

Newsletter

September 2019

The CMWA is a group of men and women from around the St. Cloud, Minnesota area who share a common interest in the art and business of woodworking. We meet monthly and share information, techniques, and topics of interest in woodworking.

www.thecmwa.com

Greetings Woodworkers

It looks like summer is starting to wrap up. Some of the trees are starting to change color and are showing signs of a new season. I hope everyone was able to enjoy the summer months as much as they could. I know it was a busy summer for myself with weddings and vacations planned throughout. I was unable to attend our last meeting in August since I was in Hawaii with Christine enjoying the many adventures Maui has to offer. In the seven days we spent in Maui we put over 900 miles on the rental car and were able to see many different climates and views on one small island; one include zip lining over the rainbows.

At our August meeting the CMWA got the opportunity to take a tour of The Barrel Mill in Avon. From the comments I have heard this event sounded like it was very successful and many enjoyed the tour that was given. Thank you to all those who were able to attend; I am sure you will have some stories to share.

Our next meeting will be held on September 18th and this month Mike Ross will be giving a presentation on how to prep your project for finishing. For some this might be just run over it quick with some 220 sand paper and call it good. Others might say the card scraper is the only way to go. Whichever way you feel about finish prep it will be interesting to hear Mike's perspective on this topic. There is always something to learn and apply to our own projects.

Our next Open Shop Event will be held on Thursday October 3rd at 6 P.M. All are welcome to bring a project of your own to work on. Hope to see you there!

If you have something you recently made, please bring it in and tell us about it. We can all learn from each other, and having a good conversation starter really spurs quite a bit of interest. You will also get some bragging rights and will be featured in our

Happy Woodworking, Devin Middendorf President, the CMWA

Made by Members section of our newsletter.



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Open Shop

Our September open shop time was consumed by evaluating and testing the equipment we purchased from Spring Lake Park HS. Thanks to all who attended and helped out with that activity. We are pleased with the condition and quality of the equipment. It will move us along to a much more complete shop both for support of the classes we hold and membership use. We also recently acquired a shaper and a substantial amount of dust collection piping and fittings.

Our next open shop will be held Thursday, October 3, 6pm to 9pm.

Upcoming Event You May be Interested In

What: Twin Cities Tool Swap and Expo presented by Minnesota Woodworkers Guild and Family Handyman

- Seminars
- Guild sponsors and vendor displays
- Tool SwapKids Activity

When: Saturday, October 19, 2019, 10 am - 4 pm

Where: Bloomington Armory, 3300 W 98th St., Bloomington

Meeting Schedule 2019

All meetings held at the Paramount Tech Site Building, 248 - 33rd Ave So, Waite Park, MN 56387 unless otherwise noted.

September 18 How to prep the project for finishing.

October 16 Put a finish on a project.

November 20 Safety with Don Peterson and Mark Voigt.

December 18 6PM start Pot Luck.

2019 CMWA Board:

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Barrel Mill Tour

Our August meeting was a tour of the Barrel Mill in Avon. A large group attended and enjoyed the tour very much. Thanks to Steven Hobbs for hosting us and the demos and explanations from employees. The Barrel Mill makes oak and pine barrels. We saw the entire process from beginning to end. The processes ranged from highly automated cutting and shaping operations to charring the inside of the barrels with fire.







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Education

Class and Event Schedule

All classes and events held at the Paramount Tech Center 248 33rd Ave South Waite Park, MN 56387

Registration is open for classes listed on the Paramount web site. If you follow the link below you will be on a page that lists all upcoming Paramount classes organized by month.

https://paramountarts.org/art-classes/

Introduction to Woodworking

September 24, October 1, October 8, 2019, 6pm to 9pm Instructor—Mark Voigt

Fee: \$115

Dive into the world of woodworking in this introductory level workshop, where students will build a keepsake box over the course of three lessons. The box will feature miter joints and a lift off lid. Constructing the box will provide an application of lessons on

shop and machine safety, machine operation, wood selection, joinery, gluing and clamping, and finishing.

Register here: https://paramountarts.org/event/intro-to-woodworking/



October 21, Through October 25, 2019, 9am to 5pm Instructor—Mike Pekovich

Fee: \$750

Join Mike Pekovich and make a beautiful wall cabinet in this five-day class. Dovetails and through-tenons give the case a lot of strength and some nice visual interest. Mike has some great tips for cutting accurate, stress-free joinery. The frame-and-panel door gives the cabinet its personality and offers some solid lessons in cabinet making. You'll

learn how to make, fit, and hang a traditional door. In addition, you'll finish it off with a kumiko panel. This traditional Japanese latticework technique is a lot of fun and can brighten up just about any project. We'll finish off the case with a traditional dovetailed drawer. Mike, a long-time woodworker and instructor, is the creative director at Fine Woodworking magazine and the author of *The Why and How of Woodworking*.

Register here: https://paramountarts.org/event/kumiko-wall-cabinet-10-21-10-25/



Sunday, November 23, 9am to 4pm Instructor—Kevin Southwick

Fee: \$120

Experience Level: Beginner, no prior experience necessary

The finishing process can make or break your project and choosing the best method for coloring and protecting your project can be difficult. Oil or water based? What does the word "varnish" actually mean? Let Kevin Southwick, a nationally renowned finishing expert and contributing editor for *American Woodworker* magazine, remove the mystery and provide the knowledge you need to apply a successful finish. When you know the fundamentals of finishing, you can achieve the best results with the least amount of effort.

Register here: https://paramountarts.org/event/the-fundamentals-of-finishing-with-kevin-southwick-11-24/





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Decorative Veneering

Saturday, Sunday 12/7—12/8, 9am to 4pm Techcenter, Waite Park Instructor—Joe Morgan

Fee: \$175

The class will focus on decorative veneering techniques: including 4 way bookmatching, radial patterns with border and edge details. Students will have the opportunity to learn how to cut marquetry with a scroll saw. Theo-

ries will be discussed about the techniques of combining marquetry with decorative veneer work. Class is open to beginner and intermediate skill levels.

Register here: https://paramountarts.org/event/decorative-veneering-12-7-12-8/



Build a Small Sea Chest with Mike Siemsen

Saturday and Sunday, January 19-20, 9am to 4pm Instructor—Mike Siemsen

Fee: \$175

Woodworker Mike Siemsen will lead the group through building a small "Sea Chest" with tapered ends. The finished chest will be about 12×12×24 with angled dovetailed corners. Make your family's future heirloom in this class designed for beginners with absolutely no experience, but can be enjoyed by people of all skill levels!

Register here: https://paramountarts.org/event/create-a-beautiful-sea-chest-jan-2020/



Beyond the Basics of Woodworking with Mark Voigt

Four Tuesdays January 28, February 4–18, , 6pm to 9pm Instructor—Mark Voigt

Fee: \$130

Build a nightstand organizer. Participants should have basic woodworking skills and will develop more advanced skills during the class.

Register here: https://paramountarts.org/event/create-a-nightstand-organizer-1-28-2-18/





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