## TRI-STATE WOODTURNERS



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### JANUARY 2016 NEWSLETTER



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# Demonstrator for Jan.

**John Lucas** 

John Lucas started his career as a photographer but even in college he was working with wood. In 1990 he attended the TN Woodturners Symposium which led to a deep passion for woodturning. Known for his hand held mirrors does not hinder John's quest to discover new projects and ways to expand the boundaries of the lathe.

John has been working in wood about 35 years and also dabbles in metalworking. He also enjoys modifying machines, making tools and sharing his knowledge through written articles and videos. He has taught classes at John C. Campbell Folk School, Arromont and The Appalachian Center for Crafts.

We are fortunate to have regular visits from John with demonstrations

about once a year. He is an excellent communicator and will bring great help to all attending this months meeting. At this Saturday, January 16, meeting he will be sharing how to make off-set turned salt and pepper shakers This should prove to be an interesting and informative session so everyone is encouraged to attend.



## MEMBERSHIP DUES for 2016

If you have not yet paid your dues for this year plan to see Gene at the meeting Sat. with your \$40. Our dues make it possible to maintain the club and provide excellent demonstrators.

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Ed & Jan Langham

## **Dec.** Christmas Social

As usual, the social at the Privateer Yacht Club was a very nice event. The current officers (listed on the front page) were elected for coming year.

Ed Langham was awarded a lifetime membership in TSW. Congratulations Ed, you are a wonderful asset to TSW.

The Silent Action, held each year, at this event provided \$1356 due to the generosity of TSW members both in donations and purchases.

Doing at least 8 of the 10 Club Challenges in 2015 were Charles Jennings, Les Isbell and John Dekle and they were given \$100 gift certificates. Bev deYampert was awarded a gift certificate as well for doing 7 of the 10 challenges.

## **President's Corner**

Starting out with 2016, I'm excited about turning! Doug is working on bringing in some great turners for the New Year. At the Christmas party we motioned to continue with the same officers from 2015. I hope that our experience will help all of us grow at our hobby of turning. The club also motioned to make Ed Langham a lifetime member. Ed has been part of our club for many years. Lastly our silent auction brought in enough money to keep our dues low and enable Doug to bring in many great demonstrators again this year. And besides, it was fun!

This year we'll continue with the President's challenge. Remember all you have to do is participate to win. We had 4 winners last year and gave away some great gifts. I look forward to seeing what you make this year.

As in the past I encourage you to participate in the wood auction this year, this helps offset the cost of where we meet, and supplies us with some great wood for turning. We don't need tons of wood for the auction, but quality stuff sure helps. I encourage you to prep a blank or two so it's ready for the lathe. This helps new turners who don't have a band saw.



Lastly let's talk about safety. One hand for yourself and one for the ship. Have you ever heard that expression? It comes from: "When you are on a ship, always use one hand to steady yourself, and one to work; likewise, always put some effort into safeguarding yourself as well as into working." As I look at my thermometer this morning at 25 degrees, I'm thinking of the ice on my walkway to my shop. With colder weather and moving about outside to our shops, keep yourself safe.

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Starting Balance		\$2,965.00
Income		\$1,716.00
Silent Auction 13	356.00	
Dues for 2016	360.00	
Expenses		\$673.51
Gift cards	240.00	
Rent	360.00	
Party supplies & fees	73.51	
Ending Balance		\$4,000.49

# 2016 Club Challenge

To encourage participation, the club is going to offer a special award for everyone who participates in at least 9 of the 11 challenges during 2016.

- 1. The piece must be presented at the meeting for which it is posted as the challenge (someone else may bring your item)
- 2. MUST sign-in the piece (designated sheet)
- 3. Must participate in at least 9 of the 11 challenges Jan-Nov.
- 4. A "Beads of Courage" box may be used once in lieu of a months challenge during the year.

# **TSW Club Challenges for 2016**

i	January	Unique writing instrument - could be a modifi creation or something new for you	cation of a pen kit, your own	
	February	Finial		
ļ	March	Hollow form		
į	April	Spinning top or toy		
i	May	Mini turning to fit inside a 2 inch cube		
1	June	Clock		
į	July	Bottle Stopper	Contraction of the second	
i	August	Platter	Helping children RECORD, TELL and	
1	September	Candle holder	OWN their stories of COURAGE	
į	October	Captive Ring	A Beads of Courage Box may replace one months challenge (your choice)	
i	November	Holiday Ornament	one months chanenge (your choice)	
	December	Something for the Silent Auction (not part of the 9)		

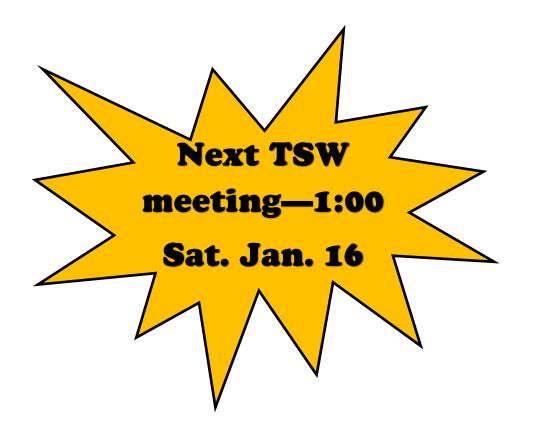
# **January Club Challenge**

One of the most popular club challenges last year was making a pen or pencil. So we want to bump that up just a notch and do it again. The challenge is to try something new. As mentioned in last month's newsletter it is to be a "unique writing instrument". This could be a modification of a pen kit or your own creation. The idea is to try something new. If we just do the same old thing there is no challenge in that so we encourage you to expand your horizons, step out and try something new for you and thereby grow in your experience as a woodturner.

# **Membership form**

On the last page is the membership form. Print a copy fill it out and return Gene at the

meeting on Sat. with your \$40 dues for 2016 unless you already did so. Thanks for your help on



# **Tri-State Woodturners Membership Form** PLEASE print or write legibly and complete each area - Thank you! Name: Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: Phone 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone 2:(cell) \_\_\_\_\_ Member's website (if you have one): May the above info be placed in the club directory on line? (check one) $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No Would you consider yourself a: □ Novice □ Intermediate □ Advanced woodturner Year you started turning: \_\_\_\_\_ Would you be a mentor? \_\_\_\_\_ Type of lathe(s) you own and use: Year you first joined TSW: \_\_\_\_\_ Are you currently an AAW member?: $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No do not write below this line Dues paid date: Amt: date form updated