

Chairman's Report November 2022

It's that time of year when time seems to be moving faster than we want. Some of your "Honey-Do-Lists" may look like this:

- ✓ Rake the leaves
- ✓ Winterize the vehicles
- ✓ Put away Halloween decorations
- ✓ Work on Christmas list

Speaking of Christmas, "Have you started working on your Christmas ornament and or box?" If not, you have another month yet. If you need some wood, I have some walnut blanks and bamboo boards.

This month we will have Dave Belter talking and showing us "Different Ways to Sharpen our Turning Tools". If you have dull tools or tools that you are not sure how to sharpen; please bring them with you to this demo. We will be doing a hand-on-sharpening event after Dave's demo. I'm planning on bringing my Kodiak Sharpening System to help with the sharpening too. If anyone would like to demonstrate how a Tormek Sharpening System works it would be appreciated.

Lost & Found

Kim's lost coffee mug has been found! Thanks to all who helped with the search and your input.

Turning at the PA Trolley Museum

Thank you to all the members who helped turn at this event. I know it was last minute putting this together and we need to work out some other kinks in the future, but I hope you all had fun anyway.

Woodcraft's Pens of the Troops

Thanks to all the members who participated in, turning pens, and helping Woodcraft this past weekend. I know Kyle and the troops appreciate it very much.

Brothers & Sisters of the South...

Don't forget you have a perfect opportunity to help with setup for the club meetings. Come early to Woodcraft; help setup the lathe, unload vehicles, help with video

equipment, etc. More helping hands make for easier work for everyone involved.
Please consider joining us, setup starts at 8am.

The coffee and conversation start at 9am, donuts will arrive shortly after. Due to the uncertainty of attendance, The Board is asking that each attendee please take only 1 donut initially. After the meeting is over, if there are any donuts left, you can help yourself.

Open Board Positions

On a serious note, we desperately need help on the Board to keep this club from going inactive. In January, which is our annual financial report meeting and induction of new Board members, we will be accepting nominations for the following positions: Vice Chairman, Treasurer, & Programmer. Reminder, my term ends Dec 31st, 2022.

We are also looking for someone to be the Video Editor of our monthly demos. This position is not a Board position. Please think about assisting the Board to help with this team effort. No one Board member can do all the work on his/her own, that is why Turners Anonymous is a TEAM. As the 3-year term is up for so many Board members, you will see the club start to suffer the consequences of the lack of help.

Membership Dues for 2023!

Last month we started collecting dues for 2023, and we will be doing so again this month. We have the new membership cards ready to go. See and pay your dues to Glen Nickodemus. This will be Glen's last year as Treasurer.

Programing in the Future!

Saturday, December 17th – “Christmas Ornament & Box Exchange and Challenge”

A slight change to this year event, we will have the meeting at the Washington Fairgrounds Building #4. The Washington Fairground is located across the street from the PA Trolley Museum. Set your GPS for 2151 N Main St., Washington, PA 15301.

Brothers of the South, please help Katie Imler out in any way you can for this event. She tells me that the meeting does including a Trolley ride.

The rules and additional information about The Ornament and Box Exchange Challenge will be updated and send out to the membership soon, as well as to the TA website.

Saturday, January 21st – Craig Smith “How to Turn Spindles”

Saturday, February 18th – Kim Romanko “It’s not Yew, It’s me!”

(How to turn and work with Japanese Yew.)

National Demonstrator for 2023 – TBD

So much to think about. Don’t forget about the DVD and Book Library, and all the updated and past information on the Turners Anonymous website. If you have any questions, please let a Board member know, and I hope to see you at the November 19th meeting.

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Chairman