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Al & Ann Stohlman, December 1997

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PSLAC East Meeting

We had an full crowd at the PSLAC-East monthly class at the Spokane Leather Factory. Dave Torix showed up between road trips and presented a class on Carving Leaves. Stan McConnell became Dave's gopher while I helped new students start out. My apologies for the blurry photos, my camera just hasn't been the same since I had the lens repaired by Best Buy.

I will be presenting our December class where we will be making Leather Stones, something I have to brush up on before the 2nd Saturday class.

Ken Bush

White Rose Leather whiterosex@aol.com



Meeting Announcement

NEXT MEETING

December 13th, 2009 New start time: 1pm-4pm

meeting first and then the

Demonstration: ???

Meeting location, see map on last page

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PSLAC November Meeting Show & Tell

Here are some photos from the November meeting, Show and Tell.

The project was to **Make a Vase**. Functional or decorative, maker's choice. **Andy, Paula, Fredrica, John, Ken and Norm** entered vases. The January project will be a sheath for a knife, axe, head knife, or any other sharp instrument.

Norm Lynds



John's Vase



Fredrica's Vase



Andy's Vase



Norm's Bud Vase



Paula's Vase (side a)



Paula's Vase (side b)



Paula's Vase (side c)

PSLAC November Meeting Show & Tell (cont.)

Here are some photos from the November meeting, Show and Tell.

Cuo is a student of Andy's at the Seattle Tandy Store. It was his first meeting, and his wallet was his first show and tell. He has been doing leather work now for about 4 months.

Claire Schaefer took a cinch making class given by Benjamin Bork at the Ferdco Pendleton Leather Show held on the 6th and 7th of November.

Phil's horse shoe coasters were made from aluminum horse shoes which were on horses who ran at the old race track during it's last season.

Norm Lynds









When I came home I went into the dining room and noticed the bottle laying in the middle of my Oak dining table. My heart dropped and I was devastated . I looked at the table and noticed that I got lucky. The table cloth

was ruined, but the dye didn't penetrate into the wood.

If you are doing your Christmas projects and do what I did at least use red and green dyes. You might be able to have it blend with the Christmas table cloth.

Remember the tops don't seal so if the bottle falls over it will leak.









When I decided to do some dying I took the dye out of the drawer where I store all of my dyes and antiques, then I did a NO!! NO!! I took it into my dining room and did what

Dusty's Dye Disaster

I had to do, then put the top back on and left the room.

Somehow the bottle fell over. I didn't know that the bottle tipped over and we left for the Island for a couple of weeks.

PSLAC Breakfast (South)

We had a good turn out for **PSLAC** Breakfast (South) November 21, 2009. **General and Ann** weren't at the breakfast because they flew home to Georgia for Thanksgiving. It should be a great time for General and his Mom and of course all the other relatives.

We had 18 members with spouses. For the first time in a long while **Fred and May Nachbar** showed up. Fred brought his Master Piece that he started at the **Harstine Island "Apple Squeeze"** where **Dave Puls** showed off how to "Tool Leather" and Fred showed off how to "Wood Burn" Leather.



Fred Nachbar's "Wood Burn" Leather

I took some pictures of Fred with Master Piece at my place on the Island. He did a great job and I'm sure he is proud of his accomplishment as well he should be.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our friends.

Dusty Wert



Sea Leather Wear New Offerings

Sea Leather Wear has introduced a couple of new offerings:

- ► Large and Extra-Large suede perch skins These skins are a minimum of 22 inches long, may be up to 10 inches wide. and are available in abalone blue, black, dolphin grey, dusty rose, brown, magenta, and purple. They are bundled in packages of 3 and quantities are limited.
- ► Suede salmon factory seconds in over 15 color varieties.

If you ordered previously, and did not provide your feedback, fill in the Customer Satisfaction Survey, and you will receive a 10% discount off of the web price on any purchase made before December 14, 2009.

As another seasonal promotion, if you

purchase any two 10 skin sampler packages, excluding factory seconds, before December 14, an additional 5 carp skins will be included with your purchase. These 2 promotions are not combinable.

At Sea Leather Wear there are no plans in the near future for blogging, tweeting or bleeping, but the What's New? page is updated fairly regularly.

Seasons greetings,

Stanley Major

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Seasons Greetings from DLG's Members Lester & Claire

I hope you had a good year.

I feel good. I try to get out and walk every day when the weather permits at least around the block. We have big blocks. I had a physical from the heart doctor about a week ago. When he was done, he told me I should start making plans for celebrating my 95th birthday, so I must be in pretty good shape yet.

