

## Northwest Corner Woodworkers Association

December 2016

# General Meeting Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> 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.



#### **December Program**

The program for our Dec 6 meeting will be our 4th annual Christmas Party at Hillcrest Lodge. All members are invited to bring their spouse (or date) for what will be a good time. We'll have our Toys 4 Tots Benefit Raffle, our annual Woodworking Challenge, presentation of the club's Spirit Award and election of next year's officers.

This year's event will be different in that we won't be having a sit-down potluck dinner. Instead we are expanding the social hour and asking members to bring a small dessert or appetizer. We'll be providing the usual cheese table, coffee, hot cider and bottled water. Please note that we won't be using the lodge kitchen this year so please bring food items that don't need cooking or warming up. If you are unable to bring a food item, please still come to the meeting. We'll have a donation bucket for Toys 4 Tots if you want to put in a few dollars as your contribution to the evening.

The social hour will be from 6:00 to 7:30 and this will be your chance to view raffle items and purchase your raffle tickets. The evening program will begin at 7:30.

For this meeting only, we are asking that you enter through the Hillcrest Lodge main entrance on the west side of the building. This will allow you to drop off your food items and woodworking projects as well as pick up a nametag. The sidewalk leading to the main entrance is off the west side of the parking lot about 75 feet south of the lodge.

All club members should have received an e-mail invitation. Please help us plan your evening by RSVP'ing. We look forward to seeing all of you there.

#### **Last Meeting Notes**

#### NCWA General Meeting Notes November 1, 2016

President Charley Drake convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Hillcrest Lodge in Mt. Vernon, WA.

- Treasurer report. Al Ashley discussed the club budget. Annual income and expenses are approximately \$10,000 and at the time the club had \$5727 in the bank. Dues for 2017 (\$30) are being collected now.
- Education committee. Dale Brandland described the upcoming woodworking classes from January through April. He also mentioned that he had recently learned that Craftsman Studio in Everett, WA sells Lie-Nielsen hand tools.
- Programs and Shows.
  - o Arts Alive! The first weekend in November (Nov. 5-6) in La Connor. This is a great opportunity to show off your woodworking and even sell your work. Set up is at 8 AM Saturday morning. The show runs until Sunday afternoon.
  - o The Christmas party will be the first Tuesday of December (Dec. 6). Gary Danilson explained that instead of having a sit-down meal the party would feature drinks, appetizers and desserts. Please bring an appetizer or desert to share. Entry to the event will be through the front door. There will be a tool and wood raffle to raise money for Toys-for-Tots. Please reply to the email invitation when you receive it.
  - o Jim Bucknell mentioned that the woodworking club challenge for the Christmas party is to create a Christmas-themed woodworking project (such as an ornament or other decoration). Entrants will be get the chance to win a gift certificate to some wonderful woodworking supplier.
  - o The next tool raffle will be at the January meeting.
- Announcements. Tom Dolese announced that he would be ordering more aluminum bar clamps. If anyone would like to order some, please let Tom know. Bar clamp lengths will range from 2' to 6', in 1' increments.
- Bring and Brag
  - Dave Steele brought a creative hammer-pulling-a nail-sculpture. The hammer was made from maple and it had a base of purple heart and an ebony nail. He also showed off a wine bottle holder made from an amazing piece of chestnut root, finished with shellac.
  - O Jerry Couchman showed off a triangular coffee table with a glass top. The table base was sapele with ebony trim and it featured a beautiful marquetry Celtic knot that he made from wenge and holly. The Celtic knot was composed of 50 individual pieces. He finished it with shellac and a topcoat of oil varnish blend. Jerry made the piece as a donation to the upcoming Whatcom Hospice Foundation auction.
  - Officer nominations. The following officers were presented to the membership to be voted on at the December Christmas party meeting:
    - o President: Dave Strauss
    - o Vice President: Dale Brandland
    - o Secretary: Tim Wynn
    - o Treasurer: Al Ashley
  - The following individuals have volunteered as Chairs of committees: Toys for Tots, John Braun; Programs and Shows Committee, Bill Rawls; Education committee, Dale Brandland;
  - Membership committee is still open. HELP NEEDED!
  - Toys for Tots
    - o John Braun invited participants in the Toys for Tots program to present their creations. Participants included John Bellinger, Val Matthews, John Gruenewald, George Knutson, Bill Baer, Don Moses. Also, Bill Bear's wife Lorraine made lots of stuffed animals and toys.
    - Steve Blaisedale, the local Toys-for-Tots coordinator thanked the group for their donation of dozens of beautiful wooden and stuffed toys.

