

# Northwest Corner Woodworkers Association

[NCWA Website](#)

October 2018

**General Meeting**  
**Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> 7:00 PM**  
**Mount Vernon Christian School**  
**820 West Blackburn Road**  
**Mount Vernon**

See directions later in Newsletter



## October Program

### MAKING THE CUT - A CAREER IN WOODWORKING BY BRIAN NOEL

Brian Noel and his wife Kitty recently joined NCWA and we are very fortunate to be able to feature him as our guest speaker in October. Brian and Kitty started **BearKat Wood** to market their amazing creations and Brian's beautifully crafted tools. Their work is gallery quality and includes rocking chairs, benches, canes, walking sticks, sitting chairs, music stands, candlesticks, golf putters, mallets and special order items. Brian will tell us how they got started and show us some of their amazing work. Brian's dovetail saw was recently reviewed by FineWoodworking Magazine and was considered among the best. Check out their website: <http://www.bearkatwood.com/>



# ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES - 2019

## **\$35.00 - Annual Dues**

Yes, it is that time again – time to renew your membership for 2019!

Annual dues for next year will remain at \$35.00 – no increase has been proposed by the Board.

Benefits of membership include:

- NCWA woodworking classes,
- Discounts from our vendor support group,
- Library books and CDs,
- Shop tours
- Monthly membership meetings
- Special events (Woodfest, Anacortes Arts Festival, etc.), and
- As always, the opportunity to associate with the best group of woodworkers in the Northwest.

You can pay your dues (cash or check) at one of our regular meetings (the October 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 and membership cards will be available at the January meeting.

## **NCWA Classes for Fall 2018**

Hello from your education committee! The upcoming NCWA Classes are listed below.

Please contact Carol Osterman to register for classes at [carol@akylafarms.com](mailto:carol@akylafarms.com)

Remember, classes have a material fee which is payable in cash to the instructor at the time of the class.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Instructor</b>	<b>Spaces Status</b>
<b>Oct 6</b>	<b>String Inlays</b>	<b>David Shull</b>	<b>Full</b>
<b>Oct 17</b>	<b>Introduction to Hand Planes</b>	<b>Andrew Pellar</b>	<b>4 Spaces</b>
<b>Oct 27</b>	<b>Router Basics</b>	<b>Jim Hickey</b>	<b>Full</b>
<b>Nov 1</b>	<b>Introduction to Woodworking &amp; NCWA Orientation</b>	<b>Jerry Anderson</b>	<b>3 Spaces</b>
<b>Nov 12 &amp; 13</b>	<b>Box Making with Live Edge Lid</b>	<b>Jerry Couchman</b>	<b>Full</b>

## NCWA General Meeting Notes – September 4, 2018

Dale Brandland called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

New members and guests were introduced. Several joined after seeing the NCWA displays and demonstrations at the Anacortes Arts Festival. Sasha Vandette thanked the members that participated in the Anacortes Arts Festival.

Dale and the rest of the assembly thanked Val and Laura Matthews for hosting the annual BBQ at their home in Bow.

Tom Howorth announced a series of classes to be taught by former Fine Woodworking editor Matt Kenny. The classes will be held at Tom's shop in Carnation, WA. December 1-2: Kumiko, December 8-9: Box making. Each class will cost \$450. Contact Tom for more information.

Gary Danilson mentioned that Klingspoor is a new supplier offering members a 10% discount on purchases (but not for power tools). He also mentioned that next month we will be trying out a new space – The Mt. Vernon Christian School (on Blackburn Road). Gary also mentioned that he is stepping down as chair of the library committee and the Christmas party committee. The club is looking for members to take his place.

John Bellinger announced that the fall shop tours will take place in Bellingham on October 20<sup>th</sup>. Further, John and Mike Chaplin will be stepping down as shop tour coordinators. The club is looking for new leaders to take on this responsibility.

