

GUILD NEWS

Next Meeting
 Tuesday, October 9, 2017
 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM
 East Kentwood High School

Guild Meeting Agenda October 9, 2018 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

- Welcome Guests and Returning Members
- Guild Business Discussion
- Presentation by Joel Horling
 Kamps Hardwoods, Inc.
- Member "Show & Tell"
Two-minute time limit per project.
- 'Open' Discussion Time
- '15' Minute Break
- Raffle Drawings
- Wood Slab Flattening Demonstration

"Discussion Time"

During this time, any member or guest can ask questions about tools, a project issue, etc. *'Discussions limited to fifteen minutes.'*

Members of the Guild can then offer suggestions and the 'Pros & Cons' to help others resolve woodworking related issues or find someone who would be willing to help a member 'One-on-One' to help resolve an issue.

Guild Dues

The Guild Board decided at the August 2018 Board Meeting to adjust the Guild Dues for the balance of 2018.

New members can join the West Michigan Woodworkers Guild in October or November for \$10. In December 2018, everyone can join the Guild for all of the 2019 Guild meetings for \$20. After January 1, 2019, Guild Dues will be \$25 for the entire 2019 meeting season.

Wood Slab Flattening Demonstration

By Darin Tuttle

Would you like to work with raw wood slabs but cannot because you do not have a planer or your planer is too narrow to flatten them? Darin Tuttle is going to show Guild members and our Guests at the our October meeting how he can flatten a thick, raw, wood slab that is less than 4' long or one 12'+ long using just a 2+HP router and a flattening router bit!

Weather permitting, Darin's demonstration will be held outside the rear entry doors of the EKHS wood shop shortly after the beginning of the Guild meeting on October 9th at 7:00 PM. If he cannot do his demo outside, he will give his presentation just inside the rear doors of the EKHS wood shop.

If you would like to see samples of Darin's woodworking skills, he has posted two of his finished projects on the Guild's Facebook Page, go to, <https://www.facebook.com/groups/wmiwwguild>, Scroll down the posts until you come to his posting of a table he claims he made from scraps! After that, keep scrolling much farther down and you will see a Pizza Peel board he also posted on the Guild's Facebook page!

When was the last time you posted one of your finished projects on the Guild's Facebook Page?!

**Make our meetings
 even more fun!
 Bring a Friend!**

President's Corner

I spent 35 years as an IBM Technical Sales Rep traveling to conferences, training seminars, and visiting with customers. I firmly believe I learned something new on each of the trips that had nothing to do with the originally planned purpose of the trip.

I learned about new software and computer systems plus many other interesting things that had little to do with IBM. I gained this knowledge because I ventured to have chats with people who I met who had many different skill sets and personal interests other than computers and computer software.

I like to think that our Guild meetings provides that same opportunity for you to exchange information between our members.

At our Guild meetings, there are woodworkers with exceptional skills and knowledge willing to help those who are just getting started.

By coming to our meetings and silently absorbing the presentation and then leaving without talking to others, you miss the true value of the meeting! At our next Guild meeting, meet and talk with your fellow woodworkers; it could be very helpful to you AND to them!

To promote the exchange of information, we have redesigned our Name Badges. The new badges now 'Notes' the Member's Skills and Interests so you can more easily start a conversation, ask for or offer assistance or even set up a time to visit one another's workshop for a hands-on session.

Remember, you are not going to live long enough to make all the mistakes yourself; you are going to need some help.

'Les Derusha'

The September 2018 Meeting!

If you missed the September 2018 meeting of the West Michigan Woodworkers Guild, you missed a good one! **51** woodworkers attended and the guild gained **5** new members!

All of us saw an excellent presentation by Randy Beute of Cento-Anni of Holland on a Festool Domino Tenon Joiner and a Festool track saw. He talked about the Pros and Cons of buying and using what most hobbyists consider very expensive power tools.

Not only was the presentation by Randy Beute and members of his shop crew excellent, the 'Show and Tell' segment of the meeting was outstanding too!

It is simply amazing the talent we have in the West Michigan Woodworkers Guild. We saw 1 of 7 identical rocking chairs that took Ed Frye 3 years to build. We saw National prize winning scroll saw projects; we were able to see outstanding wood burning and wood turning items our members completed during the past few months. In addition, we had a GREAT response to our 50/50 and tool item Raffles!

Most importantly, everyone had a good time, renewed, and made new friendships.

Try not to miss October's Guild meeting. It is going to be another fun and interesting meeting!

There is a map to our meeting location on our website under the heading of **'Meetings'** to help you get to our meetings.

www.westmichiganwoodworker.org



Just some of the 51 Woodworkers who attended the West Michigan Woodworkers Guild's September meeting.



Randy Beute, Matthew Asselin, Hayley Veldheer & Austin Morris of Cento-Anni of Holland explaining the 'Pros & Cons' of owning a Festool Domino Tenon Cutter and a Festool Track Saw.



Our New Host, **Eric Franden**, the new EKHS Wood Shop Instructor.



Dale Smith (L) showing Dale Hotelling (R) Dale Smith's entries into a National Scroll Sawing Contest.



