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MEETING

ETHEL Mac Leod HART SENIOR CENTER
915 27th STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA
(BETWEEN I & J STREETS)
August 1, 2006 7:00 pm

President's notes:

Our August program will feature an "Ask the Experts" night. This has become an annual event at SAW with the idea being that the membership can throw out that insolvable problem that has been kicking around your shop for months. Our expert members will offer free suggestions and solutions that I bet you never thought of.

The August meeting will also be our annual club's clock contest! Gift certificates redeemable at Post Tool will be awarded to the four best timepieces. Contest clocks can be of any shape or size, and the clock mechanisms, crystal, and other functional hardware can be purchased or pulled from other clocks or timepieces. Clock contest submissions must not have been submitted previously, and must include some woodworking effort on the part of the club member

My apologies to any club member who was not able to talk about their Show and Tell item at the July club general meeting. Please bring your items to the August or another monthly meeting. Your woodworking should still get the recognition it fully deserves. With the general meeting speaker David Marks so popular last month, we simply just ran out of time.

Now is also the time for SAW club members to consider serving as a 2007 club officer, representative, or club volunteer. Please consider expanding your SAW woodworking opportunities in the coming months and year. Contact me if you would be willing to serve as a SAW club officer in 2007.

On a related note: Thank you to everyone who donated their services and supplies to our club last month. Routinely I hear about club members who help our club and community. For example, thank you SAW club member Robert Buckwalter! A club member since 1991, Bob brings parts and wood components to our general meetings for members to use in their Toys for Tots projects. It is club members like Bob who transform our club from just an organization into something exceptional and noteworthy.

In the midst of club meetings and going-ons, I also sometimes forget to thank those that so openly volunteer

and support our group. Examples are the members at last month's club meetings who donated items for our club's raffle, helped set up the facilities, shared their tools, and performed other services. Thank you everyone for being supportive of our club's efforts!

After communications with some of the highest representatives of our state government, our club will be hosting a woodworking demonstration and exhibition at the 2006 California State Fair. Thank you SAW member Roberta Taylor! Roberta was the one who truly made our clubs participation at this year's State Fair possible!

At the State Fair on August 29th, 30th, and 31st SAW club members will be demonstrating scroll saw and small lathe crafting. A free ticket into Cal Expo is included for SAW members who participate. Please contact SAW club secretary Tom Taylor, or past club president Floyd Gibson, if you can volunteer for a few hours at our Cal-Expo booth.

Woodworking art, furniture, crafts, toys, and other items made by club members are also needed for our State Fair booth. We are hoping club members will display some of their finest woodworking. Wooden creations of various sizes are needed. This is an opportunity to showcase your best works alongside some of the most famous names in American and international arts and crafts. Again, please call Tom or Floyd if you are willing to display an item or two, or can volunteer in our booth at Cal Expo for a few hours.

A Skills Building class-good for any level of woodworker-is scheduled for August 5th. Wood joinery construction is the scheduled topic. Learn how to construct joinery faster, cleaner, more accurately, and easier. Also learn about a rather low-cost method of performing joinery--with a lot less frustration--using an adaptable jig. Mark your calendar for this special Saturday event! Make this month a time to express your woodworking skills. Attend a Special Interest Group meeting. And long August-lighted days can lead to a lot of woodworking time for SAW club members! Participate in some fun, entertainment, camaraderie--and even maybe some inspiration--this month with the Sacramento Area Woodworkers!

The SACRAMENTO AREA WOODWORKERS, also known as SAW, is an organization formed for the purpose of:

Sharing woodworking experiences, information, instructions, plans, books, tools and lumber sources, ideas in producing supplement income and sharing in discounts resulting from volume buying.

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MEMBERSHIP

For all new members the dues for SAW are \$30 per calendar year. Additional dependent family members, residing in the same household of a fully paid member, shall pay 50% of annual dues. As a SAW member, you will enjoy the camaraderie of fellow woodworkers, discounts from local merchants, group buys on wood, and library privileges. Commercial memberships are available for \$50 per year. This membership includes yearly advertising in the newsletter. Ads are to be business card size and may be changed from month to month, if desired. Contact Treasurer Jason Beam for more membership information.

Contributions to the newsletter must be sent to the Editor Jerrold Braunstein, , email jbbraunstein@sbcglobal.net, by the **20th of the month** for inclusion in the following month's newsletter.

