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(Note: No RawHide Gazette in June)



June 15th at Noon Don't miss it!



Leather Garage Sale (Tools, Leather and Craft items), Food and Fun at the June 15th Meeting! Don't miss this meeting.

#### **Meeting Announcement**

NEXT MEETING:

Meeting time:

Noon-5pm
June—15th
Meeting at
Issaquah

(see map on back page)

#### Ken's Knothole

Had a great May meeting at MacPherson's Leather Co. in Seattle, hosted by Greg MacPherson and his daughter, Amber, who has begun working in the craft parts of their business and represents the 6th generation in their family business. She's even learning how to carve and pound on some leather. Greg mentioned that they have a web site up and running and are looking at having their next catalog be totally on-line. Visit them on the web at: www.macphersonleath

<u>er.com</u> As usual, I think most everyone found a few tools, leather scraps, hides, glue, etc. that they couldn't go home without. Our thanks to Greg and Amber.

#### **JUNE MEETING:**

June 15th, will be back at our meeting spot in Issaquah (see map at back), and will be our **Annual Barbecue/Picnic** and **Leather-related Yard Sale**.

We'll have tables for people to spread their

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extra tools, leather, etc. out to sell and the Co-op will provide the burgers, dogs, buns, pop, and condiments, plates for the barbecue. If you want to, bring along your favorite salad or dessert for others to sample. We'll start at 12:00. We will have an award ceremony for the **2**<sup>nd</sup> **Annual Bill Churchill Award**, about 2:30 or 3:00.

No formal meetings in July and August, we'll start back up on September 14th, at Issaquah. However, we've talked about getting together during the summer months to work on projects, maybe hold some classes. So we decided on the following:

#### **CLASS in JULY:**

Ken Imus will be teaching his modeling techniques on 7/12/02 and 7/13/03, Saturday and Sunday at the Issaquah Senior Activity Center. He'll supply the leather, cost will be \$30.00. I didn't write down the time, but I think we decided on 10am to 5pm. Call or email me for signup: 425-481-9214, redelk1@msn.com

#### **UFO in AUGUST:**

That would be Un-Finished Object, as in leather project, possibly to turn in for the display case at the **Puyallup Fair**. We are going to get together at the Issaquah Activity Center on Aug 16th, around 9am to 5pm and bring whatever project you are working, maybe get some tips or ideas from others in the Co-op, or just spend a pleasant day pounding, carving, braiding. We might even order some pizza. By the way, we will be collecting your entries for the Puyallup Fair at the June meeting, or the July or August get togethers, or you can drop them off at MacPherson's or call me or General **Seymour**. You'll need to fill out the entry form, and leave with the project, in order to allow us to enter it and to pick it up, for you.

#### **Boy Scout Leather Demos:**

Roundup: 5-31-03, in Lacey or Olympia, about 25 scouts and **Harry Smith** is heading this up.

Scout Camperee, 5-31-03 and 6-1-03, at the fairgrounds in Enumclaw (? at least that's what my notes say, might be Puyallup?) **Marilyn** and **Jeff** are going to be there. Call me if you want more info to go and help them out.

Here is an email back to Ron Hanlin and Dusty:



Photos by Bob Stelmack

Ron, we did use the stamping tools for the beginnings of a kit for Ken Imus and Len Madson, who are teaching a leather working class to seniors, today (May 5th) as a matter of fact, up in Everett. We were going to try to connect them with PK, to get the Scout's kits, but that didn't happen (yet). I'd brought the box of tools and other stuff you donated to the meeting at MacPherson's on Sunday and Dale offered to go through and inventory them for me and when we heard that Ken's and Len's class was the next day, well, those tools were definitely there at the right time! We'd gotten them some pounding blocks at the last meeting, and they had extra swivel knives and mallets. So we were able to get them set up for the class. Dale will bring the rest to the meeting in June and we'll figure out what to do with them then, class kits, raffle,? we'll see, but they will be put to good use Ron. And thanks again from the PSLAC group for your generosity.



#### Leather Suitcase

My latest Antique Fair find is pictured here. I was quite impressed with the solid construction and the corner and handle details. Hum... wonder if I will tackle a project like this?

