Turners Anonymous, Inc.



HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY,

Of course by the time we meet the day is history. Some of us will be heroes and some will be in the dog house.

THIS MONTH!

Our next meeting is Saturday, February 17th. As usual, the doors open at 9am with the meeting starting about 9:45. For those of you visiting, please check the website for the location.

We are honored to have **Becky Maruca** in the spotlight this month. Becky has traveled all the way to the south pole (at lease in her dreams) to research the famous wooden penguin. She will give us her interpretation of how this creature looks and how to reproduce it on the lathe. I have admired this turning from the first time I saw it and am proud to say that one of them now resides in my collection along with other world class turner's pieces. Becky is a professional cabinetmaker and is one of the people who work so hard in the background to keep this club active. It is good to have her share with us this month.

UPCOMING

March brings us spring training and a professional baseball bat maker Joe Aul

In April, Dave Berringer will share multi axis turning with us.

May is sculpture month with Derek Weidman. Derek's demo's are an amazing thing to see and his hands-on class will teach you things about tool control and working the lathe that translates to everything else. I have seen his demo three times already and will look forward to experiencing it again - this is one of those "CAN'T MISS" opportunities. His hands-on class can even be taken by beginners and will teach you ways of thinking about turning that you never realized. See Bill to sign up for either day. There are still a few spots open for the hands-on.

SHOW OFF TIME FOR TURNERS ANONYMOUS!

In case you were not with us last month, the display cases at Contemporary Craft are full of work from members of our club. Take a few moments and look things over - you might just get an idea or two. The names are posted on the wall next to the pieces and we all would like to share tips and techniques. This has given us a chance to let the public know what we do and I have received many favorable comments on this.

INSTANT GALLERY

The last few months have been a little thin in the gallery. In addition to something new that you've made, for this month I would like to see something from your past. We have many new members who haven't seen that "special something" you made awhile back.

SHARE SHARE AND SELL TABLE

Do you have a tool you no longer use - of course you do you're a woodturner. Bring it in, put it on the table with your name and a price - the price can be free - and maybe someone in the club can shop for their own present for a fair price. It is great to help one another.

LIBRARY

Don't forget to check out the library suitcase - you can take a couple videos home for a month and learn from the greatest turners. We are going to get a permanent place for these videos and books right at our meeting site.

Gerry has been hauling these around for years, and Becky before him. It is time to share the load - we are looking for a volunteer to manage the library - Let one of the board members know if you are able to help. This is a great way to help out the club if you cannot work at an elected level. It's also a great way to put names with those faces you see every month.

DUES, DUES, DUES

Bill Hayes is collecting dues for 2018. According to the bylaws if your dues is not up to date by February you are to be dropped from the membership roll. C'mon guys - it's only 20 bucks - I know you spend more than that at Micky D's.

THANKS FROM THE VETS

Bill Hayes has received a letter from the vets thanking us for the donations we made to their program. I will try to remember to encourage him to share with us at the meeting. In case the brain forgets, someone remind me.

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

SEE YOU THERE!

Dave Betler