CLASSIFIED

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RBI Hawk 220 Scroll Saw. Variable Speed w/foot control. \$400.00 Call: Michael Boswell (916) 983-6606



A couple of future project ideas

David Marks, Woodworker



Notes from the
July Meeting

Due to the length and excellence of David Mark's presentation at our July meeting, there was no time for Show & Tell. If you brought something for Show & Tell in July, please bring it again in August.

In addition to his presentation, David Marks made an important announcement. David announced that the Treasurer of SAW Jason Beam and his girlfriend Jane are now officially engaged. David presented a set of his recent DVDs as a gift to the happy couple.

Best wishes to Jason & Jane for long and happy life together

Skills Class

Ever look at those complicated router dovetail jigs and dismiss them as too complicated or worse yet own one and never use it? Come watch Michael Bush put one through its paces and show you how to use one of these valuable tools. This demonstration will involve the use of an inexpensive fixed fingered dovetail jig to make raised bed planters fast and easy and, of course, boxes using both through and blind dovetails.

Everyone is invited to watch but, if you want to bring your own material to try your hand at making a box, please feel free. Stock should be 5 1/4 wide and surfaced to the same thickness. In addition, two pieces of plywood for a top and bottom that match the size of the stock. The class will be held on August 5 at Michael's shop. His address is 501 V Street, 95818 and that is at the corner of 5th and V Streets. Michael's number is 832-8225. If you have any questions, he can be emailed at europaerestoration@yahoo.com

COLLEGE OF THE REDWOODS
FINE WOODWORKING PROGRAM

Two SAW members, Jerry Braunstein & Dick Brothers are attending the College of the Redwoods Projects Class in Ft. Bragg. The class, taught by Jim Budlong and David Welter, allows students to work on their own projects under the supervision of a master craftsman. Dick is working on a jewelry box that has both inlay and redwood veneer. Here, Dick and Jim Budlong are working on that long awaited glueup.



Jerry Braunstein is building the first part of a step tonsu. The case is cherry with a walnut face with doors to be added which are made from a piece of oh'e'o wood from Hawaii.



Both members look forward to showing their work at a future Show & Tell

Novice SIG**Contact person: Floyd Gibson, 483-6226**

The Novice SIG met on Saturday, July 15 at Bob Schieck's shop/garage. Fifteen members including two new members attended. Bob had his Shopsmith set in saw mode, then changed it into the band saw mode with the help of the members. Bob was going to show the attendees how to resaw with no fence using a 1/4" blade with 6 teeth per inch. A piece of walnut was marked into thirds. Neil cut out the wood by following the line marked on wood. Next came the Ryobi 10" planer with a subbase installed. Bob showed how to plane the wood to 1/2" thickness. The three pieces were completed. Bob Beckert was on RBI Hawk scrolling a project and Susan Silvester, a new member wanted to learn to use the scroll saw. She then did some scrolling on the saw with Bob Beckert instructing. Next Bob set up his router table with the "Pin" attachment and showed how it worked. Bert was giving each member who tried the router for "feel" instructions and his points of view. Craig Blankenship & Andrew Silvester tried the router. The meeting ended at 12:30pm. Thank you Bob Schieck.

The next Novice SIG will be Saturday, August 19, 10am to 1pm, at Tom Nelson's shop, . The program is changing planer blades on a 11 1/2" Delta Planer.

Tole Painting SIG**Contact Person: Rogette Sommers, 371-5609**

The Tole painters finished up their "House Carry All" . Rogette handed out the new project "Have a Holly Jolly Christmas". Rogette did not have a color version at this time, only a black & white copy. The next meetings of Tole painters will be Thursdays, August 8 & 22. Tole painting is a different form of woodworking and is an important part of the Club's Toys for Tots program. Come out and give it a try.

Any & all members are invited to the Tole Painters SIG. This is a fun outing and members should attend these SIGs.

Furniture/Finishing SIG**Contact Person: Bob & Sonja Lemon, 916-428-6178**

Not many wanted to venture out in the heat on the evening of July 18, which accounts for the sparse attendance at the Lemon's. Bob had his bead blasting booth set up on the shop patio and demonstrated how easy it was to clean metal parts with glass beads. Rollie Bowns then tried his hand at etching designs on a walnut platter he brought. It worked, but not as well as we hoped. Ground up walnut hulls would have worked better, or, a softer wood. All in all, it was an interesting lesson. We then retired to the air conditioned shop to talk about wood identification and Bob's pin router.

