

Northwest Corner Woodworkers Association

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February 2020

General Meeting

**Tuesday, February 4th
7:00 PM**

**Mount Vernon Christian School
820 West Blackburn Road
Mount Vernon**

[Google Map Directions Link](#)



Carleton Chair

February Program Sean Carleton

Sean Carleton creates from his heart with passion.

Carleton Fine Work fine art furniture and sculpture studio based in Bellingham, WA, founded by Sean Carleton in 2013.

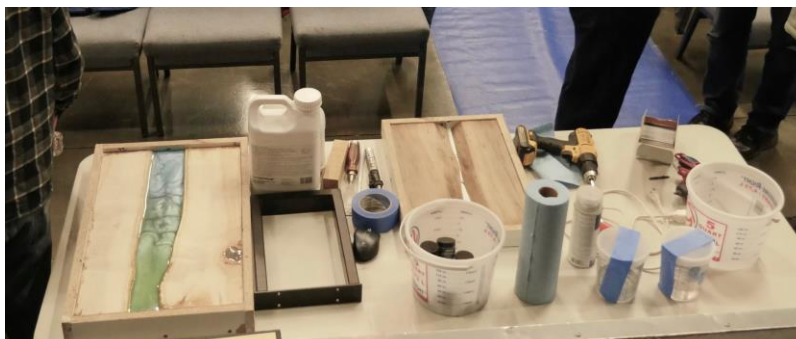
Fine work is not common. Contemporary craftsman Carleton creates from his humanity, hand, and intuition from organic materials that imbue physical shape. Welding imagination with skill, technology, and artisan technique; each original piece is unique, one-of-a-kind handcrafted from its initial vision.

Carleton Fine Work reveals the vibration of steel and wood as sculpture and functional furniture resonating peace and beauty beyond form. Designing with steel, wood, and glass comprises *elemental art*, focused on the essential elements of life: Sustainability and a desire to make the world a more beautiful place.

One piece at a time.

NCWA General Meeting Notes January 7, 2020

- The meeting was convened by President Jim Bucknell 1/7/2020, 7 PM at Mt. Vernon Christian School
- Guests and visitors were introduced
- Jim mentioned that Tim Wynn has stepped down as the Secretary of the club and Angela Hills has volunteered for the position. It will be addressed at our next board meeting to become official. ·
- The hat was passed among the members to raise funds for the wood shop at Mt Vernon Christian School to helping Brannon Mucke purchase new tools in the future. Any member that would like to contribute additional funds or missed the opportunity this time please see our Treasurer, Al Ashley – he'd gladly take your money anytime 😊
- Announcements:
 - Northwest Washington Wood turners will present Nick Agar for a one-day demo on March 21st in Anacortes. See Rick Anderson for more information.
 - Shows Committee - David Vandette. - Confirmed the dates for WoodFest April 25 & 26, 2020 at the Sedro Wooley High School. We'll need lots of volunteers to serve as greeters and to bring items to display and to sell.
 - Classes Committee – Greg Koenker – March classes now have signup sheets on the back table
 - Shop Tours – Jim Ferguson – the Spring shop tour will be March 21st in Burlington & Mt Vernon Area
 - Toys for Tots – John Braun – the committee is looking for more Volunteers and more wood donations.
 - President Jim announced that NCWA Board is looking for another Member at Large to serve on the Board
 - Coffee Crew – THANK YOU!!!!!! George Knutson took a moment to brag about how amazing this crew is and how much he (and all of us) appreciate their dedication and service to all!!
 - Grizzly – Angela Hills announced that Grizzly will have a mini tent sale on Saturday, January 25th between 8am and 2pm – there will be lots of discounts and bargains to be had.
- Bring-and-Brag:
 - Tom Howorth – Cambia Poplar – CNC made Box with Mandalorian Logo
 - Jeff Palmer – Ash with Oli Poly. Shaker Bench out of one board
 - Al Ashley – Walnut with Lacquer and Mineral Oil – Live Edge Charcuterie Board
 - Steve Wagoner – Brass wood and Firewood into 2 spoke shaves, and a hand forged spoke shave. PS there is a Spokeshave Class March 7th – order parts from Lee Valley
 - Jim Hickey – Small Table for the Bathroom – 2 Mystery species my 1st Hand plane project!
 - Mike Harp – Hand Router form 1860's from England. Grandfather Traveled to US in 1904 from Wales. What a great treasure to find in his old trunk.
 - Ray deVries – Particle Board with Shellac finish. With some creativity, scrap plywood, determination and a few pieces of pipe you can also make a handy finish and spin station. Keep spinning and finishing and when your project comes back to you it's all done. 2 pipes threaded on opposite ends and mounted to table allow table top to spin.
- Main presentation: Kevin Stormo, owner of Stormo Hardwoods, demonstrated how to build a form, seal the edges, and pour an epoxy river board. These are tips you can also apply to standard epoxy use. Kevin also briefly touched on his live edge business where he mills, kiln dries, and creates live edge furniture! www.stormohardwoods.com
- Jim Scott won the 50:50 raffle.
- The Hat Collection money for the Mt. Vernon Christian School woodshop will be counted and we'll hear next month how AWESOME we all are!!!
- The meeting adjourned about 9:15 PM



