



# Piedmont Triad Woodturners Association



Newsletter  
January 2015

## Calendar

**Jan 13, 2015 - Dean Hutchins – Piercing & Texturing**  
**Feb 10 2015 - Willie Simmons – Turned Stool with Woven Seat**  
**Mar 10, 2015 - Home Made Tools, Jigs & Fixtures**

## Message from the President:

Happy New Year,

Can you believe that another year is in the books? I hope that all of you had a very Merry Christmas as well as a safe and Happy New Year. As we go into 2015, I am happy to announce that all of our demonstrator spots have been filled for this year and both Triad Park and Pioneer Family Restaurant have been reserved already for our July picnic and Christmas party. Let's hope that the rest of the year continues to fall in place just as



smoothly as this has!

Despite missing a good portion of our annual club Christmas party, the part that I was able to experience was great. Pioneer Family Restaurant served us very well this past year and as I mentioned we have already made arrangements to use them again this year. The party was well attended and many people participated in the gift exchange. For the second year in a row, the gift exchange worked like a charm with everyone who participated going home with a gift from a fellow turner in the club.

Our team of club officers remains intact from 2014 with the following two changes: Jim Duxbury is replacing Jeff Clark as club Vice President. Jim will also continue to handle the program director duties. The second change from last year is that Jerry Jones is replacing Nim Batchelor as club

Secretary. My thanks to both the new officers as well as the outgoing officers from last year.

First up this year is Dean Hutchins from the ever expanding metropolis of Kernersville, a town near and dear to my own heart! I think that Dean and I got started turning about the same time, but you wouldn't know that to compare our work today. Unlike myself, Dean has continued to expand and refine his turning skills while adding new techniques along the way. I think the line between craftsman and artist is when it takes you longer to finish the piece off the lathe than it did to turn it and I believe that Dean has crossed into that realm. If any of you have been paying attention to the beautiful pierced hats, bowls and angels that he has been bringing for the instant gallery, then you will know what I mean. This month Dean will be doing a piercing demo for us. As he described it to me, he will be "turning and doing some work on a caving stand mounted to the lathe as well as some work off of the lathe. It will be a bunch of techniques without actually making anything". Be that as it may, I am sure that all of us will come away from the demo with a tip or two that we didn't have going into it.

I am a creature of habit (mostly bad ones) and as such, I will lead us off as Turner of the Month for January as I have the previous two years. There will be a sign-up sheet for volunteers the remainder of the year. If you would like to volunteer to turn a piece and donate it to our monthly raffle, please sign up for the month that you would like.

Ok, so Earl Kennedy calls me up on New Year's Day asking if there was a President's Challenge for January. As I looked back at my December newsletter, I realized that I failed to issue a challenge for January. Therefore, there is none for this month, but for February I was thinking that it should be something romantic for Valentine's Day. What is more romantic than a candle lit dinner? In case you haven't figured it out yet, the President's Challenge for February is to turn candlesticks or some type of candle holder.

Lastly, make sure to bring in items for our instant gallery presentation and monthly raffle.

I hope to see all of you on January 13<sup>th</sup>!

Scot Conklin

President

you are getting the newsletter via US Mail to cover the cost of printing and postage.

**Get your dues to our treasurer. You may bring a check to the meeting next week. Let us get our dues closed out by the end of the month.**

Bob Holtje.

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### Notes from our Librarian:

This is just a reminder (since we've had our minds on Christmas and the New Year) the DVD's you checked out in November, or before, are due at the January meeting. Look forward to seeing you all in the new year.

Bonna Jones

### Dues for 2015:

We still have a little over 20% who have not paid their 2015 club dues. It may have been just an oversight with all the activity of the holidays. Our membership dues are for the calendar year. Dues are \$30 for individual, \$45 for couple and \$45 if

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### Photos of the December Christmas Party





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**MEETING LOCATION: Leonard Recreation Center (336) 297-4889).  
 6324 Ballinger Road, Greensboro, NC 27410**

**FROM WEST OF GREENSBORO**

Take I-40 East to Exit 212 (Bus-40 Greensboro To Bryan Blvd). Exit is from the right lane.  
 At the top of the Exit 212 ramp take Exit 24 (To Bryan Blvd. PTI Airport). You will now be headed north on the new highway.  
 Exit the new highway onto W. Friendly Ave. and go left (west) on W. Friendly.  
 Go about ¼ mile west on W. Friendly to Chimney Rock Rd. and turn right (north at traffic light) on Chimney Rock Rd.  
 As Chimney Rock Rd. parallels the new highway, you will come to the intersection of Ballinger Rd.  
 Turn right on Ballinger and go under the new highway. Shortly beyond the overpass Leonard Recreation Center will be on your left.

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**FROM THE NORTH SIDE OF GREENSBORO** *Note: Ballinger Rd. is now open.* Ballinger turns west from New Garden / Guilford College Rd. just north of Guilford College. The following link to Mapquest will detail this area. Directions from Bus-40 to Guilford College Rd have been removed since the above directions are much faster from Bus-40.

<http://www.mapquest.com/maps?address=6324+Ballinger&zipcode=27410>. Do not follow Old Stage Road from this link. It doesn't exist.