As no one volunteered to host the August meeting, it will be held at the Lemon's again. Tuesday, August 15, 7:00 p.m. If you know anything about wood identification, please plan to attend and help with this discussion. Possible questions: How do you identify wood several months after you bought it, but forgot to mark it? Also, what are some of the best combinations of woods to use on a project and why (color matches, expansion/contraction). OR the topic will be whatever!!

Scrollsaw SIG**Contact person: Bob Schieck, 381-2641**

The Scrollsaw SIG met Saturday, July 8th at Bert Fortier's shop. Ten members and two guests attended. First, Tom & Roberta gave a report on the 2006 State Fair. Next the members and guests moved into smaller groups. Bert & Buzz realigned and changed the sand paper on Bert's Proformax 16-32 sander. Changing the sandpaper requires usage of special wrench. Nancy did a 3D deer on scrollsaw & the deer required a crutch. Neil & Bert then went work on Bert's new "Sand Flea". Neil showed Bert how to put on 3 grits of sandpaper on Sand Flea 100 grit, 120 grit & 150 grit (what, no place for 40 grit sandpaper!). Neil also instructed Bert on how to make a "template" for the size of sandpaper to be installed. The SandFlea had medium, fine and extra fine sandpaper on it so a user can go from rough sanding to fine sanding in one operation. Mike worked on Hegner scrollsaw making a 3D fish with Bert giving instructions. Later Neil gave Mike some fine points in general scrolling. The rest of the members were on the patio enjoying the weather and the company of friends and consuming the refreshments. One guest when swimming. The meeting ended at 1pm. Thank you Bert & Hilda for a great day.

The next Scrollsaw SIG will meet Saturday, Aug 12, at 10am to 1pm, at Woody Woods,

Pen SIG**Contact Person: Tom Taylor, 393-1962**

No report from the Pen SIG this month. The location of the next meeting will be announced at the August meeting. Keep on turning.



Save the Date
2006 Shop Tour #3

Our fall Shop Tour, the third this
 Year, will be held on
 Sunday, September 17
 From One to Four p.m.

Bob Drodos, Art Quinn
 And Gary Foster are
 On the lineup.

This event is always a high point of
 The year as we visit our best
 Craftsman. Don't miss it.

Tick, Tick, Tick
 Time is running for the
 Annual SAW

Clock Contest

If tells time and you made it
 In the past year, bring
 It to the August meeting.

Gift certificates from Post
 Tool will be awarded to
 The top four
 Clocks.

Yours should be a winner.

LIBRARY

Books, videos, and magazines are available to members for one month at a time when checked out of the Library at the back the meeting room. Be sure to return the items at the next meeting.

NEW ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

- Woodworkers Problem Solver** O'Malley
- Country Pine** Hylton
- Display Cases, Frames and Shelves** Roedale Press
- Jigs, Fixtures and Shop Furniture** Roedale Press
- The Right Technique** Roedale Press

All of these books were donated. Thank you for your support of our library.

Calendar

- 1 Tues. 7-9 p.m. **General Meeting** Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street, Sacramento S
- 5 Sat. **Skills Class. Dovetails**, Michael Bush's shop, 501 V St. Sacramento
- 10 Thu. 7--9 p.m. **Board Meeting** Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street, Sacramento
- 10 Thu. 7-9 p.m. **Tole Painting** Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street, Sacramento
- 12 Sat. 10am-1 pm **SCROLLSAW SIG** Woody Woods,
- 15 Tues. 7-9 p.m. **Furniture/Finishing SIG** The Lemon's shop,
- 19 Sat. 10-1 p.m. **Novice SIG.** Tom Nelson's shop,
- 24 Thu. 7-9 p.m. **Tole Painting** Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street, Sacramento
- 26 Sat. 10-1 p.m. **Pen SIG.** Location to be announced at the August meeting.

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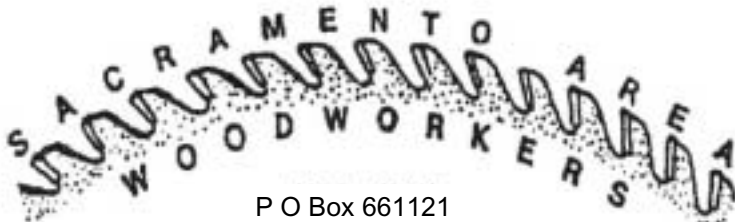
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