Dales Smith's 2nd Prize Winning entries into a Midwest Scroll Sawing competition held August 2018 in Dubuque, Iowa.



Ed Frye showed the Guild 1 of 7 identical rocking chairs he made for his family members. (Unfortunately Ed is standing behind his Beautiful Creation.



Doug Scott telling the members about the challenges of making a double drop leaf end table.



A little better picture of the Doug Scott's drop-leaf table with two new Guild guests talking about their woodworking projects



Pattie Dooley (L), Joe Knauf (R) thanking Sam Lacina (C) for the great buy (\$12.50) on Premium Band Saw blades that Sam offered to all the meeting attendees.



Wayne Veneklasen (C) getting setup for the 50/50 Drawing and the Raffle of Tools donated to the Guild by our supporters and members.



Pattie Dooley calling off the winning numbers for the 50/50 Drawing and the Raffle of tools



Jim Jakosh explaining his High Voltage Fractal Wood Burning Project to the Membership. In addition, Jim showed-off some of his excellent wood turning projects



Jim Jakosh giving Richard Kroll some introductory training on how to use a lathe he just acquired.

The West Michigan Woodworkers Guild

Website

The WM Woodworkers Guild has a very useful Internet location for our members and the general public. Our website address is:

www.westmichiganwoodworkers.org

Our website offers information that can help you find woodworking training at local suppliers and on-line training videos plus links to Woodworking Equipment Manufacturers and Supply Products. Under the **'LINKS'** heading on our website there are **4** WM Sawmills listed, **68** Equipment Suppliers, **5** National Woodworking Magazines, **4** Woodworking PBS TV Shows, **3** National Acclaimed Training Schools, **4** Woodworking Forums, and **9** other Michigan Woodworking Guilds or Groups.

Attention: Michigan Wood Carver Groups and All Other Groups & Vendors:

If you want to be listed on our website under our **'LINKS'** heading all you have to do is forward your contact information to:

newsletter@westmichiganwoodworkers.org

Forward your website URL (if you have one), Your Organization's or Company's Name, your Products and/or Services or your Group's Function), your Contact Person's Name, Their Position, Mailing Address, E-mail address and Phone Number. We will then list your Guild, Group or Company under our **'LINKS'** heading on our website.

The West Michigan Woodworkers Guild

Facebook Page

Not only does the WM Woodworkers Guild have a powerful Internet website, we also have a Great Facebook Page! You will find our Facebook Page on the Internet at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/wmiwwguild>

Our Facebook Page is available for viewing by everyone worldwide. However, ONLY members of the WM Woodworkers Guild may post on our Facebook Page.

To post on our Facebook Page is a privilege of our members in good standing.

Our Guild member can post their projects (completed or uncompleted) and in their posts they can ask for assistance from other woodworkers, both members and non-members.

Guild members can also advertise **'FOR SALE'** their projects, new and used woodworking equipment and/or supply items. Members can also make known their desire to buy woodworking equipment or supply items via a post on our Facebook Page.

Our Facebook Page contains 100s of postings. It is updated daily with woodworking related articles and tips that are of interest to every woodworker.

The Guild encourages more of our members to visit and to post to our Facebook Page. The more people who visit our Facebook Page and members who post to it only makes the page more interesting and helpful to everyone who visits it!



Econaway Abrasives of Grand Haven, MI, is a new supporter of the WM Woodworkers Guild. They want our members to get to know them and the products they offer.

To build this new relationship they are offering our Guild members a 15% discount on all the products they sell. To learn more about our new supporter, see their ad on the lower left corner of the next page. There you will find:

Jim Schultz, Owner
Phone: 616-846-2550
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<http://www.econaway.com/>

Give him a call to get his street address in Grand Haven so you can see the variety of products he has available and to get a good deal on the items you need in your shop.

'Coffee Can Method'

Woodworking is not an inexpensive hobby. It takes \$\$\$\$, time, effort, workspace and training to pursue. Whether you are under 20 or over 40 woodworking can bring you relaxation and pride in what you can accomplish.

However, woodworking today uses tools and technology that take \$\$\$\$ and time to acquire and learn to use. One of the simplest ways to accumulate the CASH needed to do this is to use the 'Coffee Can Method.'

Get yourself a plastic top coffee can, put a split the plastic top and every time you can put a \$5 or \$10 dollar bill or more in there. Then when you need or want to stuff for woodworking, you have the \$\$\$\$!

2018 Fall Meeting Agendas

October 9th

Slab Flattening By Darin Tuttle

November 13th

Fine Wood Joinery by Phil Miclea

December 11th

“Holiday Celebration”

Routers & Router Tables & Accessories by Dale Smith



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‘Free’ Saturday Demonstrations!

October 6th
CNC Basics

Learn how to download and set up your projects to the machine. Find out what bits to use for the best results.

October 13th
SawStop

SawStop takes shop safety to a new level with their patented flesh detecting technology.

October 20th

Introduction to Knife Making
 See why knife making is one of the fastest growing segments in woodworking. We will show you how easy it is to create a fully functional work of art.

October 27th
No Demonstration

We will be having a special event this weekend! Keep your eyes posted to our emails, Facebook and stores home page for complete details.

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