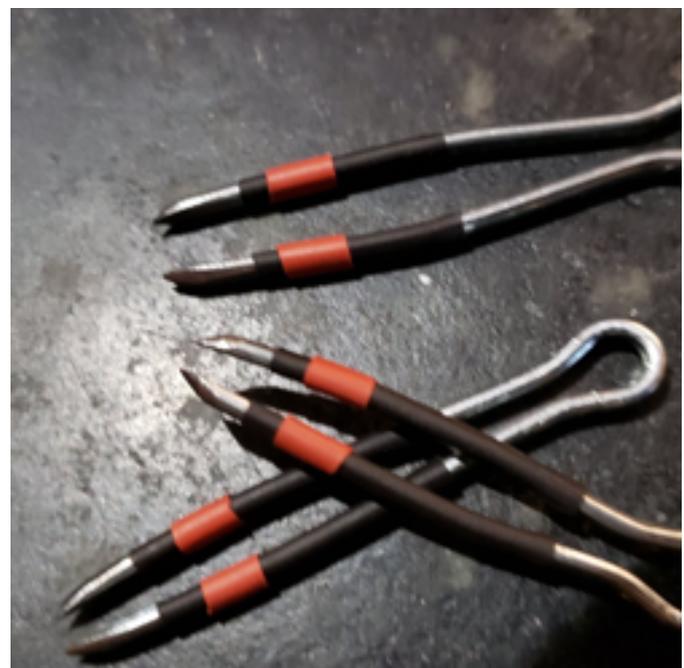


Happy New Year



Laser Etched and painted Marble Tile - made by James Dietrich

Hope you had a Happy Maker Holidays - It is the thought that counts, and there is nothing more thoughtful than making gifts for family and friends. With the tools, the creativity, and the expertise available at CVM, anyone can make something truly special. Don't wait until December 2019. Start making gifts for the people on your list today!!





Shop Talk: Everyone has the potential to be creative, but how do you get started exercising your creativity? Talk to Pete. He will put you at ease, get you connected at CVM and perhaps recommend a good starter project. Creativity will come as you build skills, and you will soon be amazed at what you are making. Pete is the Tom Bodet of CVM, but instead of "we will leave the lights on for you", Pete's mantra, "just leave it cleaner than how you found it". Wise words Pete!

Project of the Month:

Danny Rieger created this vacuum caddy as a great CNC starter project. Designed for CNC using Fusion360, the pictured caddy raises the height of a shop vac adding easy to empty chip separation, which means much less frequent filter cleaning. Added tool holders and cord management are far superior to stock. It is now easier to roll around, the hoses stay put, and everything is where you need it. Come check it out at @CVM. We will let you run it all you want, no charge ;)



Congratulations to FLL team Space Tex. The team competed at the Dubuque regional and will be advancing to the State competition at Ames on December 20. Left to Right: Chase Kies, Max Mills, Asher Wilkinson, Ryne Kies, Will Hoffman, Paige Hilvers, Sean Radke, Grace Roth, Kaylee McSweeney



Community and Volunteer events:

- [Coder Dojo Begins Sat - Jan 12](#)
- [Skill Build Tuesdays and Thursdays](#) -
Come help fix, and create cool science displays for the grout museum and fun projects around the shop. [Check for event dates on Facebook.](#)
- [Cedar Valley Makerspace tours/open house - Saturdays 10:00 - 2:00](#)

Board Meeting: January 14, 6:00. This meeting is open to the public. Please let us know if you would like to attend by e-mailing: cedarvalleymakers@gmail.com Right now we are planning to meet at the Millrace boardroom, but the place is subject to change depending upon response.

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