FEBRUARY NEWS FROM CUMBERLAND VALLEY WOODTURNERS

Our next meeting is this Thursday, February 7th. The meeting will be at 1773 Warm Spring Road Chambersburg, PA 17202. The meeting starts at 7:00 but come early and share your work and insights. Jim Sottlemyer will demonstrate the fun of turning green wood. I expect he is planning to cut something down that day to turn.

Bring drawing and auction items: At the last meeting we took in \$166.00 dollars which helps us buy supplies for pen turning classes and to bring in regionally and nationally recognized demonstrators. We could use interesting wood, tools, books, favorite pieces etc. Make sure you buy tickets and when it comes to auction bidding do not let it go too cheap.

Dues reminder: If you have not paid your dues see Rod Stabler.

Next shop tour: Larry Witmer will be hosting a tour of his shop on Saturday February 16 thstarting at 9:00. There will be coffee, sweets and good conversation. We have all learned a lot from these tours and we thank Larry for opening his shop. He lives at 2951 East Weaver Rd in Greencastle.

Upcoming symposiums:

Saratoga Springs N.Y. March 29-31 See Jim Stottlemyer for more information.

American Association of Woodturners Symposium July 12-14 in Raleigh, N.C. This is our big national meeting that alternates between the east and west so this is good year to go. There are lots of excellent presentations and displays. It is goo place to expand your skills. For more information check out www.woodturner.org.

Officers meeting: February 25 at Brothers Pizza at the intersection of I-81 and RT 11. The meeting starts at 11:00. All members are invited.

Not too old to learn!Last month I mentioned the importance of teaching woodturning and other skills to the next generation and we are doing a good job in this area. On February 18th we have the opportunity to teach 20 Scouts in Greencastle How to turn pens. If you are interested talk to Jim Stottlemyer. In thinking I about teaching and learning new skills I am impressed with the members of our club. A great many adults think that they are too old to learn and so do not attempt to do much after they master the TV remote(s). I have had the pleasure of teaching adults in their 60s and 70s turning and other skills. This seems to make them more interesting and creative people. I am pleased and proud to be a member of the club and a know people who are Not too old to learn! (Maury)