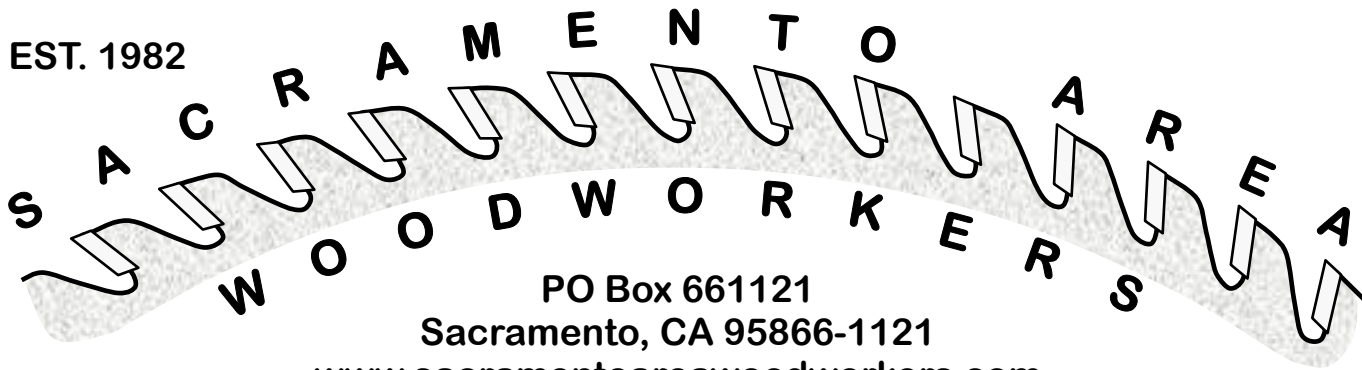


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SAW NEWSLETTER

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**MEETING**  
**ETHEL MACLEOD HART SENIOR CENTER**  
**915 27th STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA**  
**(BETWEEN I & J STREETS)**  
**June 1, 2010 7:00 pm**

### President's Message

This month the speaker will be Bill Pentz. Bill will be speaking about dust control in the workshop. He has donated a kit of his Cyclone dust collection system (see ad on page 5) to the club. We will be offering the kit to club members over the next two months in a silent auction, with the proceeds going to the club treasury. More details will follow.

A reminder to all club members that the BBQ at [Higgins Hardwoods](#) will be on Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 4 PM at their warehouse at 1301 North Market Blvd in Sacramento off Northgate Blvd. A map and directions are included in the newsletter.

I would like to thank all those who volunteered to work the booth at the Sacramento County Fair. We almost didn't have enough volunteers and were in risk of cancelling it. The community outreach that we do as a club pays us back in many ways. So thank you again, volunteers. The SAW demos will be at Cal Expo in Building "C" from May 27<sup>th</sup> through 31<sup>st</sup>.

Speaking of volunteerism, Teri Munger, volunteer initiative coordinator for the City of Sacramento Mayor's Office, and Sydney Fong, Public Relations Director at the Salvation Army in Sacramento, spoke at last month's General Meeting. They were thanking us for our work and encouraging more of the members to contribute to the various causes, such as Toys for Tots. There is always a shortage of toys for the 0 to 4 yr olds. The cars, trucks, puzzles, doll cribs and beds that our members have made in the past are excellent for this age range. Sacramento is looking for 3 million hours of volunteered time this year. Time spent on our work like Toys for Tots counts. You can record your time and look for other opportunities to serve the community and "Be the Change"

at <http://www.volunteersac.com/>.

Furniture contest this month is Furniture. Since we had a furniture contest last year, only furniture completed since the last contest is eligible. Next contest is "Shop Tools, Jigs, and Fixtures" in August.

