



Newsletter

Next Monthly Meeting — November 1, 2022 at 7 PM
Via ZOOM ONLY — No in-person meeting in November

YOUTUBE

Check out the wide variety of instructional VST videos on our YouTube Channel

BRING & BRAG

Click above to see last month's Bring & Brag photos.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

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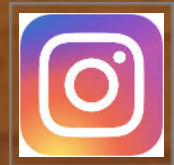
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A Message from the President...

I'd like to begin by mentioning what a great turnout we had for our first in-person meeting in October with Alex Dolese. She put together an excellent program discussing how she got into woodworking, she showcased some of her beautiful work, and she discussed life as a young woman woodworker growing up in a woodworking family. And judging by the smiles on attendees' faces, it was quite evident how happy those who attended were to be back together once again.

As for those who attempted to watch via Zoom, my apologies for what a disappointing experience it must have been. I won't elaborate on all the technical issues that popped up, but I will say that there is reason to believe that we will get past them. A few of us met at the MVCS for several hours with an audio/video engineer who has expertise with hybrid meetings (in-person plus Zoom), and he was able to identify a couple of correctable issues, as well as give us some training in the operation of the school's soundboard. So there is hope!!!

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This month, unfortunately, our November speaker has had to reschedule and it's left us scrambling a bit to come up with another program on short notice. Many thanks to NCWA member, Nick Pederson, who stepped up in the bottom of the ninth to pinch hit. You'll find more detail elsewhere in this newsletter, but in short, Nick will be giving us a virtual tour of his shop via Zoom and discussing some of his favorite tools and processes for building some of his beautiful pieces.

If you participate in the club's email chat group, NCWA-Chat (which provides a wonderful, informative, and humorous daily dose of great woodworking chatter from engaged members), you know that Nick is a very talented, as well as prolific woodworker. Save your questions, and your puns, for Nick's tour!

**Note: there will be NO in-person component for our November meeting...
Zoom only!**

Greg Koenker, NCWA President

November 1st, 7 PM VIA ZOOM



Nick Pederson

Nick will be giving a virtual walking tour of his shop, with emphasis on the things he's done that might be different from what some folks have seen before.

He'll also showcase some of his favorite tools and his solutions for storing them.

He'll have 2 or 3 of his projects on display and will discuss how they were built, along with the specific challenges he faced and how they were addressed, including the complexities of the bent lamination he used on the legs of this beautiful table.

Be ready for an open discussion filled with tips, tricks, techniques, and undoubtedly...a healthy dose of humor!

\$35.00 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES for 2023

Submitted by Al Ashley - NCWA Treasurer

A reminder – it's time to renew your membership for 2023 (no dues increase for 2023).

Dues for 2023 have been rolling in and we need to keep them coming! About a third of our club members have already renewed their membership for next year.

Members have the option to renew their membership and pay their dues on-line using PayPal, or by mailing a check to the NCWA Treasurer.

1. To pay dues on-line with **PayPal**:

- Log on the NCWA web page (<https://www.ncwawood.org/>) and click on the "Debit or Credit Card" PayPal button, enter your debit or credit card information (\$35.00 will automatically be charged to your card).

2. To pay dues with a personal check:

- Mail a \$35.00 check (payable to: **NCWA**) to the Club's treasurer:
NCWA
c/o Al Ashley
26220 48th Ave NE
Arlington, WA 98223

Membership cards will be distributed to renewing members beginning in January.

Some of the many benefits of membership include:

- Purchase discounts from our vendor support group,
- Monthly membership meetings via Zoom (resumption of in-person meetings pending for 2022),
- **Virtual Shop Talk** meetings (VST) online - Zoom,
- NCWA woodworking classes (pending for 2022),
- Monthly newsletter,
- Library books and DVDs,
- NCWA Chat - an online forum available only to our membership, and
- The opportunity to associate with the best group of woodworkers in the Northwest!

Mark Your Calendars...

November 1, 7 PM: The **November General Meeting via Zoom** will feature our own, Nick Pederson. If you're on Instagram (*and why wouldn't you be?*), Nick's user name is nicks_wood_designs

December 6, 7 PM: The **2022 YEAR END PRESIDENT'S RECAP**

Bring & Brag

A few days prior to the monthly meeting, submit 3-4 photos of your project, along with pertinent information like wood species, type of finish, or any other notes of interest to Greg Koenker at gkoenker@gmail.com

Submitted by Peter Gantt: This is a small bowl carved from a piece of wild cherry. It references the small grease bowls that native Americans used to dip various foods in.

The most interesting part of this bowl is the rim that has a repetitive chip carved design along it. It almost takes on a Scandinavian look.

This bowl was carved during the Anacortez Arts Festival at the clubs demo booth.



Submitted by David Shull: A pair of spalted birch bowls, made from the trunk of a birch tree given to him by an NCWA club member.