### Bring and Brag

- Dave Strauss showed off a big-leaf maple bourbon bottle box. He made it with mahogany splines and corners. Lovely and handy.
- Tom Howorth showed how to cheat at woodworking. He displayed a statue of Baby Groot (from Marvel's Guardians of the Galaxy) and a Titebond glue bottle opener. It was made from wood infused plastic and created using a 3D printer. Really cool, but is it really woodworking?
- David Shull displayed a big live-edge bowl he made from a walnut tree his neighbor had cut down for firewood.
- Greg Koenker presented a hemlock and sapele tool tote with dovetailed corners and finger-jointed drawers. Very well done and handy-looking
- Bill Rawls displayed a spectacular "walnut monster" wall hanging. Or maybe a tabletop.
- Dennis Lindsay exhibited beads of courage boxes made from maple and walnut, and alder and cherry. Lovely.
- Bill Pierce showed off a bowl he carved by hand from American Elm. It was his first attempts at carving in 3D, designing and creating a curved work piece, and maintaining a symmetrical shape. Bill did it very well.
- Phil Humphries brought a mini-bench with a Moxon vise. He built it from maple and used tusked through tenons to attach the side trestles to the stretchers. Very nice, Phil.
- Finally, Charley Drake displayed a chip-carved cribbage board made from basswood. Amazingly intricate design, from a carving symposium he took last summer. Wow.

After the break, several items were raffled including a Green and Green book, a 6" adjustable square, a spoke shave. A marking gauge, picture frame clamps, and a Kreg circular saw guide.

Bill Pierce introduced the speaker, Anne Frederick.

- Anne is a pyrographer (wood burner) who also works with gourds. Before demonstrating wood burning, she described some of the better woods for burning and the best tools for burning them.
- Best woods: Baltic birch plywood, alder, maple, poplar and myrtlewood.
- Not so good: Walnut (too dark), cedar (too sappy), basswood (easy to burn but fades quickly)
- gets really hot (1050 deg F) and even better than Spinal Tap's amps, the dial goes to 12.
- What to do about burns: Use vinegar on minor burns to take the sting away!

Dale Brandland closed the meeting at 840 PM.

Bring & Brag and General Program

Wonderful works shared at the meeting and program

Diane Frederick basket



• David Shull



Diane Frederick



Bring & Brag

Dave Strauss



Tom Howorth



Greg Koenker



Dennis Lindsay



Bill Pierce bowl



Bill Rawls

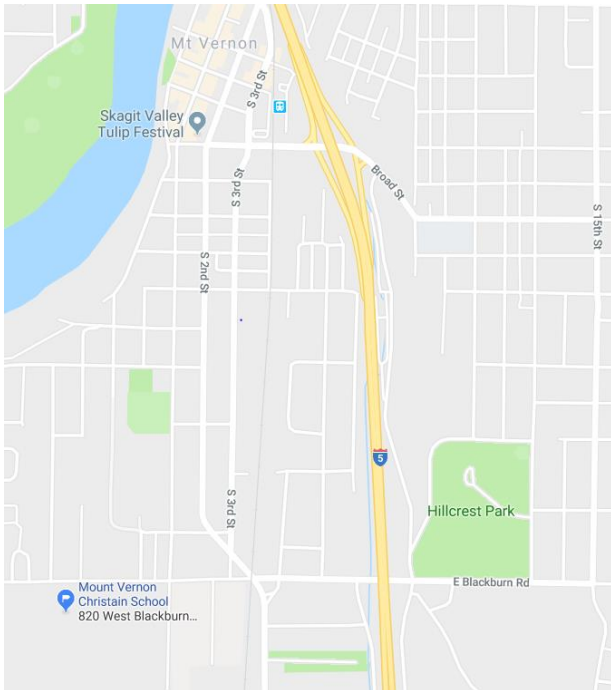
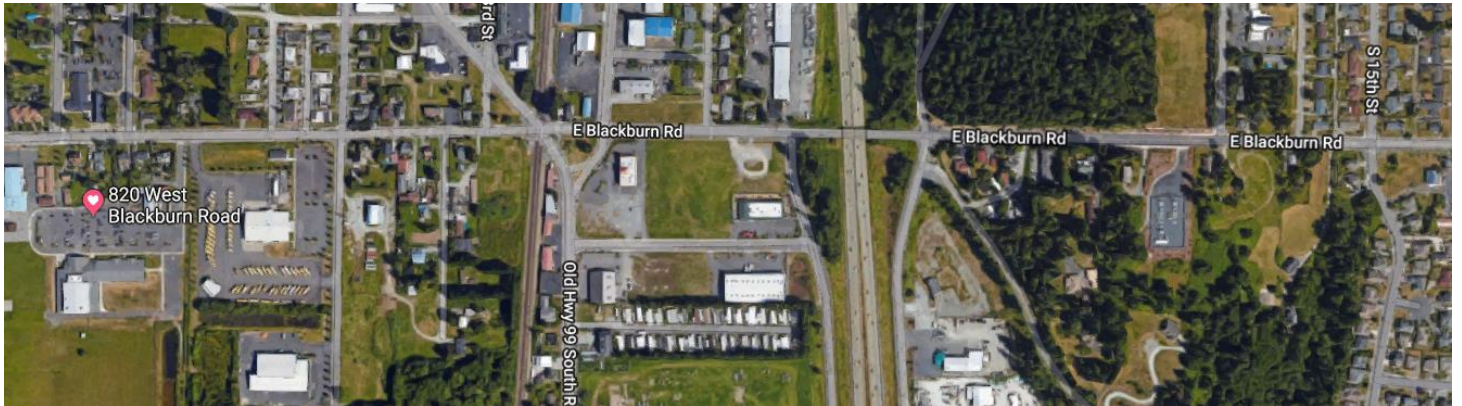