Trains



Boats



and Planes



For



Girls



and Boys!



Fall shop tour







#### Bring & Brag

Excellent Bring & Brag this last month!















Congratulations to Jack **McKee**, RE Store **Rockstar** for the month of **October**! Jack is a semi-retired grandfather who enjoys creating fun building opportunities for young children. Jack's builder boards were a huge hit with staff this month. Built with reclaimed plywood, builder boards are a take-apart wooden building set that encourages children to build their own playhouse. Congratulations to Jack for winning \$25 and the title of RE Store Rockstar.

#### **NCWA 2017 Programs and Shows**

Date	Program	Show
January 3	NCWA 2017 Programs and Shows Arts and Crafts	
	Furniture with Mike Chapman	
February 7	What did you get for Christmas? New toys for the	
	shop (Host?)	
March 7	Woodfest with Mike Stewart and Jigs & Fixtures,	
	shop tips (Host?)	
April 4	How to Make and Adarondak Chair with Andrew	Woodfest Sedro-Woolley 1st and
	Pellar and Jerry Couchman	2nd
May 2	Making bamboo fly fishing rods with Tim	Viking Shipbuilding with Jay Smith
	Whittman	
June 6	Restoring Old Tools with Andrew Pellar	
July	Northstar Door (Jerry Couchman)	
August	Picnic	Anacortes Arts Festival 4,5 and 6
September 5	Shop Safety with Randy Ross	
October 3	Selecting and Installing Hardware with (?)	Windsor Plywood (?)
November 7	Toys for Tots, Nomination of Officers	Arts Alive LaConner 4,5
December 5	Holiday Party, Election of Officers	

### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES - 2017 **Still only \$30.00**

Dues for 2017 have been rolling in. A little over one-third of the membership has already renewed for 2017!

The many benefits of membership include: participating in woodworking classes, discounts from our vendor support group, library books & DVDs, excellent programs at monthly membership meetings, 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.)

It is not too late to pay your dues (cash or check) at one of our regular meetings or you can mail your check payable to NCWA. Please mail your dues to: NCWA, c/o Al Ashley, 26220 48<sup>th</sup> Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223.

#### Dues are due by the end of January

Membership cards will be available at the February meeting.

#### **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

#### NCWA WOODWORKERS CLASSES

Hello from your education committee! The fall class schedule is listed below.

Please contact Carol Osterman to register at carol@akylafarms.com or by phone 360-941-1533

Remember, classes are \$10.00 each, which is payable in cash to the instructor at the time of the class.

Date	Class	Instructor	Spaces Status
Dec 3	POCKET SCREW & BISCUIT JOINERY –	Jim Bucknell	6 SPACES Available
Dec 10	CARD SCRAPER SHARPENING & USE –	Bill Rawls	6 SPACES Available
Dec 17	MAKE A WOODEN PLANE –	Val Matthews	3 SPACES Available
Dec 24	CHRISTMAS EVE – NO CLASSES		
Dec 31	NEW YEARS EVE - NO CLASSES		
Jan 7	BOX Making w/Dovetail Corners	Jerry Couchman	2 spaces
Jan 14	Wood Identification	Samantha Chang	3 spaces
Jan 21	Vacuum Pump Applications	Greg Koenker	1 space
Jan 28	String Inlay	David Shull	FULL
Feb 4	Photograph Your Projects	Charley Drake	5 spaces
Feb 11	Dust Control	Rick Anderson	5 spaces
Feb 18	Cabinet Carcase	Bill Baer	5 spaces
Feb 25	Cabinet Doors and Drawers	Bill Baer	5 spaces

REMINDER: The \$10 helps to defray material and teaching expenses that our volunteer instructors incur, and is payable directly to the instructor at the time of the class (please bring exact amount)

REMINDER: Class sign-ups are based on a 'first come/first served' basis. There will also be a wait list maintained for each class, and will be used to fill seat(s) when there is a cancellation.

