



Northwest Corner Woodworkers Association

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August 2018

August Program Annual Picnic

Saturday, August 25, Val and Laura Matthews will host the annual picnic and tool auction from 1-4pm.

Our traditional combined Northwest Corner Woodworkers Association (NCWA) and Northwest Washington Woodturners (NWW) event takes the place of our normal monthly meeting. There is lots of room for parking. Bring tools you want to auction, and bid on something you find that you can't live without. All you have to do is show up with a side dish (salad, desert or whatever), something cool to drink, and a lawn chair or two. Burgers, hotdogs, brats, fixings, soft drinks, water, paper plates, plastic ware and napkins are provided. Details on the auction process and entry form are in this newsletter. Serving will begin earlier this year, as last year the wait time was too long. Expect to eat about 2 PM.

This year the Woodworkers are cooking!



Next Meeting Location - August 25th

1:00- 4:00 PM 7550 Ershig Road Bow

From the south: Take I-5 North to Cook Road Exit #232 toward Sedro Woolley. Turn left on Cook Road. Take a slight right onto Chuckanut Drive WA-11. Take the 2nd right into Ershig Road. The picnic is on the left just before the RR crossing.

From the north: Take I-5 South to Bow Hill Road, Exit #236. Turn right onto Bow Hill road. Left onto Ershig Road. The picnic is on the right just past the RR crossing

NCWA General Meeting Note – July 3, 2018

- The meeting was convened by NCWA President Dale Brandland at 7:00 p.m. at the Hillcrest Lodge in Mount Vernon
- New Members and Guests were introduced
- Announcements:
 - Jerry Couchman made an appeal for volunteers to assist at our Work Studio at the Anacortes Arts Festival
 - Gale O’Neil asked for volunteers to make five risers with drawers that slide under cribs He was amazed when 5 of our members volunteered. Work will begin in August.
 - Jim Bucknell gave a report on the Beads of Courage boxes that were delivered to Children’s Hospital. The boxes were appreciated. NCWA will continue to make and donate boxes.
 - Dale Brandland announced there will not be a raffle at the December meeting. There is a need for someone to lead the Christmas potluck. If no one volunteers by September, we will have a regular meeting instead.
 - There is also a need for Assistants for our Secretary, Tim Wynn, and for our Photographer, Phil Humphries. Tim is often gadding about the world, and apparently Phil has another life as well!
 - Dale also acknowledged the work our Audio/Visual team do at every meeting. Heartfelt thanks to Mike Chaplin, Jerry Couchman, Charlie Drake, Val Matthews, and Bill Pierce.
- Bring and Brag:
 - Mike Forst – Teakwood sailboat kit with Daly’s Profin finish. Sleek and gorgeous!
 - Jerry Couchman –Box (sapele and other woods) with a marquetry panel featuring an iris. “Blooming great job”!
 - Bill Rawls – Pallet wood box with poly finish. Great recycling job Bill!
 - Dennis O’Hern – Carved fish of maple on driftwood stand. We are glad you thought twice before burning that firewood Dennis!
 - Phil Humphries – Home manufactured laser beam line tool. Brilliant idea!
 - Jeff Palmer – Walnut bandsaw “tsunami” box. Definitely caught a wave of appreciation!
 - Hank Van Zanten – Maple truck with mahogany fenders. Terrific looking vehicle!
 - Bill Pierce – Maple, alder, and plywood Modern Art or Shooting Board? Whichever it is, clever use of leftover materials!
- Raffle:
 - Clamps – Jim Davis
 - Protractor – Craig Edwards
 - Tape Pad – Deryl Hart
 - Tape Pad – Gary Danilson

Program. Tom Dolese introduced our guest presenter, Jameson Hawn, the artist and owner behind Riverbend Woodworks in Bellingham. Jameson presented a slide show of some of his masterfully carved fish, followed by a series of “How To” videos of his carving process. A self-taught carver, Jameson started out hand carving salvaged material (wet beach wood) and painting them by hand. He gradually progressed to using power tools and regular (dry) wood stock. He has also now discovered the detail magic of air brushing paint. Jameson’s preferred woods are Alder, Basswood, and Jelutong

- . Jameson kindly stayed to answer questions after his presentation. For those who missed his presentation (or those who would like to see it again) follow this link to view his videos (www.youtube.com/user/TheArcherymadman). You will discover a new use for Bondo!
- The meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.

