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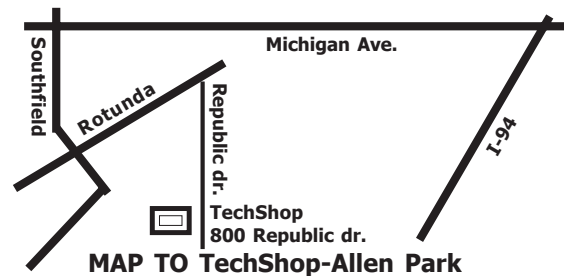
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Michigan Woodworkers Guild (Est. 1981)

Sunday, September 12th, 2015 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM, an all day seminar featuring Michael Fortune at The TechShop in Allen Park

The September luncheon will be at Jimi's on Thursday the 24th at 1:15 PM.



Calendar Of Events

The October meeting will be held on the 11th at the Tech Shop and will feature presentations by General Finishes' Cheryl Monahan.

The October luncheon will be held Thursday the 22nd at Jimi's in Royal Oak

The November meeting will be held on the 8th at the Royal Oak Senior Center. This will be our annual Jigs and Fixtures meeting.

The November luncheon will be held Thursday the 19th at Jimi's in Royal Oak

The December meeting will be held on the 13th at the Livonia Senior Center. This will be our annual Christmas dinner meeting.

December luncheon will be held Thursday the 17th at Jimi's in Royal Oak

The President's Corner

By Gary Assarian

Here is a summary of upcoming Guild Events:

SEPTEMBER 12: The fall schedule for the woodworking guild will soon be here. Our September workshop will feature an internationally renowned teacher, author and woodworker **Michael C. Fortune**. He will be presenting a workshop on furniture design and construction on September 12 at the Tech Shop auditorium in Allen Park. This event is open to members and nonmembers alike . It is strongly encouraged that if you wish to attend the workshop that you preregister in order that we have enough room and lunches for everyone. If you wish to attend please complete the flyer that's found in this bulletin. The deadline for registration is September 5. Yes, please send your fee of \$15 for members or \$35 for nonmembers (includes a one year MWG membership). The board hopes that you will take advantage of this rare opportunity. If you should have any questions please email me at : pathman98@gmail.com or phone me at 248-310-9328. We hope that you can take advantage of this rare opportunity to experience one of the best teachers available today. Special thanks goes to Ken Wolf for arranging this wonderful workshop.

OCTOBER 11: following our General meeting October 11 we will have the featured speaker Cheryl Monahan the Director of East Coast Sales for General Finishes. She will review the differences between water and oil and how they affect different wood types. She will also talk about paints and glazes. In addition she may also have time to touch on exterior products and how you can achieve the best outcome for protecting your furniture outside. She will also touch upon the manufacturing process of their products as well. This is sure to give our membership insight into addressing the many challenges that finishing presents. The program will begin with our regular business meeting at 2 PM and conclude at 4:30 p.m. It will be held at the Tech Shop in Allen Park. This is her second visit to the Guild. She is very knowledgeable, personable and a great presenter. You will not be disappointed.

NOVEMBER 8: Our meeting scheduled for November is sure to be a good one. It will feature presentations from a variety of Guild members demonstrating jigs or fixtures which they have used whether purchased or built. As in the past speakers will focus upon the use, construction and the level of satisfaction with the jig or fixture. Demonstration and reviews of purchased jigs, or other construction aids is very much encouraged. The presentations will be short and to the point, that way we'll have time to hear from as many members as possible. It also helps for those of us who aren't generally comfortable in addressing a large group. Presentations can be as short as one minute or up to 10 minutes. If you wish to make a presentation please contact me. The jigs and fixtures program is an annual highlight for the membership. Why not participate?

Other items: As I stated in the August newsletter the Board is continuing to evaluate the desires of the membership with the hopes of making the Michigan Woodworkers Guild a destination Organization. We need the input of our membership to help the Guild remain a viable and dynamic organization. There is no substitute for participation. Please consider helping with membership, the website, or any of the other activities which help make the Guild effective.

The Editor's Two Cents

By Peter Goddard

September begins a new season for the Guild.. The last regular meeting was held in May. A detailed review of that meeting was written by Dale Ausherman and was provided as a part of the August newsletter. With the start of the woodworking season (so to speak), regular meetings of the Guild will begin this month with a much anticipated presentation by Michael Fortune. A flyer is contained in the newsletter to allow advanced registration for this event. I strongly recommend that Guild members register in advance for this event. Advance registration will help ensure that your attendance at the presentation is guaranteed and will help us plan for lunches and refreshments in advance of the event. Michael Fortune is a well known expert, having published extensively in Fine Woodworking magazine and teaching courses at the Marc Adams School Of Woodworking. I expect that the Guild will have more members attempt to attend this event than the Tech Show can accommodate. Early registration and payment can ensure that you have a seat for this event.

