



<b>Gene Munsell can weld band saw blades</b>	<b>Eastern Michigan Woodworkers Newsletter</b>		
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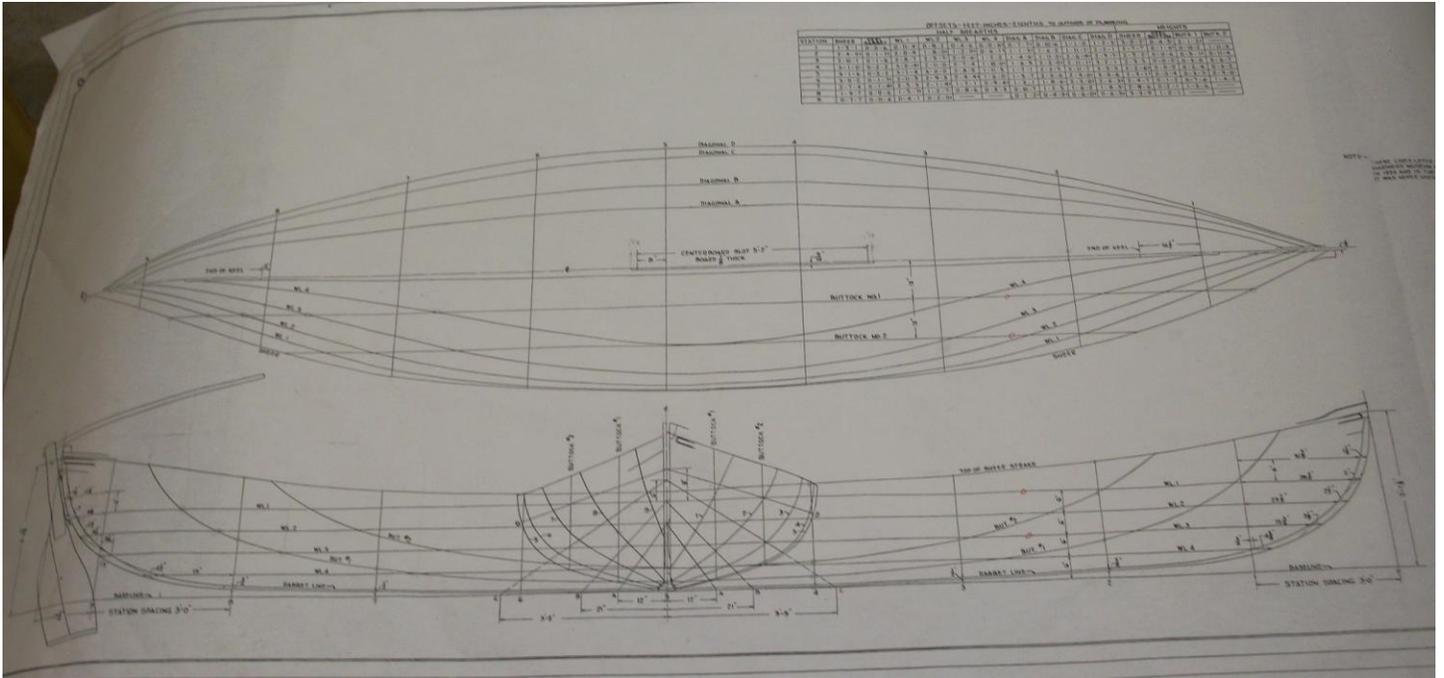
**In the early 19<sup>th</sup> century, the Rothschild family set up a network of homing pigeons to carry information between its financial houses throughout Europe. This method of delivery was quicker than more efficient than any other carrier at the time. Thus the family became one of the richest and most famous of the time due to the pigeons.**

**In Europe between the 16<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> century, pigeon poop was prized as an invaluable resource. As fertilizer, it was considered to be more potent than farmyard manure and armed guards were stationed in front of dovecotes (pigeon houses) to stop thieves from stealing it.**

## Update from Del Jacobs at GLSS

Hi! - I hope all is well. I thought I would send some pictures of the Morgan Whaleboat that is beginning to take shape here at the school. The lofting of the boat has been completed and construction is beginning with views of the stem and keel along with some of the molds and a lines drawing of the whale boat that the school is building for Mystic Seaport in Connecticut .

