

SEPTEMBER 2025

# West Michigan Woodworkers Guild

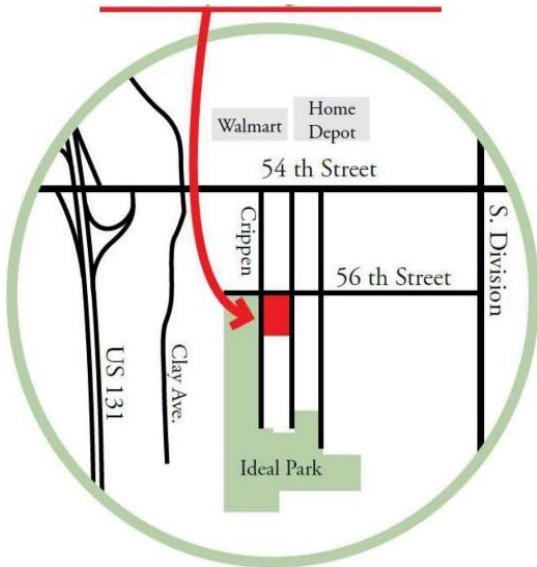
Newsletter

## Up Coming Meeting

**Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm** (setup 6:30)



Ideal Park Christian  
Reformed Church  
Activity Center  
320 56<sup>th</sup> Street SW  
Wyoming, MI



### 'Raffle'

Bring in an unwanted tool, wood, whatever  
to donate to our raffle to support the guild.

(enter and win a bargain as well)

September 9<sup>th</sup>

Meeting Special Event:

## Show & Tell

What have you been doing ?

Bring in your project that you can share  
with the group. Good, bad, ugly, no  
matter. Completed or not. Pics or  
videos of larger items.

*Everybody bring a show & tell  
(help make this a big event)*



2 - \$50 Cash Awards

# President's Corner

by Les Derusha



## President's Corner

### HELP WANTED!

We still have not received any volunteers to take my job. Our Vice President position has been filled. BUT we have an **EXTREMELY pressing need for a Guild Website.**

AS for my position as president, I have decided I will continue till December 31<sup>st</sup>. At that point I will be relinquishing my position and being just a normal Board Member-at-Large again.

**TIME TO STEP FORWARD.** If you are interested in, or know of someone you think would be willing, give me a call and we can talk about it. (616) 446-4008.

September is the month of our annual kickoff meeting. As traditionally we will have a **Super Show and Tell**. Since you have all been busy in your shop for two months, we would like you to show the rest of us what you have done. First **AND** second place are worth a **CASH prize of \$50.00**

Our other annual responsibility in September is to prepare our candidate list for our election in October. So far our list looks like this:

#### **President – YOU!**

##### **Vice President**

Brett Achorn

##### **Secretary**

Gary Bekker

##### **Treasurer**

Tom Huizinga

##### **News Letter Editor**

Dale Smith

#### **Member-At-Large**

Mark Bates

Don Stump

Sam Lacina

Brian Vaughn

Case Vander Maas

Les Derusha

Come join us, to be with your friends, see what they have done this summer, get our electoral responsibilities addressed and have a good time.

## SHOW & TELL from June 10<sup>th</sup>

### Jim Jakosh:



*Red Oak Burl Bowl / White Oak Charred Cup / Rainwater Capture System*

### Charles Pinneo:

#### 7 Stick Table



### Doug Scott:

#### Ash Stools



### Dale Smith



Found:



Stanley Bailey No. 3 type 12 hand plane 1919-1924

**Case VanderMaas** is restoring



**Jim Frye** donated: "What is it tool?"

(Vintage 1800's E C Stearns long handle 16" flooring clamping tool)



## September Wood Working Events



### 2025 JOHNSON'S WOOD EXPO

SEPTEMBER 5 & 6, 2025 | FRIDAY 9:00 - 5:00 | SATURDAY 9:00 - 4:00 | CHARLOTTE MI



FREE PARKING



FREE ADMISSION



SEE PROGRAM BELOW

DIRECTIONS FROM NORTHEAST & WEST | DIRECTIONS FROM SOUTHWEST | DIRECTIONS FROM SOUTHEAST

### New at Woodcraft

#### TOOL SWAP & SHOP

**Saturday, September 13, 10 AM - 2 AM**

It will be a pickers paradise of backlot bargains with tools that have been used but not abused. Spaces are free and available on first come, first serve basis. The parking lot will open at 9:00 for set up. This event is for WOODWORKING TOOLS AND MACHINERY ONLY. No raw materials such as lumber or finishes will be permitted. Woodcraft of Grand Rapids has the right to refuse items presented and is not responsible for any transactions between private parties participating in this event.