REMINDER: Carol Osterman is now the 'single point' person for all class registrations and cancellations. You can sign up either on the sign-up sheet at the monthly membership meeting or by contacting Carol directly (phone 360-941-1533; email carol@akylafarms.com).

Again this year Tom Dolese is making available to NCWA members the **Universal Aluminum Clamps made by Dubuque Clampworks.** These clamps come in five different sizes (2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 foot lengths). Tom won't have the exact price until he places the order, but the cost to our members will be less expensive than we could buy them new anywhere else. The estimated cost is \$20.00 for the 2 footers and the price increases around a dollar per foot from there. Sales tax will be added to your purchase unless you have a UBI number and are in the furniture business. (Note: Amazon lists the 2 footer at \$29.39 plus about \$7.00 for shipping)

Tom plans to submit the order sometime in January – so figure out what you need and email your order to Tom at dolesejt@msn.com or mail your order to 2139 Humboldt Street, Bellingham, WA 98225. Call Tom with questions 360-393-7577.



#### For Sale

- \*\* Powermatic 10" table saw, single phase 5 HP, Biesemeyer type fence, extensions, inserts, castor base, blade and dado set. This saw is as new. \$1,550. Will consider taking a small contractor's table saw in trade.
- \*\* Grizzley dust collector with remote switches. \$110
- \*\* Kurt Star Dupli-Carver. Two spindles. Capable of simultaneously carving two three-dimensional or two two-dimensional copies from an original piece. Can be used for making decoys, gun stocks, art objects, architectural decorations and the like. 110V. \$600

Contact George Hettich at 360-588-4205

c1958 DeWalt MBF 9" Radial Arm Saw. \$125. Heavy-duty cast iron construction. 110v, 3/4HP motor runs well. Includes 3 blades: original DeWalt combination blade (rusty, needs sharpening), and two old Simonds SiClone blades in original packaging (needs sharpening). Includes three DeWalt accessory attachments in original packaging: 8" disc sander, 3" drum sander, and grinder wheel. Includes old DeWalt color Powershop catalog and Mr. Sawdust's "How to Master the Radial Saw" manual. Includes home-made dust hood with 4" dust port. Contact Mike Titus at 360-389-7009 or mike@mike-titus.com



For Sale

Hawk rbi precision scroll saw, model 220US. Best offer.

Contact: Vivian Winters

509-797-3018



Two older Delta 14 inch bandsaws. Half horse motors and new tire liners. Some blades. \$300 for both saws. Contact Dave Overton at 360-299-9303.

Club member John Batsell is being forced by a serious illness to liquidate his woodworking shop. A sale open to club members will be held on Saturday, Dec 3 beginning at 8:00. Some of you will remember visiting John's shop during last year's Shop Tour on Camano Island. Many of John's woodworking machines were purchased when he built his new free-standing shop 7 years ago and have been well maintained. Included in the sale will be a Grizzly spindle boring machine, Steele mortising machine, dust collection equipment and a Grizzly Sandblast cabinet. There are also many other power tools, planes and handtools, and miscellaneous shop equipment. Everything goes.

John's address on Camano Island is 1239 Youngwood Rd. Just go 6 miles down West Camano Dr (Hwy 532), turn right on Monticello Drive and go about 2 miles and turn right on Youngwood Rd. Look for the sale sign.

#### NCWA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

#### NCWA Board of Directors Meeting November 9, 2016

The meeting was called to order at The Farmhouse Restaurant at 7:00 PM by President Charley Drake.

