



Northwest Corner Woodworkers Association

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January 2018

General Meeting

Tuesday, January 2nd at 6:00 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.



Unique Sink

January Program

Woodworking Tips and Tricks

Jim Bucknell will, once again, be presenting on Woodworking Tricks and Tips. There will be some things you have seen before and some new ideas as well. . . All assuming the collective technical knowledge of NCWA can get Jim's laptop to actually connect to the projector. Jim and Charley have pledged to check this PRIOR TO the evening of the meeting. So, come to the meeting. Chances are you'll find yourself saying one or both of the following:"

Well, duh, that's obvious!"

or

"What a great idea! Why didn't I think of that?"

There's a good chance you'll learn something useful.

NCWA General Meeting Notes - December 6, 2017

2017 Christmas Dinner

Our 5th annual Christmas Dinner was once again held as our December program. 70 members and 41 guests attended the event at Hillcrest Lodge. Events for the evening included election of next year's club officers and presentation of a gift certificate to Dave Strauss for his service as president in 2017. Marshall Eberhart won a gift certificate for participating in the President's Woodworking Challenge, and Jane Wynn was recognized for her dedication as the club's Newsletter Editor. Samantha Chang, Charley Drake and John Bellinger were named as the 2017 Nick Van Spirit Award winners.

Our Toys For Tots Raffle organized by Al Ashley and his crew was our best ever. A check for over \$2000 was presented to representatives of the Marine Corps League. There was lot of good food and a good time was had by all. Thank-you to all of the volunteers who made this event such a successful evening.

Gary Danilson



Bring and Brag



View all pictures at [CLICK HERE](#)
December's President's Challenge Entries



Put your order in for a Christmas Chair for next year!



Lee Valley offers free shipping on \$40 or more through January 8



Meet Phil Schober

Phil Schober joined our club after talking with several of his friends who are also members. Raised in the Midwest Phil's parents gave him a tool set when he was 6 and he never looked back. His parents might have gotten an inkling of Phil's future when they left for town one day and returned to find that Phil and his brother had rebuilt their front porch. Phil started business as a general contractor in the 70's in Wenatchee and later formed a company specializing in post-framed and steel buildings. Phil retired in 2002 selling his business to his daughter and her husband.

Phil and his wife Nancy moved to Friday Harbor in 2003 where they lived until moving to Anacortes 3 years ago. Phil has a nice free-standing shop on his property and recently built a steamer trunk for his wife and rebuilt their fireplace mantel. Phil enjoys downhill skiing with his kids and traveling and hiking with his wife. Phil's kids keep him busy with house projects that take advantage of years of woodworking and building skills. Phil enjoys the club and looks forward to becoming more involved.

Submitted by Gary Danilson

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES - 2018

YOU STILL HAVE TIME TO PAY YOUR 2018 DUES - \$35.00

January is just around the corner but you still have time. If you haven't paid your dues for 2018 you can do so at the January 2nd meeting at the Hillcrest Lodge.

As a reminder – whether you are new to woodworking or a seasoned craftsman – NCWA offers each member a number of valuable benefits:

- **Woodworking classes;**
- **Discounts from our vendor support group;**
- **Library books and DVDs;**
- **Shop tours;**
- **Monthly tool drawing;**
- **Monthly membership meetings; and**
- **And best of all - the opportunity to associate with many of the finest woodworkers in the Northwest.**

If you can't make it to the January meeting please mail your \$35.00 dues check (payable to NCWA) to NCWA, c/o Al Ashley, 26220 48th Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223. Dues are due by the end of January. The 2018 membership cards will be available at the January for those members that have paid their dues.

Dale Brandland, NCWA President, would like to welcome Sascha Vandette and Kent Crouse as the new Board of Directors 'At Large' members. Both Sascha and Kent are comparatively new members and will offer fresh perspectives for 2018 that will help NCWA continue to be the best woodworking club in America.

New 2018 Board of Directors and Chairpersons

President	Dale Brandland	(360) 961-0102	Programs	Bill Rawls	(360) 387-2993
Vice President	George Knutson	(425) 753-4476	Education	Greg Koenker	(360) 543-7090
Past President	Dave Strauss	(360) 391-6367	Librarian	Gary Danilson	(360) 540-5768
Secretary	Tim Wynn	(360) 739-0515	Membership	Gary Danilson	(360) 540-5768
Treasurer	Al Ashley	(360) 474-9711	Toys for Tots	John Braun	(360) 708-0055
Member at Large	Phil Choquette	(360) 675-8320	Member at Large	Kent Crouse	(360) 224-5532
Member at Large	Sascha Vandette	(360) 755-3043	Member at Large	Mike Chaplin	(360) 305-5112
Shop Tours	John Bellinger	(360) 708-4036	Shows	David Vandette	(360) 755-3043
Webmaster	Mike Titus	(360) 525-4131	Newsletter	Jane Wynn	(360)-224-7001

Spirit Award Winners 2017

Our club's Spirit Award for 2017 was presented to 3 members at our annual Christmas Dinner. Samantha Chang received the award for her years of service to the club as a board member, class teacher, and as a resource to the club for her expertise in forestry. She also led the effort this year to find a permanent home for an extensive collection of wood samples that had been donated to the club. The collection is now on display at her alma mater Humboldt State University.