We have presented a lectern to the Hart Senior Center. (See photos on page 3.) Andy Volk led the effort, designed the lectern to the center's specifications. He was ably assisted by Paul Jacobs, Craig Blankenship, and Ken Ballinger. A special thanks to Bob Beckert for cutting out the Hart Center Logo letters on the scroll saw and to Paul Jacobs for hosting the group on several occasions in his shop and for providing needed expertise. Let's all give these members a big thank you for their efforts. And a big thank you to Andy for managing the project, and interfacing with the Hart Center Staff on top of his other duties as newsletter editor.

### Welcome New Members

Christian Alcorn  
Alex Dudash

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.

**2010 SAW BOARD**

\*Voting board member

All Phone numbers without an area code are 916.

**SAW Staff Members**

President*	Andrew Silvester	
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Secretary*	Doug Griebner	
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Program Chairman*	Tom Taylor	
Mbr at Large*	Richard Lovvo	
Mbr at Large*	Gary Thatcher	
Editor*	Andy Volk	
Past President*	Floyd Gibson	

Volunteer members who work hard to help make the club enjoyable and run smoothly.

Librarians	Bob Beckert, Jack Van Keuren, Norm Steinbach, Dick Lewis.
Toy Chairman	<b>OPEN</b>
Small Raffle	Doris Woods Marilyn Gibson
Large Raffle	Roberta Taylor
Merchandise	Judy Wavers Hank Wavers
Badges	Charles Linn
Refreshments	Holly Lovvo Rob Drown
Web Master	Jason Beam

**Contests Schedule**

- Jun 2010** "Furniture" -- Tables, shelves, chairs, step-stools, etc.
- Aug 2010** "Tools, Jigs, and Fixtures"
- Oct 2010** "What's Cookin'?" -- Anything Made for the Kitchen
- Feb 2011** "Clocks and Musical Items"

**LIBRARY**

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

New Books this month are:

*Zodiac Puzzles for Scroll Saw Woodworking* by Judy and Dave Peterson

*Easy to Make Inlay Wood Products* by Judy Gale Roberts and Jerry Booher

*North American Wildlife* by Rick Longabaugh

*Scroll Saw Workbook* by John A. Nelson

**MEMBERSHIP**

For all renewing members the dues for SAW are \$30 per calendar year (No prorated renewal). 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.

New Members will be prorated by month joined for the year.

	<u>Individual</u>
Jan - Mar	\$30.00
Apr - Jun	\$22.50
Jul - Sept	\$15.00
Oct - Dec	\$ 7.50

Family members at the same address can be added at half this rate. No refunds will be given on membership dues.

***The club is always looking for new members. Recommend us to all your woodworking friends!***

**Commercial Membership**

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 Charles Linn for more membership information.

**Newsletter Items**

Contributions to the newsletter must be sent to the Editor, Andy Volk, by the **20th of the month** for inclusion in the following month's newsletter.

**Newsletter Photos**

If SAW had a position for official photographer, the position would be assigned to Steven Hitchens. Stephen takes most, if not all, of the photos appearing in the newsletter. If you like the pictures, be sure to give Stephen your thanks!

**Lectern for Ethel MacLoed Hart Senior Center**



Some of the team of volunteers who made the lectern: (l-r) Paul Jacobs, Andy Volk, and Craig Blankenship. Not shown are Bob Beckert and Ken Ballinger. Andy lead the group and Paul hosted the construction in his shop.



A couple of other views of the lectern from the rear.



Andy Volk presenting the lectern to Linda Hoschler on behalf of the Ethel Hart Senior Center.

