

TIP 16 — Easy Cleanup for Chips/Gene King

An email from Gene King says, “I got a large baking pan from Smart and Final. It's 18" by 26" and 1" deep. My 4400 lathe is mounted on a 10" x 48" board with 1-1/2" legs. The pan slides under the lathe and makes clean up a breeze. The cost of the pan is \$8.00.”

We use a similar idea for our mill demo at trade shows. A cookie sheet or baking tray goes under the machine. A 3-piece hinged plexiglass back shield contains most of the flying chips. When the show is over, we just fold up the backing board, remove the mill from the tray and dump the chips in the trash. (We use plexi for the back shield so the mill can be seen from all sides. For shop use, plywood would work better.)