Submitted by Christina Keenan: I designed this to serve as a printer stand, with printer on top and supplies just below it. The wood is pine, with Benite treatment, teak stain and polyurethane coating. It has an open, minimalist look for style and functional reasons: the bottom shelf will hold a large HEPA air cleaner which needs unrestricted air flow around it.

I want to thank two of our members for their help. Stuart Welch cut the wood to my specifications, but added the interlocking feature between the uprights and the shelves which not only looks better but made fitting the pieces together easy. George Knutson helped me to stabilize the stand which originally shook like an earthquake when I'd print anything... a problem I hadn't anticipated when I designed it. (Oops!) Stuart's and George's creative efforts took significant time out of their schedules, and I am thankful to both of them.



Submitted by George Lanphear: Here is a photo of my Rocking Unicorn. Made from common 2" x 6" fir and 1" x 6" pine. Saddle is from a chunk of 8/4 cherry re-sawn to 3/8". Finished with poly acrylic.

Vote for the 2023 NCWA Officers

It's election time once again! Per our club Bylaws, each December, NCWA members are asked to cast a vote for incoming officers to serve the next calendar year, from January 1 - December 31. Officer positions include club President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. As you know, our volunteer Board of Directors and the NCWA Officers strive to provide club members with an engaging and educational experience. Quite simply, the goal is to create an all-around enjoyable place for those interested in the craft of woodworking to connect, share, and learn from one another.

Support from members, officers, and board members alike, combine to make NCWA the exceptional woodworker's club that it is. As we all evolve together, participation on committees, on the board, or as officers helps to strengthen our already robust foundation, and guide us into the future.

This year's slate of officers that we will vote on include...

President – John Ellis

Vice President – Nick Pederson

Treasurer – Al Ashley

Secretary – Christi Brua Weaver

A Reminder... NCWA Library Introduces a Meeting-Based Reservation Service

Submitted by Bill Pierce

Starting October 1st, and continuing through the end of this year, the NCWA Library is adapting our service model, as we resume in-person meetings. This will replace our pandemic, mail-based service. Here's how it works:

About 10 days before the monthly meeting, we will send out a PDF list of available materials to members, via email, but you can request items at any time of the month.

Requests: Email your request for up to 5 items. Send your name, item titles, and call numbers to Richard Gillingham candgachers@yahoo.com. Richard will advise you if the item(s) are available or currently out. If the item(s) are still available, we will have the items you requested in a bag with your name on it waiting for you at the next monthly meeting. You will have until 7pm the day before the meeting to request items for that meeting.

To accommodate uncertainty around attending in-person meetings, we are extending the check-out period to **3 months**.

Returns: Previous drop-off locations will be discontinued. When you are done with the item, you can return it to a drop box at the monthly meeting, or mail it back to Brannon Mucke, 1213 S 12th St., Mt. Vernon, 98274.

Overdue notices will be sent out on all items held over three months. If you get one, please bring the item to the next monthly meeting, or make other arrangements to return it with Richard. We will try to be flexible, as we realize that not all members will be comfortable attending all meetings. We appreciate your patience as we try to adapt our service to changing circumstances.

Feel free to email Library Chair, Bill Pierce at library@ncwawood.org if you have any questions.

Community Bulletin Board

Jim Baker is offering his newly constructed kiln for the purposes of kiln-drying wood for members.

The kiln can hold between 350-400 board feet at one time.

- **To Dry Wood - .50 cents/bd ft (max 8' 6" L X 2' W)**
- **To Kill Bugs - .30 cents/bd ft (140° for 4 hours)**

Contact Jim at 360-739-6390

His shop is on Lakeway Drive in B'ham

If you'd like to let other members know of tools or wood you have for sale, or if you offer any type of service you feel would benefit members, here's the place to post it. Just send King Dahl an email at kingdahl1@gmail.com for inclusion in the monthly newsletter.

Meeting Minutes

Minutes of General Membership Meeting

October 4, 2022

This meeting was intended to be presented as a hybrid Zoom and in-person meeting from the Mt. Vernon Christian School. Unfortunately, due to technical issues the Zoom portion did not work out as expected.

The meeting was called to order shortly after 7:00 PM.

Treasurer's report (Al Ashley). Al reported no significant changes to our financials. Al also mentioned that dues for 2023 are remaining at \$35.00 and are being accepted via cash (at meetings), check (at meetings or by mail) and Pay Pal. Check the Newsletter for further information.

Many of the Committee Chairpersons were not in attendance, and most Committee reports were omitted.

Bring & Brag. Tom Napier brought a Lazy Susan made of Walnut, Maple and Cherry strips. This was an example of several that Tom had made for family. The strips had been glued up into 2' X 2' blocks, cut to circles and edge rounded with a router.

