



Newsletter

Apr. 2014

From Our President Pat Hickey

I was in the Finch Arboretum a while back and saw some folks in their maintenance shack. I stopped to talk with them about what they did when they trimmed the trees and if they had any wood available. Well, the Spokane City Urban Forester was there and he told me he was looking for someone to give the wood too who could make something out of it. He was just at a Foresters meeting in Seattle and they went to the Seattle Woodworkers Guild which makes furniture and other items out of reclaimed wood from the Seattle area. He was impressed and wanted to do the same type of thing in Spokane.

He showed me one of his wood stashes where they put the old trees and pieces they take out of the parks, etc., when the trees are damaged or need to be taken out. What a pile! I took a few pieces (they were on the table at the last meeting). Ron Gooley took a piece of hawthorn and he is real excited about getting some more. He made a very nice natural edge bowl; it should be on the table at the May meeting.

Anyway, some of the Board members are working on getting a system where we can routinely get what the City has to offer, oak, maple, hawthorn, locust, black walnut, cherry, you name it. A couple of us have heavy duty trailers that we can load up the logs and big pieces and Carl Bodenstein has graciously offered his property and equipment to unload the stuff where we can process it into usable pieces. We are almost ready to get the first load. When that happens we will send out a notification to those who want to come and get some. Be sure you have some Anchor Seal or other sealant to coat your stuff. The first load may not be real fresh but is still wet on the inside. I know I turned a couple of big maple bowls and got wet.

If anyone else has a trailer or a place to process the stuff let us know!

PS we could use a portable mill if you know of anyone.

I hope you all have looked at the By-Laws. We are going to vote on acceptance at the May meeting. This doesn't mean any further comments will not be accepted as we review the By-Laws every year.

We are continuing to work on our meeting and event schedule and hope to have that on the website so you can see what is coming up. In June, Everett Best will do another carving demonstration. Everyone should be familiar with Everett's work as he is prolific and always has something on the table.

We need a host/planner for the Summer Picnic and a planner for our December Holiday Party.

May 1st – Basic Bowls

June 5th – Carving enhancements

July (June 26th?) – Open turning competition – the honey dipper.

August – Picnic, TBD

September 4th – Holiday toys and ornaments

October 2nd – Donut Chuck

November 6th – Natural Edge bowls

December 4th – Holiday Party

Christmas in September

The theme for the September 4th meeting will be Christmas in September. The emphasis will be on making Christmas gifts and ornaments. However, instead of having a single demonstrator showing how to turn an ornament or a gift, we are looking for several demonstrators showing how to turn different ornaments and gifts on the midi-lathes at Woodcraft.

This is an opportunity to for you to show others in the club your skills in turning small (or large) projects. We expect each demonstrator to explain the project, demonstrate at least one aspect of the project and provide a short half to full page handout of the project. And we can help you with it all!

Contact Frank Hutchison, frank.hutchison@comcast.net or (509) 434-4880, for project ideas from American Woodturner including articles that you can use to develop your projects.

Frank E. Hutchison

By-Laws of the Inland Northwest Woodturners

4/5/2014

ACCEPTANCE OF THESE BY-LAWS:

These By-Laws have been drawn up, agreed upon, and adopted by Inland Northwest Woodturners (INWT) in Spokane, Washington on 4/5/2014.

Signed:

President: _____ Date: _____

Vice President: _____ Date: _____

Secretary: _____ Date: _____

Treasurer: _____ Date: _____

ARTICLE I – ORGANIZERS AND LOCATION

The Chapter organizer or contact is: Patrick M. Hickey

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Cities or locations from which you expect to draw members: Eastern Washington, Northern Idaho, Western Montana, and South-eastern British Columbia.

Number of Members at this time: 95

ARTICLE II – OFFICES

The principle office or meeting place of this Chapter: Woodcraft Store located at 212 North Sullivan in Spokane Valley. A change in meeting location can be authorized at any time by the Leadership Board with sufficient notice to the membership.

ARTICLE III – RELATION OF CHAPTER TO THE CORPORATE ORGANIZATION

All Board Officers of INWT agree to be members in good standing of the American Association of Woodturners, Inc. It is the intent of the INWT to foster the formation and maintenance of the Chapter in good standing to achieve the objectives of the AAW and for the benefit of the Members. The INWT Leadership Board (INWT Board) has primary responsibility for overseeing these by-laws.

