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/signed/
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(Always room for more articles, tips, ideas or whatever. Just send to stelmack@nwlinc.com)

Our PSLAC MISSION is...

To further the enjoyment of leather and to help others learn more about the real joy of leather - working as a group and sharing ideas and knowledge of leather, its uses and how to use it. To pass on this knowledge to others and then have them pass it on to the new members who come later. A fellowship with peers, young and old, expert and non-expert, anyone who has the love of leather.

To show and demonstrate to people outside the Co-Op leather in all forms and try to help them to become interested in leather.

...to share...

time talent, with all others in the Co-Op, especially the young.



Norm's Report

The last workshop was for the completion of the leather box given by Ken. The first section was for the layout and construction of a round box. This one was for the layout and construction of the lid.

First, a layer of leather the same thickness as the box part was laid out to fit around the mandrel and sewed. Next,



out and sanded to fit on top of the assembly. This will be the top of the cap. Using a divider, draw a line 1/8" around the circle. To keep this piece from shifting around during the assembly process, it may be temporarily held in place by a small piece of double

sided tape. the assembly is placed on a piece of leather which will be the top of the box and a circle is drawn around it. The circle is then cut

Next a strip of leather the desired width

of the rim (approximately 3/4") is cut and wrapped around the assembly to measure the

An alternative to sewing the tabs on is to use rivets, though setting them inside a circle would require the horn of an anvil or some other solid surface. Just gave me a thought of something else to make.



proper length and cut. The divider is again used to scribe lines 1'8" from all 4 edges. If desired, the piece may be cased and one of the long lines cut with a swivel knife and the edges finished. A stitching wheel is used on the other 3 lines and the ends of the strip are sewed together end to end. This is then placed on the mandrel assembly and leveled with the top piece.

As with the body assembly, using an awl punch a hole from the inscribed line on the rim up through the top piece, angled to come out on the line scribed on the top piece, angled toward the center. Start sewing now and continue one hole at a time. This will be frustrating at first, and a lot of repunching and searching with the needles before the hand to eye coordination and muscle memory comes about, as the angles involved will leave the upper stitch line a little shorter than the one on the rim.

Cut and finish the edges of the hinge piece and front tab. Scribe the sewing lines on each of them. (see attached pictures) If the body has not been finished, it can be done at this time along with the top piece and tabs. Place the top piece on the body and insert the front tab in place correctly in its holding piece. To hold it in place while sewing, put a dab of glue on the rear of the tab and glue it to the rim. Let the glue set up before removing the top and sewing the tab to the rim.

When this is done, replace the top and position the hinge piece at the rear and spot glue it to the rim, let it cure, remove the top and sew it in place. Replace the top and put the front tab in its holder correctly. Spot glue the lower portion of the lower part of the hinge to the body. Let it cure and sew it in place. This takes some doing, as you are sewing inside the body with the lid held open.

Norm





Leather Cap

The leather cap which is worn by **Ken** is one which was clicker made by **Phil O'Neal** years ago for a college.



Ken's antique leather wrapped rifle telescopic sight case made in Germany. Made to transport and store the sights detached from the rifles to keep from damaging them. The insides of the case have wooden slides that fit the mount and it is all green felt lined.

Meeting Activities For August

With August here, it is time to think about the Puyallup Fair. We should all have our entries well on the way as they have to be submitted on the 18th (Fri), 19th (Sat) and 20th (Sun).

At the July meeting we finished up our cylinder project with **Ken**. Most still had some finishing touches to do at home, so looking forward to seeing all the finished cylinders at the August meeting for show and tell.

Our August meeting activity is going to be a figure carving project. I'm not going to say what it is, it will be a surprise at the meeting. I asked John if he had a preference of what he would like to do. He said he wanted something with hair, so I have settled on a project that has both hair and fur. I will bring a picture and the tracing patterns for everybody. Following is the list of what we each have to bring.

- Tooling leather - 8" x 10" x 9/10oz.
- Tooling stone

- Container/Sponge/Pro Carve (optional)
- Swivel Knife
- Stylus
- Tracing Film/Pencil
- Mallet
- Modeling Spoons (various sizes)
- Pear Shaders (various sizes and plain)
- Hair Blades
- Figure Bevelers (various sizes)
- Background Tool (personal choice)

I think I have the list complete, but, if I haven't then back to the Peter Main adage, please bring whatever I have forgotten!

See you all at the meeting.

