

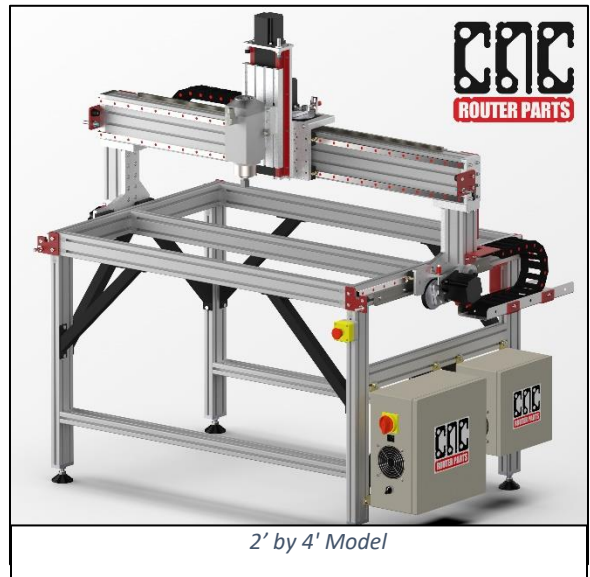
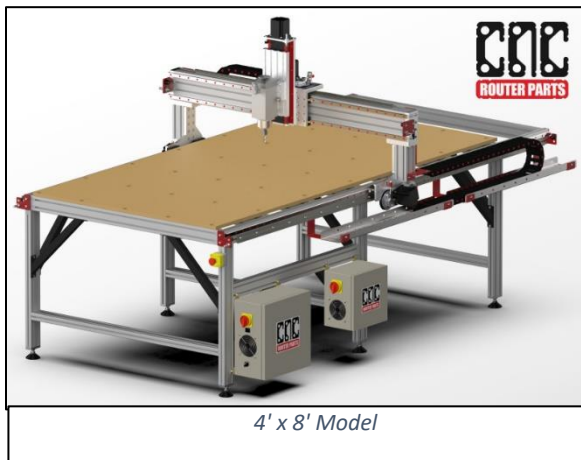
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CNC Router Kit

So here is what it should look like when I build



it.

You need a sheet of MDF and a PC/Laptop and this beautiful kit!

Ok, it can be smaller and expanded.

As time goes by, I'll start showing some of the things I could build. Ok, one thing!



2-Dec-18 2:05pm @home 37° rainy

Horoscope

I just received the December 2018 Horoscope from Melody Joy. Want to see it? Sure, you do!

Hi Friends

Here is my horoscope for December. Thanks for your interest. Please feel free to share. If it's time for a consultation send me an email to m3lodyjoy@aol.com. Let me know your availability and I'll reply with a time and contact information.

I use the 5-card spread to cast the horoscope. The spread is read from left to right. Once MM asked me what the

code after the dates means. These are the 5 cards that I use. For instance, in December the letters are "KC-2CR-XVI-IIIR-2PR". The corresponding cards are: King of Cups-2 of cups reversed-The Tower-The Empress reversed-2 of pentacles reversed. From these cards I get the story.

Melody Joy

DECEMBER 2018 horoscope by Melody Joy

SAGITTARIUS 11/22-12/21 KC-2CR-XVI-IIIR-2PR

Moving is on your mind. Challenges just keep surfacing. A compassionate counselor (man) makes the difference.

CAPRICORN 12/21-1/20 8PR-9S-10CR-AS-XVR

This is a good month face the devil and put your house in order. You are victorious in an important matter., but you wonder if the cost is too high.

AQUARIUS 1/20-2/19 3SR-6C-KPR-6PR-pC

You're tied to family problems - again. Seems like you'll never get shed of responsibilities. Have good times and a few laughs with friends around Christmas.

PISCES 2/19-3/20 10S-VR-6PR-10CR-XXR

Changes, adjustments need to be made. You are heading toward a reality check. You will be practical. You will do what needs to be done. Make it go.

ARIES 3/20-4/20 pP-9S-5WR-3C-XIX

Success and good times in December. You will achieve much in school or work. Hit some worrisome times around the 19th of December.

TAURUS 4/20-5/22 5P-QCR-XR-8CR-8W

Take some steps to assure your future. You might begin an investment account - get education - help Mom with a senior home. Have confidence in yourself. There's confusion whether you're doing the right thing. YOU ARE.

GEMINI 5/22-6/21 3S-8WR-8S-5C-VII

You will find the winning strategy in a difficult game. You feel the energy (optics) flowing the wrong way. You will sever ties by the end of December.

CANCER 6/21-7/22 2SR-XII-IXR-KC-7WR

Start December at a disadvantage or setback. Until you find out what you don't know, just follow the plan. The plan has been orchestrated to be successful. Stay disciplined.

LEO 7/22-8/23 APR-8PR-4W-kPR-VIIIR

Men in your life (or lives) need something of value to be working on. Their negativity prevents them from succeeding. They should get counseling, take a class, take up an activity, or all of the above, that will get them out of their head. You feel at peace in the home.