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# DIRECTIONS TO MOUNT VERNON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

820 WEST BLACKBURN ROAD

[Get LINK to Google Map Directions from where you live](#)



#### FROM WEST:

1. TAKE SR 20 TO I-5 IN BURLINGTON & TURN SOUTH
2. USE KINCAID ST. EXIT #226 & TURN RIGHT ONTO KINCAID ST.
3. GO UNDER FREEWAY TO CLEVELAND ST & TURN RIGHT (SOUTH)
4. DRIVE SOUTH ABOUT 1 MILE, CLEVELAND DEAD-ENDS ON BLACKBURN ROAD
5. TURN RIGHT ON BLACKBURN & DRIVE ¼ MILE
6. TURN LEFT AT MV CHRISTIAN SCHOOL SIGN & ENTER PARKING LOT

#### FROM NORTH:

TAKE I-5 EXIT 226  
FOLLOW DIRECTIONS #2 – 6.

#### FROM SOUTH:

1. TAKE I-5 EXIT #226 (ANDERSON RD) TURN LEFT AT END OF RAMP
2. CROSS OVER I-5 & TURN RIGHT ON OLD HIGHWAY 99
3. DRIVE NORTH ABOUT ¾ MILE TO BLACKBURN ROAD
4. TURN LEFT ON BLACKBURN ROAD
5. TRAVEL ¼ MILE TO MV CHRISTIAN SCHOOL & TURN LEFT INTO PARKING LOT
- 6.

#### IF YOU FORGET & GO TO HILLCREST PARK:

1. TURN RIGHT, GOING OUT OF PARKING LOT ONTO 13<sup>TH</sup> ST.
2. DRIVE SOUTH TO END OF 13<sup>TH</sup> AND TURN RIGHT ON BLACKBURN ROAD
3. FOLLOW BLACKBURN ROAD ABOUT 1.25 MILES TO MV CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
4. TURN LEFT AT MV CHRISTIAN SCHOOL SIGN & ENTER PARKING LOT



