Subject: Something I Learned At GPAF
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I was telling Bob Brines what a pain it is for me and my petite wife to lug a full 4' by 8' sheet of mdf from the truck to the workshop, load it onto the roller table, and maneuver it throught the table saw. He responded "Why don't you use precut mdf boards like I do?" Huh? I had no idea that lumber yards carry 3/4" mdf in 12" and 16" nominal widths (the 12" is actually 11-1/4"), which are available in 8' and 16' lengths. Am I the only one who didn't know this?Sure enough, I checked and there they were. I bought two 16' lengths at 84 cents per foot, which the yard cut into eight foot boards for easier transport. So the boards are about 25% pricier than buying a 4' by 8' sheet, but it's worth the incremental cost even if you own a table saw. Many speakers, including the FredArray, can easily be adapted to an 11-1/4" width by 12-3/4" depth, permitting the use of these boards just as they are with no ripping. You can use a circular saw or even a jigsaw and a carpenter's square to cut them to the proper length. Speakerbuilding just became a lot easier for me; even more so for Linda!