

# EASTERN MICHIGAN WOODWORKERS

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**The February 14th** meeting will be held at the **Buffey Elementary** beginning at 7:00PM. 4235 Crosby Road • Flint, MI 48506 If you arrive late and the doors are locked, walk around to the Gym in the back and knock on the doors, if they are not open.

*Directions: Buffey Elementary School is located off Genesee Road between Richfield and Carpenter roads. Turn west off of Genesee on Crosby Road. Buffey Elementary is on the north side of the road.*

**February Meeting:** Election of Officers and HANDS-ON making a set of salad tongs. The cost of materials for making the salad tongs is \$1.00. I would suggest that you try to have exactly \$1.00, because if you give Denny a \$50 he will probably have to give you 49 \$1.00 bills for change

## **Upcoming meetings:**

- February           Salad Tongs & Election
- March               Hands-on, “wood finishing” by Augie
- April                 Hands-on “all purpose tool” and “shaving horse”

**New Officers:** February is election of officers for the next year and then selecting topics for meeting for March through next February. We need your input for both officers and meeting topics.

**Arnold’s special request from you:** Please give Gene or Arnold your ideas for meeting and classes. The last thing we want is nothing, we would just have to sit and stare at each other for the meeting.

**Sunshine Gal:** Barb Lussier (810) 736-8705, is our Sunshine Gal. She will send get well cards and/or flowers for EMW.

## **Need an idea for your next project or how to do a special project.**

Have you checked out any of the links on the web site?

<http://emw.djwws.com/links/index.htm> If you don’t have a computer ask your grandkids to show you some on them. Take some time and explore some of the links on the web site.

**The Roster:** is a hidden file at <http://emw.djwws.com/newsletters/emwroster.pdf> (It’s hidden because we don’t want all our addresses out for spammers and salesmen. If you get the newsletter by email, try double clicking, on the link, if not you will have to type the whole address.

**Did you know:** That Levi Strauss did not plan to go into the blue jean business? He intended to sell canvas tents to miners in California but ended up using the fabric to make what the prospectors really needed – pants!

**Meeting and Class Requests:** EMW is a club made up of many people, some are very skilled and can share their skill with us. Give your ideas for classes and meeting to Gene or Arnold.

**Weddings:** Brides once carried bouquets of garlic, chives, and rosemary as protection against witches and demons.

**Dues:** Dues start in September, they are \$15 for the full year (September to the next September). If you are not current, please mail or pay Dennis Ackerman, 4470 Branch Rd., Flint, MI 48506

**Instructors:** Important!!! I need your class dates, class times, and if lunch and drinks are provided by you or should they bring their own lunch.

**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](mailto:dcbare@comcast.net) or 6295 Flushing Rd., Flushing, MI 48433**

EMW Officers		
President	Gene Munsell	810.686.2182
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**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.

**E & L Hardwoods:** Now will give us a 10% discount. Just show your EMW membership card.

**Weddings:** Traditionally in Sweden, the bride inserts a silver coin from her father and a gold coin from her mother in each shoe to ensure that she will never do without.

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

**Gene Munsell** can weld band saw blades.

## Wipe-On Finish Test

This just came in an email yesterday, from Fine Woodworking, but was originally written for the July, 2005 issue. This kind of information is very valuable and can save you a lot of wasted time and money, not counting how bad your excellent creation might look because of the wrong finish.

Chris A Minick did a test of wipe-on finishes for “Fine Woodworking”. The article is a free pdf file that can be viewed or downloaded by, non members, on a 15 day pass, or if you belong to Fine Woodworking.

Just click on the following link or have fun typing it:

[http://www.finewoodworking.com/Materials/MaterialsPDF.aspx?id=24153&lookup=auto&V18=&V19=&V20=&V21=&V22=&V23=&V24=&V25=&V26=&V53=&V54=&TaunPer\\_Flag=true&utm\\_source=email&utm\\_medium=eletter&utm\\_content=20120128-flawless-finish-recipe&utm\\_campaign=fine-woodworking-eletter](http://www.finewoodworking.com/Materials/MaterialsPDF.aspx?id=24153&lookup=auto&V18=&V19=&V20=&V21=&V22=&V23=&V24=&V25=&V26=&V53=&V54=&TaunPer_Flag=true&utm_source=email&utm_medium=eletter&utm_content=20120128-flawless-finish-recipe&utm_campaign=fine-woodworking-eletter)

*I will try to briefly paraphrase his article for those of you who do not have a computer.*

Chris said that most wipe-on's perform well, but the winner would surprise you. He did a full blown study on 17 finishes. Priced from \$6 a quart to over \$40 a quart. All testing was done on red oak plywood, 12" x 16", cut from the same sheet. Most were quick drying (about 8 hours). It takes an oil finish about 14 days to dry to 95% to be cured

After 24 hours he mask off about ¼ of a panel and gave a second coat, after sand with a Scotch-Brite pad that about 220 grit sandpaper. The third coat was applied to ½ of the panel after sanding with a gold Scotch-Brite pad that about 1000 grit sandpaper.

Those with more solids built up coats quicker, but penetrated less, giving less protection. Thinner penetrated more, dried much faster, allowing for more coats per day and giving the most protection.

After 14 days when all the panels had plenty of time to dry, he sprayed water on all the wood panels and then places a large steel bolt on each panel. The next day he checked for the tannic acid reaction to the steel bolt. If there was no discoloration the finish it was rated excellent.

Listed below is his results showing only the top and bottom. The rest of them were somewhere in between.

### Excellent

MINWAX WIPE-ON POLY, \$6.00 quart, almost anywhere

WATERLOX ORIGINAL HIGH GLOSS FINISH, \$27.00 quart - Woodcraft

### BAD

WATCO NATURAL DANISH OIL, \$16.00 quart

TRIED & TRUE VARNISH OIL, \$14.00 quart

### WORST PERFORMER

HYDROCOTE DANISH OIL FINISH

**Check out:** “FineWoodworking.com”, “Wood.com”, and “Woodsmith.com”

## EMW Classes for 2011 - 2012

Class	Instructor	Phone	Dates	Time	Bring Lunch
Spoke Shave Class..	Gene Munsell	810-240-3710			
Inverted Turning	Bob Neumann & Jeff Munsell	810-659-4717			
Cutting Board	Ken Herriman & Gene Munsell	810-686-6613			
Table Saw Sled	Arnold Wagner	810-659-5402			
Traveser..	Gene Munsell	810-240-3710			
Coopering	To be announced	810-240-3710			
Bird House	Larry Sills	810-635-3784			
Shaving Horse	Ken Taylor & Dan Bare	810-240-4192	April		
Shaker Tray	Gene Munsell & Arnold Wagner	810-240-3710			
Compass Plane	Gene Munsell	810-240-3710			
Chair-Step Stool	Ken Taylor & Arnold Wagner	810-659-5402			
Box Jig For Router Table	Craig Holobach & Jack Edwards	810-686-6613			
Stool Class	Bob Glaser	810- 688-2558			

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