VIRGO 8/23-9/23 10P-KP-kWR-9PR-KSR

You will be able to help stabilize finance by the end of December. Remember that charity begins at home - even if there is no tax deduction.

LIBRA 9/23-10/22 6C-KS-4S-kC-8C

You are determined to strike off in a new direction. You have some time to gather your forces. Get opportunity by month's end. Someone from your past (mentor?) will be a help.

SCORPIO 10/22-11/22 9C-7CR-7SR-6S-pSR

You will go through a change which makes you wonder what might go wrong. (I call it the "what ifs?) Listen to good advice mid-month. All will be well by the end of December.

Christmas Letter

I think it is time to stop thinking about a CNC Router and think about my Christmas letter. If I don't I most likely will be late. I'll get some lunch then start on it.

You know I have hundreds of ideas of things I could make with a CNC Router. Wait! Lunch and Christmas letter! Bye!

8-Dec-18 9:23am @*\$ 23° Sunny

I got started on my Christmas letter. And I got the heater running in the garage.

Oh, I started cleaning out the garage too. I think I tossed 5 pieces of paper. I have been out there two time since I tested the heater. It works great! I have so much stuff in there I don't know where to start. Once I get started it should go well.

I am looking out the window at Starbucks and I see a store on the other side that the name looks like "M.D. Trains". Am I reading it right or does it say something else. Is it a model train store I didn't see before? I have been thinking about getting back into HO Trains. I can use my CNC Router to help make a train table and all the buildings. I have already seen a bunch of plans for that. I could change MRT to mean "Marty's Railroad Tracks". Maybe "Marty's Random Trains". For now, I'll stay with Marty's Random Thoughts". ☺

I am not sure that says "M. D. Trains" as I need to get my glasses checked out. I'll have to check that out when I leave here. That store is right next to "Bike Haven".

It is cold and noisy in here today. And they are playing the music too loud. And I have a sore neck like I slept wrong. Maybe I need a new pillow?

I have a bunch of HO model railroad. Maybe I don't need to go into that store until I have the garage cleaned out.

9-Dec-18 2.59pm @home 25° Sunny

I was out working on the garage trying to get a good start on clearing it. Started on the southeast corner. As I went along, I would jump when the space heater would start. I am not used to things making noise all by them selfs. I am sure over time I will get use to that.

I found some things I had forgotten about. I found my "METRAS 3" and "YTRAM" license plate. They are hanging on the wall now. The "YTRAM" plates were on the Freeway. For you who don't remember that was a three-wheel car I drove for a while.



1980 Freeway

It was fun to drive but broke down a lot! Mine was a 1982 and I think the Company went out of business shortly after I bought it.

I also found my "GSS 47" License plates. GSS was before "Doer of Things". GSS was "Good Samaritan Service", *Services to Unattached Women and Senior Citizens*. Wonder why I stopped doing that and changed it to Doer of Things. It was about 1979 when I became DoerOfThings.com.

I also found the license plate for the Electric car I had in 1974-75. It was number "85". They said I had the 85th Electric car in Illinois. The Citi Car cost me too much to keep it on the road. Another company that closed while I still had the car.



1974 Citi Car

This is my Freeway. That is the driveway on East Jackson Street. I wonder if there are any of those out there to be bought. I did find one for around \$6,500. Little pricey, since, I paid less than \$2,000 for mine. I'll just remember the fun I had with mine.

I had a 1965 Midnight Metallic Blue Mustang Convertible. I paid only \$500.00 for it. They only cost about \$2,500 new. I can by one now for around \$80,000. That one is the wrong color. Only found one that looked to be the right color, but it was a three speed. Again, I will drive my Honda!

13-Dec-18 11:22am @EWT 36° Mostly Sunny

Birthday

Yesterday I turned 72 years old. Michelle took me to lunch and I had my annual beer. I didn't think I had my annual beer yet, so I had one! ☺ Thanks Michelle!

Garage

This morning I went out to the garage and fired up the heater and started looking around. It warmed up in a few minutes and I started looking. I have done a little clearing as I have filled up a tote and got it out for the garbage truck last Tuesday. It wasn't much, but a start. Many more things to dump.

I think this will happen slowly and is somewhat overwhelming. I think I need to remove things from the garage and bring them back only if I really need to keep them. The problem right now is that it is very cold, and it could rain/snow. This makes it a slow process. Once I get started, I will have some space to work with.

I started at the back corner and worked down the bench. Did you know the bench is covered like the floor in the Kitchen? ☹️ It is worn out and needs to be replaced.

I moved the stuff from the back bench and replaced it with stuff from the side and that with the Stuff from the front bench. Yup so far, it seems I am just moving stuff around. Even the table saw is covered with stuff now.