Also receiving the Spirit Award was former club president Charley Drake. Charley has filled numerous other board positions and is a past editor of our newsletter. He has presented programs for our monthly meetings and is a longtime teacher of our woodworking classes. Charley has been very involved in upgrading the club's sound and video systems.

The third recipient of the Spirit Award was a little surprised to get it since he's chairman of the awards committee. But the other members of the committee thought John Bellinger was overdue to receive the award. John is a past president of the club and has helped put together many successful shop tours as head of that committee. It was noted that others in the club always appreciate John's willingness to help out whenever asked.

Congratulations to this year's Spirit Award winners.

Library News

We've recently added a number of new books to the club library and will have them available at our January meeting. Look for the table full of the new additions. Two of the books that might be of interest to you are:

Build Stuff With Wood by Asa Christiana. If you are new to woodworking this might be the book for you. The author presents a number of projects (including a rolling workstation, cutting board, wood slab table and floating shelf) that can be made without having a full shop of big woodworking tools. You'll learn a lot of useful things such as working your way thru grits of sandpaper when finishing a project, how to safely use a compact router to shape edges, how to glue-ups and what are some great, simple finishes for your projects.

The Practical Workshop by Christopher Schwarz. This book is on the other end of the spectrum and is a more advanced guide to workbenches, layout and tools. Get ideas for how to build a simple workbench, design an efficient shop and have enough storage for all of your equipment. It includes some great plans for workshop stands and worktables.

Library check out is for 2 months and open to all club members.

2018 Class Schedule

Hello from your education committee!

The NCWA 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
Jan 6	Clamping and Gluing	Jim Bucknell	Full
Jan 13	Make a Stool	TBD	3 Spaces
Jan 20	Varnishing Techniques	Richard Gillingham	3 Spaces
Jan 27	Jointer Tune-Up	Charley Drake	2 Spaces
Feb 3	Block Plane Tune-up	Andrew Pellar	3 Spaces
Feb 10	Cabinet Carcase Construction	TBD	5 Spaces
Feb 17	Cabinet Doors & Drawers	TBD	5 Spaces
Feb 24	Table Leg Design & Construction	Greg Robinson	5 Spaces
Mar 3	Introduction to Hand Planes	Andrew Pellar	3 Spaces
Mar 10	Toy Making 101	John Braun/Jerry Anderson	5 Spaces
Mar 17	Shop Tour – no classes		
Mar 24	Make a Bandsaw Box	Phil Humphries	3 Spaces
Mar 31	Photograph Your Projects	Charley Drake	5 Spaces

NCWA Board of Directors Meeting December 2017

No Board of directors meeting was held in December. Below is a great article about Web Forums by Andrew Pellar.

THE BEST OF THE WEB

There are many places to find woodworking information on the internet. Not all of them are good and some are very good. I'll try to help you get started with this three part series.

Part 1 – FORUMS

Forums are a great place to start. Think of them as a virtual club. They are a place where you can show off your work; get advice about tools and techniques; and find ideas for projects. Use the forum's search feature to find specific information.

Try these:

- <http://lumberjocks.com/> Great information and very active.
- <http://sawmillcreek.org/forum.php> Another great one.
- <http://www.woodworkforums.com/index.php> An Aussie version.
- <http://www.woodcentral.com/> An oldie but goody
- <http://www.woodweb.com/index.html> Geared towards the pro.

If you find the information useful please let me know. Likewise, if you feel some should be added contact me at:

andf32plr@yahoo.com

Andrew Pellar



Vendor Support Groups

NORTH

Hardware Sales	2034 James St.	Bellingham	hardwaresales.net	360-734-6140
Bellingham Millwork Supply	3879 Hannegan Road	Bellingham	Bellinghammillwork.com	360-734-5700
Hard Woods To Get	1405 "E" Street	Bellingham	hardwoodstoget.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 & Lumber	215 N. Olympiac 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
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SPECIALTY

Edensaw Woods	211 Seton Rd.	Port Townsend	edensaw.com	360-385-7878
FASTCAP	5016 Pacific Highway	Ferndale	fastcap.com	888-443-3748
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

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Future Events

January 2	Tuesday	NCWA Meeting
January 10	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
January 20	Saturday	Newsletter Deadline
February 6	Tuesday	NCWA Meeting
February 14	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
February 17	Saturday	Newsletter Deadline
March 6	Tuesday	NCWA Meeting

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NCWA NEWSLETTER

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 \$35 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 janekirstine@comcast.net with subject line as NCWA Newsletter.