Bob Stelmack, Wellingore, UK







# June Bar-B-Que PSLAC Meeting

(ed. note: Ron Hanlin was planning to attend the June PSLAC Special Bar-B-Que Meeting and asked Dusty some questions. So, Dusty provided the answers.)

#### **Dusty**

This is Ron from down in Roseburg, Oregon. We want to plan a trip to come to the Bar-B-Que. It's hard to come up for the meetings but we want to make the trip. It is about a 8 hour trip for us.

(Gee it takes us only 2 1/2 hours to get to Issaquah and Bob the editor it takes 12 hours by 747.)

#### What food items do we need to bring?

(Bring anything you would like but since you are so far away—bring some chips and dip or buy a fruit tray or veggie tray at Safeway or the likes. Or if your wife makes a great salad or casserole and you can get it up here.... oh that is too much trouble just go to a super market and make it easy on you and her.)

#### Time and Place to be held?

The place is at Issaquah and the map in the Rawhide Gazette is good. I think the time for garage sale is at noon, the award is about 1: 30 PM and BBQ is about 2:00 PM Plus go to Map Quest and pop in the address they will tell you how to get there, plus all of the exit numbers, etc.

# What is the Leather-Related Garage Sale?

You gave away all the stuff that you could have sold, at the garage sale all leather related things. Or maybe you want to buy some swell stuff. The tables are there to put your stuff on and you sell your stuff for whatever you want and keep all the money. It is a fun thing to do. I get to play Tandy Leather Clerk all over again.

#### We want to donate one more item to the Co-op that we will bring up to the Bar-B-Que a used wooden Stitching Horse that was purchased from Weaver Leather)

Great! That was wonderful tools that you sent to me and I brought it up to the meeting and Ken one of the directors took it home to figure what the Co-op was going to do with it. Some of the tools were going to the kids program and who knows maybe the Co-op is going to sell some of the tools at the garage sale. Then they can buy more leather for the

demos for scouts and the fair.

# We got to go to the Reno Trade Show and have some pictures we would like to share, they are not digital just snap shots. Should we send them to you?

You could send them to me and I could scan them and then e-mail them to Bob. Then I could give them back to you when I see you at the "Garage sale / BBQ."
Mail them to:

Dusty Wert



Dusty, how are you at being a travel agent? We will have one day in Seattle with our daughter who is 8 years old. What would you suggest as a must see thing to do or see?

I have good idea's to what to see in Seattle. Hang on to your hat this is going to be good:

- 1. Go to Seattle Center and go up the Space Needle and see all of Seattle, mountains and Puget Sound. They also have rides for the kids.
- 2. There is the Woodland Park Zoo.
- 3. Pike Place Market. (it is a farmers market started before the turn of the century)
- 4. Take a trip on a ferry to Bainbridge Island or a longer trip to Bremerton from Seattle. See the Navy Yard where some of the ships coming from Iraq are stationed. You will see the Navy Yard from the ferry and you can just walk on and then ride back to Seattle. Bremerton can be interesting but the trip to and from is wonderful. It takes an hour one way.
- 5. Just walking along the waterfront is interesting with shops and restaurants you might take a tour on the water in a boat.

We like to stay at the Marriott at Sea-Tac by the airport. They have nice rooms to where you can see the area on one side or you can have pool side. The pool is popular with the

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kids and the Hot Tub is popular with the adults. We have stayed there many times and always have a good time. The pool side can be noisy if kids get in the pool and there voices echoes like crazy.

I hope this helps you out. I am sure you can't do it all, but pop on the web and put in Seattle see what you come up with and Washington State ferry. Let me know if I can help you.

Thanks for all your help.

Ron, Judy, & Molly Hanlin

The following page have some of the pictures we took at the 2003 Western Leatherworkers Tradeshow in Reno, Nevada.

The hotel was so big it had 7 restaurants including a upscale smorgasbord. We were set for a wounderful weekend of leathercraft instruction, Leather Trade Show and All You Can Eat Buffet.

