

GUILD NEWS

Next Meeting
 Tuesday, June 12, 2017
 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM
 John & Debie Pflug's in Alto, MI

Guild Picnic June 12, 2018!

4th Annual WM Woodworkers Guild Picnic

John and Debie Pflug have invited all WM Woodworkers, Suppliers, their family members, and guests to their home at 6301 Pratt Lake Ave SE for the 4th Annual West Michigan Woodworkers Picnic.

Everyone is welcomed to join us from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM. **Setup for the picnic will begin at 5:00 PM, Picnic at 6:00 PM.**

The Pflug's will provide the burgers, hot dogs, soft drinks and the buns and fixings.

Guests are encouraged to bring:

- A favorite side dish or desert to pass.
- Extra folding chairs
- Folding tables (To seat 60+) (Tables to seat 4 or more)
- A couple of large coolers & Ice for soft drinks (**NO Alcohol**)

Demos, Events and Tours

- Group Purchase of Carter Products Band Saw & Lathe Accessories. (See Pg. 2)
- Tour of Pflug's new Homestead, their ponies, and the pony's timber framed shelter that John Pflug built.
- Quarter Sawing a LARGE Sycamore log. **The wood will be sold to those in attendance.** (John Noble of Nobel Land Clearing is providing the log.)

So, come one, come all and be prepared to have a good meal, a good time and to meet others who love woodworking!

Rain Date June 19, 2018

"Where Is 6301 Pratt Lake Ave."

Take I-96 east to the Lowell exit (Alden Nash Ave.). Turn right (south) go to 64th Street. Turn left (east), go 2 miles to Pratt Lake Ave. Turn left, (north), go ¼ mile, **do not cross the railroad tracks.** Look to the left (west) for the new house set far back from the road to the left, 500' before the railroad tracks. Take the new driveway through the open field pass the new house, to travel trailer area.



'Tool Swap & Sell'

To add fun to the WM Woodworkers Guild Picnic, we are also sponsoring a '**Tool Swap & Sell**' event after the picnic supper. So if you have tools you wish to sell or trade bring all of them to the picnic.

The actual '**Tool Swap -Sell**' event will begin at 7:00 PM. While the event starts at 7:00 PM, the '**Looking**' begins as soon as you get to the picnic.

R.S.V.P For The Guild Picnic

"R.S.V.P' Means." *To respond to an invitation to indicate that one will be coming to the corresponding event'*

The WM Woodworkers Guild is inviting over 300 people to our Annual picnic. We know not all our invited guests will be able to join us as at this event.

However, we do need to know if you are planning on attending so we can have enough food and refreshments on hand for everyone.

Please sent us a 'RSVP' e-mail telling us you plan on attending **AND** the number of people that will be in your party to the e-mail address shown at the bottom of this page.

Donations For Therapy Ponies

Debi and John Pflug operate a private charity to breed and raise 'Therapy Ponies' to provide pony riding experiences for highly disabled children. Any monetary contribution you could make at picnic to support their efforts would be greatly appreciated.

Please e-mail newsletter@westmichiganwoodworkers.org with the number of people in your party who will be attending the Picnic!

Group Buy from Carter Products at Picnic

At the June 12th Guild Picnic the we will offering attendees an opportunity to buy Band Saws and Wood Lathes related products and accessories by Carter Products' at a 15% savings.

Here is the Deal

Mr. Lee Perez, President of Carter Products is offering to the attendees of the Guild's June 12th Picnic a 'Buy-in' for on all Carter Products less 15% + Sales Tax!

All items must be ordered at one time and paid by a single payment by the Guild

All you need to do is visit their website noted below to do your shopping. Find the products you would like to purchase at the 15% discount. Create a list; write down the name of the product, its model number, and the same information for any accessories of each item that you would like to buy. Bring your list to the picnic; see **Case Vander Maas**, Guild Treasurer, place, and pay for your order.

Only Checks or Cash will be accepted at the Picnic.

However, Carter Band Saw Blades (5-Star Rated by Wood Magazine) will be available to Guild members at a 15% discount anytime. Blades can be ordered directly from Carter Products by phone (888-622-7837) and paid for by credit card.

[**http://www.carterproducts.com/**](http://www.carterproducts.com/)

Guild Facebook Use

As a woodworker in 2018, you need to know how to use a computer, how to navigate the Internet, and how to use computer programs designed to help you in your woodworking! You need to visit our Facebook Page or our website.

If by now, you don't know how to send and receive e-mails or how to navigate the Internet you are denying yourself access to valuable woodworking tips, wood shop suggestions, getting free project plans or the ability to communicate with suppliers and other woodworkers.

Go to the Guild's Facebook Page and Website regularly! They are FREE to use. They both have valuable information on them just for YOU! Our Facebook Page is up-dated almost daily with new woodworking articles, tips, and project plans for you to use and enjoy for FREE!!

