

Piedmont Triad Woodturners Association



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Note From the Pres

Tis the season and (HO)³ – it's a math thing. I do not know about you but I am ready for 2020 to be done. I had high hopes for 2020 after my 2019. On the good side, we are still a club and we are still meeting even if it is under a new format. It looks like a vaccine is coming down the pipeline soon. It cannot get here soon enough for me.

If you missed the November meeting, you missed a great demo by Bob Moffett turning Christmas Trees. Thanks again to Lan Brady for his expert videography and editing. A link is available if you would like to view. Our next meeting will be December 8 at 7 PM. Thank you Chrystal who has agreed to host the meeting The information is below. We are fortunate to have Geoffrey Purser share his video of turning Christmas Ornaments. Thank you Lan for the video.

- Louise

Zoom

Topic: PT Woodturners' Zoom Meeting Time: Dec 8, 2020 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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During the November meeting, I mentioned a location in Reidsville that night be willing to allow out members to sell their work. I have talked to Doby Sharpe and Tina Isley of Round About Way. They are happy to support us. I have the contract to complete and turn to them after the meeting. Their store gets 25% commission. I am proposing that the club receive 5% commission which brings the total commission to 30% which is still extremely competitive in the commission market. I will recommend to you to be conscience of your pricing. This is not Raleigh, Charlotte or Asheville. Items need to be kept in the under \$50 range. This market is not for everyone, but it is an option if any of our members would like to have that opportunity.

You should have received a note from Lan Brady concerning another Klingspor event. We have been invited back Friday, December 11 from 10am-2pm during their anniversary event. Lan is heading this up. I have a meeting at work and will not be able to attend. I plan on having some cards available to be handed out. Please contact Lan if you can participate.

We have a confirmation for a sphere demo in January. It is a video, but the demonstrator will be available during the meeting to run the video and answer questions.

We have slot open on the board for another member at large. If anyone is interested, please let a board member know.

Sawtooth is beginning to open back up with their woodworking and woodturning. I have given Sawtooth several Saturday classes to get posted. Due to their social distancing. their will be a limit of 3 people students in the turning lab during a class. Phil Fuentes is teaching for Sawtooth also. This is all I know about at this point. I am talking to GTCC about the possibility of adding some lathes to a classroom for their Fine Arts Department and Continuing Education. Unfortunately, their construction area is smaller than the space RCC had in Reidsville for Woodturning and Woodworking. That is why I am approaching it via the Fine Arts and Continuing Education route. RCC has not made any decision about their Woodturning classes. They cannot figure out a way to keep the dust down without spending money.

A former student of mine from RCC has a question about turning a bowling ball. I am wondering if anyone has done this. I was at a student's home shop about a month ago. After a few minutes of turning her lathe looked like it has been stored in the basement of the Munster house. It was one giant web of static charge lines covered in dust. The building has 2 ground bars buried outside near the breaker panel. I was wondering if anyone has ever had this happen to them. I think the humidity might have gotten too low thing the shop with the HVAC system. I wish I had taken a picture of the full blow web. Please remember the ongoing project for Bead of Courage.

If anyone has anything else to add to the agenda before them demo, please let know by Friday, December 4.



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