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## AUGUST MEETING

The next meeting of the Valley Woodworkers will be held at 6:30 PM on August 13, at the **club's meeting place at 302 12th Street, Dunbar.**

## JULY MEETING

There were 50 people at the July meeting with two guests. Welcome to Brad Liston from Cross lanes and Bray Liston from Charleston.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The September meeting date has been changed from Thursday, September 10 to Friday, September 11 to accommodate our demonstrator.

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The club picnic will be held on September 19 at Peter Howell's. As always, families are welcome and the club will furnish the meat and drinks. Please bring a side dish or desert.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

This is another plea for help. I need 3-4 more demo volunteers. If you have a special skill that you have been holding back on, now is the time for you to speak up. Also, if you have any desire to serve as an officer for next year, please come forward. Speak to Bill Crist or me.

Don Phillips will be doing the demo this month. He brought in show and tell carvings a couple months back. He will also speak on a CNC carver that he built. Looking forward to it, Don!

Allan McNeel

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Steve Boster reports that there is \$5083.75 in the club treasury as of August 2.

**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: Blue Ridge Machinery & Tool, Cabinet Supplier Inc., Coastal Lumber Company, Evans Lumber Company, J.C. Hamer Lumber Company, Nitro Hobby and Craft, Teays Valley Hardware, West Virginia Marine, Toyota Motor Manufacturing of WV Inc. & Woodcraft Supply.

### TOY PROJECT

Andy Sheetz reported that he has received a commitment on all of the wood we requested from the West Virginia Forestry Association. Delivery is being arranged and we should have it soon.

### RAFFLE

The raffle prize for July was won by Bill Stevens. It was a book titled *Understanding Wood*, donated by the West Virginia Division of Forestry.

### REFRESHMENTS

Thanks to Larry Kirkhart for bringing the refreshments to the July meeting. Bill Smith has volunteered to furnish the refreshments at the August meeting.

### DEMONSTRATION

Molly and George are blacksmiths by trade and work out of their shop in rural Putnam County. They make hinges and pulls (pictured) for Horton Brass in Cromwell, CT.

Molly and George went into the history of 18th Century blacksmithing and described the way that it was done at that time. Their methods of blacksmithing today are not that different than they were in the 1700's. Part of that is because Molly and George live "off the grid." They don't have electricity or running water. They enjoy their lifestyle and are very comfortable in the way they live.

They use low sulfur coal in their forges, and can tell what the temperature of the steel is by its color. Cherry red is ~1450°F, yellow is ~2000°F, and white is ~2500°F.

George makes the pulls in batches of 12. It takes about 6 days to complete a batch. They apply a beeswax and linseed oil finish to the hinges and pulls when completed.



### 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.

## CLASSIFIEDS

Craftsman 10" table saw model No. 137.221940 with stand. It has a 2.5 HP, 110v motor that develops 5000 RPM. Comes with the original adjustable fence and owner's manual. It has no known defects. It does not have a blade. I have purchased a larger saw and don't need this one any longer. Contact Wayne Pugh at 304-776-8170.



## SHOW AND TELL

Andy Sheetz showed a couple of the toys he makes. The airplane was updated with a different propeller and the car was an off cut from another car he made. He just added a window and wheels.



Doug Kemp showed a bowl he made from a burl of an unknown species. The finish is lacquer with wax.

Bill Morris brought a couple of weed pots. He said that he got the plans from a magazine, and it looked easy. NOT! After several tries he said it got a little easier.



Bob Shingleton showed one of six doll houses he is making for his granddaughters. It was made from 1/2" birch plywood. The wallpaper is from scrap booking material. He said it wasn't too expensive until he started buying the furniture and appliances.

Allan McNeel showed a sugar chest made from Quilted Big-Leaf Maple. It has a dye stain to bring out the figure, plus a shellac and lacquer finish. Most of it is hand work. The drawers were dovetailed.





Glenn Pauley showed a nightstand made from Quilted Maple, Walnut and Ebony. The Walnut is book matched veneer on plywood. It is finished with a gloss lacquer.

Larry Loftis brought a couple of block planes he built from Maple and Walnut. One is a 20 degree block plane and the other is a 12 degree block plane.



Roy Reveal showed a three legged stool. The stool has Oak legs and Poplar seat. The legs are attached with a wedged through mortise.

Maureen Helvey and Mark Fowler made Garden Benches from Redwood. The plans were in *Fine Woodworking* magazine. Mark's bench can be seen in the background. Maureen also showed a wall-hung quilt rack.



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**Valley Woodworkers of West Virginia, Inc.  
August Agenda**

**Announcements**

Welcome new members and guests  
Raffle  
Refreshment volunteer  
Items for sale

**Committee Reports**

Treasurer – Steve Boster  
Toy Committee – Andy Sheetz

**Old Business**

Jewelry box workshop – Update

**New Business**

**Show and Tell**

**Break**

**Demonstration**

Don Phillips – Carving