July Meeting Highlights

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Such good work, Newsletter Editor thought Dennis O'Hern was Jameson Hawn



Work of Jameson Hawn



New Member – Hank Van Zanten

I recently had the pleasure of spending some time in the shop of new NCWA member Hank Van Zanten. Hank's family moved to the Skagit Valley when he was 13 and he enjoyed Woodshop classes for the 4 years he attended Mt Vernon High School. He still keeps



the first stool that he made in class with handtools in the corner of his shop. He was raised on the family dairy farm in Mt Vernon (he says he grew up with Ray deVries) and continued to work on the larger farm that his family purchased in Sedro Woolley. Hank then took a job as welder/machinist/truck driver for Janicki Industries and retired after 23 years. Hank has put together a nice shop in part of the 3 car garage at his home near Hillcrest Park in Mt Vernon. He makes great use of limited shop space by keeping things well organized and on casters when possible. He has made some nice indoor and outdoor furniture and has a passion for making kid's wooden toys. Hank brought one of his trucks to the July meeting. He has made numerous items to be auctioned off for charitable causes. Hank joined the club after seeing our booth at Woodfest and is enjoying being a part of the NCWA. Like all of us has been

impressed with the quality of the programs this year. He is interested in checking out the Toys for Tots building groups and would like to participate in future Beads of Courage box-building efforts. Welcome to the club Hank.

Gary Danilson

ANACORTES ARTS FESTIVAL

The Anacortes Arts Festival takes place Friday, August 3rd through Sunday, August 5th. The Festival has over 260 artisan booths and averages 80,000 visitors.

The Shows Committee is proud that the Festival Board has invited NCWA to be one of the Working Studios again this year. Working Studios are open from 10 am through 4 pm.

This is our largest annual public event. Our members' participation to provide booth support is critical for success. We need display items, demonstrators, and greeters. We also need assistance with the Toys For Tots children's activity, which is fun for both the young and the slightly more mature. Helping the kids to assemble their own car or truck is very easy and very rewarding.

Please contact:

Bill Pierce – Booth Greeters & Toys for Tots Assistants

Jim Hickey – Demonstrators

Jerry Couchman – Display Items

If you are not able to volunteer this year, please make a stop to see us in action. We will send out a broadcast email with the demo schedule prior to the event to help you choose the perfect time.

Hank Van Zanten



Bill Rawls



Jeff Palmer



Jerry Couchman



Bill Pierce



Phil Humphries



Jameson Hawn Fish



On-Line Vendors Now Available to Members

We now have 3 on-line vendors who offer discounts to club members:

Hartville Tool – NCWA members receive a 15% discount on all regularly priced items in stock (special orders and Festool not included). Mention your membership in the comment section on the billing page and the discount will be applied to your final invoice. www.hartvilletool.com

Woodworkers Supply – Our discount will range from 2 to 20% depending on the product. Final discount will be shown in the “shopping cart” when checking out. Log onto www.pro.woodworker.com and click on *Apply for Pro Account Now* and enter *NCWA Member* as your business and continue with purchase.

Klingspor – New to our vendor program this Klingspor offers a great selection of abrasives and woodworking tools. They offer a 10% discount on all non-powered merchandise not already discounted in their catalog. Go to www.woodworkingshop.com.

Just a reminder that we provide these vendors with only your name and address (no email addresses) and that all of our vendors have strict policies of not sharing that member information. If you wish to opt out of having your name supplied to these vendors you can do so at the beginning of each year. If you have any questions about the vendor program please contact Gary Danilson.

Volunteer Opportunities

We are looking for members who want to step up and give something back to the club:

1) After 10 years Gary Danilson is stepping down as chairman of the **Library** Committee. With the help of four committee members the chairman:

- ensures that the library is set up for each meeting and then returned to storage. –
- keeps track of inventory including ensuring that all books/dvds are returned. –
- works with an annual budget to purchase new books and dvds. –
- attends monthly board meetings to help guide the direction of the club.

