WOOD BENDING TECHNIQUES – CLASS IS FULL!
- Nov. 21: MAKE A BLOCK PLANE – 4 openings available
- Dec. 5: POCKET SCREW & BISCUIT JOINERY – **NEW CLASS!** 6 openings available
- Dec. 12: CLAMPING & GLUING TECHNIQUES – 8 openings available
- Dec. 19: MITER CORNER w/ DOVETAIL SPLINE BOXES – 2 openings available
- Jan. 16: PLANE & CHISEL SHARPENING –
- Jan. 23: DUST CONTROL – 8 openings available
- Jan. 30: OPEN AT THIS TIME

As the season progresses, we will continue to introduce new and innovative classes to the NCWA membership. Thanks to all the NCWA Education Committee members who have participated!

Upcoming Event

NCWA Fall Annual Christmas Dinner

December 1, 2015

Just a reminder that our December 1st meeting will be our annual Christmas Dinner at Hillcrest Lodge. All members are invited to bring a guest for what is always a good time. We'll again have our raffle to benefit Toys 4 Tots, and club elves Jim Bucknell, Ed Pysher, Al Ashley, Jerry Couchman and Tom Dolese have been busy collecting some great raffle items. We'll have tools, wood, gift certificates and also some nice things for spouses who might not be woodworkers. Gary Danilson is the chair of this wonderful event. More information will follow.

Plan to come for a GREAT time!

November Raffle

"No Raffle This Month"

The tool raffle will be returning at the January meeting.

If anyone has ideas on what they would like to see as a raffle item please e-mail me at jhhickey@gmail.com



Lie-Nielsen No. 8 Jointer Plane

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes October 14, 2015

- President Bill Rawls convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Farmhouse Restaurant in Mt. Vernon.
- Members present: Bill Rawls, Tim Wynn, Gary Danilson, Don Wilkin, Jerry Anderson, Ed Pysher, David Shull, Al Ashley, Philip Choquette, and Richard Gillingham.
- The subject of the continuation of the Raffle program for the General Meetings was taken up again. After discussion, Gary Danilson moved and Don Wilkin seconded that the Membership Raffle program be continued in 2016 with a budgeted amount of \$700. The motion was passed unanimously.
- Tim Wynn indicated that he would be gone for the month of November and needed someone to substitute as scribe for the General meeting and the Board of Directors meeting. David Shull volunteered for that duty.
 - Jane Wynn will still do the newsletter via email while she is traveling.
- Al Ashley gave the Treasurer's Report.
 - NCWA has \$6,257.02 in the checking and savings accounts as of 10/14/2015.
 - NCWA has 203 paid members as of 10/6/2015 including 47 new ones this year.
 - Al gave an updated Financial Report. The Association is in good financial health. Al asked for any changes needed in the budget. He will bring a proposed budget to the BOD in November.
- Education Committee Report was given by Jerry Anderson.
 - The Committee is working on a new method for signing people up for the classes.
 - The committee has been discussing ways to get more members to be instructors.
 - Numerous members of the Board expressed appreciation for the way the classes were being organized.
- November Meeting.
 - John Braun will be presenting to the Marines the toys made for the Toys for Tots Drive at the November meeting. Since John is still traveling, it was not clear if coordination had been done with the Marines for the meeting. Bill will check with John when he gets back.
 - There will still be a Bring & Brag at the November meeting.
- The following nominations for officers will be presented to the Association at the November meeting.
 - President – Charley Drake
 - Vice President – Dave Strauss
 - Secretary – Tim Wynn
 - Treasurer – Al Ashley
 - Other Nomination will be requested from the floor.
- Programs Committee Chair vacancy.
 - Jerry Couchman is stepping down as Chair of the Programs Committee after four years of outstanding service.
 - Richard Gillingham has agreed to be program chair with the help of the other program committee members.

