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## AUGUST MEETING

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

## JULY MEETING

There were 45 people in attendance at the July meeting with no guests. Welcome to new member Bob Aronson and returning member Jim Boley both from Winfield. As of the July meeting we have 83 members.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The September Valley Woodworkers meeting will be on **Saturday, September 18**, at Peter Howell's shop. At that meeting Peter will provide an in-depth demonstration on spray finishing.

## ANNUAL PICNIC

The annual picnic will be held on **Saturday, September 25**, at 12 noon, at Peter Howell's house. Peter will fix his Texas style BBQ. Peter lives at 23 Edgewood Drive, (Stone Gate Sub-division) Hurricane. See map. Please bring a side-dish or dessert. Bring the family and enjoy the afternoon.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

What is the most versatile tool in your workshop? Many will say a router. Routers can do many jobs quicker and more accurately than any other method. But do you know all of the things that a router can do? Do you know how to use a router to its full potential? Do you know the advantages and disadvantages of each type of router? A router table can add additional versatility and permit you to do operations that cannot be done with a hand-held router, or cannot be done safely with a hand-held router. Are you aware of the additional things that you can do with a router table? Do you know how to use your router table to its full potential?

These are easy questions with complex answers. Our demonstrators this month will answer

**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.

these questions and more. Is there a particular router operation that you have questions about? E-mail your hand-held router questions to Steve Boster (jamesboster@ymail.com) or your router table questions to Dan Pleska (wuddan@comcast.net) and we will try to ensure that it is covered in the demonstrations.

### **TOYOTA DONATION**

On August 2, Toyota Manufacturing of West Virginia presented a check for \$2,000 to the Valley Woodworkers for the Toy Project for 2010. Pictured are Dan Pleska and Andy Sheetz receiving the check from the president and the general manager of Toyota Manufacturing of West Virginia.



### **ST. JUDES DREAM HOME**

Several club members have donated their time and expertise to make the built-in bookshelves that were installed in the St. Jukes Dream Home. Also, club member, Debbie Amos made the hand-carved mantle that was installed over the fireplace.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Steve Boster reported that there was \$7,257.74 in the club treasury.

### **RAFFLE**

The raffle prize for July was a Robert Sorby Turners Apron and was won by Rick Chandler.

### **REFRESHMENTS**

Thanks to Clarence Duncan for furnishing the refreshments for the July meeting. Tom Liberatore has volunteered to bring the refreshments to the August meeting.

### **DEMONSTRATION**

Bob Shingleton demonstrated how he makes his bandsaw boxes. He provided a handout that showed several patterns and step-by-step instructions. He then proceeded to the bandsaw and demonstrated how he made the bandsaw cuts. Several of the glue-ups were done ahead of time.



## 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

Tom Schottle brought a pepper mill he made from the bamboo turning blank that was donated by the West Virginia Division of Forestry via Andy Sheetz.



Roy Reveal showed a box he made from molding. The lid has a circle of dowel sections that were glued in and sanded flush. It was finished with shellac and a coat of polyurethane.



Andy Sheetz showed one of his toy trains that recently took first place in the craft division at the Rhododendron Festival. The first place certificate came with a prize of \$50.



Steve Boster showed pictures of a 1927 Oliver model 66 lathe that he has restored. The lathe has an eight foot turning capacity between centers and weighs about 6,000 lbs.

Bob Shingleton showed several toys he has been making which included an airplane, wrecker truck, horse hauler, and a car carrier.





Michael Miller showed a glue-up of a wormy chestnut board that he re-sawed with his table saw and book matched. The board will end up as part of a shaker style primitive book-case.

