

# President's letter January 2024

## **Major Events and Activities:**

The year started with NCSG CCP/CCR testing in the Pocono region.

Peter Hopkins conducted an 8-hour inferred training program.

The 25th annual charity workshop was held at Camp Soles in Rockport. Over 50 sweeps attended to help the camp correct most faulty chimneys.

The first training program of 2024 will be held on January 26th at Marzoni's restaurant in Duncanville, PA. The event will include NCSG CCP/CCR/CCJ testing on Saturday morning and a Board of Directors meeting at 12. The Holiday party and gift exchange will be held that night at the restaurant. A separate signup for the meal is available on the PA Guild of Professional Chimney Sweeps website under events.

The Annual Charity Workshop will be held on May 2nd, 3rd and 4th, 2024 in the Centre County area.

The Camp 93 training weekend will be held on the 3rd or 4th weekend in June.

### Achievements:

The PA Guild of Professional Chimney Sweeps successfully conducted its annual meeting and holiday banquet in January, Workshop in May, and a great masonry training day in June at Camp 93.

We now have a Gmail account to inform the board and members of events.

Setup an Event bright account for signups for all events and membership dues

Board of directors holding Zoom meetings for important decisions.

### **Challenges:**

Continue working on an online mailbox for a permanent mailing address for the Guild

Finding a Director for Region 3

Correct tax status

#### Goals for 2024:

Nominations for Elections in May

The guild plans to conduct more training programs and events in 2024. Check our Events page on our website

Maintain membership renewals and grow.

As you see, The PA Guild is continuing it's mission with training, testing and fellowship. Renew your membership today. You can use the eventbright link or fill out an application and mail it in.

Yours in Soot.

Bill Thornton, President