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Puget Sound Leather Artisans Co-Op

February 2015

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The January meeting workshop was making a Scalpel Sheath/Holder.

Roger led the workshop as the project was his brainchild. The first one he made a number of years ago for the Christmas Gift Exchange and I was fortunate enough to pick it.



Since then with Roger's blessing I have made two and put them out at the Christmas Gift Exchange. Ironically, Roger got one of them and John Wickstrom got the other one.

Since then John and myself have had many comments on ours of their



usefulness, so Roger was roped into doing this workshop.

The workshop was a lot of fun and we pretty much got the project assembled with

only sewing, burnishing and edging to finish at home.

Since Norm was not at the workshop, but, was on an overseas trip, I decided that Norm would get the one I made at the workshop. I burned a pattern on it for decoration and I had recently purchased some new kind of glitter and I was keen to try it out. The only thing lacking was a project. Norm is not really a glitter person, he's more what I'd call a man's man. When I gave it to him I told him if he didn't like the glitter, he should have stayed home and done the workshop instead of traipsing of to Costa Rica!!



The finished product!

Next Meeting on
Sunday March 8th at
1:00 PM

Meet at *The Cedar Grange Hall*
No. 534 at Maple Valley
(See last page for map & directions)

Scalpel Sheath/Holder Workshop

Norm's wife, Letty liked the glitter a lot. Norm told me that he has had to hide it from her in order to retain possession of it.

The reason there are not more details on the construction of the project is that Roger is going to do a full construction of the project in a Member's Only article.

It was a fun and useful workshop.

Paula Marquis



Pockets open, showing storage of blades

Workshop Report

WORKSHOP REPORT - FEBRUARY 2015.

The workshop for the February meeting will be on coloring, specifically on how to get all sorts of colors and shades and variations. Paula's friend Karen will be leading this workshop. Karen has an Arts Degree from the UW.

The workshop will consist of practicing and experimenting. Each of us will need to bring some cheap brushes, the small pallet with 8 wells, two plastic containers for water, one for cleaning brushes and one for clean water for mixing. Also, a color wheel if you have one. These are a very good aid and worth acquiring, and a cloth for drying fingers and brushes.

Karen and Paula will bring all other needs.

Looking ahead to March. At that meeting we will be making the journal folder that Paula made with Peter Main in Spokane in September. Paula phoned Peter and asked if it was OK to do his project at our meeting and Peter was very happy for us to do that and to use his pattern. List of tools and materials needed will be in the next RG.

April meeting we will be making an old fashioned coin purse. More on that next month.

See you all at the meeting.

Len Madison
Workshop Co-ordinator



Well it's that time of year again, coming up on the Cascade Mountain Men Muzzle Loading Arms and Pioneer Craft Show at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds in Monroe, Washington. This year it is on Saturday, March 7th from 9 AM to 5 PM and Sunday, March 8th from 9 AM to 3 PM. This is the largest show of its kind and has traders and demonstrators from all over the country. It commemorates Colonial America, to the Fur Trade era and up to the Civil War. It has traditional (pre-1840) muzzle loading firearms, gun parts, and accessories, shooting supplies, leather and fur goods, period clothing and camping gear, early and Native American crafts, primitive archery, trade goods, craft supplies, beads, art, and historical and how-to books. There are live demonstrations for blacksmithing, wool spinning, hand-weaving, wood carving and more. This is a very colorful event and can be good place to get some ideas for projects and supplies. Leatherworking will be mainly traditional, not a lot of carved pieces, but lots of bags and clothing made from deer, elk, and moose. There are usually some vendors that have brain tanned hides, as well. All the vendors dress-up in period clothing, and the folks from many of the local black powder shooting clubs dress up in their traditional garb, and make a day of it. Admission is \$5 per day and parking is free. I'll have some tables there and Andy Stasiak with north Tandy will have a booth. Come out and see us and have a great time. For directions visit: www.evergreenfair.org/site-map.htm

Other PSLAC news: we've had great demos after our short business meetings over the last four to five months. Coming up we're going to be making a folder with some of the tips and techniques that Paula

learned from a class last year, and a small wallet. I think Paula or Len will be discussing projects further, elsewhere in this RG. They'll both involve some layout, cutting, stamping, coloring and assembly. They look like really interesting projects with some good techniques to learn. Hope to see you all there at the upcoming meetings on the second Sunday of the month, at the Maple Valley Grange Hall.

Ken Eriksen



Western Washington (Seattle/Tacoma/Everett)
PSLAC CURRENT SCHEDULE FOR 2015

General Member's meetings are on the 2nd Sunday of each Month unless specified below. 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM approx.

• Meetings held at Cedar Grange Hall No. 534 at Maple Valley General meetings start at 1:00 PM followed by the mini-demos

Breakfast informal get-together locations:

North Breakfast >>> Last Friday of the month at 10:00 AM. Lake Forest Park Town Centre. 17917 Bothell Everett Hwy, Bothell, WA 98012 Bothell Way N, bordered by 170th N. & Ballinger Way N. Meet in the Third Place Books eating area

South Breakfast >>> 3rd Saturday of the month at 8:30 AM. Homestead. 7837 S Tacoma Way, Tacoma, WA 98409 (253) 476-9000

All Day-Workshop Schedule for 2015:

TBA

Mar 7-8 Cascade Mountain Men Muzzle Loading Arms and Pioneer Craft Show at Evergreen State Fairgrounds

Mar 8 1:00—4:00 PM Cedar Grange General meeting - Journal folder

Apr 12 1:00—4:00 PM Cedar Grange General meeting - Coin purse

May 3 1:00—4:00 PM Cedar Grange General meeting.