The chapter will be governed by the Certificate of Incorporation of the AAW, by the provisions of the statutes under which the AAW is incorporated, by the Bylaws of the AAW, by the AAW's Policies, and by the chapter's Policies.

While it is understood that the parent organization will provide advice and counsel, as requested, Local Chapters are advised that the nature and extent of their activities are left to their discretion. Demonstrations, while probably part of the normal activities of Local Chapters, are to be conducted solely at the discretion of Local Officers, and all safety and instruction is to be under their explicit direction and control. The national office strongly recommends placing some sort of sign or notice on or around any lathe used for demonstration; that safety eye protection must be worn and a full face shield when needed. Use a dust mask and wear hearing protection. The lathe is a potentially dangerous instrument only to be used with Chapter approved supervision.

ARTICLE IV – PURPOSES

“The Association’s purpose is to foster a wider understanding and appreciation of lathe-turning as a traditional and contemporary craft and a form of art among the general public, amateur turners, part-time turners, and professional turners. This will be accomplished by providing education, information, organization, technical assistance, and publications relating to woodturning.” AAW By-Laws.

The Chapter’s purposes, in addition to supporting the general purposes of the parent organization, are:

- 1) To provide a meeting place for local woodturners;
- 2) To share ideas and techniques regarding this craft,
- 3) To trade woods,
- 4) To exchange ideas about tools,
- 5) Provide opportunities to demonstrate and show members work,
- 6) Participate in charitable activities, such as Pens for Vets, making toys for the local children’s hospital, and other events as approved by the members and leadership committees.

ARTICLE V – MEMBERSHIP

Anyone will be eligible for affiliation with this chapter regardless of membership in AAW or any other characteristic. Annual membership fees for this Chapter will be \$30.00 per year prorated from initial joining for first year. Failure to pay membership dues will terminate membership in this chapter.

ARTICLE VI – MEETINGS

This Chapter will meet every 1st Thursday of the month. The meetings will begin at 6:30 pm.

The meetings will be held at the Woodcraft Store located at 212 North Sullivan in Spokane Valley.

A notice of each meeting will be sent to each member at least 10 days before it is scheduled.

The chapter will provide at least ten woodturning development events each year. Examples include speakers, panel discussions, workshops, seminars, conferences, etc.

A summer social picnic event will be held in July or August depending on the availability of the host and planning committee.

A holiday party will be held at the December meeting.

ARTICLE VII – OFFICERS

A. Number and Election. The Officers of this Chapter shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. These officers shall be elected by a majority vote of the Chapter’s paid-up members at the December meeting and terms will be for one calendar year starting January 1st of the year following the election. Such Officers and Assistant Officers as deemed necessary may be elected by the Chapter members or appointed by the elected Officers. Members of the local chapter are encouraged to attend board meetings on the third Thursday of the month at a location and a time selected by the Board. Members that attend at least 3 board meetings and have an understanding of the workings of the Board and Chapter are eligible for nomination as Officers. This will ensure education of future Board Members and Officers and continuity in the Chapter function.

If there is not more than one nominee for an elected position, the nominee will be declared elected by acclamation at the next regular meeting of this chapter. Any contested positions will be resolved through an election. Such election will be conducted in the manner deemed appropriate by the Leadership Board (i.e., by regular mail, electronic mail, by ballot at a chapter meeting, etc.). The nominee with a plurality (simple majority) of the votes of the members will be declared elected.

B. Term of Office. Each Officer shall hold office until sufficient nominations are made to elect new officers. (See above acclamation). A minimum period of Officer service should be one year, unless exceptional conditions preclude such service.

C. Removal. Any Officer elected or appointed may be removed when it is deemed that the best interests of the Chapter would be served by such removal. This would be accomplished by a majority vote of the Chapter’s members who are present at the time of the vote, so long as at least 50% of the paid-up members are present, or participate in other forms of vote, such as electronic means.

D. Vacancies in elected officer positions, except for the chapter President, may be filled by appointment by the chapter President with the approval of the Leadership Board. Vacancy of the chapter President position will be filled by the next ranking elected officer. Vacancy appointments will fill the remaining unexpired term.