I included pictures of the form that was constructed to bend the 1 1/2" x 4" pieces of white oak that are used for the stem and stern. The molds have been set at the stations and the lining out has taken place with the garboard plank installed with the broadstrake planking to follow . We are beginning to hang planks on the boat.



Also I have completed the case for my shipwrights tool chest ( hand cut dovetails) and step stool built completely by hand tools.



You should come up and check out the school.

Dan - I also forgot to mention that I recall that some of the guys in EMW are involved with scouting. Bud McIntire the student services staff person at the school told me that he would be more than happy to show some scouts around the school if they came up on a weekend ( Saturday ) if there is any interest.



# Will there be Wood?

By Augie

We should ask ourselves what material wood workers will be using in 50 years or even less to make our projects. Over the past 75 years many species of trees have become extinct or rare, American elm, Ash, and now Maple. Currently in this area Pines have been invaded by a pine beetle from China. The forest fires that are happening in the western states have been enhanced by the killing of millions of acres of pines by invasive species. Michigan has spent 10's of millions of dollars to try to control the emerald ash borer to no avail. With international trade today and a lack luster enforcement of controlling what comes into this country our natural recourses are doomed. Think of it this way. Let's say we are importing feather pillows into this country. They are very nice pillows made from the finest down and covered with a fine pillow case and are very comfortable to sleep on. There is only one problem the feathers have a parasite that loves grass. No problem; we have so much grass in this country that there are not enough parasites in the world to eliminate all the grasses in this country. Plus the pillows are made so well that they are guaranteed to last ten years under (**normal use**).

The question here is; have you ever had a pillow fight? If you never have you should, its fun. Common sense tells you that this is not (**normal use**). During this fun a pillow bursts and all the feathers are all over the place. Are you going to be able to pick up every single feather and put them back into that pillowcase? The odds are, it's not going to happen. The parasite has been released.

The fact is that approximately every eighteen months a new invasive species is introduced into the great lakes region alone; it is either into the water or on land.

At the beginning of September I was in Arkansas and even there invasive species are taking over. The farm land has a plant that is destroying the grazing land. In Colorado there is a plant that is so bad that land owners can be fined if they do not destroy the weed. Our wet lands are being taken over by non native plants and animals and the government's approach is like closing the barn door after the horses are out.

Enjoy the wood you have today because who knows what the future "wood worker" will be using.

Tip - When you tear a piece of sand paper from a sheet or from a larger sheet mark the grit on the back. You will not remember what grit it is later.

If you haven't already started making those toys. Make some extra because I don't know how many I am going to be able to make this year..

Until next month; buy a Sharpie and mark that sand paper.

At the last meeting someone ,I can't remember who, asked what to use to clean sanding belts and I did not get back to them. A pair of shoes with crepe soles works very well.

<b>CLASS</b>	<b>INSTRUCTOR</b>	<b>PHONE</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>
ROLL TOP JEWELRY BOX	JIM CARSTEN	810. 232.4685	In Progress	
TAPER JIG CLASS	JIM CARSTEN	810. 232.4685	After first of the year	
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SHAVING HORSE	D BARE, J CARSTEN	810.240-4192	Early Spring	
TAPER SPLINE BOX WITH LID	KEN HERRIMAN	810. 686-6613	After first of the year	
TOOL TOTE	KEN HERRIMAN	810. 686-6613	In Progress Now	
CLOCK CLASS	ARNOLD WAGNER	810.659-5402	Nov 29 <sup>th</sup> , Dec 1 <sup>st</sup> , 8th	
STAINED GLASS	ARNOLD WAGNER	810.659-5402	January	
PORTUGESE STYLE TABLE	ARNOLD WAGNER	810.659-5402	Sat, after new years	
SCROLLSAW CLASS	JOHN SCHWAB	810. 820-7184	February	
FOLDING STEP STOOL	K TAYLOR, A Wagner			
WINDSOR CHAIR	GENE MUNSELL	810. 686-2182	In Progress Now	
SPOKE SHAVE	GENE MUNSELL	810. 686-2182	Early Spring	
CUTTING BOARD CLASS	GENE, KEN, ARNOLD	810. 686-2182	Early Spring	
STEP STOOL WITH PULL OUT STEP	ARNOLD, ROSS, LARRY	810.569-0474	after new year	

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