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## FEBRUARY MEETING

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

## JANUARY MEETING

There were about 50 people present at the January meeting with three guests. Welcome to Tom Harper from South Charleston, Shawn Abdalla from Charleston and Kim Jarvi from Dunbar.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lloyd McIntyre had open heart surgery on Tuesday, January 20. He had 3 by-passes, and was released from the hospital on Friday, January 23. He reports that he is home, doing well, trying to get himself into a new frame of mind.

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Jerill Vance requests that "If you have a favorite router jig, bring it to the meeting and share in the discussion."

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to all new and returning members for this year. We have a great organization that allows us to share our passion for our benefit as well as other's. As president, I have a challenge to keep the topics interesting to all. To

**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.

that end, if you have a particular interest that we are not addressing please let me know.

The router is one of the most useful tools in the shop. It has many different accessories that extend its usefulness. I even used it as a jointer before I owned a stationary jointer. Jerill Vance will be discussing the router at this meeting. His demonstrations are always very informative. See you there!

Allan McNeel

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Steve Boster reported that there was \$4,428.52 in the club treasury.

### **ANNUAL BUDGET**

Steve Boster distributed copies of the proposed budget for 2009 to the membership and reviewed it. There were no questions on the budget. It was voted on and passed.

### **REFRESHMENTS**

Thanks to Carl Mercer for furnishing the refreshments for the January meeting. Jerill Vance volunteered to bring the refreshments to the February meeting.

### **RAFFLE**

The raffle prize for January was a Groz #4 hand plane. It was won by Bill Crist.

## SHOW AND TELL

Jesse Lazear showed two small wagons he made for his great grandsons. One was made from cherry and the other from walnut. He also had a collection of treen-ware he made and coated with salad bowl finish.



Roy White brought two toy trucks. The larger dump truck had a chain drive dump lift. The smaller truck was a bank and had an antique PO Box door for the back.

Andy Sheetz showed a set of coasters he made with inlayed leaves. He explained how he cut the inlays. He also gave the club a check for \$525.00 for the 7 night lights he sold while at Tamarack.



## DEMONSTRATION

Allan McNeel started his demonstration on mortise and tenon joints by breaking some wood joints. He constructed six different wood joints out of the same wood and put them in a jig designed to see how much force it took to break the joints. This highly scientific © jig employed a 5 foot long 2 x 4 and a bucket of dirt that weighed approximately 25 lbs.

The joints were: a 3/8" thick x 1 3/4" long standard tenon, a #10 biscuit, two pocket hole screws, a 3/8" thick x 1 3/4" long haunched tenon, a 1/4" thick x 3/4" long standard tenon, and a 3/8" thick x 3/4" long standard tenon. The joints were put in the jig and the weight was moved further out on the 2 x 4 until the joint broke. The weakest joint turned out to

be the pocket hole and the strongest was the 3/8" thick x 1 3/4" long haunched tenon.

Allan then demonstrated how to make mortises in several different ways:  
After laying out the mortise:

- Drill out bulk with the drill press and clean up with chisels
- Drill out with hand drill and dowelling jig and clean up with chisels
- Use a router then square-up the ends with chisels
- Use a hollow chisel mortising machine

### 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.



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

**Announcements**

Welcome new members and guests  
Raffle  
Refreshment volunteer  
Website - advertisements  
Items for sale

**Committee Reports**

Treasurer – Steve Boster  
Toy Committee – Andy Sheetz

**Old Business**

Jewelry box workshop

**New Business**

**Show and Tell**

**Mini Demo**

Glen Jewell - The Jewell, Model “T”, Mortiser/Tenoner

**Break**

**Demonstration**

Jerill Vance – Router Types and Functions