

Peoria Area Woodworkers - May 2012 meeting notes.

Next meeting is June 20th at the woodworker's Shop Meeting topic is Woodworking Mistakes and How to Correct Them. Everyone is to bring an example of a goof-up and how he saved the project. Election of officers is also scheduled for this meeting.

Note: Sawmill tour is June 2nd at 11am- meet at their shop office – see map. Special meeting to tour Corsair Lumber near Canton on Saturday at 11:00 am. If interested contact Russ Marie. Will be some carpooling from Russ's at 10:00 am. If interested, e-mail or call him at home (e-mail: marie@mtco.com Tel: 446-3509).

Jim Seelye opened the meeting by welcoming new member Richard Cole. Discussion of dues increase to \$20 per household took place and Norm provided balance of \$1250 for savings and \$27 checking (after deducting 35 for gift certificate).



Gus Waeltz had two examples of spiral projects he had made using a Craftsman Router Crafter. One was a walnut lamp and the other an osage orange pedestal made from a hundred year old fence post. Gus remarked that the post was an antique before he even started the project.

Russ Marie and Jason shared the evening's presentation with Russ demonstrating a Powermatic bench mortising machine and Jason demonstrating two different Jet Sanding machines.



Russ offered many tips including:

- *importance of sharp chisel and drill
- *polishing and waxing table and fence
- *precise dimensioning of stock thickness. Example if using .750 stock the stock is planned exactly to .750 which makes measuring and adjusting simpler and allows for flipping the board end for end for machining top and bottom mortises.
- *how to use a dime to adjust clearance between chisel and bit. Too little clearance and tools overheat and dull, too much clearance and drilled hole can be oversized.
- *Russ glues only the mortise , not the tenon
- *sometimes size limitations of the machine requires making templates/jigs and use of router
- *hold downs are critical to success.



Jason demonstrated a Jet drum sander with an oscillating drum. The oscillation improves finish and sandpaper life. The Jet 22-44 was priced at \$2399.99.

Jason's main points were:

- *importance of a good vacuum to remove sawdust
- *importance of dressing the sandpaper to prevent build-up and burning the board
- *recommends using the oscillating option on the final passes for improved finish

Jason also demonstrated Jet oscillating edge sander which was priced at \$999.99 - one more machine for the wish list.



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