

Newsletter

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February 2007: Meeting Cancelled Due to Weather

For what may have been the only time in our 23 year history, we cancelled a General Meeting due to the inhospitable weather and reports of even worsening roads. Many of our members travel an hour or more to attend and, knowing how everyone hates to miss what going on, we felt it unwise to tempt them to venture out on such a night!

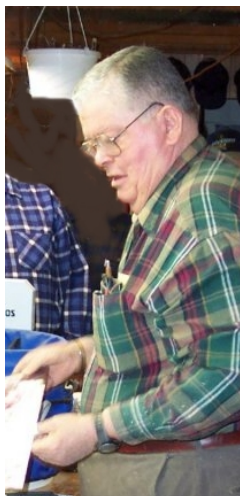
We will try to reschedule our intended February presenter, **Michael Lopriore** of **ML Machine Maintenance**, for a later date.

The **Audit Committee**, FVWWC members **Stan Anderson, Jim Cummings and John Winton**, will give their postponed report and **Treasurer Doug Pfaff** will give his forecast for our financial outlook for 2007.

In March we welcome **Wade Ellis**, owner of a local sawmill, who will give us some tips on "**How To Set-up a Workshop**". Should be something all can learn from and enjoy.

Also on the menu is FVWWC's ever popular "**Howard's Corner**"

Our own workshop guru, **Howard Van Valzah**, serves up his special style of shop tips, nifty new tools & products all nicely spiced with his valuable words of wisdom reaped through years of honing his skills, teaching the craft and sharing his talents and love of woodworking with all of us lucky enough to get the opportunity to listen & learn.



Library News

The new Library Committee, slated to take over the duties February meeting, will be there in March with books, magazines, videos and more for your research and reading pleasure.

Do stop by and say "Hello" and see what the club library has to offer.

Remember to return any books, videos or magazines you may have lurking around in the sawdust too!



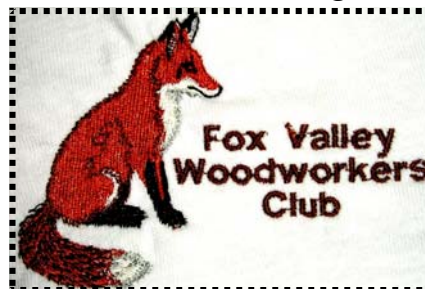
The club's **Jet** mini lathe and **Drill Doctor** bit sharpener are available for check out too by contacting the Library Committee prior to a meeting to pre-arrange pick-up!

FVWWC Logo Items: FOR SALE

Remember, **Gail Madden** now handles sales and ordering of club logo items..

Check out the **T-Shirts, Denim long or short sleeved Shirts, Ball Caps and Shop Aprons** available in a variety of sizes and by special order. All items feature FVWWC logo and name and are reasonably priced to make it easy to show off that club spirit!

See Gail at the next meeting for details!



FVWWC Events Calendar

Mar 4th.....Sun.... 9:00 a.m....Marc Adams Workshop brought to us by The Grundy County Woodworkers of Morris, IL. See Page 3 for more details.

Mar 6th.....Tue.... 7:30 p.m....FVWWC Meeting: Wade Ellis "How To Set-up a Workshop".

Mar 21st... Wed ... 8:00 a.m....FVWWC's Breakfast Club: At a new, earlier time of 8:00 a.m. - The Red Apple Restaurant at 414 S Schmale Rd - Carol Stream, IL -- *Everyone is invited to stop by!*

Mar 24th.... Sat ... 10:00 a.m....FREE Table Saw Class in Morris, IL and offered by the members of The Grundy County Woodworkers - Details Page 3

Mar 30/31 Sat/Sun .. See Ad OPEN HOUSE on Rt. 47 in Morris, IL at *Prairie Millworks* (formally The Woodworkers Shop). See ad on Page 3 for details!

Apr 3rdTue.... 7:30 p.m....FVWWC General Meeting: TBA

Apr 7th..... Sat 9:30 a.m....Shop Tour: Jim Cummings home workshop in Winfield, IL.



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FVWWC MONTHLY DRAWING

Okay, let's see if we can compensate for missing a meeting by having a fantastic raffle this month! Maybe we can make up for the lost revenue and then some if the turn out is good!!!