George Lanphear displayed a "Rocking Unicorn" built using common pine and fir lumber. A saddle was made from a piece of cherry resawn to ¼" thickness and glued on.

Peter Gantt had carved a bowl with detailed edgework out of cherry.

David Steel had made a "Stool Sample" as a gag gift for his doctor. Wood type(s) unknown.

David Schull showed two turned bowls made of Spalted Birch.

Photos of the Bring & Brag items should be available to view in the Newsletter.

The remainder of the meeting was turned over to our guest speaker, Alex Dolese of Dolese Woodworks. Alex gave a talk about how she got started as a woodworker and subsequently grew that into a successful business in Bozeman, MT.

After a question and answer session with Alex, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by George Lanphear, NCWA Secretary

NCWA Board of Directors Meeting (Zoom)**October 13, 2022**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Members present included Greg Koenker, John Ellis, Al Ashley, George Lanphear, King Dahl, John Braun, Jim Ferguson, George Knutson, Nick Pederson, Mike Titus, Jerry Couchman, Tony Etienne, Sascha Vandette, and Bill Pierce.

Treasurer's Report (Al Ashley) Al had sent copies of the monthly report and the proposed budget for 2023 to all board members via email prior to the meeting.

The monthly report was covered with no objections or changes. The proposed budget was covered in depth and several items were either clarified or changed. The final budget will be presented in November and voted on by the Board.

Membership Committee (Jerry Couchman) Jerry reported no new members added in September and we have 1 new member so far in October.

Programs Committee (Jim Ferguson) Jim is actively pursuing guest presenters for 2023. As a side note, the Mt. Vernon Christian School facility will not be available December 2022 or February 2023. December can be handled as a Zoom meeting.

Other information regarding monthly meetings. The coffee urns used at the monthly meetings have not been located. Sascha Vandette has offered to donate a 60 cup urn that she has. A motion was made to accept her donation and in addition purchase a second 60 - 75 cup urn and a 30cup urn. (One Caffeine, one Decaf, one hot water) Motion passed. John Ellis will pursue this.

Education Committee (Sascha Vandette) Nothing new to report.

Toys for Tots (John Braun) "Making toys." Greg Koenker offered to make his CNC machine available to cut out blanks. The committee will work with Greg to take advantage of his offer.

Shows Committee (King Dahl/Sascha Vandette.) Nothing to report.

John Ellis presented the proposed Slate of Officers for 2023: President: John Ellis – Vice President: Nick Pederson – Treasurer: Al Ashley – Secretary: Christi Brau Weaver – Members at Large: Peter Gent, Chuck Barnett

Update on hybrid meetings. There is a meeting scheduled on 10/21 with a consultant to determine whether we will be able to make this happen. More details coming.

Discussion of the Annual Spirit Award. At this point in time there are no clear procedures for how this is awarded and who is responsible for this. A motion was made to assign this to the Members at Large. Motion passed. It will be left up to the Members at Large to choose a lead person for this task.

Motion to adjourn was made. Meeting ended at approximately 9:00PM *Submitted by George Lanphear, NCWA Secretary*

Preferred Vendors offering DISCOUNTS to NCWA Members:

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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. Dues are \$35 per year, payable to NCWA, 26220 48th Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223. Submit newsletter articles by email to kingdahl1@gmail.com.

NCWA 2022 Board of Directors:

President – Greg Koenker

Immediate Past President – King Dahl

Vice President – John Ellis

Treasurer – Al Ashley

Secretary – George Lanphear

Members at Large – Nick Pederson, Jim Bucknell, Tony Etienne, George Knutson

Committee Chairs:

Programs Committee – Jim Ferguson

Library – Bill Pierce

Education – Sascha Vandette

Membership – Jerry Couchman

Shows – David and Sascha Vandette

Shop Tours – Jim Redding

Toys for Tots – John Braun


Webmaster – Michael Titus

Newsletter – King Dahl

NCWA Resources

Click this link – [NCWA Resources](#) – for our user-friendly database serving the purpose of storing information about recommendations from NCWA members.

There are 5 tables (1 tab for each) across the top, you can click each one to see its contents. This page is evolving and being updated in real time, so there will be new additions frequently.

NCWA Resources

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Commercial Resources

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Recommendation Topics

Locations

- **Commercial Resources:** list of companies (incl website and phone #) and what people recommend them for
- **Educational Resources:** online resources for different topics, grouped by topic (this doesn't have to be limited to videos, we can have books and other stuff too)
- **Members Recommend:** This table is automatically generated by the first two, and keeps track of who's recommending what
- **Recommendation Topics:** This is another automatic table, and lists commercial resources (the first table) grouped by topic
- **Locations:** a final automatic table that lists which commercial resources (again, the first table) are located in which cities, so that it's easier to see what's near you

Let Tony know, or post on NCWA-Chat, what you think. This has the potential of being a super convenient, user-friendly database for all members.