### Michigan Woodworker's Guild (Est. 1981)

**Sunday, February 14, 2016**
2:00 - 4:30 PM - At The Livonia Senior Center - Finishing Techniques Featuring Ed Stuckey

The February luncheon will be held at Jimi’s in Royal Oak on Thursday the 25th beginning at 1:15 PM

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**MAP TO LIVONIA SENIOR CENTER**

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- **June 2016**: June is currently scheduled to be part of the summer shut down period.
- **July 2016**: July is our annual summer shut down period.
- **August 2016**: Annual Picnic - VFW Park, Royal Oak - Thursday, 25th
- **Sept. 2016**: TBD - TBD - ROYAL OAK SENIOR CENTER - Thursday, 22nd
- **October 2016**: Woodworking Magazine - Jim Heavy - Tech Shop in Allen Park - Thursday, 27th
President’s Corner
By Dr. Gary Assarian

What was that that they said about the best plans? On Sunday, January 10 we were met with blizzard like conditions for our program on sharpening techniques. After some consideration and watching the weather patterns it was decided that we would continue to hold our event on that day. As it turned out the weather cooperated a bit, slacking around midday. Two of the presenters were not able to make it to the meeting, which left just three of us. To my surprise we had 50 members show up at the meeting. That was actually the highlight of the day. Those who did attend were treated to great presentations and a fine lecture by, Pete Goddard. Special thanks go out to Jim Kudej for organizing the event. We may try to fit the remaining presentations on sharpening at our meetings in the fall.

The event highlighted a need to notify members with short notice that a previously scheduled meeting has been cancelled or altered. In the future I would ask members to check their emails on the mornings of our programs. If there is a change, the information will be communicated through email. Given Michigan’s sometimes abrupt weather shifts, it would be a good idea to check your email it on meeting days, particularly on those days with harsh weather. This is a part of why it’s critical that we have up to date emails for the membership. The venue of the event will not be a reliable source of information. These occurrences don’t happen very often. When they do it is critical that we get information out to membership as soon as possible. So, in the future, check your email shortly before leaving to attend the meeting!

Our February lineup will feature Ed Stuckey. Ed will present a variety of techniques and applications in the area of finishing. Ed has given a presentation on this subject before and it was full of great tidbits, ideas, and pearls that may help members achieve better results with their projects. Ed's presentation will be held at the Royal Oak senior center on Sunday February 14 between 2:00 and 4:30 PM. We hope that you are to make it. Also you recently received, or should have received, an invitation to participate in the showcase of skills which will be held on March 19 at the Livonia Senior Center. Ed is also coordinating this event. We hope with proper participation from guild members that this year’s showcase will be more successful than last year’s event. In the past this event has had varying degrees of success based upon the participation of the members. Please remember it is not a beauty contest but an opportunity to show others what are you have produced or are in the process of creating. It always generates a great deal of discussion. This creates an opportunity to learn and get better. It’s really the purpose of this event. The dialogue which one hears between members regarding projects, techniques and problems to solutions is quite heartening. I would encourage any of you, regardless of the skill level, to participate in this event. If you are interested please refer to the email which was send to you last week or the flyer in this newsletter.

If you are interested in participating please contact Ed Stuckey at edstuckey@comcast.net or 313-345-3671.
NOTICE AND CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

SHOWCASE of WOODWORKING SKILLS 2016

Saturday, March 19, 2016  Livonia Senior Center  12:00 noon – 4PM

Once a year the Guild has a showcase of woodworking skill event that demonstration the talent of the Guild members. We usually have a wide variety of pieces on display, furniture, crafts, toys, boxes, turnings, etc. In order that the show be a success we need members participation, this is extremely important. You may bring pieces that you have currently finished, pieces that you finished in the past, and or currently pieces that are in the construction phase. This is not a juried show and we encourage all skill levels to participate.

The show gives members a chance to see what other members are doing so as to discuss and exchange ideas about topics ranging from construction to finishing. Look at it as show and tell.

The shows in the past have only been successful when a large number of members participated. The show will be open to all members and their friends and families as well as the public. We will have flyers at the next meeting in February so you may distribute them.

If you are interested in participating please contact Ed Stuckey at edstuckey@comcast.net or 313-345-3671. I need to know who will participate and what you plan to bring.

Thank you and I hope to hear from the members soon.

Ed Stuckey
Event Coordinator
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For name tags, sign up with Ed Stuckey at any regular meeting.
January Meeting Scenes

Gary Assarian Presenting Work Sharp  Jim Kudej Demonstrating Sharpening