Jeff Palmer



Steve Wagoner



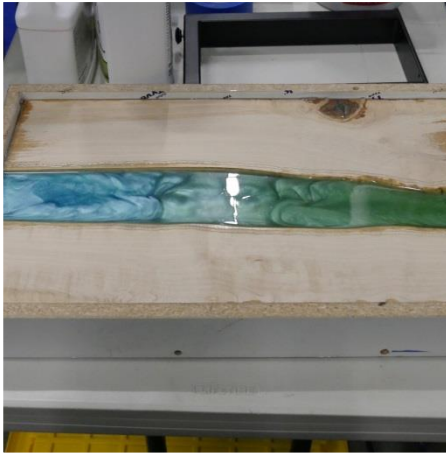
Mike Harp



Jim Hickey



Kevin Stormo



Kevin Stormo



Al Ashley



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Redwood Slabs for Sale

Redwood Slab Sale is on for this Saturday!!!

We told you all about this opportunity a month ago, but weather cause it to be canceled. But it's back, and it's happening THIS Saturday, Feb 1 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. John and Ellen Steensma operate a family dairy farm in Lynden. They recently had to take down two large redwood trees that were threatening to fall on their dairy barn and cause considerable damage. In late October they cut the trees down and in early November had a local bandsaw mill brought out to the farm to cut them up. They had the trees cut into slabs ranging from 3"-5" thick, 36" to 54" wide, and 10-12' long, and there are over 20 of these slabs. John collected cones as a kid traveling through the redwood forests of northern California back in the 60's, and planted them on the family farm. These trees grew from those cones!!! If you're interested in a beautiful slab of redwood for outdoor furniture (very weather resistant,) or a dining table, or several coffee tables, or any number of other uses, here's your chance. John and Karen will be available on Saturday February 1 from 10 am to 2 pm if you want to stop by and take a look. These slabs have been stored inside their barn since cutting. They have not been kiln dried at this point. They're asking \$500+/- per slab, depending on size. They also have a large pile of the offcuts from the milling process. This wood is free to anyone who can make use of it. They are located at 9295 Axling Rd, Lynden, WA. To get there, take I-5 north to the Bellis Faire Mall exit and turn right onto Guide/Meridian. Continue north on Guide/Meridian (State Hwy 539) to Lynden. Go 1.2 miles north of Main St to the first stop light, Badger Rd, and turn left. Then go 1.2 miles and turn right onto Axling Rd. Drive .9 miles and you'll see a house on the left with cedar shake siding followed by a red barn with a swimming pool next to it. Turn into the driveway just past the barn. There's plenty of parking behind the barn. Some of the offcuts that they're giving away are long, so you may want to bring a handsaw, cordless circular saw or reciprocating saw, or chainsaw with you. See you there!!

They are located at 9295 Axling Rd, Lynden, WA.



Saturday

February 1st

10 am – 2 pm



Making Sawdust

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES – 2020

**LAST CHANCE TO PAY
YOUR 2020 DUES**

\$35.00

The February meeting will be your last chance to pay your 2020 membership dues. Any member who hasn't paid their dues will be dropped from membership. Your fellow woodworkers enjoy your company so please don't let this happen.

If you can't make it to the February meeting please mail your \$35.00 dues check (payable to NCWA) to NCWA, c/o Al Ashley, 26220 48th Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

For those members who have paid their 2020 dues, membership cards will be available for pick up at the February meeting.

NCWA Library News



Library Committee Seeks New Member

Have a soft spot for woodworking books? Get value from the NCWA library and looking for a way to give back? Consider serving a term on the

NCWA library committee.

We'll find a role for you to fit your interests and availability.

Please contact Bill Pierce (library@ncwawood.org) today.

Happy New Year from your library committee.

NCWA President's Message for February

OOPS!

Ever said that (or worse) in your shop? Ever done something that didn't go exactly as you had planned? If you haven't, you are either a lot better than me or you are really new to woodworking.