### New at Woodcraft



**Friday September 12 & Saturday September 13**

**See newest items / 15% off all products !**



Join us for our Woodpeckers ALL DAY EVENT with our featured Woodpeckers demo from 11am to 12pm! See Woodpeckers tools in action throughout both days. Our in-store experts will be available to discuss products, answer questions and give recommendations. While you're here, register for a chance to win a Woodpeckers Premium Router Table Package, joinery sled or a \$100 Woodcraft gift card (no purchase necessary). Plus, enjoy 15% off all Woodpeckers products during the event so you can Just Get Started on your next project!





The Guild's Facebook page:

[www.facebook.com/groups/wmiwwguild](https://www.facebook.com/groups/wmiwwguild)  
(Capture this QR code with your cell phone camera) →



Notice: The Guild's original Website is being updated and should be available soon

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## September Classes at Woodcraft

| WOODCRAFT® September 2025 WOODCRAFT® |   |   |   |  |  |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|--|--|---|
| Sunday                               | Monday                                    | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday   | Saturday  |
|                                      | 1<br><b>LABOR DAY</b>                     | 2   | 3   | 4<br><b>Finishing Basics</b><br>4-6p<br>\$60     | 5<br><b>Intro to the Lathe</b><br>4-7p<br>\$60             | 6<br><b>Basic Pen Turning</b><br>1:00p-4:00p<br>\$75  |
| 7                                    | 8   | 9<br><b>Laser Engraving</b><br>12-2p \$60<br><b>Intro to the CNC</b><br>(computer control)<br>4-7p \$60 | 10<br><b>Relief Carving</b><br>4-6p<br>\$60           | 11<br><b>Scroll Saw Workshop</b><br>4-7p<br>\$70 | 12   | 13<br><b>SWAP &amp; SHOP SALES</b> 10:00-2:00   |
| 14                                   | 15<br><b>Wood Burning</b><br>4-6p<br>\$60 | 16<br><b>Picture Frame Workshop</b><br>4-7p<br>\$80   | 17<br><b>Band Saw Box</b><br>4-7p<br>\$80             | 18<br><b>Router Basics</b><br>4-7p<br>\$70       | 19<br><b>Woodshop 101</b><br>9am-1pm<br>Also 2pm-6pm \$100 | 20<br><b>Cabinet Workshop</b><br>9:30a-6:00p<br>\$250   |
| 21                                   | 22  | 23<br><b>Small Box Workshop</b><br>4-7p<br>\$80   | 24<br><b>Bowl &amp; Tray Workshop</b><br>4-7p<br>\$80 | 25<br><b>Spoon Carving</b><br>4-7p<br>\$80       | 26<br><b>Sharpening Lathe Tools</b><br>4-7p<br>\$60        | 27<br><b>Basic Bowl Turning</b><br>9:30a-12:30p<br>\$100<br><b>Turn a Platter</b><br>1-4p \$110 |
| 28                                   | 29  | 30<br><b>Dovetails using a Porter Cable Jig</b><br>4-6p \$60  |   |  |  |   |

For more information <https://www.woodcraft.com/stores/grand-rapids/classes>

**SIGN UP ON-LINE OR (616) 957-9663**

Please Note: **Prepayment of tuition is required for registration.**  
Fees are **nonrefundable** within one week of the scheduled seminar.

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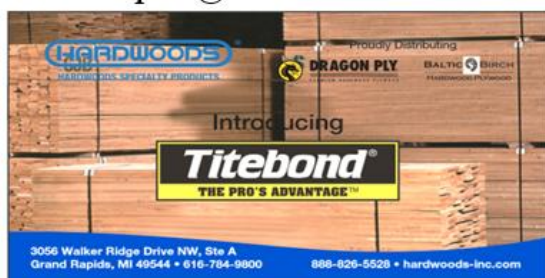
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