Jun 14 1:00—4:00 PM Cedar Grange General meeting.

Jul 12 1:00—4:00 PM Cedar Grange General meeting.

Aug 9 1:00—4:00 PM Cedar Grange General meeting.

Sep 13 1:00—4:00 PM Cedar Grange General meeting.

Oct 11 1:00—4:00 PM Cedar Grange General meeting.

Nov 8 1:00—4:00 PM Cedar Grange General meeting.

Dec 13 1:00—4:00 PM Cedar Grange General meeting.

Eastern Washington (Tri –Cities) Desert LeatherCraft Group (DLG) PSLAC CURRENT SCHEDULE FOR 2015

Tri-Cities Desert LeatherCraft Group Member's meetings are on the 3rd Saturday of each month unless specified below:

- Informal meetings held at Spokane Tandy Leather Factory Store, 1702 North Monroe Street, Spokane, WA 99205 (Call (509) 328-9939 for directions).

Eastern Washington (Spokane) PSLAC East PSLAC CURRENT SCHEDULE FOR 2015

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- Informal meetings held at Spokane Tandy Leather Factory Store, 1702 North Monroe Street, Spokane, WA 99205 Contact Ken Bush for time, date (normally the 1st Saturday) & details.

We are members of PSLAC-East (Puget Sound Leather Artisans Co-op). The East is because we are East of the Cascade Mountains. We offer classes in leathercraft at the Spokane Tandy Leather Factory store. These classes are free and open to the public. An informational newsletter is sent out prior to each class with a short description of the class, whom the instructor will be and what tools will be needed. We also schedule ad-hoc classes which are announced in the newsletter. To be on our mailing list for class notifications, please send an email (including your full name) to whiterosex@aol.com requesting to be on the PSLAC-East mailing list.

All Day-Workshop Schedule for 2015:

TBD

Ideas for Future classes: Masks, Sporrans, Holsters – w/clip, Embossing, Celtic knot carving, Picture frames, Horse Tack

Ken Bush

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A Word to Our Readers

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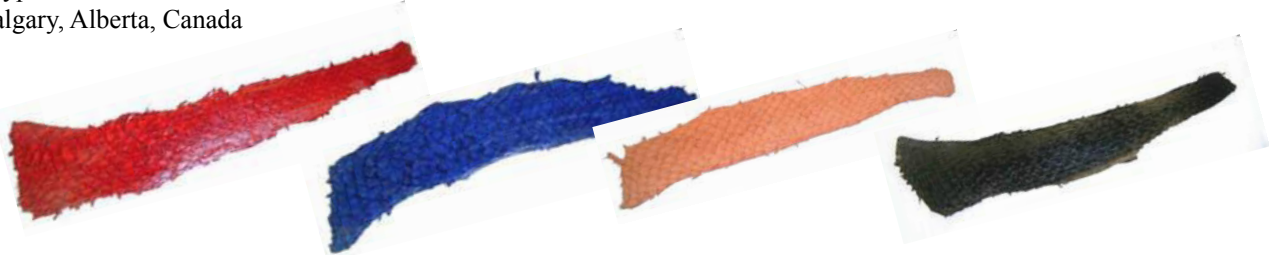
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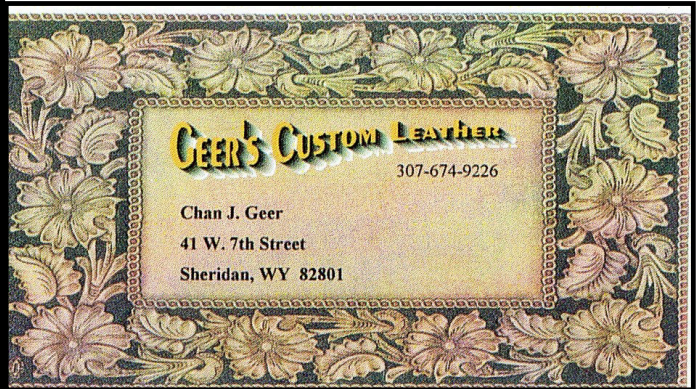
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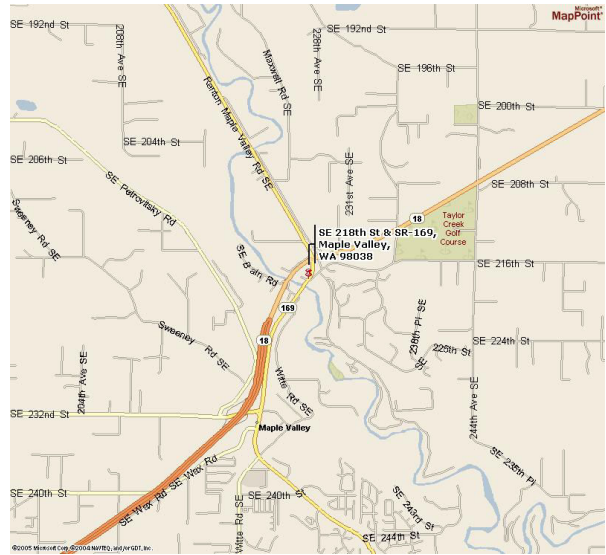
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