2) Gary is also giving up responsibility for the December **Christmas Program**. We are looking for someone (or a couple) who would like to take this on. Your club Board has decided to discontinue the benefit raffle that has always been a part of the evening which will greatly simplify the planning process. So basically we are looking for someone who (with the help of a great committee) will plan a social holiday potluck meeting for the club.

Each of these positions have long-established committee members who do much of the work and Gary will be glad to give whatever help is necessary to ensure a smooth transition. If you would like to volunteer for either position, please contact the club President Dale Brandland; or if you would like to know more about what is involved, please give Gary a call at (360) 540-5768.

SEE YOU AT THE ANACORTES ARTS FESTIVAL

SEE YOU AT THE NCWA PICNIC

New Member Harvey Rossiter

Harvey was born in Maine, but his father's Navy duty station change brought him to Puget Sound in 1944. He graduated from high school in Everett, got into the aviation industry and landed a job at Boeing where he worked for about 10 years on the 727 and the 747. His life totally changed when he picked up a Canadian travel magazine that described a remote town in northern British Columbia. After flying to Whitehorse to see this place himself, he fell in love with the beauty of Atlin, BC. He took a leave of absence from Boeing hitched up his trailer and he and his wife immigrated to Canada! After buying a piece of land for only \$2400 to park his trailer on, he started a hardware store business. That store eventually became a trading post and the only source of groceries and gas in Atlin at that time. The success of the business led to another venture after Harvey got his pilot's license and bought an airplane. He started a flight service business and also sold aviation gas and jet fuel at the airport. After ten years in Canada, Harvey and his wife sold the business and moved back to Washington. He built several houses over the years and enjoyed living in the Northwest. In addition to woodworking, Harvey is also a musician mastering the accordion, the organ and the violin all self-taught by ear. He's working on the bagpipe now. At age 76, he also learned to hang glide! Welcome, Harvey, I'm not sure we can keep up with you!

Jerry Couchman



NCWA Board of Directors Meeting July 11, 2018

- The meeting was convened at 7:03 pm, by Vice President, George Knutson.
- Members present: George Knutson, Sascha Vandette, David Vandette, Bill Rawls, John Braun, Mike Chaplin, Gary Danilson, Phil Choquette, Al Ashley.
- Others present: Jerry Anderson
- Al Ashley gave the Treasurer's Report:
 - NCWA has a total of \$5126.52 in checking and savings as of 7/11/18
 - NCWA has a total of 221 members as of 7/11/18 (prior year 200)
 - New members 37 (prior year 27)
 - Honorary members – 4
 - Only budgetary change was an increase for storage rental, up \$5 to \$55 per month
 - No update on the liability implications for instructors. Al and David Kohles to meet on this and report next month.
- Gary Danilson gave an update on the December Potluck Dinner/Raffle
 - It has been decided that we won't be doing a raffle this year
 - Dale Brandland announced at the July meeting that we need someone to step up and chair the Potluck Dinner by the September 4th meeting in order to have time to put it all together. If no one has stepped up by then, the Programs committee will have a program in lieu of the Potluck
 - A suggestion was made that the December program be a slide show compiled from the photos taken throughout the year as a "NCWA 2018 Year in Review". Lots of support for that idea. This will be revisited at the September board meeting if no one volunteers to head up the Potluck dinner.
- George Knutson led a discussion on the August Picnic.
 - Apparently, there is not a documented "process" for the picnic. George will pursue creating something for next year.
 - The picnic is scheduled for August 25 at Val and Laura Matthews' home.
 - NCWA will provide the brats, hamburgers, and buns and do the cooking this year.
 - Bill Rawls said he purchased the brats for last year's picnic and would be happy to do that again this year.
 - We generally rent a grill, so someone needs to take care of that and we also need someone to pick it up and return it.
 - A broadcast email notice will be sent to the membership reminding them that the picnic takes the place of the regular monthly meeting and they should bring "their favorite dish" for the potluck, along with beverages and a chair.
 - It was stated that the general process is for the President to find volunteers or assign people to do the tasks necessary. George and Dale will work that out.
- Gary Danilson is stepping down as Library Chairperson. He will submit an article with job description for the August newsletter and will make an announcement at the September meeting asking for volunteers.
- Gary Danilson gave an update on the new facility search
 - Gary has communicated with the Principal at Mount Vernon Christian School about having NCWA board members tour the facility on July 23rd at 11:00 am. Gary hasn't gotten confirmation back yet.
 - There was some discussion on the topic of "IF" the tour on July 23 leads us to pursuing this venue further, we may ask the school if we could use the facility for our October meeting to see how it works out before we cancel out of the lease with our current location.
 - It was noted that Hillcrest Lodge requires 60 days notice for cancellation without penalty.
- Gary also reported that we've completed the activation of the Online Vendor Discount Programs with Hartville Tools, Woodworker's Supply, and Klingspor.
 - Current members have been given the option to opt out of the program (only 5 members chose this), and new members will be asked to decide when they sign up.
- On the topic of changing how active we are on recruiting of new members, it was decided that we put this topic on the back burner until the board tours the school and decides if this venue might work. If it does, then the issue of not having enough space to accommodate a larger membership would be moot.
- Sascha Vandette reported on the Anacortes Arts Festival