**June 2010 Calendar**

6/1	Tue. 7 - 9	<b>General Meeting</b> Ethyl Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street Sacramento
6/4	Fri. 1 - 4	<b>Higgins Hardwoods BBQ</b> 1301 N. Market Blvd. Sacramento, ca
6/5	Sat. 10 - 1	<b>Wood Projects SIG</b> Joe Schuchmann
6/10	Thurs. 7 - 9	<b>Board Meeting</b> Richard Lovvo
6/12	Sat. 10 - 1	<b>Scroll Saw SIG</b> Tom Harrington
6/19	Sat. 10 - 1	<b>Furniture Projects SIG</b> Paul Jacobs
6/26	Sat. 10 - 1	<b>Small Lathe Turning SIG</b> Neil Knutsen
6/27	Sun. 2 - 5	<b>Novice SIG</b> Rob Drown

**Classified Ads**

SAW members have been coming up with many great ideas, such as how to network with other members outside of SIGs , or creating ways to borrow set-up tools. Might we suggest using the classified ad section?

Ads can be run for more than one month. Just contact us each month and let us know the ad is still valid. Remember, you must be a member to take advantage of our free ad space!

**Free 11-Inch Bandsaw**

Smithy brand for the SuperShop multi-tool. The design is like the Shopsmith bandsaw i.e. it sits on the table saw and is powered by the motor of the table saw . It uses 72 inch blades. No motor or stand is included.

Contact Andrew Santos

**FOR SALE:** Like New, an Excalibur Over-arm blade cover system with dust collection for \$250  
Contact Jack Rexroad

**SIG and Class Information**

A **"SIG" (Special Interest Group)** is a gathering of woodworkers at a member's workshop to discuss and do projects related to the Group's interest. Any SAW member or guest of a SAW member may just show up at the meeting.

A **"Class"** is a predefined project and you must sign up for the class. It is open to a limited number of SAW members.

**Wood Projects SIG** Contact Person: Floyd Gibson or Steven Hitchens

The last meeting in May had a good turnout with two members using the router table to cut trivets. (Example photos on page 7.)

The June 5th meeting will be at Joe Schuchmann's shop in Loomis. We will show factory-built and shop-made tenoning jigs. Please bring to the SIG any table saw Jigs that help you cut tenons. We will also demonstrate use of table saw and tenoning jigs to cut tenons.

**Scroll Saw SIG** Contact person: Holly Lovvo

We had a great showing at Bob Schieck's house. We cut out animal puzzles such as dinosaurs and other creatures. We had shown 2 new members on how fun scroll sawing can be.

We will be having the next meeting on 6/12/10 at Tom Harrington's house. I will have some more puzzles and other projects to cut out.

**Furniture Projects SIG** Contact Person: Paul Jacobs

The May Furniture and Design SIG was held at Jason Beam's shop. We discussed dovetailing and had demonstrations on several commercial jigs (see photos on page 7).

The June Furniture and Design SIG will be held at Paul's shop and the topic will be wood technology. We will be discussing wood properties, grain, species, storage, drying, cuts, dimensions...basically all you wanted to know about wood as a material. This will be a great SIG for experts and novices alike. Everyone is urged to bring at least one unusual species of wood as I only have a few domestics available.

**Small Lathe Turning SIG** Contact Person: Jason Beam

The May Turning SIG was held at Jason's shop where famed Nor-Cal Woodturner's Vice President, Ted Young, demonstrated how he turns natural edge mushrooms using limb wood.

The June SIG will be held at Neil Knutsen's shop on June 26<sup>th</sup>. It's been a while since we've been to Neil's shop so it'll be a real treat to get back up that way again. The subject is still open for now but I'll bet Neil will have something interesting to discuss, if only to keep Jason from doing all the talking!

**Novice SIG** Contact person: Rob Drown

In May, the SIG was held at Doug Griebner's shop. Jason Beam et al set up a table saw that Doug has.

The June SIG will be held at Rob Drown's shop and will be on using hand planes.

**Info / Ideas Wanted**

From time to time, I have a desire to move my 300# workbench which has 3.5" x 5.5" legs. Do you have a method? The bench is too heavy for flipping wheels in place while I hold the bench up. Perhaps hydraulics? Air? Anyone who uses or has used Robert Henderson's mechanism (FW Sept/Oct 1985, p. 68) please talk to me. Ditto Jack Bench's car jack method. The bench needs to sit on the floor between moves, not on its wheels.