This month's guild activity consisted of the annual picnic, held in VFW Park in Royal Oak. As is traditional, the picnic occurs rain or shine. This year we were lucky enough to have near perfect weather for this event. The attendance this year was smaller than anticipated, although all those in attendance seemed to be enjoying themselves. The food was excellent, and the odds of winning one of the prizes was better than many previous years. Unfortunately, the annual swap meet was pretty much a non-event. Suggestions for improvement should be given to any of the board members.

As most of you are aware, John Sanchez, our Guild president is battling serious medical issues. Gary Assarian has assumed the duties of president in his absence. I think we all wish John the best in his battle to regain his health. When I talked to John, he asked that I pass along his thanks to the many members who have sent cards and well wishes. John indicated that while he missed this year's picnic, he hopes to be able to attend the September meeting.

Starting with the August newsletter, I am beginning to make some changes to the formatting of the newsletter. In addition, I intend to begin moving the newsletter to a more forward looking orientation. The intent is to move the focus from reviewing the last meeting to coming meetings and to status of the various activities in the Guild, such as mentoring and the toy project. In the past, Dale Ausherman has done yeoman's work with his detailed reporting of many of the Guild meetings. Yet, despite a well written and detailed accounting of what happened during the meeting, there is no way to make up for the knowledge that might have been gained had one actually attended the event. Expect to see several changes to the newsletter as we go forward over the next several months. If you have some thoughts on what you might like to see in the newsletter, please let me know. I'm particularly interested in any columns that individuals are willing to lead.

Active involvement with Guild interest groups (toy project, library, web site, mentoring, etc) is easy. Open elections are held every year. Almost all positions have only one applicant and can be had by simply volunteering. If you are interested, contact any board member at the September meeting.

Michael C. Fortune

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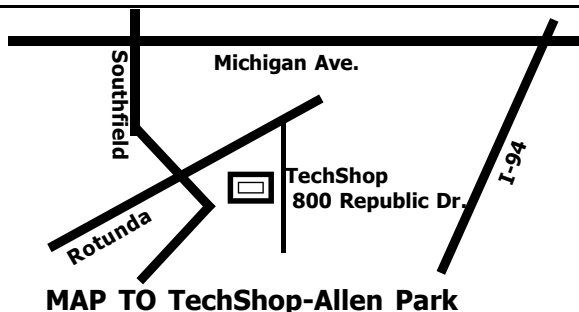
Internationally renowned Michael Fortune will be presenting a one day workshop on Designing and constructing fine furniture using traditional woodworking techniques.

At this workshop, Michael will discuss innovative forming processes that he has adapted from the aerospace and boat-building industries. Although he describes his studio-based work as contemporary, he will challenge us with designs gleaned from a wide range of natural and historical influences. Michael explains that sketching, mak-



ing scale models, and building full-size prototypes are a very important part in his design process and that his goal is to create objects that are resolved on every level and will satisfy his personal aesthetic. This should be one of the best workshops the Guild has ever presented. Don't miss it!

The TechShop (info.dt@techshop.ws) facility is an exciting venue available to the public by monthly or annual memberships. At TechShop, innovators, inventors, and makers can access over \$1 million worth of design and fabrication tools. Work in wood, textiles, metals, and more. TechShop offers expert training and can even aid in patenting your idea.



Date: Saturday, September 12, 2015
Time: 9:30 am -- 4:30 pm
 (lunch incl. 12:30 - 1:30 pm)
Sign in: 9:00-9:30 - Coffee & snacks
Location: TechShop Auditorium
 800 Republic Drive
 Allen Park, MI 48101

Seating is limited. Pre-payment is STRONGLY encouraged. To reserve a spot call, mail, or e-mail Gary Assarian. Phone: 248-310-9328 E-mail: pathman98@gmail.com

Address: 3050 Bloomfield Xing, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304. Deadline is September 5, 2015

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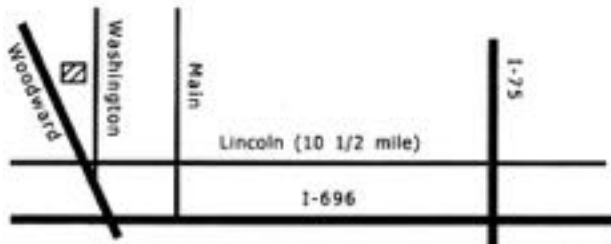
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