

ARIZONA WOODTURNERS ASSOCIATION -- PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE -- OCT. 2017

Well, check another month off of your calendars. This brings us to the beginning of our busy season starting with the demoing at the State Fair. If you would like to volunteer please give Ken Northern a call or text at 480-381-6851.

I will be out of town for our October 14 meeting, so Ken Northern will be conducting the meeting and demoing. Busy day for Ken.

The new flyer is out on our website for Nick Cook's all-day turning Demonstration. The all-day demo will be held at the Fairway Recreation Center, in Sun City Arizona, on November 11th, 2017, 9:00am to 4:00pm.

Be sure to sign up for one of Nick Cook hands-on classes which will be held Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday following his all-day Saturday demo. There will be six students for each class. Class openings will go fast, so better sign up now. \$110.00 is a great price for an all-day hands-on class with Nick Cook. Classes will be held at Timber Woodworking in Mesa and will start at 8am and end at 4pm.

Timber Woodworking is also having a demo day on the first Saturday in November (Nov 4th). We will have a booth for our club there; so we are looking for volunteers to staff the booth. I will be sending more information on this event at a later date.

The President's Challenge for this month will be practicing for our Christmas ornament exchange in December. Our challenge is any project with a finial on it. While we're on the subject of monthly President's Challenges, I do apologize for getting them out so late each month. My plan for next year is to make a list for the whole year in January and post it on our website. If anyone has any suggestions on what they would like to do for a President's Challenge, please let me know.

While we're on the subject of Christmas ornaments, December will be here before you know it so start planning on which ornament we will be making for this year's Christmas ornament exchange. Let's have a great turn out this year with lots of ornaments.

Well, I hope you are all enjoying this awesome cooler weather. I know I am. So let's get out there and make some chips and shavings and do some turning projects.

Also, please keep Ana and Ken Lappegard in your prayers. Kens health is still declining and requires Ana's full time attention. Ana, we love ya, miss ya, praying for ya, and hope to see you soon.

Okay, stay safe, turn often, see you at the November demonstration.

Jim McCleary
President, Arizona Woodturners Association