Thanks,

David Brannam

Raffle Items for June Meeting

**June Large Raffle Item**



**Colt™ Variable-speed Palm Router Kit**

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**June Small Raffle Items**



Abranet Kit - Assorted grits and pad protector



Ryobi "Corner Cat" finishing sander



Dead blow hammer



Kreg R3 Pocket Hole Kit



Digital Calipers



Buck Bros. 1 1/2" Chisel

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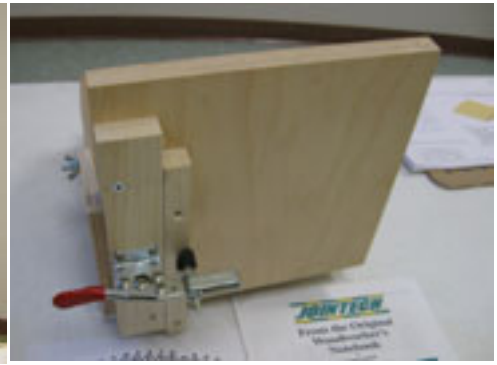
From the General Meeting — May 4



Teri Munger, volunteer initiative coordinator for the City of Sacramento Mayor’s Office, and Sydney Fong, Public Relations Director at the Salvation Army in Sacramento, spoke at last month’s General Meeting on Volunteerism

Manny and Rick invited SAW members to the BBQ at Higgins Lumber

Show and Tell



David Chin shows the lettering he can do with an old Leroy set

Floyd Gibson shows a tenoning jig he built with plans from the Jointech site



Abe Low shows his Un-tic-tac-toe game made with oak and stained.



Andy Volk shows the trivet he started at the Wood Projects SIG and two more he made for his wife and daughter for Mother’s Day

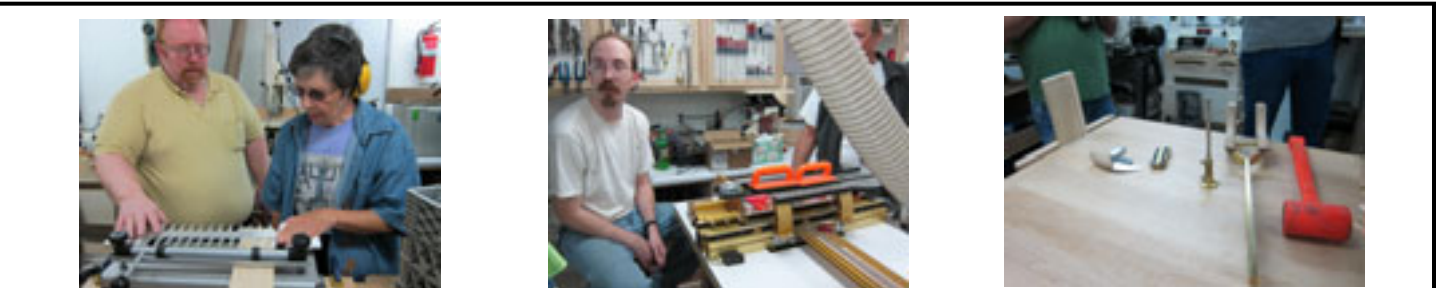
Late March and April SIGs



**May Small Lathe Turner's SIG** was held at Jason Beam's shop where famed Nor-Cal Woodturner's Vice President, Ted Young, demonstrated how he turns natural edge mushrooms using limb wood.



**May Wood Projects SIG** was held at Steve Hitchen's shop where a couple of members produced wooden trivets on a router table with a scheme provided by Steve and Peter Noethe.



**May Furniture SIG** was held at Jason Beam's shop. Several commercial dovetail jigs were demonstrated as well as hand-cut dovetails.

**For Sale – 220-3 RBI Hawk Scrollsaw.**

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