E. **President.** The President shall be the principal executive officer of the Chapter. His/Her duties include:

- 1) Supervise and manage all of the business and affairs of the Chapter;
- 2) Conduct Chapter meetings;
- 3) Liaison between this chapter and the AAW regarding chapter membership and activities,
- 4) Preside over the INWT Leadership Board (INWT Board) meetings.
- 5) Appoint all standing and additional committee chairs.
- 6) Ensure that the INWT meets the minimum requirements as requested annually by AAW.
- 7) Work with INWT Board to set goals/metrics to support the INWT management process.
- 8) Ensure that the INWT Board report on activities performed, status of performance against goals/metric set, etc.
- 9) Along with INWT Board, develop INWT business plan and budget, including INWT Board and general membership meetings schedules.

F. **Vice President.** In the absence of the President or in the event of his/her death, inability, or refusal to act, the Vice President shall perform the duties of President, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. The Vice President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the President.

G. **Secretary.** The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the Chapter's meetings in one or more books provided for that purpose and see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these By-Laws. In general, the Secretary shall perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the President.

The Secretary will serve as the official correspondent of the INWT.

- 1) Work with INWT Leadership Board (INWT Board) to set goals/metrics to support the INWT's management process, as related to the documentation of INWT records and correspondence.
- 2) Communicate/report to the INWT Board activities performed, status of performance against goals/metric set, etc. for the documentation of INWT records and correspondence.
- 3) Ensure that meeting notices are provided to members in a timely manner.
- 4) Record all INWT Board meetings. Maintain careful and authentic records of the proceedings of all business meetings of the INWT. These are the legal records of the INWT.
- 5) At each meeting, read the minutes of the previous meeting for approval. (An alternative is to provide the minutes of each meeting with the notice of the upcoming meeting and accept approvals or corrections at the meeting.)
- 6) Provide minutes of any meeting to members upon request.
- 7) Have available, at any meeting, copies of past minutes and parliamentary reference (Robert's Rules of Order).
- 8) Prepare agenda showing exact order of business to be conducted, including business carried over from any previous meeting.
- 9) Update INWT policies and procedures from amendments captured in minutes; ensure that proper procedure is followed in any amendment process. Ensure alignment of INWT policies with AAW bylaws, policies and procedures.
- 10) Serve as primary correspondent for the INWT. Sign any documents representing official acts, orders or proceedings along with the Chair. Direct printing and mailing of notices, ballots and other information provided to members.

H. **Treasurer.** The treasurer shall collect all membership fees and all other monies belonging to the Chapter. He/She will be responsible for keeping current and accurate records of all monies that flow through the Chapter and also for ensuring that all local Chapter officers are current paid-up members of the national organization. In general, the Treasurer shall perform all of the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the President.

- 1) Work with INWT Leadership Board (INWT Board) to set goals/metrics to support the INWT's management processes as they relate to INWT financial responsibilities
- 2) Communicate/report to the INWT Board activities performed, status of performance against goals/metric set, etc. for INWT financial responsibilities.
- 3) Maintain the INWT finances; make and record deposits and retain custody of all funds belonging to the INWT; authorize dispensing of INWT funds for eligible expenses.
- 4) Develop the INWT budget with the INWT Board; monitor the INWT budget and maintain accurate records of all receipts, bills, and disbursements.
- 5) Maintain current financial records for any events and/or activities sponsored by the INWT.
- 6) Provide INWT Board with monthly and quarterly treasury reports.
- 7) Submit any financial reports to the AAW as required.

Prepare an INWT annual report, coordinate audit of the report and submit to the Chair by August 15

I. Membership Chair. The Membership Chair is responsible for recruitment and retention efforts.

- 1) Work with leadership committee to set goals/metrics to support the management process as it relates to member recruitment and retention.
- 2) Communicate/report to the leadership committee activities performed, status of performance against goals/metric set, etc. for member recruitment and retention.
- 3) Be the advocate for member value, satisfaction and loyalty.
- 4) Work with the leadership committee to obtain necessary information regarding member demographics and expectations to recommend appropriate programs and services.
- 5) Develop and implement, or maintain, welcome program for communicating with new members and introducing them to programs and services.
- 6) Ensure that all members are being communicated to regularly and in accordance with their preferences.
- 7) Develop and implement, or maintain, program for following up with unpaid members to encourage them to renew their AAW and INWT membership and to continue accessing programs and services.
- 8) Develop and implement, or maintain, a recruitment program.
- 9) Maintain the club roster on the website and ensure that the club's gmail account is kept synchronized with said roster
- 10) Produce and maintain membership badges for all members.
- 11) Produce and maintain a ready supply of membership applications.
- 12) Collect annual dues and new member dues at the meetings and provide proceeds to Treasurer for deposit after each meeting.

