



Newsletter

August 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

Last month we celebrated another year out at the Tech Center with our annual picnic. It was a great time to catch up with everyone. Thanks to all who brought something in to share, there was so much good food to eat. I would also like to thank Charlie M. for running the grill for us.

Our next meeting will be held on August 21st and this month The Barrel Mill in Avon has agreed to give us a tour of their facility. They make oak barrels that are used in both whiskey and wine making. You can meet us at the Tech Center at 6:15PM and we will carpool from there. Or you can meet us at The Barrel Mill at 7PM. The Address is 640 Chinook Ave. SW Avon, MN 56310

On August 9th we had the opportunity to participate in the downtown St. Cloud Art Crawl. It was a great way for us to showcase and promote our organization. It is always fun to engage people in our booth with various hand planes and saws it gives them a tangible experience to remember. We also brought along all of the picture frames so many of you helped create on our open shop nights, they were a hit! Thank you to all that helped make this event possible.

Our next Open Shop Event will be held on Thursday September 5th 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 Made by Members section of our newsletter.

Happy Woodworking,
Devin Middendorf
President, the CMWA



Made by Members

We “finished” up the picture frame project and offered them for sale at the art crawl August 9. Each frame included an informational card about the CMWA. Three versions of the frame were built with spalted maple, oak and walnut. Thanks to everyone who participated in this project.



Meeting Schedule 2019

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

August 21 Field trip to The Barrel Factory in Avon. Meet at the Tech Center at 6:15PM and then carpool to Avon, or meet there at 7:00.

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:

President	Devin Middendorf	Director at Large (2 year term)	Mike Ross
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Meeting Hosts	Eddie Och and Angelo Gambrino		

Equipment Purchase

The CMWA recently purchased a load of woodworking equipment. Mark Voigt put us in touch with the people storing the equipment and we were able to make a deal to buy the entire lot. This is equipment that came out of Spring Lake Park High School. The list of tools includes planer, jointer, drill presses, band saws, belt sanders, storage, benches, grinders, and a cabinet of hand tools. Some of the tools will be added to the shop tool list and others will be sold. As we work out the disposition of the tools we will keep you informed and allow club members first shot at buying any tools that we are planning to sell.



Art Crawl

We participated in the July 9 Art Crawl in St Cloud. We had a great spot and the weather was perfect. We demonstrated hand cut dovetails on two benches and also encouraged people to try planing a board with a variety of wooden planes. We offered the picture frames made as a club project for sale, passed out literature about the CMWA, and talked about our upcoming class schedule.

Thanks to Tim DuBois, Charlie Meyer, Don Peterson, and Charlie Meyer for setting up our booth, demonstrating, and reaching out to the community about our Association.



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.



Build a Kumiko Wall Cabinet with Mike Pekovich

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*.



The Fundamentals of Finishing with Kevin Southwick

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.

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



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!



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.





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