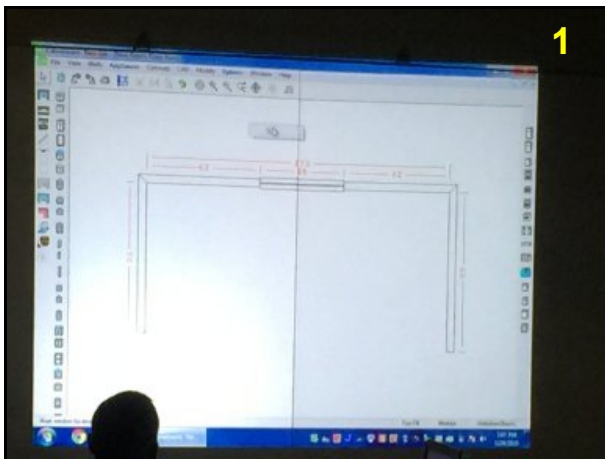


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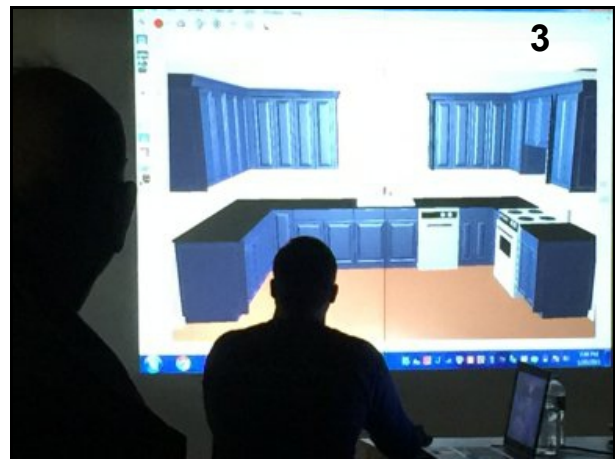
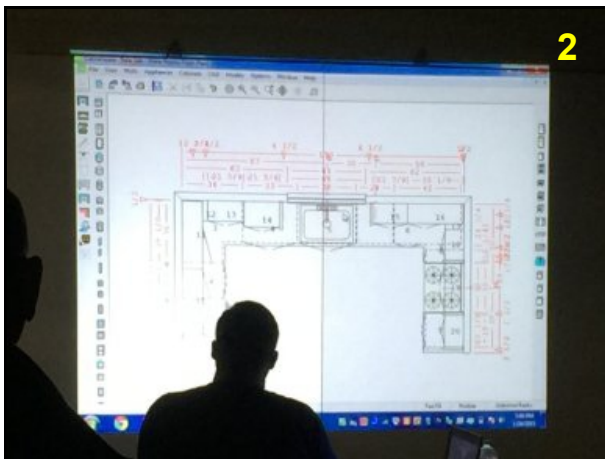
Hoffman Custom Cabinets and Countertops in Lakeville MN

Jeff Hoffman, the owner of Hoffman Custom Cabinets and Countertops in Lakeville MN hosted the MN Woodworkers Guild for our January Meeting. Highlights of the meeting include:

Hoffman's caters to residential kitchen customers for 70% of its business. School districts, fire stations and miscellaneous other customers make up the remainder.

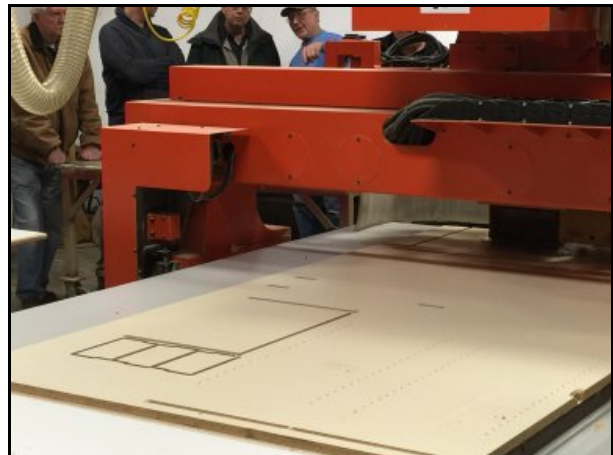


The business is highly automated starting with the use of Cabnetware software which is used to create the kitchen design. Jeff demonstrated how quickly he could create a kitchen floor plan in two dimensions and from that design the software brought up a 3D view and a complete cut list of needed parts including the most efficient way to cut the parts from sheet goods.



Cabnetware also generates a CAD file that can be transmitted to Hoffman's Selexx Chief CNC panel router that not only cuts out the parts but also precisely drills holes for shelf pins and creates hinge mortises and other features.

The Selexx Chief CNC panel router:



Cabinet parts that need to be banded are then taken to the Holzer edge bander which applies the banding, trims the edges, and polishes the surface:



Hoffman's facility includes a large paint room and spray booth, and assembly areas. There is also a display space featuring the large selection of countertops, hardware and door styles that they sell.