Paula Marquis

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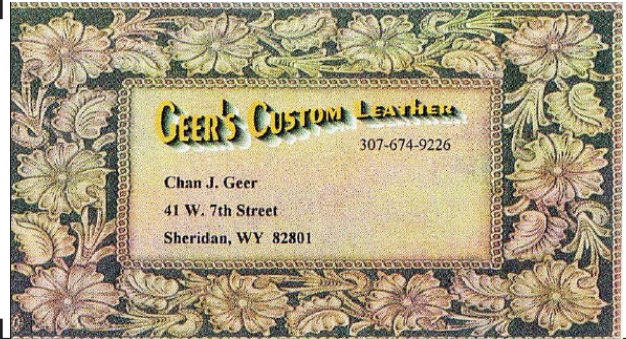
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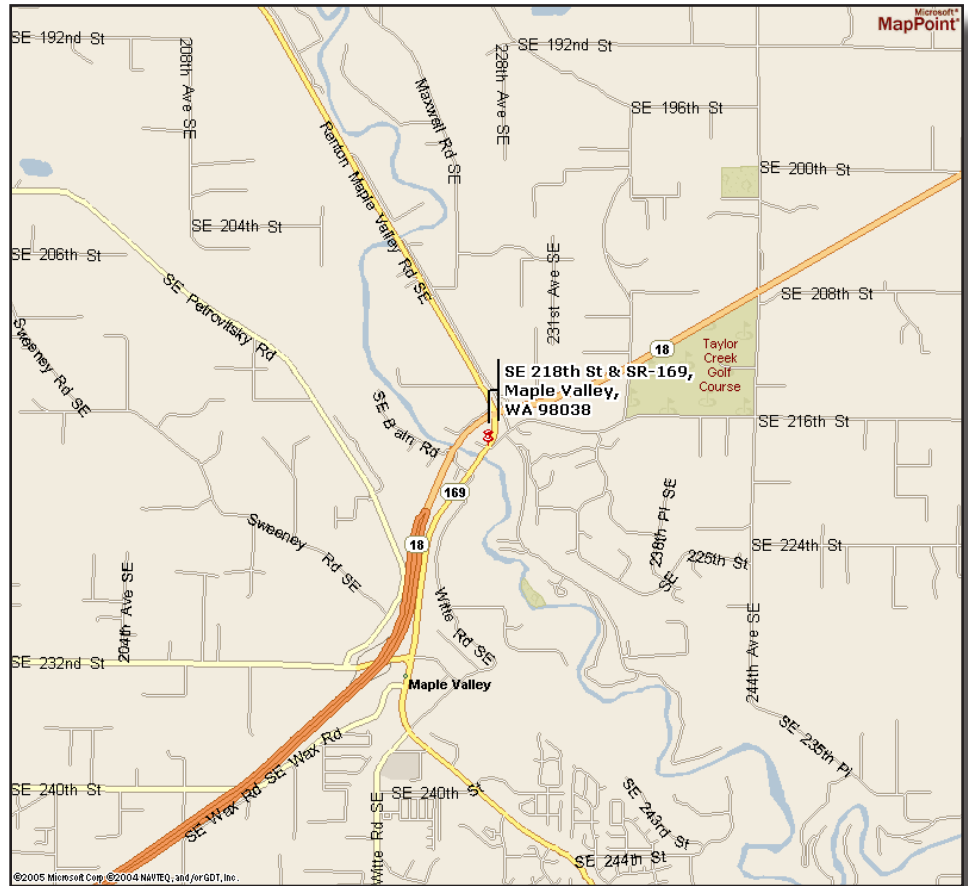
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From I-405 take the SR169 exit and proceed toward Maple Valley on the Maple Valley Highway. In about 10 Miles you will reach the SE 216th/SE 218th Street intersection. Turn Right onto SE 218th (the downsloping hill on the left next to the Maple Valley Market parking lot) towards the big white/gray building next to the bridge (the Cedar Grange). The parking lot is on the first left.

From Highway 18 take the SE 231st, Junction 169, Maple Valley exit. Proceed to the Highway 169 (Maple Valley Highway) junction. Turn North (toward Renton) on Highway 169 and go about $\frac{3}{4}$ mile until you reach the SE 216th/SE 218th Street intersection. Turn left onto SE 218th (the downsloping hill on the left next to the Maple Valley Market parking lot) towards the big white/gray building next to the bridge (the Cedar Grange). The parking lot is on the first left.

From Issaquah take Front Street toward Hobart and Highway 18. In about 10 miles get on Highway 18 West heading toward Maple Valley and Auburn. Follow the Highway 18 instructions.



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