Passing of NCWA Member Ben Gage

Our member Ben Gage passed away July 4th. Ben had a heart attack about three months ago and during the process of that they discovered he had Leukemia. Ben was 87. If you don't place the name, Ben was the short, bald older gentleman who occasionally brought spectacular turned segmented pieces for Bring & Brag.



Ben grew up on a farm near Fresno, CA and spent his career in the construction business with his 3 brothers. He was an avid outdoorsman with a tradition of taking each of his grandchildren and great grandchildren on backpacking trips of 1-2 weeks duration. Woodturning was a hobby Ben acquired after moving to Bellingham several years ago. Ben became an accomplished turner of segmented pieces.....the one illustrated contained over 1600 pieces and was created

when he was 84! Ben will be missed by all who knew him. Information on services has not been announced.

NCWA Board of Directors Meeting

July 11, 2018 continued

- Great response from members to volunteer to staff the booth (same location as last year), and also for volunteers to do demos in the booth.
- John Braun said the Toys for Tots group, who sets up a workbench in the booth for kids to assemble and take home a small toy car, needs more wheels and axles based on increased traffic through our booth at this and other previous events. A motion was made by Mike Chaplin that NCWA provide \$50.00 for the group to purchase wheels and axles. This should provide sufficient supplies for this event and possibly another event down the line. The motion was seconded by Sascha Vandette. The motion passed unanimously.
- A new topic was brought up regarding technology for Programs: the notion of the club purchasing a laptop for presentations
 - This would allow us to get all the cabling, software, etc issues worked out well in advance and all the presenter would need to bring is their slide show on a flash drive. This may reduce last minute fire drills getting all the equipment connected and functioning correctly.
 - Discussion was favorable for putting together a “standardized system” that would be relatively easy to accommodate any presenter’s needs.
 - It was decided that this could be discussed further after the school tour, as that venue may provide all the necessary equipment for us to use.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm

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. 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
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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
Klingspor	website only		woodworkingshop.com	800-228-0000
Rockler Woodworking	832 NE Northgate Way	Seattle	rockler.com	206-634-3222
Woodcraft	5963 Corson Ave.	Seattle	woodcraft.com	206-767-6394
Woodworkers Supply	website only		pro.woodworker.com	800-645-9292

Officers and Chairpersons 2018

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
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Treasurer	Al Ashley	(360) 474-9711	Membership	Gary Danilson	(360) 540-5768
Webmaster	Mike Titus	(360) 525-4131	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

Future Events

August 3,4,5	Fri Sat Sun	Anacortes Arts Festival
August 25	Saturday	NCWA Picnic
August 27	Monday	Newsletter Deadline
September 4	Tuesday	NCWA General Meeting
September 12	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
September 22	Saturday	Newsetter 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 \$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.