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes continued

- Membership Committee Chair Vacancy.
 - Ed Pysher is stepping down after long and successful service as chair of the Membership Committee.
 - Tim Wynn has agreed to take on the additional duties of Membership Committee Chair as long as he has the support of the existing members.
- Christmas Party.
 - The Christmas Party will be on Tuesday, December 1 at the Hillcrest Lodge in Mt. Vernon.
 - Gary Danilson is chairing the organization for the party but this will be his last.
 - The Board discussed the intention of soliciting donations for the party from major woodworking suppliers for next year's party.
 - Jay Geisel will be giving the Spirit Award at the Party.
- Other Business.
 - Bill Rawls suggested that the Association recognize Tom Thornton for making the coffee at every General Meeting without fail. Bill suggested we present Tom with a \$50 gift certificate. Unanimous agreement with this suggestion.
 - Al gave an update on the status of investigation of incorporating the Association.

Facebook for the senior generation: (and this includes Uncle Mac)

For those of my generation who do not comprehend or even care why Facebook exists, I am trying to make friends outside of Facebook while applying the same principles. Therefore, every day I walk down the street and tell passersby what I have eaten, how I feel at the moment, what I have done the night before, and what I will do later and with whom.

I give them pictures of my family, of my dog, of my wood boxes, and of me gardening, taking things apart in the garage, watering the lawn, sweeping sawdust, standing in front of landmarks, driving around town, having lunch, sawing some wood, and doing what anybody and everybody does every day.

I also listen to their conversations, give them the "thumbs up" and tell them I like them.

And it works just like Facebook. I already have four people following me: two police officers, a private investigator, and a psychiatrist.



Vendor Support Groups

Hardware Sales	2034 James St.	Bellingham	hardwaresales.net	360-734-6140
Stockton's Paints	1413 Railroad Ave.	Bellingham	stocktonspaint.com	360-733-5630
Targo Woods	1405 "E" Street	Bellingham	targowoods.com	360-738-9140
Windsor Plywood	1208 Iowa St.	Bellingham	windsorplywood.com	360-676-1025

WEST

Sebo's Hardware	1102 Commercial Ave.	Anacortes	sebos.com	360-293-4575
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SOUTH:

Martin Lbr/True Value	2730 Broadway	Everett	martinlumbereverett.com	425-259-3134
Arlington Hdw & Lbr	215 N. Olympic Ave.	Arlington	arlingtonhardware.com	360-435-5523

CENTRAL:

Karl's Paints	1515 Freeway Drive	Mt. Vernon	karlspaints.com	360-336-2855
Mt. Vernon Bldg Ctr.	815 Roosevelt Way	Mt. Vernon	mvbc-online.com	360-424-9073
Cedar Creek Lumber	950 B Fountain St.	Burlington	cclumber.com	360-757-6343
Sherwin-Williams Paint	1526 Riverside Drive	Mt. Vernon	sherwin-williams.com	360-428-3775

EAST:

E & E Lumber	201 W. State Street	Sedro Woolley	eelumber.com	360-856-0825
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SPECIALTY:

Edensaw Woods	211 Seton Rd.	Port Townsend	edensaw.com	360-385-7878
Hartville Tool	Website only		hartvilletool.com	800-345-2396
Rockler Woodworking	832 NE Northgate Way	Seattle	rockler.com	206-634-3222
Woodworker's Supply	Catalog only		pro.woodworker.com	800-645-9292
Woodcraft	5963 Corson Ave.	Seattle	woodcraft.com	206-767-6394

Officers and Chairpersons 2015

President:	Bill Rawls	(360) 387-2993	Programs & Shows	Jerry Couchman	(360) 255-1984
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Board at Large	David Shull	(360) 393-7926	Toys for Tots	John Braun	(360) 708-0055
Board at Large	Richard Gillingham	(206) 909-6660	Webmeister	Mike Titus	(360) 525-4131

Future Events

November 3	Tuesday	NCWA Meeting
November 11	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
November 21	Saturday	Newsletter Deadline
December 1	Tuesday	NCWA Meeting – Dinner
December 9	Wednesday	NCWA Meeting
December 19	Saturday	Newsletter Deadline

The NCWA is open to all interested woodworkers, and was formed to promote high standards in woodworking, woodworking education and showcasing local woodworking. Meetings are generally held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. Location is announced in the newsletter. Dues are \$30 per year, payable to NCWA, 26220 48th Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223. Newsletter submissions are welcomed and are due the 3rd Saturday of the month. Submit by email to janeirstine@comcast.net with subject line as NCWA Newsletter.



NCWA NEWSLETTER