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The **NOVEMBER 9TH** meeting will be held at the Burgtorf Building beginning at 7:00PM. Building is located on the south side of Kearsley High School: 4160 Underhill Dr., Flint. You will take one of three roads off of Genesee Rd. They are Hillcrest Dr., Daly Rd., or Rossway. Go EAST to Underhill Dr. GO south (right) on Underhill Dr and it will take you into the Burgtorf parking lot.

This meeting will be about Box Joints. It will be hands on, with the material supplied for you.

PLEASE BRING YOUR COMPLETED PROJECTS to class so we can take pictures of them. This includes, small tables, roll-top bread box, box joint tray, shaker boxes and anything else you may have completed over the summer.

Upcoming meetings:

Dec Toys
Jan ?? Sanding Box
Feb Election of Officers – Sharpening – grinding wheels
 Next year Hardening and Tempering

Shaker Boxes with John Wilson 10/30/2010 – John kept us very busy, and we all made 5 Shaker Boxes thanks to the excellent instruction. Thanks John Wilson, we learned a lot.

We are trying to set up a class in January at John Wilson's shop, to make a small hand plane. See Gene for details if you are interested. Check the pictures on the web site.

Email Addresses: Email addresses are like unlisted phone numbers. Never give out a email address of a member to a non-member. It is a communication tool. It is "OK" to send emails to other club members about meetings, EMW business, classes, projects etc.. Don't get in the habit of sending them everything you might think is sort of interesting or put them on a Joke list, unless you ask permission first.

Dues: As of September 1st you needed to renew your EMW dues. EMW dues are \$15 for one year (September to the next September) You can mail dues to Dennis Ackerman at 4470 Branch Rd. Flint, MI 48506 or pay at any meeting.

Have you checked out any of the links on the web site? Thanks Bob for sending Links to be posted on the web site. If you don't have a computer ask your grandkids to show you some on them. Its almost limit-less what you can find if you only look.

Newsletters: We now have close to half of our members signed up to receive the newsletters by email. If you use email, and have not given the address to EMW, please give it to Dan Bare.

Web Site: We have a web site: <http://emw.djwws.com> Do NOT type www in front of the site name. I am putting the newsletters up on the site, along with pictures from meetings, members projects, wood suppliers, etc.. If you need to look at something in the newsletter and can't find your newsletter, check the site.

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Mentors: I incorrectly stated that the mentors were only for the small table project. These are members who will help you with any project or problem. Please call them ahead of time, rather than showing up on their doorstep, only to find they are at work, or not home.

Mentors

Clio	Gene Munsell	810.686.2182
Clio	Ken Herriman	810.686.6613
Flint	Dennis Ackerman	810.736.4726
Flint-Mundy Twp	Jim Carsten	810.232.4685
Flushing	Bob Neumann	810.659.4717
Flushing	Arnold Wagner	810.659.5402
Goodrich	Gary McDaniel	810.636.2970
Lapeer	Mark Heard	810.793.4972
MT Morris	Del Jacob	810.845.0631
Swartz Creek	Larry Sills	810.635.3784

Graphics Galore (the hat and t-shirt guy) is located at G-7275 N. Genesee Rd., Genesee, MI. If you are interested in getting a hat or t-shirt, you can stop by and pick the style of hat and shirt. They have the EMW logo on file.

Eric Johnson is the owner and operator of DEMOTT TOOL AND SAW SHARPENING AND REPAIR located at 1919 N Lapeer Rd., Lapeer 48446. Phone 810.667.2005. (Located in the back of Lapeer Awning and Window.

A SAFETY NOTE: For all hands on meetings and classes you will need to bring your own safety glasses and ear plugs.

EMW Library: Remember that the EMW Library has many books, plans, magazines, and VHS tapes. Check with Larry Keeman before you spend your hard earned money

Remember if you have something to sell or something for the newsletter, contact Dan Bare dcbare@comcast.net or 6295 Flushing Rd., Flushing, MI 48433

WOOD SUPPLIERS:

Ken Taylor—5407 Flushing Rd., Flushing---phone – 810-732-8293

Max Shock-----810-736-5477

Gene Munsell – 810-686-2182. 2240 E. Francis Rd., Clio Gene has a lot of Ash

Bill Guith – 810-736-8937. 5477 Belsay Rd., Flint

E & L Hardwoods 5365 Gary Rd., Chesaning, MI 48616. For directions call 989-845-2457.

Nelson's Wood Products- 4375 Oregon Rd., Lapeer 810-664-6091

Ed Noll - 3931 Herd Rd., Metamora Ph. 810-797-5299.

Jack Edwards-3090 E. Wilson Rd., Clio Ph. 810-686-5202

Gene Munsell can weld band saw blades.

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Meeting and Class Requests: Gene has requested that you suggest ideas for meetings and classes. This is a club for everyone your input is needed. Gene is your president and a good leader. You can't learn how to do that special thing you have been wanting to do, but don't know how, **unless you ask.** EMW is a club made up of many people and some members have special skills they can share. Give Gene or Arnold ideas that you would like to see at MEETINGS or classes. These can be Lectures, Demonstrations or Hands on.

