

NEWSLETTER OF THE NORTH JERSEY WOODWORKERS ASSOCIATION

September 2016

Visitor intro: We had 33 members in attendance this month.

Announcements: Group tour of the Nakashima Woodworker property in New Hope PA is set up for October 8th at 10 am.

Gordon is looking into a field trip to Yale University for the Rhode Island Furniture exhibit. More info to follow.

Dave, Jock, and Gordon gave an update on the skills sessions they hosted over the summer. The skills sessions are great opportunities to learn as well as socialize with a smaller group of members.

Main Presentation:

Joel Moskowitz from Tools for Working Wood in Brooklyn NY gave a presentation on rasps. He started out by explaining a little on how a hand cut rasp is made and why they are superior to machine cut rasps. Next he showed some of the different shapes and styles available, their uses, and the pros and cons of using one style over another.

Joel finished up his presentation by using a few of the different rasps to show how they can be used to adjust the fit of a joint, break the edge of a board with a chamfer or round over, or add a decorative pattern to a board.

After the presentation members were invited to try out the different rasps to see and feel how they worked.

October's meeting will feature a presentation from Chris Chubbuck the local JPW rep which carries the JET and POWERMATIC lines.

November will be the annual member swap meet so start looking for any treasures you may have hiding beneath that saw dust. There will also be a wide range of books available that were donated to the club by Joel.