My Dad wouldn't have claimed to be a woodworker. But he did some woodworking and did a good job on everything he made. One project stands out in my memory. We had a home entertainment center with a record player and one big speaker and storage for the 45 and 78 rpm records.. When stereo sound became a thing, he decided to upgrade. It turns out that the entertainment center was made of solid black walnut. Yep, no veneer. No particle board. Real black walnut. So he decided to recycle it.

So, he cut it apart with a chrome, metal-bodied Craftsman circular saw (which I still have) and then sanded the finish off and built a telephone stand that matched the other living room furniture. He cut miter joints at the corners with his Craftsman tablesaw and added splines to the joints for strength. The final step was to drill holes on the inside to hold shelf supports. After carefully laying out the hole locations, he proceeded to drill the holes. He used the really "high-tech" depth stop which consisted of masking tape wrapped around the drill bit to ensure he didn't drill too deep and drill through the side of the cabinet. After drilling a few holes, he drilled the next one where, you guessed it, the tape slipped up the bit and he drilled through the beautiful black walnut side of the cabinet.

My Dad was a gentleman and pretty unflappable. He simply said " Oh, darn it!" He handled it better than I would have. And then, he entered what is sometimes the most important part of a project . . . fixing the mistake.

We looked at the side and the round hole struck out like a sore thumb. So cutting a round plug wasn't going to be good enough. My Dad had some scraps of adhesive-backed black walnut veneer from another project so he found some with areas that were a good color match. Then he did something that, in my mind at least, gave him admittance into the pantheon of woodworkers!

Using an Exacto knife, he made a little pattern or template that was irregularly shaped and fit in with the grain pattern. Then, he carefully carved out a shallow recess in that shape and then he cut a piece of veneer the same shape and, after several adjustments of the fit, he glued the patch in place and sanded it flush. And it disappeared. And something else appeared. That was my understanding of the value of being able to fix your mistakes. I have heard it said that "a good worker isn't someone who never makes mistakes. A good woodworker is someone who can fix them". And this was illustrated perfectly by this fix.

Years later, I decided to look for that repair. Even knowing where it was, I couldn't find it. It was that good! So now, when I make a mistake, I really try to react as calmly and rationally as my Dad did (with mixed results) and find a way to fix the mistake so I won't even be able to find it! Sometimes it works. . . . Sometimes it doesn't.

So, if you mess up (and you will) stay calm and feel free to call another member If you need help. And if you find someone who says they can't help you because they've never had to fix a mistake, let me know. We need them to teach a class . . . and I'll be the first to sign up! Happy Woodworking!

Jim

New Classes for Winter

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

Date	Class	Instructor	Availability
Feb 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 & Mar 7	Woodblock Printmaking **Must plan on attending all 6 classes**	Jim Redding	Full
Feb 8	Sharpening	Dale Brandland	Full
Mar 7	Make a Spokeshave	Steve Wagoner	1 Space
Mar 7	Handcut Dovetails	Val Mathews	2 Spaces
Mar 14	Introduction to Woodworking	Al Ashley	4 Spaces
Mar 28	Fundamentals of Wood Carving	Bill Pierce	2 Spaces

Please contact Carol Osterman to register for classes at carol@akylafarms.com

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



Stormo Presentation at last meeting

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Future Events

February 4 th	Tuesday	NCWA General Meeting
February 12 th	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
March 3 rd	Tuesday	NCWA General Meeting
March 11 th	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
March 21 st	Saturday	Spring Shop Tour
April 7 th	Tuesday	NCWA General Meeting
April 15 th	Wednesday	NCWA Board Meeting
April 25 th 26 th	Sat – Sunday	Woodfest at Sedro Woolley

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 Street	Bellingham	windsorplywood.com	360-676-1025
Village Books	1200 11 th Street	Bellingham	Villagebooks.com	360-671-2626
Targa Woods	316 W McLeod, Ste 109	Bellingham	hardwoodstoget.com	360-738-9140

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
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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
Woodworkers Supply	website only		pro.woodworker.com	800-645-9292

Officers and Chairpersons 2020

President	Jim Bucknell	(360) 305-2118	Programs	Phil Humphries	(360) 752-0082
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Webmaster	Mike Titus	(360) 525-4131	Toys for Tots	Vacant	(000) 000-0000
Member at Large	Jim Hickey	(360) 297-4349	Member at Large	Jim Ferguson	(817) 247-1136
Member at Large	Sascha Vandette	(360) 755-3043	Member at Large	Phil Humphries	(360) 752-0082
Shop Tours	Jim Redding	(206) 307-4553	Shows	David Vandette	(360) 755-3043

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.