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Next Meeting: Tues, January 11th @7:00 p.m.

The January meeting has some room in the program. How about some talk about what tools Santa brought. In fact, bring them in and show them to us if they aren't too big to transport. **Rich Wieckowicz** plans to bring in examples of his collection of vises and jigs to show us.

The meeting will be held at our regular meeting place, Tri States Automotive, 745 W. Gaines Street in Tallahassee. (see map on next page)

Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month.

Highlights From the December Meeting

The December meeting was a good one and a great way to end the year.

During the opening discussions, Dave Adams showed photos of some "name trains" he made for Christmas gifts for some lucky young 'uns. There was also interesting discussion about the repair of some of the wooden organ pipes in a local church. The tallest is eight feet long.

Windsor Chairs

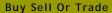
The program for December was presented by **Mike Reilly.** Mike told us about Windsor chair construction. Mike got his training at the John Campbell school in North Carolina several years ago and he's now got quite a few of these chairs under his belt.

Mike noted that Windsor chairs are known for their great strength while still being quite light in weight and thus easy to move around. He Mike Reilly explains brought a number of individual chair components and explained the techniques and jointery required to make and put them together. One

thing that was clear is there's a significant amount of detailed hand work in one of these chairs. This includes the use of planes, spoke shaves and scorps.

The completed chair Mike brought in was finished with a milk paint. This was a common finish in traditional Windsor chair construction.

Great presentation, Mike. Thanks for enlightening us.



If you have items for this column, please contact the newsletter editor.



One of Mike's chairs.

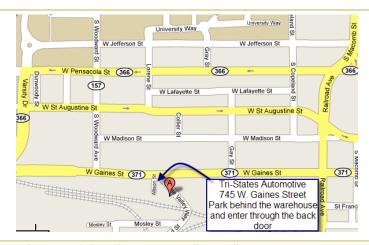
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Directions to the regular meeting location.



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