Using the Guild's Facebook Page and Website plus other woodworking Internet sites is the cheapest and fastest way to learn more about woodworking than any other seminar, retreat, or woodworking school.

The Guild's Facebook Page:
[**www.facebook.com/groups/wmiwwguild**](http://www.facebook.com/groups/wmiwwguild)

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

Hand Saws

Are you considering buying a new Handsaw? Or, do you just want to know more about them? Try Woodcraft's website, search for 'hand saws.' (See Below) <https://www.woodcraft.com>

There you will find 80+ handsaws listed and 75 articles about handsaws.

A sharp handsaw is a basic woodworking tool. However, there have been many changes relating to all saws in recent years. These changes have reduced the cost of buying a new handsaw or for that matter, any saw blade, of any type.

As a secondary effect of these changes is the cost of getting a saw properly sharpened may now almost equal the cost of buying a new handsaw or saw blade! Plus, number of saw sharpening businesses are dwindling daily. This means your ability to get a handsaw or any saw blade sharpened at all is decreasing while the cost of getting it properly sharpened is increasing at the same time.

This is especially true if you have a Japanese or a saw that cuts in both the push and pull stroke or one that has a high number of teeth per blade inch.

For example, a backsaw with 14 to 20+ teeth per blade inch, that you would use to do fine wood cuts like dovetails, can almost cost you the same as buying a new saw vs the cost of sharpening one that is now dull.

When buying a new high priced handsaw or any saw blade for that matter, confirm where can you to get it properly re-sharpened and at what cost before you buy it!

West Michigan Woodworkers Guild

2018 East Kentwood High School Woodworking Award Winners



Guild President Less Derusha, presenting to EKHS Junior, **Maria Boomstra**, a Certificate of Accomplishment & \$50 in cash & \$50 in Woodcraft Gift Certificates for her Woodworking skills & Classroom Leadership during the 2017-18 school year.



Guild President Less Derusha, presenting to EKHS Junior, **Suhayb Zeqlam** a Certificate of Accomplishment & \$50 in cash & \$50 in Woodcraft Gift Certificates for his Woodworking skills & Classroom Leadership during the 2017-18 school year.



Guild President Less Derusha presenting to Retiring EKHS Industrial Arts Dept. Head & Wood Shop Instructor, **Randy Smith**, a Certificate of Appreciation, Plaque, & a Gift of \$100 for his support of the Guild during his tenure at EKHS



The 2018 West Michigan Woodworkers Guild Award Winners, **Maria Boomstra, Randy Smith, & Suhayb Zeqlam**

‘Show & Tell’ Contest Participants’



Dave Turner - Won the ‘Show & Tell’ Contest by presenting the solid walnut Fishing Tackle Box with book-matched walnut veneer exterior he made as a Gift to his Father. As the winner of the Contest, he received a 10" 80 tooth CMT Table Saw Blade!



Jim Jakosh - Hand Crafted Knife & Wood Sheath

Steve Bowen – Osage Orange Wooden Bowl

Ken Postema – White Pine Wooden Bench w/wrap around wood Grain

Darin Tuttle - C-Phone – Bluetooth Speaker System

Steve DeVires – Toy Road Compactor with 100's of moving parts

A great video presentation on building Kitchen Cabinets



Randy Molzer – Recondition Hand Plane from one that was rusty & broken.



‘Tool Time’
Garry Strout – Tips on Band Saw Tune-up & use of **Band Saw Fences by Carter Products**.



Les Derusha – Getting ready to give the members a presentation on the CAD software called **‘SKETCHUP’**.

“Tool Sale”

“All Types of Tools”

June 7th, 8th & 9th - 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM, 3255 Essex NE, Grand Rapids.

2018 Spring Meeting Agenda

June 12th – (Rain Date: June 19th)

Guild Picnic & Log Cutting Demonstration

- 'Swap - Sell' Event at the Picnic!
- Group Purchase of Carter Products Inc,
- Tour of John & Debbie Pflug's New Homestead

"All Guild Members & Families & Guests Invited"

(A Dish to Pass' would also be a nice gesture to bring to the Picnic.)

(Please RSVP with the number in your party to newsletter@westmichiganwoodworkers.org)

September 11, 2018

Guild Officer Elections & More

In September, we elect our Guild Board Members. Please consider becoming a Member of the Guild Board for 2018-2019 meeting season!



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'Free' Saturday Demonstrations!

June 2
Choosing a Japanese Saw

June 9
Files and Rasps

June 16
Hand Plane Tune-up

June 23
Small Turnings for Summer

June 30
Special Event Day

July 14
Dovetails

July 21
Workbench Work Holding

Aug 11
Water Based Vs. Oil Base
Brush vs. Spray

Aug 18
Router Selection

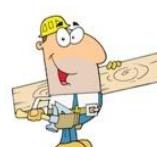


20% Discount for WM Guild Members

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