



News and Views from the Western Pennsylvania Woodworkers, Incorporated

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## MEETING NOTICE

DATE: Saturday, January 10, 2008

TIME: 10:00 AM, coffee at 9:30 AM

PLACE: The shop of :

Bill James (James Wood Works) and

Craig Marcus (Marcus Studio)

The shop is at 6545 Hamilton Ave. (which is parallel to and between Penn Ave. and Frankstown Rd.). The easiest way to get there is from 5th Ave./Washington Blvd. (the street changes names at Frankstown Rd. -- welcome to Pittsburgh!). From 5th Ave./Washington Blvd. turn west on Hamilton (toward Pittsburgh) and 6545 is 2-1/2 blocks down on the right. We have a large green banner on the front of the building and two company signs on the side of the building.



## THIS MONTH'S MEETING: CARVED BOWLS

Our speaker will be Jerry Butina, of Latrobe, PA. Jerry will be presenting a program on the techniques he uses to hand-carve bowls using axes, adzes, and gouges. Jerry makes these bowls to sell at craft shows, and has made many over the years. He will have examples of bowls in various stages of completion and will demonstrate the hollowing-out process he uses for bowl interiors. In addition to describing the entire carving process and showing examples, Jerry will also show us the sharpening techniques that he uses to keep his tools in proper condition. Please join us to see a demonstration of this old-world technique that few people still perform. – submitted by Bill James

## NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

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## DECEMBER MEETING REPORT

Bill James gave a very informative explanation on veneering. He explained how and why to veneer, walked us through the process, and showed some of his work.



Veneer is sold in sheets or “fitches”. In this picture, Bill shows us a sheet of veneer



The sheets of veneer can be trimmed with a router or laminate trimmer using this jig. This process provides tight, almost invisible joints.



The veneer sheets are “unfolded” and joined to bookmatch the veneer, so that each sheet is a mirror image of the adjacent sheet.



A table top veneered by Bill, showing the striking patterns that can be obtained by veneering.

### MEMBER ADVERTISEMENTS

**FOR SALE:** New Delta JT-360 6” stationary jointer. This jointer has been assembled and tested but is otherwise unused. Retail cost is \$430 on Amazon, make me an offer. New Sears professional 12” planer. This is new in the unopened box. Retail cost is \$450, make me an offer. Ralph 412-716-9303.

**FOR SALE:** 10” Craftsman Tablesaw, cost \$600 new. This is a heavy duty 3 HP contractor saw made in the early 1990s. It includes two cast iron wings and a 27” x 44” work surface, the base includes integral wheels, and the fence has been upgraded to a very accurate extruded aluminum Accusquare made by Mulecab. Many accessories included. \$425 for everything. For details contact Craig Smith, [craig@no-wood-untuned.com](mailto:craig@no-wood-untuned.com), 412-996-5666.