## **Valley Woodworkers of West Virginia, Inc.**

### **July Agenda**

#### **Announcements**

Welcome new members and guests  
Raffle  
Refreshment volunteer  
Items for sale

#### **Committee Reports**

Treasurer – Steve Boster  
Toy Committee – Andy Sheetz

#### **Old Business**

Table Workshop

#### **New business**

#### **Show and Tell**

#### **Break**

#### **Demonstration**

Steve Boster & Dan Pleska - Hand-held and Table Routers

**VALLEY WOODWORKERS  
OF WEST VIRGINIA, INC.  
302 12th Street.  
Dunbar, WV 25064**

A non-profit organization formed for individuals interested in woodworking and promoting woodworking through community service. For more information, contact:

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Mark Fowler, Librarian	744-1681

# Valley Woodcarvers

Meeting at  
302 12<sup>th</sup> Street Mall, Dunbar, West Virginia  
Across the plaza from the Dunbar Library  
We meet the first Tuesday of each month, from 6:00pm 'til 8:00 pm.

1. The next meeting will be on Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> at (address above). This will be an open carving. You may finish your gnome, start one or bring anything you want. Hope to see you all there.

## 2. MEETING AND ACTIVITIES:

Meetings; Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup> - Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> - Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> and Dec 7<sup>th</sup>  
Shows; Dayton Ohio - Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>

2. Three members and two new members attended the July meeting. Blanks with patterns for small gnomes were passed out. If you didn't make this meeting and would like to attempt this project or another project done in the past, let me know and I will try to get the materials needed by the next meeting.

## 3. THINGS OF INTEREST:

The carving club in Parkersburg has an auction once a year at a normal meeting. The items to be auctioned are donated (mostly carving in nature) by the members, or anywhere they can get them during the year. If there is enough interest, we could start collecting items at the Sept. meeting. Please let me know if this is of interest.

4. Please contact us;

- a. If you are willing to do the activity for the Sept. or Oct. meetings.
- b. If you have something you would like to see done as a project (something you saw in a magazine etc.) let us know and we will get someone to do it.

## 5. Carving has a potential of injury:

- a. Most tools that are used are very sharp. It is recommended that you use a safety glove and thumb tips at all times when you are handling carving tools.
- b. A safety glove will mostly stop a glancing cut, but will not prevent a direct stab with a knife.
- c. If you drop your tool, do not try to catch it, because you may grab the cutting end.
- d. Power carving creates dust, and it is known that some wood dust is harmful when breathed. You should always use dust collection and an approved dust mask, when power carving.

6. **The Woodworkers** have a Show and Tell during each meeting, where members bring in a project that they have done to show the rest of the members. If you would like to show some of your carvings, they would like to see them.

7. It has been suggested that we consider a joint activity with another club. What are your thoughts on this?

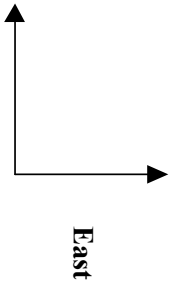
8. The attendance at Parkersburg's, Carving on the Porch was down some this year, but there were lots of carvings to see. Patrick Wentzel had a display in the Woodcraft Store of a 1" = 1' scale, old hand-carved circus parade, mostly carved by Charlie Deck between 1940 and 1960, with approximately 100 pieces, that were about 40 feet long. Patrick has been restoring this for approximately 30 years. It was very impressive.

9. Marshall sent along an e-mail about a get-together at the J C Campbell Folk School. If you are interested in this school and would like to learn more about it, this might be a good opportunity to visit, and see for yourself. You can also visit the website at:  
[https://www.folkschool.org/event.php?section=events&event\\_id=16](https://www.folkschool.org/event.php?section=events&event_id=16)

10. If you would like to contact me, send e-mails to Pop.3@verizon.net. This is going to change sometime soon (I hope). The change over is nutty.

11. Treasury report

Balance in bank	+ \$275.16
Refreshments	- \$ 2.87
Donations	+ \$25.00
Cash on hand	+ \$22.13
Balance	+\$ 297.29



Stone Gate Drive

Edgewood Drive

North



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Edgewood Drive

Park in Driveway

Stone Ridge Drive

1/2 Mile

Route 34

Days Inn  
1.800.325.2525

Red Roof Inn  
1.800.843.7663

Shopping Center

Holiday Inn Express  
1.800.465.4329

I-64

20 Miles

Charleston

I-64 & 77

I-79

I-77

Exit 39  
Winfield & Teays Valley

I-64

Hampton Inn  
1.800.426.7866

Huntington