We will again have our regular variety of items to choose from like a **Porter-Cable 1.5 HP, 6 Gallon UMC Pancake Air Compressor with Accessory Kit**, a **\$50 Am/Ex Gift Cheque**, **Set of Six Blue Chip (formally Marples) Chisels** and other goodies!

We are still selling tickets for a **Special Raffle** of the **30 Piece Bessey Assorted "Tradesman" Bar Clamp Set & Stand**. *Remember: This raffle will run until we meet our goal so the sooner you buy, the sooner you could win!!!*

Proceeds go towards future drawing items and the FVWWC general operating fund so, when you play, everybody comes out a winner!...

...See you at the meeting!



Charlie Christensen - FVWWC Raffle Chairman

**Grundy Woodworkers Club
Presents:**



Marc Adams Workshop

Sunday, March 4th, 2007

All Day Workshop, Starting at 9:00 a.m.

Prairie Millworks

3385 N Rte 47

Morris, Illinois 60450

Reservations are Required!

For reservations and information call Grundy Woodworkers Club at (815) 942-8250 or e-mail Terry Steinbach at steinb@cbcast.com. Reservation can also be made in person at Prairie Millworks in Morris, IL (815) 942-5865.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Details & map available on our site www.fvwwc.org.

*The Grundy County Woodworkers
invite you to a:*

Free Table Saw Class

**Saturday March 24th
10:00 a.m. till 2:30 p.m.**

Prairie Millworks

(Site of former Woodworkers Shop)

3385 N Rt. 47

Morris, IL 60450

(Rt. 47 & Southmoor Rd.)

(815) 942-5865

Table Saw Class:

Russ Marie will be teaching a free class on table saws Saturday March 24th. It will start at 10:00 a.m. and run to 2:30 p.m. with a half hour lunch break at 12 noon.

Topics that will be covered are:

- **Safety**
- **Tune-up**
- **Blade Selection** – types, design, purpose, maintenance
- **Ripping Operations** – fence adjustments, with or without feather boards, roller stands, push sticks, feather boards, glue line ripping, re-sawing, thin stock ripping.
- **Crosscutting Operations** – blade types, miter gauges, crosscut sleds, repetitive cutting with stop block on fence, poly-sided frames, jigs, chip-out, plywood sizing
- **Tenoning Jigs** – making door frames with bridle joints/ slip joints finger joints with Freud box joint blade set, taper jigs (home made) two and four sided tapers.

Because of time limits and the fact only one table saw would be available, the only part of the class to be hands-on will be the ripping and crosscutting operations.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Flyer & map available on our site www.fvwwc.org or at the March meeting.

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OPEN HOUSE

Fri – March 30th: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Sat – March 31st: 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

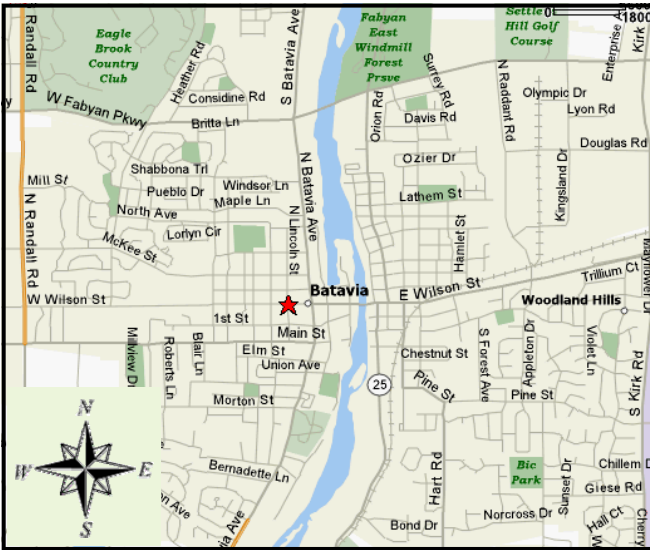
Vendors, Wood Sale, Demos and More!

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Fox Valley Woodworkers Club
General Meetings held at:
Bethany Lutheran Church
8 S Lincoln St. - Batavia, IL
1st Tuesday of each Month at 7:30 p.m.
Doors Open at 6:30 p.m.
Visitors Always Welcome!

FVWWC
General Meeting
March 6th, 2007
Wade Ellis,
pointers and layout ideas on
**"How To Set-up a
Workshop"**