I work around the house as much as I can, which isn't very much. The weather is kind of miserable right now so I stay inside.

It isn't fun walking outside in the cold wind. I live my life a day at a time. I don't plan ahead. Claire takes good care of me and looks after me. I owe her a lot. If it weren't for her, things would be rough. So far, I feel good and I hope it keeps up.

I wish you a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year, and a good year ahead.

Lester







DLG Show & Tell -▶ Dave Richard, Walla Walla, WA,

brought his latest commissioned dual cross draw holster and gun belt. Dave used some of the techniques by the famous



DLG Show & Tell with Dave Richards





holder maker--John Bianchi. Don used the "oil dip bath" for the fisish, but dye continues to bleed off. A little time and some leather finish will fix it right up.





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Ferdco 8th Annual Leather Trade Show, Pendleton Oregon

Hi Folks, We had a great show this year even with attendance down about 20% to 25%. People didn't seem to mingle long. They had a list and came and got their needs and left. Sewing machines sales were slow with both companies with only a few sales at both booths. **Oregon Leather** and **The Leather Factory** did great as always, but I think **Barta Hide** did really well on Friday as well as **Bob Douglas Tools**. Over all we think this was a very good show and look forward to next years.

Folks, if you can you need to attend this show. With 20 expected exhibitors we are able to give them the space that they need to put a lot of merchandise out on display. And as we all know they don't like to take it home once they put is out.

We have already booked this show for next 2 years and it will be bigger and better. Expected instructors for this year will be: Ron JeanBlanc, Monty Beckman, Ty Skiver, Ben Bork, Barry King, Chuck Smith and JD Benner. We will be updating this list through out the year and will get dates and times listed for pre-registration for classes.

See you next year:

Ron JeanBlanc

9th annual Leatherworkers Trade Show November 12th & 13th, 2010















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Ferdco 8th Annual Leather Trade Show (cont.)





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Upcoming Events

Western Washington (Seattle/Tacoma/Everett) PSLAC CURRENT SCHEDULE FOR 2009

- General Member's meetings are on the 2nd Sunday of each Month, (1:00pm till 4.00p.m. approx.)
 unless specified below.
- Meetings held at Issaguah Valley Senior Center, 75 NE Creek Way, Issaguah. WA. 98027.
- February meetings are held at MacPherson's Leather, 519 12th St. S., Seattle WA.

Change in Start time and order of the meeting and demo:

<u>General Meeting (Start at 1PM) followed by the Mini-Demos (Starts at right after General Meeting)</u>. December - ???

All-Day Workshops.

November, December - Workshops will be considered if there are enough subjects and requests.

Breakfast informal get-together locations:

North breakfast >>> Last Friday of the month at 10:00 AM at: Crossroads Restaurant, 1904 201st Pl. S.E., Bothel, WA.

South breakfast >>> The 3rd Saturday of the month at 8:30 AM at: Oscar's Restaurant, 8726 S. Hosmer St., Tacoma, WA, phone: (253) 548 2419

Eastern Washington (Tri-Cities or Spokane) CURRENT SCHEDULE FOR 2009

- **Tri-Cities Desert Leathercraft Group (DLG) Member's meetings** are on the 3rd Saturday of each Month, unless specified below.
- Informal meetings held at 2532 Banyon St., Richland, WA 99352 (call Bob at 509-392-2589 for directions). Google map reference: +46° 16' 19.20", -119° 18' 32.40"

Spokane PSLAC East Member's meetings are on the 2nd Saturday of each Month, unless specified below.

Informal meetings are held at: the Spokane Tandy Leather Factory Store, 28 West Boone Ave.,
 Spokane. WA 99201.

General Meeting, Demos and Workshops.

Now that summer is passing, we are starting up the **Tandy Leather Factory** classes again. The schedule is the same with a few small changes:

Class is at the Spokane Leather Factory. W 28 Boone in Spokane. Our new hours will be 10 AM to 1 PM. No more split sessions.

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After turning onto E Sunset Way:

go two blocks (past the Police and Fire Stations), turn left onto 2nd Ave SE, go past the old Senior Center building on your left, and a baseball field, then left onto NE Creekway, go almost to the railroad tracks. The new Issaquah Valley Senior Center is a brick building on your left, parking in front of it. There is also parking behind, from Sunset, turn left into the parking area, right before the Police Station (look for a large parking sign on your left), and follow it till you see a kids play ground. Address: 75 NE Creekway, Issaquah, WA 98027

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