## NCWA Board of Directors Meeting

Sept 12, 2018

- The meeting was convened at 6:55 pm, by President, Dale Brandland at The Farmhouse Restaurant in Anacortes.
- Board members present: Dale Brandland, George Knutson, Sascha Vandette, David Vandette, Bill Rawls, John Braun, Mike Chaplin, Phil Choquette, Al Ashley, Kent Crouse, David Strauss, Greg Koenker. Others present: Gerry Anderson
- Mike Chaplin reports that the Fall Shop Tour is on schedule for October 20<sup>th</sup>, with 4 shops lined up for sure, and a 5<sup>th</sup> one possible.
- It was decided that the December meeting would be a standard meeting this year, since no one volunteered to organize a Holiday buffet.
- Al Ashley gave the Treasurer's Report, with account balances, deposits, current membership, and new members. Al also shared a pre- preliminary budget with the info he has gotten from committee heads so far.
  - There was discussion about using the monies donated at the toy building demos at the Anacortes Arts Festival and Woodfest for purchasing supplies for future toy building efforts. All agreed with that plan.
  - All committees are requested to provide budget requests for 2019 prior to the October board meeting. Please send these to Al Ashley so he can put together the preliminary budget for 2019 for review at the October meeting. It will then be voted on at the November board meeting.
- Discussion continued around a possible move to Mount Vernon Christian School for our monthly meetings.
  - We will be using the school for our October meeting as a trial.
  - Al is doing the paperwork for getting a refund from Hillcrest for that month.
  - Additional details are being discussed with the school around specific costs for all the various facility options that we may want to take advantage of.
  - Additional reminders will be sent to the membership regarding the change of venue for the October meeting.
- Dale and Al brought up the topic of budgeting with the intent of maintaining back-up finances of 50% of our normal operating costs. This will be discussed further at the October board meeting when the preliminary budget is put together.
- A Nominating Committee was formed, consisting of current President Dale Brandland, and two past Presidents Charley Drake and David Strauss. They will create a list of possible candidates for the various open positions, and Dale offered to make the phone calls. Positions needing to be filled are: Vice President, 2) At Large Board Members, 2) Shop Tours committee members, Library Committee Head, and assistance for Secretary Tim Wynn.
- Some discussion was had about possibly eliminating the requirement that committee heads attend all board meetings. No action at this point.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm

## Vendor Support Groups

### NORTH

Hardware Sales	2034 James St.	Bellingham	hardwaresales.net	<b>360-734-6140</b>
Bellingham Millwork Supply	3879 Hannegan Road	Bellingham	Bellinghammillwork.com	<b>360-734-5700</b>
Hard Woods To Get	1405 "E" Street	Bellingham	hardwoodstoget.com	<b>360-738-9140</b>
Windsor Plywood	1208 Iowa St.	Bellingham	windsorplywood.com	<b>360-676-1025</b>

### WEST

Sebo's Hardware	1102 Commercial Ave.	Anacortes	sebos.com	<b>360-293-4575</b>
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### SOUTH

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

### CENTRAL

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

### EAST

E & E Lumber	201 W. State Street	Sedro Woolley	eelumber.com	<b>360-856-0825</b>
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### SPECIALTY

Edensaw Woods	211 Seton Rd.	Port Townsend	edensaw.com	<b>360-385-7878</b>
FASTCAP	5016 Pacific Highway	Ferndale	fastcap.com	<b>888-443-3748</b>
Hartville Tool	website only		hartvilletool.com	<b>800-345-2396</b>
Klingspor	website only		woodworkingshop.com	<b>800-228-0000</b>
Rockler Woodworking	832 NE Northgate Way	Seattle	rockler.com	<b>206-634-3222</b>
Woodcraft	5963 Corson Ave.	Seattle	woodcraft.com	<b>206-767-6394</b>
Woodworkers Supply	website only		pro.woodworker.com	<b>800-645-9292</b>

## 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
Past President	Dave Strauss	(360) 391-6367	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	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

October 2	Tuesday	NCWA General Meeting
October 10	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
October 20	Saturday	Fall Shop Tour
October 24	Wednesday	Newsletter Deadline
November 6 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	NCWA General Meeting
November 14 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
December 4 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	NCWA General Meeting

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 [janekestine@comcast.net](mailto:janekestine@comcast.net) with subject line as NCWA Newsletter.