This stuff is organized a little and can be sorted and moved and put away now. I will have to start working on finding a more permanent place to put this stuff before I continue. There is some stuff that can be sold or donated.

If someone would like to come over, I will buy the coffee! Even if we don't get any garage cleaning, we could still enjoy our coffee.

It's Lunch time, I have to go!

16-Dec-18 2:12pm @Home 44° Mostly Sunny

Wow 44°! I'll take it. I remembered I had not finished my Christmas Letter. I did finish it. I have addressed some envelopes. And I will get them out in the next few days. You know I am missing a lot of addresses. I will post it online, but I would like your addresses, so I can mail it to you.

My contact list still has everybody I ever knew for the last 20 years. It shows over 350 on the counter. I am sure I don't know most of them. I am not the best at keeping my contacts up to date. How about emailing me your address in an email so I have both. Some of you I could drive to your house, but I don't know where you live. I'm bad!

So, if you don't receive my Christmas letter in the mail, I most likely don't have your address in my file. Sorry!

19-Dec-18 11:56am @EWT 42° Sunny

Happy Anniversary

Today is Michelle and Grant's 4th year as a married couple. Happy Anniversary!

Birthday Missed

I didn't miss my Birthday, but it isn't posted in this newsletter. On December 12th, 1946 I was born. I am 72! Wait I am 36 again or is it 24 again and

again! In any case I am still enjoying life. And there are only 82 years and 22 or so days left.

Terri, Melody, Gene, Frank, and others I can't remember right now also have a Birthday on 12/12. Happy birthday to them too! Who else do you know who I share December 12th as their Birthday?

Exercise Renewal

Michelle has been asking me off and on for a long time when I was going to start exercising again. I figure I hit the forty over my 185-pound goal I set in January. Yesterday I told her I would start again today.

This morning I started on the treadmill for 25-30 minutes. My foot and hip started getting sore, so I took a break. I got on the rowing machine and went 250 meters and my legs gave out. Then I decided to just walk the floor in the gym. I made 10 or 15 rounds, some carrying 6 kilo Kettlebells. Then I took another break. Yes, I took a lot of breaks! Then I got down on the floor and did a little body work with my arms lifting 10-pound Weights. I tried to do a getup with one of those weights and could not.

All-in-all I don't think I did too bad for the first time since last April in rehab. The EWT System says it was October 31st, 2017 the last time I checked in.

CNC Router

I need to get back in shape, so I have the energy to clean out my garage. I have all these ideas for using the CNC Router. The CNC Router Kit I am looking at is quite a machine. It may or may not be what I get. There are a lot of CNC Routers out there to choose from. Oh well, I need to clear out the garage first.

2-Jan-19 8:31am @EWT 26° freezing rain

First Happy New Year!

I must say I have been busy all weekend rebuilding my file server. I finally got finished at 4:00 pm yesterday. I need to buy some new hardware for my server. Using 20-year-old computer equipment isn't cutting it any more. I was piecing old hardware together until Monday when I decided it wasn't all a hardware issue. I was trying to bring all the software up to date and it wasn't compatible with my old stuff. I use Ubuntu Linux

and had to go back to version 16.04. The new version is 18.04. I was using 14.04. Even if you don't know Linux you can tell by the numbers, I was at least 5 years old. Version is only 2 years old.

Then there was my ownCloud is up to version 10.0.0.1 for the latest release. I had to find the instructions because I was using version 9 or 8. Since the server was down, I could not figure it out. It didn't help I had to guess with a lot of it because ownCloud's Document's server was offline all weekend. This makes it hard to get the instructions I needed to resolve my issues from reading the manuals. Always RTFM when you get stuck.

Anyway, I have it running again, and I don't think I lost any data. And it is drizzling rain and freezing. Good way to start the year.

I ordered a couple used server that I will setup to handle this incase things go bad again. Instead of

using 20-year-old computers they will be about 3. My backup server is fast. It boots in 30 seconds or less. My Web server takes 5 minutes. It NEEDs to be rebuilt!

TigerDirect.com has a whole mess of use PC & Laptops with 1-year Warranties. For a couple hundred dollars I bought two of them the same with 500gb hard drives, and Windows 10. I can clone them and be good to go in an hour or so.

2018 is done and I have already started on 2019. I noticed the day light is getting longer and I have a Doctor's appointment and have to go. See you in the next issue.

MARTY'S RANDOM THOUGHTS

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MY BOOKS

← MY CAMINO DE SANTIAGO ADVENTURE
WALKING THE WALK, CAMINO DE SANTIAGO 2012 →
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Mike's and Petra's Books Pilgrimage Creations

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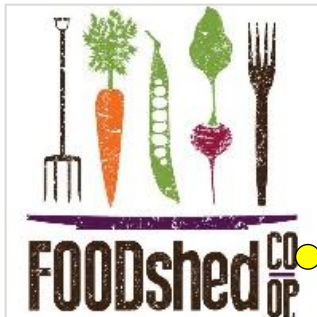
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