

HUNTINGTON SCHOOL OF FINE WOODWORK

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Last month, we took all our students on a day of shopping to Lowe's, Home Depot and Withrow's Sharpening Services to restock on a variety of shop supplies. Also, we purchased two new pieces of machinery, a lathe and a radial arm saw. The lathe we purchased will be used for a variety of purposes, such as spindles for furniture as well as give students the opportunity to create bowls, turned boxes, game pieces or other trinkets.



The radial arm saw is the saw necessary to make crosscuts greater than 8 ½ inches in length, which could previously only be achieved with a sled on the table saw, which is intended for rip cuts, not crosscuts. Later, our program spent a week at the PRC facilities pulling up carpet. Finally, we began working on two custom bookshelf projects for personal residences; one for a family in downtown Huntington, consisting of two base cabinets and three bookshelves constructed of red oak, the other consisting of four bookshelves constructed of soft maple. Also, we designed and completed a mission style quilt rack constructed of red oak with doveled mortise and tenon joinery.



In the adult class, Brian and Jason Henderson, along with Jordache Collins, enrolled in and completed Marshall Community and Technical College's Pre-Manufacturing Program, in which they were introduced to OSHA training as well as a variety of other skills. Two new students joined our adult class this month. David Hesson and Paul Shore began the program late in the month. As with all new students, David and Paul began with a safety overview and a shop orientation. Next, our new students started helping with our bookshelf projects. So far, both seem interested in the program and have been participating very well.

The youth class welcomed Michael Kline as our newest student. Michael has done a great job of acclimating to the new environment and activities after completing shop and safety orientation. Jordan Collins also enrolled in and graduated from Marshall Community and Technical College's Pre-Manufacturing Program. Jordan Williams and Shane Robinson have worked very well in all of the various projects we have been involved with, from pulling carpet to beginning our bookshelf projects.

In the advanced class, Dana Nitz has done a good job working with our other students on every project from pulling carpet to building bookshelves. Cecil Rowe has returned from some personal time off and has stepped directly back into an active role in our shop.

We also completed and installed a custom bookcase for Turner and Bellomy,
Attorneys at Law.



Here are the before and after pictures.

