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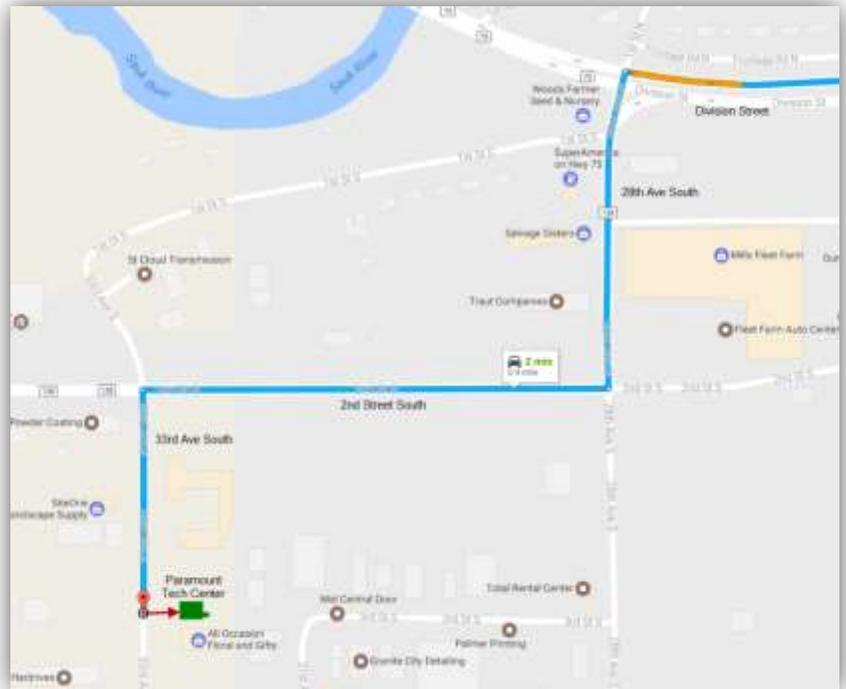
The CMWA is a group of men and women from around the St. Cloud, Minnesota area who share a common interest in the art and business of woodworking. We meet monthly and share information, techniques and topics of interest in the area of woodworking.

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Greetings Woodworkers

Thanks to all who attended March's meeting! I hope all of you learned a lot from my presentation! If any of you are interested more about CAD design just let me know and I can set something up with you one on one. Another great resource to look into is the [Fine Woodworking Membership](#) site. There is so much information that you can become an expert on reading about woodworking in no time!

April brings extremely good news for the CMWA, we now have a brand new home! We have been working closely with the folks at the Paramount and now the Tech Center is available for us to set up a true woodworking shop! There are still a handful of things to work out yet but we will be having our April 19th meeting there. Eventually, volunteers will be needed to help build permanent workbenches and help get everything all moved in. I hope you all can make it and help welcome in the new shop! Below I have a map included for directions to the shop (it is near Mills Fleet Farm in Waite Park) Here is a link that brings you right to the [Tech Center](#).



March did bring a little bit of unfortunate news for us. It has been decided under much debate that the 2017 WoodExpo has been canceled for this spring. One of the reasons for the cancellation was lack of vendors; they did not want to come because of low sales from previous years. But there is still some good news; there is a different woodshow that we can attend! I received information from Charlie Kocourek. He is from the Northern Woods Exhibition and they are having a show at the Eden Prairie Center Mall from Thursday, April 20 through Sunday, April 23. They typically have anywhere from 40-60 pieces on display and there are always lots of people there to discuss woodworking with! They offer reciprocity to members of any Minnesota base woodworking club for the show. So, if you are a member of the CMWA you can enter pieces for the same entry fee as regular MN Guild member. There are 14 different prize categories and they give out about \$4000 in prize money.

Here is a link with more information about the show: [Northern Woods Exhibition](#)

Another thing to keep in mind is that in April our \$20.00 Membership is due, if you bring a friend along they can join for \$20.00 too! Please give payment to Kurt Zniewski (our Treasurer) and he can get you marked down for the year. Also when you make your payment you receive your 2017 CMWA Membership Cards. These are really handy, there are many discounts available to members, see our [website](#) for more information.

Coming up on June 9th there is an Art Crawl that will be held at the Paramount from 5-9pm. We are still in search of a good topic for the presentations. If you know of something that would really stir people's interest in woodworking please let the board know. We are also looking for a volunteer to help us plan these events. It would be really helpful for us to have a "go to" person so there is less confusion. This can be a really fun event, our goal is to get people excited about woodworking and promote our club! As always, please bring items for show & tell.

Devin Middendorf
President, the CMWA

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2017 Schedule:

1/18/2017	Elections of 2017 Board Members
2/15/2017	Tour of the St. Johns Abby Woodshop
3/15/2017	Project Planning, Layouts, Cultists, Bill of Materials, Drawings and CAD
4/19/2017	Bent Lamination Active Demonstration, Mark Voigt
5/17/2017	Hollow Chisel Mortising, Rollie Johnson
6/21/2017	Marquetry and Veneering, Don Peterson
7/19/2017	Yearly Picnic and a Topic
8/16/2017	Panel Glue Up, Charlie Gunderson
9/20/2017	From Picture to Plan To Project, Shawn Jarvis and Mark Voigt
10/18/2017	Router Workshop
11/15/2017	Safety Mark Voigt
12/20/2017	Potluck Party and Yearly Elections Round Table Discussion

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