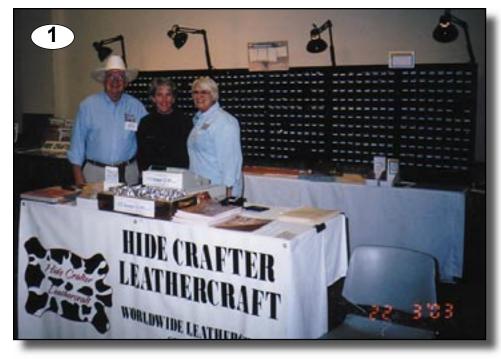
My wife Judy did her first leather project, covering a wooden picture frame with leather class taught by **Dale Grabaski**. She did a wonderful job on her frame and wants to complete it by putting in a beveled mirror.

I took two classes with **Al Gould** the first on **Floral Pattern Layout** and the second was on **Swivel Knife Designs**. What a "Master of the Swivel Knife". Two four hour classes filled with a lifetime of his knowledge he freely shares. I came away encouraged to keep practicing and to improve with each new project.

The Trade Show was a highlight for me, tools tools and more tools. *Can anyone have too many tools?* Judy got to meet **George Hurst** after watching countless hours of **Hidecrafters Video Productions** at home. We had a wonderful time and look forward to the next opportunity to attend.

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## Ron Hanlin's Pictures from the Reno Show

2003 Western Leatherworkers Tradeshow in Reno, Nevada held at the Reno Hilton

- 1 George and Jane Hurst with judy
- 2 Ron and Judy Hanlin
- 3 Al Gould Class at the Reno Show
- 4 Ron and Judy with Dot Reis
- 5 Ron and David Reis

ronhanlin@hotmail.com Ron &Judy Hanlin Roseburg, Oregon





Photos by Ken Eriksen

# The May Meeting at MacPherson's Leather in Seattle

- 1 Greg MacPherson introducing his daughter Amber who is now working with him, helping with the craft side of their business.
- 2 PSLAC group at the meet-

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- 1 General looking at a par-tially tanned hide brought in by Leanne.
- 2 Practice Celtic knotwork pieces, by General

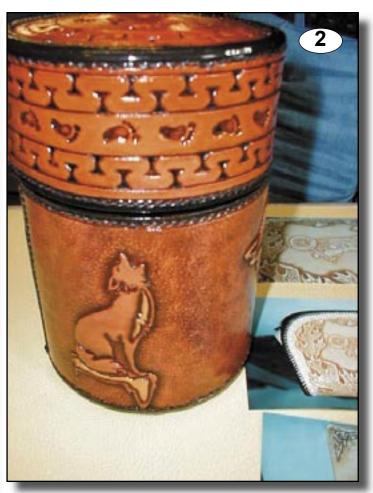
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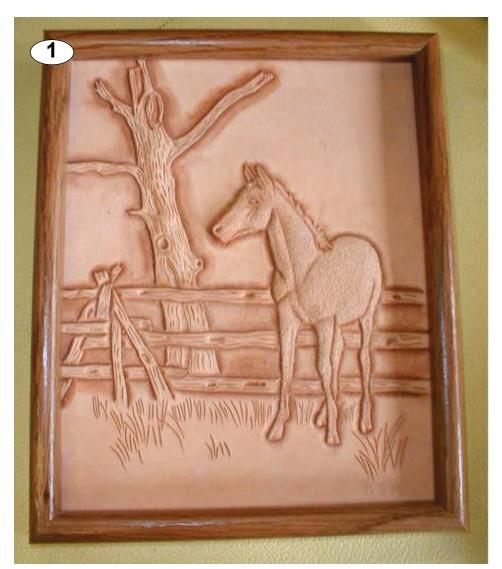
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- 1 Round leather container,by Paula Marquis2 Another round leathercontainer by Paula3 A book cover, by General

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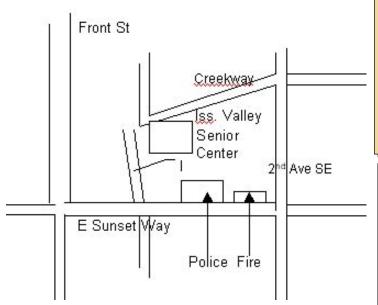
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