



# Newsletter

January 2013

The CMWA is a group of men and women from around the St. Cloud, Minnesota area who share a common interest in the art and business of woodworking. We meet monthly and share information, techniques and topics of interest in the area of woodworking.

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## Greetings from the CMWA President's Chair. By Denny Myers

The Christmas holidays are over and it's January already. I'm not sure the cold is going to be welcome this year. Well, it is Minnesota.

Our January 16<sup>th</sup> meeting has been changed from watching a DVD to an open format. We hope to have all members present to discuss our woodworking interests and needs so that we are better able to plan and schedule monthly activities and act on our responsibilities. We do have activities tentatively planned for 2013. The "Meetings" page on our website ([www.thecmwa.com/meetings](http://www.thecmwa.com/meetings)) has been updated with our planned activities for reference. Also, we have 3 shop benches to use for demos and projects. Keep this in mind.

Our relationship with the Paramount is one of give and take. The Paramount Theater and Visual Arts Center provides us a location and much latitude for our monthly meetings. As with all things good, we must give when we receive. We can do our part by participating in the 4 scheduled art crawls. Our participation will be a discussion point during the January meeting.

The 2013 Wood Expo has been scheduled for March 30<sup>th</sup> at the Armory. As you know this is our opportunity to bring woodworking to the St. Cloud area while coming together with the Turners and Carvers to showcase wood, tools, expertise and the enjoyment of woodworking fellowship. We enjoyed signature success with the 2012 Wood Expo with increased attendance, more vendors and great demos. Brad, Cy and Kurt have once again assumed responsibility for this very important project. With our help they will make this year's wood expo memorable. The wood expo is another discussion point for our January 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Board and Committee positions are the planning and support elements of our club. There are still positions open and need to be filled. We will confirm Board and Committee positions during the meeting and have a candid discussion of our future needs.

I will be meeting with Melissa Gohman, Paramount Visual Arts Director on January 2<sup>nd</sup>. I hope to have more information on the shop project and our relationship with the Paramount. Our relationship with the Paramount is critical to the future of CMWA and will be a discussion point during the meeting.

The January 16<sup>th</sup> meeting is very important as we discuss, plan and look to the future of CMWA. It is imperative that all members attend this meeting. The Board and I are looking forward to a candid discussion with all.

Denny Myers

**January's CMWA Meeting** will consist of an open meeting to discuss woodworking interests and the upcoming activities for the CMWA. Please join on Wednesday, **Jan 16<sup>st</sup> at 7pm** at the Paramount, St. Cloud.



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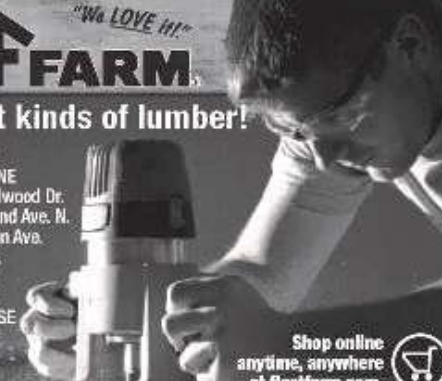
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