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Woodworker's Association

NEWSLETTER

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JUNE MEETING-JIGS FOR SAWING

The topic of our June meeting will be table saw jigs. The main event will be a demonstration by Mark Voigt of the L Fence and Tenon jigs built in the Bob Van Dyke class last October. Mark will also share other table saw jigs he uses.



The idea of making jigs and fixtures for the table saw is always one that creates a lot of debate. Some people insist that they are not worth it and “just do it by hand” while other people love coming up with intricate fixtures that do a specific job really well. Bob’s approach is somewhere in the middle- will the jig be useful enough to be used over & over again and is it better than one that can be easily purchased?

If you have a jig that you use, please bring it along to share with the group. We don’t need to limit ourselves to table saw jigs, bring along anything you use.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S BENCH

Don Peterson
CMWA President

As many of you know, I have been fighting back trouble since late last year. On June 6, I had back surgery that should be a big improvement in how I feel and what I can do. The tough part is sitting still for the recovery period. No bending, twisting, and no lifting more than 10 pounds for 6 weeks. No mowing or motorcycling. Consequently I am not doing much in the way of woodworking either.

The closest I have come to woodworking is restoring some older Chicago Cutlery knives. I pick up these knives whenever I see them - it gives me something to hunt for at garage sales and antique shops. I refinish the handles and clean and sharpen the blades. The "Traveler" in this picture was a real find. It is relatively easy work and very low impact. However, it carries it's own risks as a cut on my left hand will attest. Ouch!



Our meeting this month will be on table saw jigs. With the emphasis on the two main jigs we built in the Bob Van dyke class last October. The L - Fence and the Tenoning jig.

Stay safe,
Don Peterson

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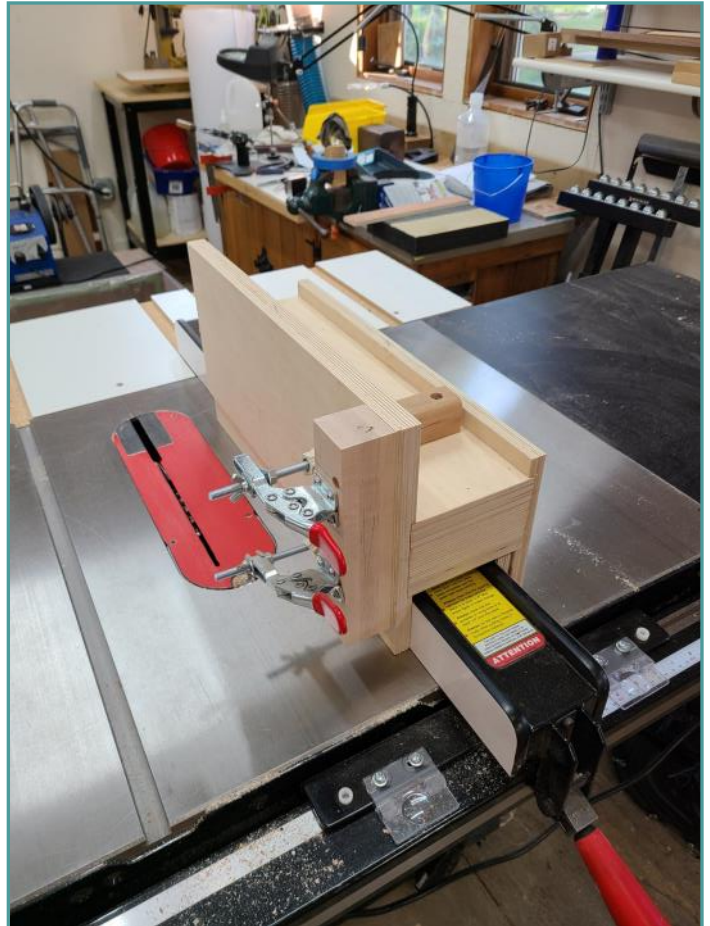


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We meet monthly and share information, techniques, and topics of interest in woodworking.

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JUNE MEETING TOPIC—TABLE SAW JIGS



CMWA PICNIC

When: July 19, 2023 6 pm

Where: CMWA Shop
Paramount Tech Site Building
248 - 33rd Ave So
Waite Park, MN 56387



We will have our annual picnic instead of the July meeting on July 19. Come enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow woodworkers and their families. The CMWA will provide the main course and beverages. More menu detail to follow in the next 2 weeks.

We are hoping for a great turnout. There is no program for the picnic, just time to socialize and have a good time!

MAY FIELD TRIP TO ST. JOHNS UNIVERSITY AT COLLEGEVILLE

The CMWG left the workshop at the May meeting for a trip to St. Johns sugar shack. But they weren't there for maple syrup making...they were able to see a portable sawmill in action.



