

DECEMBER MEETING

The next meeting of the Valley Woodworkers will be held at 6:30 PM on December 11, at the **club's meeting place at 302 12th Street, Dunbar.**

NOVEMBER MEETING

The meeting was presided over by Claude Croteau in Allan McNeel's absence. There were 45 people in attendance at the November meeting with no guests.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jerill Vance reported that DOW has hired a consultant to advise them on what to do with all of the property, not just what we have requested, at the Tech Center. The report from the consultant is due by the end of November. After they get the report, Dow will formulate a plan on what to do with the property.

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Dan Pleska, speaking for Allan McNeel, reported that there were not any plans available for the specific jewelry box that everyone signed up for at the last meeting. Instead, Allan proposed that they make a jewelry box that appeared in the April 2002 edition of *American Woodworker*. The extra costs to build this box, other than the wood, would be a pair of stop hinges for about \$30.00, an escutcheon for about \$6.00, and the velvet for about \$25.00. The first workshop for the jewelry box is tentatively scheduled for January 24, 2009.

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 need materials for your projects: Blue Ridge Machinery & Tool, Cabinet Supplier Inc., Coastal Lumber Company, Evans Lumber Company, J.C. Hamer Lumber Company, McFeely's Square Drive Screw Company, Teays Valley Hardware, West Virginia Marine, Klingspor Woodworking Shop & Woodcraft Supply.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

I hope everyone is getting in some shop time and getting all those Christmas projects near completion.

I am going to lead this month's demonstration. The topic is mortise and tenon joinery. If anyone has a jig or particular method, please bring it to show. There are many ways of making this joint, and it should make for a very interesting discussion.

Allan McNeel

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tanner Boster, filling in for his father, Steve, reported that there was \$5,150.34 in the club treasury.

TOY PROJECT

Andy Sheetz reported that about 200 doll cradles were completed with the exception of the finish. The alphabet block wagons are under way as well as the large red wagons. Randy Heath, from Marietta, made 19 wagons, 18 sets of alphabet blocks, and 31 cars to donate to the Salvation Army in Parkersburg.

REFRESHMENTS

Thanks to Roy Reveal for bringing the refreshments to the November meeting. Glenn Pauley volunteered to bring the refreshments for the December meeting.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

The annual Christmas Dinner will be held at 7:00 PM on December 12, at the club's meeting room. It will be catered and buffet style. The baked steak or chicken entrée will also include sweet and red potatoes, green beans, rolls, and a salad. The drinks will be coffee, tea, and lemonade.

Everyone is also encouraged to bring items they have completed for show and tell.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE

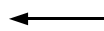
Glenn Pauley distributed a slate of officers for 2009. All those on the slate have been contacted and agreed to the nomination. They are:

- President - Allan McNeel
- 1st Vice President - Peter Howell
- Vice President/Membership - Glen Jewell
- Vice President/Toy Committee - Andy Sheetz
- Secretary - Dan Pleska
- Treasurer - Steve Boster
- Librarian - Mark Fowler

Nominations will also be taken from the floor before the election at the December meeting. If you're going to nominate someone from the floor, make sure that they agree to the nomination before doing so.

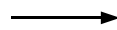
SHOW AND TELL

Bill Morris showed a turned box with squared corners. He also made a "foot" stool of Red Maple and Pine. The one shown is one of about a dozen he's made lately.



Bob Shingleton showed a puzzle rocker he made and donated to the club. It's like the 20 he made as part of the Toy Project.

Tanner Boster showed a candy tray, a small turned flower pot. He also made some flowers to go in it with his scroll saw. He made several small Victorian Sled Christmas ornaments. Finally he made an old style alarm clock, with the bells on top, out of various woods.



Roy Reveal showed pictures of a device for his drill press. His older model drill press doesn't have a crank to raise and lower the table. The device enables him to raise and lower the table on his drill press using a scissor jack like the ones that come with the spare tire in a car.



Doug Kemp showed two lamps he made from scrap wood. One was made from a piece of walnut and the other was flooring scraps of Teak, Oak, and Cherry.

DEMONSTRATION

Dan Pleska provided a demonstration on making a cabriole leg. He first explained how the pattern/profile of the leg was drawn on two adjacent sides of the leg blank. Next he carefully cut out the profile on the first side. After he taped the cut off piece that had the pattern on it back on, he cut the second side. The result was a squared off cabriole leg. He then took the blank to the lathe and turned the bottom of the pad foot. Next he went to the bench and finished shaping the leg with rasps and sandpaper.

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 cannot 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.

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December Agenda

Announcements

Welcome new members and guests
Raffle
Refreshment volunteer
Christmas plans – head count
Items for sale

Committee Reports

Treasurer – Steve Boster
Building Committee – Glen Jewell
Toy Committee – Andy Sheetz

Old Business

Jewelry Box Workshop – 3rd Thursday?
Election of officers

New Business

Show and Tell

Break

Demonstration

Allan McNeel – Mortise and tenon joinery