



Hi Turners:

I know, I'm a week early sending this out. So if you are used to getting a meeting reminder just a few days before the meeting and you show up this Saturday you will be all alone. Yes, the meeting is still on the third Saturday - November 18th. Doors open at 9am - meeting starts about 9:45. There are a few things I want to mention to you now, and that's the reason for the early letter.

VETERANS DAY

To all who have served, thank you for your service! And for all of us, let's be thankful for our freedom that is possible because someone cares enough to serve. Speaking of the vets, this month is the time to bring in your work to donate to the local vets. Many of these people are confined to the VA hospital and have next to nothing. Our donations along with others gives them a chance to pick a present to give to a loved one. Please help Bill Hayes with this work by donating some of your turnings. We will have a place on the gallery table to leave your donations.

INTRODUCE OTHERS TO YOUR WORK

We have several opportunities to display and/or sell our turnings to the general public.

The first is at the Contemporary Craft Building. The staff at Contemporary Craft has allowed us to fill the display cabinets on the level where we meet. We will fill these cabinets after our December meeting and the turnings will be on display until the March meeting. A form will have to be filled out for CC for each piece, and on that form you can indicate if you would like to sell the piece or not and indicate your price. Griff and I will have the forms at the meeting. This is a great chance to show others what we are all about. Don't be shy, with 100 members in the club we can make the cases overflow!

The second opportunity - a gentleman contacted me about selling wood turned objects. He has rented a space at the Grove City Outlet Shops and he manufactures and sells maple syrup and associated products. The space has shelving around the perimeter and he would like to sell other

crafts on a consignment basis. He will have staff manning the space and will collect sales tax, have insurance, etc. The commission is around 25%, but is on a sliding scale - smaller items may be more, more expensive items will be less. When I place an item for sale, I know how much I want. As long as I get that, the shop or gallery can price what they need above that. To contact this man, His name is Eric at www.bushlandpeckfarm.com. He will be filling the space starting this weekend.

DECEMBER SPECIAL RAFFLE

Thanks to Graham and Melissa for donating the bowl that they made at last month's meeting. We will have an additional raffle at the December meeting to see who gets to add this piece to their collection. Tickets are \$2 each, or three for \$5, or if you really want to help the club we have a special deal - 20 tickets for \$100 (DO THE MATH!) Becky will have these tickets in addition to the regular raffle - RAID THE COOKIE JAR THE NEXT TWO MONTHS!

AAW

Every year the AAW has a drawing for scholarship to Arrowmont or John Campbell. They have us listed on their roles as having 37 AAW members on our roster, so we are eligible to submit one name for the drawing. If we had 50 members, we could submit two. If you are interested in applying for this, talk to a board member and we will draw a name at the December board meeting.

NOVEMBER'S SPECIAL FEATURED DEMO

We are honored this month to have Bill Hayes demonstrate one of his Christmas ornaments. If you've followed Bill's work over the years, you know that his wife does a good job of telling him what to make. For you newer members, Bill has a way of explaining what looks like a complex turning and making it simple enough for anyone to make. We can all learn something from one of the best this month!

DECEMBER ORNAMENT AND BOX EXCHANGE

It is not too early to start on your ornament and/or box for the December program - I have mine done already. If you've never been to one of these meetings, you haven't experienced the good life yet. More to come next month, but basically bring an item and take someone else's home.

GALLERY

I want to see pens! I want to see Stoppers! I want to see bowls and platters! I really want to see what you have been doing. If you are having trouble with a project, bring it in and ask, having trouble with a tool, ask someone - we have some of the most knowledgeable turners in the world right here at Turners A and the help is free.

Remember to bring a friend, we'll find an extra chair.

"THAT'S ALL FOLKS"

Dave Betler