J. Programs Chair. Responsible for planning and implementing programs and activities of the Chapter.

- 1) Work with INWT Leadership Board to set goals/metrics to support the INWT's management process as they relate to programs and activities development.
- 2) Communicate/report to the INWT Leadership Board activities performed, status of performance against, goals/metric set, etc. for member program and activities development.
- 3) Research and suggest demonstrators for Chapter meetings.
- 4) Recruit and coordinate bringing in outside demonstrators.
- 5) Work with location managers, if applicable, to coordinate speaker needs.
- 6) Work with newsletter editor to publish events in a timely manner.

K. Web Coordinator. Oversee the Chapters' Website design and functionality and maintain a continuous reliable source for INWT information via the Internet.

- 1) Work with leadership Board to set goals/metrics to support the management process as it relates to the member unit's Internet presence.
- 2) Communicate/report to the leadership committee activities performed, status of performance against goals/metric set, etc. for the member unit's Internet presence.
- 3) Maintain INWT Web page
- 4) Ensure Officers and Board members have appropriate access and knowledge to update areas of the website.
- 5) Update website information and design as suggested by the officers and board.
- 6) Provide current and relevant information about the INWT, such as history, mission (should include the AAW mission statement), goals, membership benefits, events and activities, and reliable contact information for key volunteers, etc.
- 7) Be available and knowledgeable of www.AAW.org to answer questions and provide support to members and other volunteers who need assistance.
- 8) Educate members on the features and information available on www.AAW.org to encourage utilization of the Web site.
- 9) Adhere to established copyright laws.

L. Newsletter Editor. Ensure that members receive an informative newsletter on a consistent and timely basis by coordinating the content, publication and mailing of the newsletter in a manner consistent with the member's preferences for communication.

- 1) Work with leadership Board to set goals/metrics to support the management process as they relate to the newsletter.
- 2) Establish goals and objectives for the newsletter, including providing the newsletter in a variety of formats to accommodate member preferences for receiving information.
- 3) Prepare and submit budget for newsletter to treasurer.
- 4) Establish and adhere to a publication calendar for the newsletter and share this information with other volunteers who will need to submit content throughout the year.
- 5) Coordinate creation and distribution including printing and mailing as determined by the INWT LC. Be knowledgeable of options and allow sufficient delivery time for each newsletter to ensure content is always timely.
- 6) Seek regular contributors and develop reliable sources of information to include in each issue.
- 7) Design, layout, and edit each newsletter, adhering to AAW logo guidelines.
- 8) Ensure that the current membership list is used for each mailing and filter the data according to member preferences for communication.

Article VIII Leadership Board

A. The President will appoint committee chairs for an auditing committee, membership committee, and nominating committee. Additional committees, such as programs committee, education committee, charitable projects committee, and Youth participation committee, may be established by this chapter. Leadership Board members may not hold more than one elected office, but they may head one or more committees. Chairs of ad hoc committees are not considered to be voting members of the Leadership Board, unless so indicated by the chapter's Policies or position descriptions. All appointed committee chairs must be members in good standing of the chapter.

- ◇ Program committee: plan meetings and outside demonstrators. Coordinate chapter participation in the annual Carvers Club Show and Pottery Place Plus.
- ◇ Education committee: put together materials, tools, videos, etc. for members' education. Suggest educational materials for purchase or procurement for the chapter library.
- ◇ Charitable projects committee: plan charitable events and projects, such as toys and other needs for Sacred Heart Children's Hospital, Pens for Vets, and other events.
- ◇ Youth Participation committee: Determine events and programs that include youth, such as participation in demonstrations at High Schools (Shops), Grade Schools, and other youth venues. Suggest programs that will attract or be interesting to young people.

B. The chapter Leadership Board will have management and oversight of the affairs of the chapter and its relations with the AAW. Current Board members include; the President, Treasurer, Past President, Demonstrator Chair, Web Coordinator, and other Members at large, as may be approved, from time to time, by the existing Board.

C. The chapter will complete and maintain a current roster of Leadership Board members with AAW. Information will be provided to AAW Headquarters by the date specified each year. Updates to the roster are made as they occur. All Leadership Board members will submit e-mail addresses, if available, for communication purposes.

D. The Leadership Board will meet the 3rd Thursday of the month at a place and time decided by the Board. This meeting may be held in a variety of ways (in person, via conference call, electronically using the internet, other methods deemed appropriate, or any combination of methods). The chapter will prepare meeting minutes (or a summary) of each Leadership Board meeting and will make such minutes (or summary) available to all members. The Leadership Board may make the meeting minutes (or summary) available to members in a variety of ways (i.e., upon request, in the chapter newsletter, posted on Web site, etc.).

