



 **Mortise & Tenon**   
NEWSLETTER OF THE NORTH JERSEY WOODWORKERS ASSOCIATION

September 2017

Visitor intro: We had 31 people in attendance.

### Announcements:

Ernst was cleaning out his shop and brought down some wood to give away to anyone interested.

North Jersey Woodcarvers are having their annual Woodcarving and Art Show October 21st and 22nd in Wayne.

A.W. Meyer in Ridgefield will be having their annual Oc-tool-berfest October 5th-7th.

### Presentation:

This month's presentation was given by furniture maker Michael Puryear from New York. Michael designs and builds custom furniture with a touch of Shaker and Scandinavian elements. He started off by explaining and demonstrating the process of using a vacuum pump and veneer bag to bend wood laminations to various shapes. A form is used to give the wood a structure to conform to and a platen is needed to allow the air to escape the bag.

Michael then showed various examples of pieces he has made. He explained the design features and how he came up with the idea for the finished project. There were many instances where he needed to change the design along the way because something just didn't "seem right". We were also able to see how the designs evolved from one project to the next with slight variations to size and structure.

Next Meeting: October 16th