

# GUILD NEWS

## Meeting Agenda Tuesday, 10/10/2017

- Welcome Guests and Returning Members
- Membership Cards
- Meet your New President
- Member 'Show & Tell'
- Guild General Business
- Ideas for Future Meetings
- 10 Minute Break – Raffles and 50/50 Ticket Purchase
- MCPC Mostly Printed CNC Router Presentation

## Meet the New President

I am Les Derusha, former lapsed Guild member who lives by the old axiom, **"You will never live long enough to make all the mistakes yourself, you will need a LOT of Help"**. Thus my decision to return to the Guild.

I like doing mostly cabinetwork, but first, I am retired from IBM (14 yrs.), I no longer work, I have fun. In that vein, I do not sell my services, that is work and I am retired. Besides, if you give things away, people cannot complain.

I have made all of my grand daughters' (2) furniture, beds, dressers, dolly dressers, and many toys. I also made all the cabinets in my shop, (including the CNC cart in the presentation on Oct 10<sup>th</sup>). I have done a lot of cabinetwork for our church including a complete sound

system with tambour tops and fully accessible wood enclosed rack cabinets.

I also have made a series of bread baskets (with glass encased custom embroidery, courtesy of my wife), laminated cutting boards, music boxes, Flag Cases, a Kids Kitchen, spinning wheels, Spinner's Swift, Sewing Cabinet, a Sit-Stand Desk, Dining Table with matching Candle Stand and a wine cabinet.

However, being the age I am, I have most likely forgotten a few.

I have picked up many good ideas from the Guild Show and Tell and the many presentations by Guild Members. I have been humbled many times by the skills shown by the Guild Members.

I am a Big believer in CAD. I typically spend almost half my project time designing and fitting pieces on the computer before I buy my first piece of wood. Besides saving fitting miseries, it also saves the cost of materials. I have used Sketch Up for the last 10 years and am still learning things.

I am looking forward in my attempt to fill Tom McDonald's Very Large Shoes, and hope I can be a credit to the Guild.

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

Next Meeting  
Tuesday, October 10, 2017  
7:00 PM to 9:30 PM  
East Kentwood High School

## MPCNC Mostly Printed Computer Numeric Control Router Presentation *Planned for 10-10-17 Meeting!*

Guild President Les Derusha and his son Allen will give a presentation and a live demonstration on how to make a CNC machine on a 3D Printer.

What can you do on a CNC Router machine and why would I want one for my shop. Customized signs, precision wooden parts, and any of these that you may make repetitiously are candidates.

Oh, and did I mention that the Router could easily be replaced with a Laser head, or a Drag Knife, or an Extruder (3D Printer), Plasma Cutter, basically limited by your imagination.

You will learn where we started, how it went together, what we learned (as in what didn't work), and resources to help you build one yourself along with a list of helpful websites and YouTube videos to provide an education.



**THANK YOU!**

Thank you to all the members who provided items for the raffles at our Guild meetings.

## Raffle Preparation and Show & Tell



Guild Board Members, Garry Strout, Patti Dooley & Jim Jakosh looking over Raffles prizes of Lathe Chucks, Drummel Accessories, Gift Certificates from Craft Supplies USA Plus more raffle items!



Guild Board Member, John Pflug, describing an antique Timber Framing mortising jig he restored and how it is used. He noted that when used properly it could rival the speed of today's power equipment. (Patti Dooley in the Background)



"Locks of Friendship," A sculpture, using locally available mahogany & steel by a new Guild member and internationally recognized sculptor, Harminder Singh Boparai. Originally from India, now living in Grandville. (Dale Smith in the Background)

### Dove Tailing with a Router and Dovetail Jig

By Dale Smith of Woodcraft in Grand Rapids

Guild Member, Dale Smith, demonstrated how to quickly and easily use a Router and a Basic Dove Tailing Jig for creating one of the strongest and most attractive corner joints for cabinet drawers, display and storage boxes.



Thank you Dale for another very informative and interesting presentation on how to use today's modern woodworking equipment. Dale works at the Woodcraft store in GR and regularly conducts woodworking-training classes there.

## \*2017 Fall Meeting Demonstrations \*

**October 10, 2017**

CNC Router & Laser Burner Demonstration

**November 14, 2017**

Open – Suggestions Welcomed

**December 12, 2017**

Open – Suggestions Welcomed

## The Guild's Facebook Page

[www.facebook.com/groups/wmiwwguild](http://www.facebook.com/groups/wmiwwguild)

The West Michigan Woodworkers Guild has nearly 60 members and is growing. However, only about 40 of those are members of our Facebook Group. Of those, only about 15 to 20 members regularly view postings on our Facebook page that is updated almost daily. Regretfully however, only 3 or 4 of our Guild members regularly post articles, questions, suggestions, show-off projects they have or are creating, place items for sale or request items they wish to purchase!

**We would like to see many more Guild Facebook viewings and postings from our Guild members!**

Joining the Guild Facebook Group is easy! As a dues paying member of the Guild, it is all FREE! Go to the website noted above in **Blue**. Once on the Guild Facebook page, request to join the Guild Facebook Group by entering the information requested and then press 'Enter' on your keyboard. Your request to join the Facebook Group will then be sent to our Facebook administrator for approval. If your Guild dues are up to date, your request will be approved within 24 hours or less. Once your membership to the Facebook Group is approved, you can not only view and open the postings already there BUT more importantly, you can post directly to our Facebook page yourself!

**OR**

Another way to get to the Guild's Facebook page is to go to our website,

<http://www.westmichiganwoodworkers.org/> 'click' on the  located on the middle right of Guild's main webpage screen. By doing so, you will go directly to the Guild's Facebook page. Once there, you can join the Guild's Facebook Group by following the instructions noted above. Once approved, you can post to our Facebook page yourself. We encourage all our Guild members to view and post on the Guild's Facebook page as often as possible!

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