



JANUARY MEETING

The next meeting of the Valley Woodworkers will be held at 6:30 PM on January 14, at the **club's meeting place at 302 12th Street, Dunbar.**

DECEMBER MEETING

There were 54 people present at the December meeting with three guests. Welcome to Ed Connors from Ripley and John Lipscomb and his son Casey from Charleston.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wood Werks Supply is having their Winter Expo on January 15, 16, 17. Discounts are 10% on tools, 15% on Accessories, and 20% on lumber. Times are 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM on Friday and Saturday and 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM on Sunday. They are located at 1181 Claycraft Rd., Columbus, OH.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

This year, 2010, marks the 20th year of the Valley Woodworkers of West Virginia. During that time we have come a long way. We started out as a few woodworkers meeting in someone's shop sharing information about woodworking and making toys for the Salvation Army. As the club grew, we needed more space and have moved several times to larger meeting places. Our current home is due to the generosity of Jim Riley, whom we thank dearly. I don't know what we would have done if he had not stepped forward in our time of need.

Our club has been a success and has continued to grow for only one reason, and that reason is YOU. You have given your valuable time to help other woodworkers learn from you by making presentations at the meetings, and sharing successes and failures with others before our meetings and during the breaks. You have helped us identify outside speakers that can bring in fresh ideas. You have shared your knowledge during our club projects while at the same time, you are learning new skills from others. You have also felt a calling to help our less fortunate community members that might not otherwise have a merry Christmas by giving of your time to help make toys for underprivileged children. Our club has been successful because of you and with your continued support it will continue to serve the needs of our community. Remember the words of the ancient Greek philosopher, Retep: "The more you put into the club, the more you will benefit."

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: 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.

TABLE WORKSHOP

Due to circumstances beyond his control the workshop leader, Peter Howell, regrets that he'll have to postpone the first workshop for one month. **The first workshop will be on February 20, the third Saturday.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

Steve Boster reported that there was \$4,491.50 in the cub treasury. **With the new year it is time to pay dues. The dues are \$40.00 for the year 2010.** Steve Boster will be accepting dues at the January meeting.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Allan McNeel presented the slate of officers contacted by the nominating committee. He then called for nominations from the floor; there were none. A motion was made and seconded to close the nominations and elect the slate of officers by acclamation. A voice vote to accept the slate of officers was unanimous. The officers for 2010 are:

- President - Peter Howell
- 1st. Vice President - Rick Chandler
- Vice President/Membership - Lloyd McIntyre
- Vice President/Toy Committee - Andy Sheetz
- Secretary/Newsletter Editor - Dan Pleska
- Treasurer - Steve Boster
- Librarian - Mark Fowler

TOY PRESENTATION

On December 5 we made our toy presentation to the Salvation Army. This year we donated 829 items that consisted of 252 doll cradles, 61 alphabet block wagons, 15 puzzle chairs, 25 Scooters, 250 Cars, and 226 blanket sets for the doll cradles.

REFRESHMENTS

Thanks to Clarence Duncan for furnishing the refreshments for the December meeting. Dan Pleska has volunteered to bring the refreshments for the January meeting.

RAFFLE

The raffle prize for December was a Forstner drill bit set and was won by Bill Morris.

DEMONSTRATION

Allan McNeel lead a discussion on marking and measuring tools. He started by listing what everyone carried in their work aprons. Most people carried a pencil and a tape measure. Some of the other things that were listed were: box cutter, marking knife, lumber crayon, and a small square.

Allan will continue his discussion on marking and measuring tools at the January meeting.

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 an Asian influenced box. The box was made from Ambrosia Maple with a Cherry lid. The finish was eight coats of wipe on satin polyurethane.



Skip Cox showed several plaques he made using the scroll saw. One was of the flag being raised at Iwo Jima. The other was the Marine Corp emblem.



Doug Kemp showed a couple of small bowls he turned on the lathe.



Bill Morris showed a table he made from Ambrosia Maple and Walnut. The table is made leaving the natural edges.

Roy Reveal showed a scroll sawed snowflake. The three dimensional snowflake also holds a battery powered tea light.



Brad Liston showed a bench. The seat and back are Oak from a pew that was in a church that had burned. The sides are Chestnut that his grandfather had bought years ago. It is finished with several coats of wipe on polyurethane followed by paste wax.

John Gregor showed several Christmas ornaments he made in a class at Cedar Lakes.



Ed Connors showed a pyramid he made on his new bandsaw. The pyramid is made of green Poplar.

Allan McNeel and Earl Williams made a workbench and donated it to the club. It is made of Beech. The top is about 5" thick and the legs are 6" square. It also has a wooden screw leg vise on the front.



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January 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

Allan McNeel – What's in your apron? A discussion on marking and measuring.