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Membership & Classes: EMW classes are free to members. Make sure your dues are paid before you sign up for a class. Classes are not to be taken for granted. They are offered out of the kindness of the instructor's heart with a lot of planning and hard work and can be discontinued

INSTRUCTORS: Please send to me, the dates, for your classes.

Class	Instructor	Date
Build Box with thru Dovetails	Ken Herriman	Jan
Stool Class	Arnold Wagner	
Double Box Joint	Jim Carsten	
Hand Cut Dovetails	Dennie & Larry	
Pen Making	Don & Dennie	
Scrolling Class	John	
Stained Glass	Arnold Wagner	
Coopering		

Be careful what you make

By Augie

Around this time we start getting requests from our children and some of you grand children of what we can make them for Christmas. Some of us have made things for them without even being asked, that can be dangerous because you may have started something that never ends. And if you make something for one you have to make something for all.

Well I thought I would fix them and make something for the kids so their parents would never ask me to make anything for them again. I would make them a drum which the kids would like but would drive their parents crazy, this was going to be good and I would kill two birds with one drum, the kids would be happy and I would never be asked again --- right.

I found a plan for an Aztec drum made entirely of wood. Of course with me it always takes longer than expected but I finished the drum and it did not sound too bad either. The day of the family Christmas arrived and I'm really going to enjoy it this year sense it is going to put an end to their requests. It comes time to open my gift and I can hardly keep the smirk off my face. The gift is opened and I cannot wait to see the youngsters start pounding that

drum. I even have extra sticks so more than one can start making noise.

The drum beat starts and one of the parents say "Gee that doesn't sound bad, it has a nice mellow sound to it. I think my kids could use something like that". It's a good thing I did not have something in my mouth or I may have choked to death.

Later the next year at another family gathering the parent of the drum receiver mention to me that her son really likes that drum and it doesn't bother her. It actually is a good thing because it has a nice soothing sound and when he is drumming I know where he is and I know he is not in some kind of trouble.

So be careful what you make because you may create a monster. Speaking of monsters I think I just found my next Christmas gift for the kids ha ha.

So start those Christmas toys and I am looking forward to seeing all the toys the club makes for the school children.

Bye for now, I need to get out in that shop.

For Sale: Sears Craftsman ½ hp Lathe, will turn a 12” piece of wood and overall length of lathe is 53” long. Some tools and pen making equipment included. NO STAND. Asking \$75 or best offer. Contact Bob Glaser (810) 656-3988

Woodworking Injuries

A hand surgeon looks at how accidents happen

by Dr. E. Jeff Justis a hand surgeon in Memphis, Tenn.

Woodworkers relish the feel of a tenon sliding into its mortise, and the smooth texture of a newly finished piece of furniture. Our fingertips are so sensitive that we can feel blemishes and flaws in our woodwork that are too slight to be perceived by the eye. Where would we be without these sophisticated sensors? Human evolution is, in part, the result of our early manipulation of our environment with our hands, and this is perhaps at the root of the creative impulses that make woodworking so satisfying. It's no wonder, then, that people who have severely injured a hand or lost a limb often have emotional difficulty adjusting to their impairment. In fact, sometimes psychiatric care must supplement physical therapy. As a woodworker and a hand surgeon who has seen too many injuries, I am vividly aware of the risk in using power tools. I've also come to realize that virtually all injuries are preventable.

I have treated many patients with hand injuries inflicted by woodworking tools. Surprisingly, about one-third of all accident victims seen in hospital emergency rooms have an injury to the arm or hand.

A 1964 study in England found that woodworking tools are responsible for most industrial injuries. Even so, research has not been done on the question of which tools are the most dangerous, hospitals don't generally obtain such information, and medical personnel don't always know the differences among various tools. A medical report may attribute an injury to a hand-saw when in fact the injured patient was using a portable circular saw. I've never been injured by my table-saw or my portable circular saw, but my own experience as a surgeon clearly suggests that circular saws account for the majority of serious hand injuries among woodworkers. I routinely discuss the mechanism of injury with patients, and I have concluded that there are three major causes of serious injuries from a power tool: inattention through repetition, an unanticipated happening, and inexperience or overconfidence. Many accidents involve some combination of the three, not to mention bad judgment brought on by fatigue.

Inattention through repetition: A woodworker performing a number of repetitive cuts, such as a series of crosscuts to length, may become dangerously inattentive. The whine of the machine and the repetitious physical movement can lull the worker in an almost hypnotic way.

An unanticipated happening-Power cutting tools operate at high speeds. When something goes afoul, it occurs quick and surprisingly. Kickbacks caused by binding are a common unanticipated event that can quickly draw fingers into blade. Putting the fingers too near the blade can result in unpleasant surprises.

Inexperience or over-confidence-Some general accident studies show that the greatest incidence of injury occurs at two extremes of experience: the rank novice and the highly expert. I've seen many young patients who had summer jobs requiring the use of radial-arm saws, jointers or table-saws. Within days of beginning work, they sustained serious hand injuries.