Al Ashley gave the treasurer's report. The club has a total of 198 members, 6 fewer than this time last year. Approximately  $1/3^{rd}$  of the dues had been collected from members at this time. Due to increased costs (insurance, Hillcrest lodge, etc.) Al moved that dues be increased from \$30 per year to \$35 per year, starting in 2018. The motion was seconded, discussed, and passed unanimously.

NCWA librarian Gary Danilson requested that money raised by book sales be returned to the fund for new books for the library. This was approved by the board.

Samantha Chang reported on the wood sample collection currently housed by NCWA members. Forestry programs at Humboldt State University and Oregon State University have expressed an interest in using the wood samples in their programs. The program at Humboldt State would display some of the pieces and use the rest in their wood anatomy course. The collection would remain intact and would be used for education. Since this use of the material matches closely the mission of NCWA, board members agreed that she should move forward with the plan to move the collection to Humboldt State. Board members suggested that Humboldt State pay for freight.

Charlie Drake gave the programs and shows report. Programs for 2017 are already planned. Bill Rawls will take over next year.

Bill Rawls reported on the Arts Alive show in La Connor. Although attendance was somewhat low (rain on Saturday and NCWA did not have the best location), the show was a success. Several items were sold. Bill will send a thank you note and a bowl to his Arts Alive contact. Next year, we will investigate a better location and have better signage for attracting more customers.

Gary Danilson reported that plans for the Christmas party are complete and that the event is in good shape. Rather than a sit-down dinner, there will be a social hour with appetizers followed by the auction. He reminded us that members will need to enter via the front door.

It was suggested that a past-presidents committee form to identify and nominate members to become new chairs for the various NCWA committees. The board agreed.

Education committee report. Classes have been scheduled nearly every Saturday until May!

The meeting adjourned at 830 PM.

#### **Fall Shop Tour**

The Storm of the Century

After a 2 week weather delay we were able to hold our Fall Shop Tour at the end of October. We saw some great shops and the shop owners put on a good show for us. Thanks to Jim Redding, George Way, Bill Epler, Jerry Schutzler, Cotty Howe and Charley Drake for opening their shops to us. Special thanks to Charley for breaking out the BBQ to feed us all. Gary Danilson/John Bellinger

#### Vendor Support Groups

Hardware Sales Bellingham Millwork Supply Stockton's Paints Targo Woods Windsor Plywood WEST	2034 James St. 3879 Hannegan Road 1413 Railroad Ave. 1405 "E" Street 1208 Iowa St.	Bellingham Bellingham Bellingham Bellingham Bellingham	hardwaresales.net Bellinghammillwork.com stocktonspaint.com targowoods.com windsorplywood.com	360-734-6140 360-734-5700 360-733-5630 360-738-9140 360-676-1025
Sebo's Hardware	1102 Commercial Ave.	Anacortes	sebos.com	360-293-4575
SOUTH				
Martin Lbr/True Value	2730 Broadway	Everett	martinlumbereverett.com	425-259-3134
Arlington Hdw & Lumber	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 Center	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
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 2016

President	Charley Drake	(425) 785-2994	Programs & Shows	Charley Drake	(425) 785-2994
Vice President	Dave Strauss	(360) 391-6367	Education	Dale Brandland	(360) 961-0102
Past President	Bill Rawls	(360) 387-2993	Librarian	Gary Danilson	(360) 540-5768
Secretary	Tim Wynn	(360) 739-0515	Newsletter	Jane Wynn	(360) 224-7001
Treasurer	Al Ashley	(360) 474-9711	Membership	Tim Wynn	(360) 739-0515
Board at Large	David Shull	(360) 393-7926	Toys for Tots	John Braun	(360) 708-0055
Board at Large	Jim Redding	(206) 307-4553	Webmeister	Mike Titus	(360) 525-4131
Board at Large	Phil Choquette	(360) 675-8320	l .		

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 <a href="mailto:janekirstine@comcast.net">janekirstine@comcast.net</a> with subject line as NCWA Newsletter.

#### Future Events

December 6	Tuesday	NCWA Meeting
December 17	Saturday	Newsletter Deadline
January 3	Tuesday	NCWA Meeting
January 11	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
January 21	Saturday	Newsletter Deadline