Twenty members gathered on a field near the campus; one of the arborists of the St. John's woods, Con Brady, gave a short talk on the husbandry of the forest and described how the wood products it produces are used for campus needs.

We then watched semi-retired CPA Jeff Thompson demonstrate his **Wood Mizer** sawmill; he was sawing a basswood tree for canoe handles that would be produced at the St. John's woodshop.



Typical costs depend on the operator and mileage to the site. It is a reasonable given the difficult and possibly dangerous work spent loading and transporting personal logs to a big sawmill. It was another exciting field trip for the club thanks to Michael Roske and Michael Ross as they facilitated this adventure. Jeff likes to make lumber and makes his mill available to the college, but does not operate it as a business.

MAY SAWMILL FIELD TRIP -(CONTINUED)



These types of portable band saw mills are widely used in rural areas of our northern forests. The tree lot owner does not need to transport his logs to an established saw mill.

These units travel and set up easily. Hydraulic lifts that are built in to one side of the unit, raises the logs up and into the saw line of the mill.



The mill horizontally saws the logs for initial dressing and quick inspection. Barked ends are carried to one side for burning or firewood or stickers for drying the lot. The squared logs are then sawn to desired thickness and set in another woodpile.



APRIL SHOW AND TELL

INLAID TABLE—DESK ORGANIZER

Charlie Gunderson brought in a maple table with inlay and explained how he had created the “inlay.” He first cut the curve he wanted in the top and lower piece, then, rather than bending the wood for the inlay, he simply cut narrow strips and forced the sides together, using lots of Titebond II and clamping.



CHARLIE GUNDERSON'S MAPLE TABLE WITH INLAY



Mark Voigt's show-n-tell was a desk organizer he is considering for the next **“The Joy of Woodworking”** class. It is made of walnut. Mark described how he made the pieces for the pulls at the top of the sections.

CMWA—2023 PLANNED EVENT SCHEDULE

June 21 - Meeting

July 6 - Open shop

July 11 - Open shop

July 19 - Meeting

August 3 - Open shop

August 8 - Open shop

August 16—Meeting

September 7 - Open shop

September 12 - Open shop

September 20 - Meeting

October 5 - Open shop

October 10 - Open shop

October 18 - Meeting

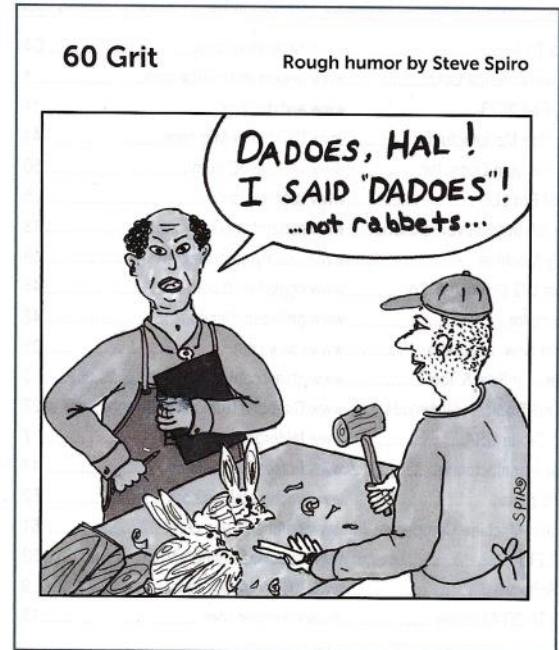
November 2 - Open shop

November 14 - Open shop

November 15 - Meeting

December 7 - Open shop

December 12 - Open shop



FALL 2023 PROPOSED CLASS SCHEDULE

We have been working on our fall class line-up. Here is a list of what is planned so far. More details on each class to be announced.

Class	Instructor	Days	Date
Intro to Woodworking: Picture Frame 8x10	TBD		Wed .& Mon. 9/6/23
Finishing Workshop with Charlie Kocourek	Charlie Kocourek		Fri, Sat, Sun. 9/22/23
The Joy of Woodworking: An Introduction	Mark Voigt	Mon.	10/2/23
It's About Time: Clock Workshop	Michael Cullen	Mon-Fri.	10/23/23
Woodworking 101: Building a Mitered Box	TBD	Tues, Wed.	11/7/23

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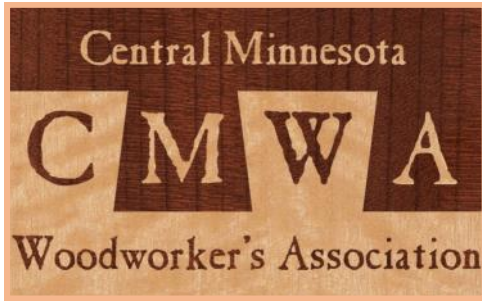
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