Article IX Business Plan and Financials

A. The chapter will create an annual business plan, aligned with the AAW's strategic direction. The annual business plan will include this chapter's goals for the year and will contain a listing of the various proposed activities. Chapter goals and objectives should align with the strategic themes documented in the AAW's strategy. The annual business plan (or a summary) will be made available to all chapter members in any manner deemed appropriate by the Leadership Committee. For example, the chapter may explain the annual business plan in the chapter's newsletter, post it on the chapter's Web site, mail it upon request, make it available at chapter meetings, etc. The annual business plan will be reviewed and updated as necessary by the Leadership Board at least once each quarter.

B. The chapter will create an operating budget in conjunction with its preparation of the annual business plan. The chapter will make the chapter operating budget available to all members in the same manner in which it makes the annual business plan available to members. The operating budget will serve as a planning document defining projected chapter expenses and revenues for the upcoming year.

C. The chapter will create an annual report that includes information regarding the chapter's membership numbers, financial performance, and progress toward annual goals as specified in the annual business plan. The annual report will contain membership numbers, including at a minimum, the total number of chapter members at the beginning and at the end of each fiscal year. Financial performance items detailed in the annual report will minimally include total revenue and expenses of this chapter for each fiscal year. The chapter will make such annual report (or a summary) available to all members in the same manner in which it makes the annual business plan available to members. The report need not be lengthy or exhaustive.

D. The chapter will conduct an annual internal review of its financial records. Such internal review will be conducted by the Auditing Committee in accordance with AAW Policies for financial reporting and auditing committee guidelines.

E. The chapter will provide a minimum of one communication to its members each calendar quarter for the purpose of updating chapter members regarding chapter activities. Such communication may be a newsletter, mailing, Web site posting, e-mail notice, etc. This communication should be available to each member, regardless of delivery channel.

ARTICLE X – INDEBTEDNESS

AAW's national office MUST be notified in writing PRIOR to a Local Chapter incurring any indebtedness for AAW.

ARTICLE XI – AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF WOODTURNER'S DISCLAIMERS: FISCAL AND LEGAL

The corporation, the American Association of Woodturners, Inc., specifically disassociates itself from any debts, obligations or encumbrances of the Local Chapter. The Corporate Board of Directors of AAW is not responsible for the debts, nor shares in the profits of the Local Chapters. The Corporate Organization does not shoulder any legal liability for accidents that occur during events of any kind sponsored or not sponsored by a Local Chapter. The Inland Northwest Woodturners specifically disassociates itself from any debts, obligations or encumbrances of the American Association of Woodturners. The Board of Directors of the Inland Northwest Woodturners is not responsible for the debts nor shares in the profits of the American Association of Woodturners. The Inland Northwest Woodturners does not shoulder any legal liability for accidents that occur during events of any kind sponsored or not sponsored by the National Organization.

ARTICLE XII – AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be altered, amended, or repealed and new By-Laws may be adopted by a vote of a simple majority of the qualified voting members of the Chapter then casting ballots. Copies of all modifications to these By-Laws MUST be filed with the national office of AAW.

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Woodturners of Olympia, Wa.
2014 Creativity in Woodturning Symposium
FEATURING RICHARD RAFFAN
July 26, 2014 with Workshops

On July 26, 2014 the Woodturners of Olympia will conduct its seventh Annual symposium, Creativity in Woodturning, in Lacey, Washington. This year's featured demonstrator will be Richard Raffan from Australia. The introductory demonstrator from the Northwest will be Nick Stagg from Independence, Oregon. Richard Raffan will also conduct 4 days of classes from July 27-30.

More information is available, or registration can be done, on-line at

<http://www.woodturnersofolympia.org>

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We invite contributions to the newsletter.
Or if you have other suggestions for our
newsletter please forward them to
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Sonja has posted additional photos of the March, 2014, meeting at:

<https://picasaweb.google.com/101019839709703453331/INWWMeetingMar2014?authuser=0&authkey=Gv1sRgCNKb5r251PDW-gE&feat=directlink>

Annual dues are now payable. As previously announced, dues have been increased to \$30 per year to cover increased expenses for chapter insurance and website maintenance and hosting. The club is now able to accept debit and credit cards at the meeting in addition to checks and cash.