



FEBRUARY MEETING

The next meeting of the Valley Woodworkers will be held at 6:30 PM on February 10, at the club's meeting place at 302 12th Street, Dunbar.

JANUARY MEETING

There were 47 people at the January meeting with one guest. Welcome to Thomas Walker from Huntington.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

With the start of the new year, it is time to pay dues. If you haven't done so yet, please see Maureen Helvey. The dues are \$40.00.

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We are planning on having another rummage sale in the early spring, maybe March or April.

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The next bandsaw workshop will be on Saturday, February 19.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

February demonstration: Eric Matson – Cutting dovetails using the table saw

March demonstration: Ian Moir – Making a stool starting with a log

April demonstration: David Conley – Sharpening chisels and plane irons

The band saw box project is off to a good start. We have lots of boxes in progress and everyone is either learning how to use a band saw or improving their current skills. Another important lesson being learned is how to face-glue several boards together.

I've had snow on the ground at my place almost continuously since Thanksgiving. Deer Season is over. I can't go golfing. The ice is too thin to go ice fishing, so I have had lots of time available for the workshop. I hope that you have had time too.

Peter Howell

The following companies offer discounts to club members:

Woodcraft Supply Parkersburg, WV - 10% - Show membership card.

Klingspor Woodworking Shop - 10% - They receive our member list.

Hartville Tool - 15% - They receive our member list.

The following companies provided materials for last year's Salvation Army Christmas toy project. Please give them special consideration when you make a purchase or need materials for your projects: West Virginia Forestry Association, Blue Ridge Machinery & Tool, Coastal Lumber Company, Evans Lumber Company, J.C. Hamer Lumber Company, Home Depot of Teays Valley, West Virginia Hobby and Craft, Teays Valley Hardware, West Virginia Marine, Toyota Motor Manufacturing of WV Inc. & Woodcraft Supply.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Maureen Helvey reports that there is \$8,102.72 in the club treasury.

REFRESHMENTS

Thanks to Jerry Phelps for providing the refreshment at the January meeting. Larry Kirkhart volunteered to bring the refreshments for the February meeting.

DEMONSTRATION

Earl Williamson demonstrated sharpening a hand saw. He had a home-made vice to hold the saw. As he was sharpening the saw he discussed the different files he uses and his methods. He filed every other tooth from one side, then turned it around and filed the remaining teeth. After sharpening, the teeth are "set" with a setting tool. After he finished he cut a board with ease.

SAFETY NOTE

Power tools will frequently be used while working on club projects and during demonstrations at club meetings. For your protection, safety glasses with side shields, and hearing protection will be required for members to participate in these activities. No exceptions will be made. Please bring your own safety glasses and hearing protection. The club has **some** of these items, but we can not provide this equipment for everyone, all the time. ***You are responsible for your own safety!*** Note: Turning off hearing aids is not considered to be hearing protection.

SHOW AND TELL

Dan Pleska showed a pair of hand screw clamps that he made from a kit. The kits are about half the price of pre-made clamps.

Steve Boster showed a calendar put out by Old Woodworking Machines that has a picture of his monster eight foot lathe.





Bill Smith showed several "tin lizzy" cars he made while he was sick and couldn't get out.



Andy Sheetz showed a new toy he made. It is a rattle that has several rings and is finished with salad bowl finish. He also showed a couple of Christmas ornaments he made.



Bruce Bannerman showed Dust Deputy sold by Woodcraft that he used in conjunction with his shop vac. He said it works well and is "Worth its weight in gold."



Jerill Vance showed a maple bowl with a cherry ring around the top. It was finished with "Gun Oil" finish. He also showed a maple bowl with a star inlaid in the bottom using a laser engraver.



Rick Chandler showed his first band saw box. The box was made of walnut and finished with wipe-on polyurethane.



Valley Woodworkers of West Virginia, Inc.

February Agenda

Announcements

Welcome new members and guests

Raffle

Refreshment volunteer

Items for sale

Committee Reports

Treasurer – Maureen Helvey

Toy Committee – Andy Sheetz

Old Business

Workshop - Bandsaw Box

New business

Show and Tell

Break

Demonstration

Eric Matson – Cutting dovetails using the table saw

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Valley Woodcarvers

Meeting at
302 12th Street Mall, Dunbar, West Virginia
Across the plaza from the Dunbar Library

We meet the third Tuesday of each month, from 6:00 pm 'til 8:00 pm.

1. The next meeting will be on February 15th at (address above). This will be an open carving. Bring anything you want. Hope to see you all there.

2. MEETING AND ACTIVITIES:

Meetings; As of now: Mar. 15th

Shows; Canton, OH- March 26th -27th.

3. 6 members attended the January meeting. Maybe the new date is better.

This was an open carving meeting with;

Marshall carved on a shelf dragon that he has been working on for a while.

Debbie brought in a wooden sled with a flower relief carved into it that she made for her Mother for Christmas.

Paul was working on a small bird and helping Chalmer with his bird.

Lance was carving on a Santa ice slice tree ornament, which had Santa's beard hollowed out.

Chalmer was carving on a bird with pointers from Paul.

Jim brought in a couple of carved knife covers for a Show and Tell and was working on a Santa tree ornament.

I just returned from a short stay in Tampa and see why Berry and others go there in the winter. Although it was raining when we left it was 74 degrees and (welcome home Jim), Charleston was 9 degrees.

4. THINGS OF INTEREST:

- a. If you haven't paid you dues to the Woodworkers, please pay them by the next meeting.

- b. I would like a volunteer to step up and take over doing the newsletter for a while.

- c. A plan is in the works to supply blanks and give instructions for simple projects for beginners. If each member (with more experience) would prepare a few blanks etc. and be prepared to help anyone that drops in to get started. This may help recruit and retain new members.

- d. Please pass on any other ideas that you think will help this club.

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