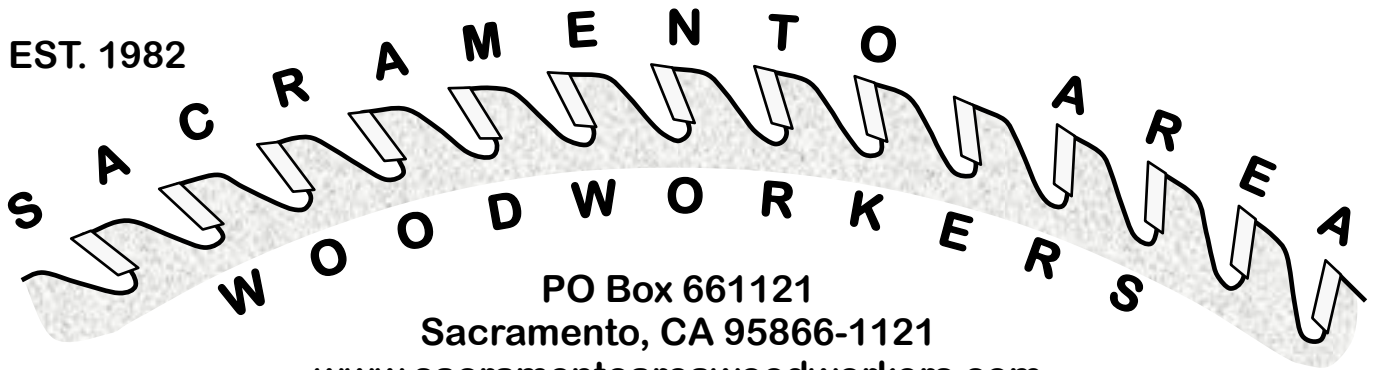


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SAW NEWSLETTER

December 2011

MEETING
ETHEL MACLEOD HART SENIOR CENTER
915 27th STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA
(BETWEEN I & J STREETS)
December 6, 2011 7:00 pm

President's Message

The speakers for the November meeting were from two of our local woodworking suppliers, Sacramento Machine Company and Woodcraft Supply. They both let us know about special sales they are going to have for SAW members between now and Christmas. Please support them by doing your Christmas shopping there.

THE SALVATION ARMY TOY MEETING

The December meeting is all about the kids of the Sacramento area. The SAW toy give-a-way to the Salvation Army is the major way that SAW gives back to the community. We help in our own way to make Christmas a better time for needy children and their parents who may not have anything to go under the Christmas tree. We have given over 38,000 toys to the Salvation Army over the years and we hope to another 2011 toys this year. Please do your part. Have your toys ready for the December meeting.

Please unload your toys at the back door and then MOVE YOUR CAR and park outside of the Hart Center Drive-way. This allows room for others to unload and for the Salvation Army truck to pick up the toys.

THE SAW BOARD

Richard Shiraishi has volunteered to help the club next year by being the SAW Secretary. Richard and the three members-at-large will need to have a confirmation vote before they officially become board members for 2012. If we have all the names by the December meeting, we will vote on them at that time.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Both the Furniture SIG and the Small Lathe SIG need coordinators for next year. If you would like to help the

club next year by being a SIG leader, please see one of the "Blue Badge" board members at the meeting.

THE WOODWORKING SHOW

The Woodworking Show on November 4 - 6 was a great success for the SAW club. We would like to thank Tom Nelson and Richard Verwoest for pulling off the best looking booth at the show. It must have been great because we had 112 prospective members sign up to get a free SAW newsletters for the next three months. We know that many of them will be members next year.

We had three great demonstrations going at different times in our booth. Members were using the scroll saw, turning pens on the lathe, and doing hand cut dovetails. All of the members that helped with the booth did a great job. A special thanks to Andi Brewer for signing up many pages of prospects on her own for the newsletter.

Thanks to WOODCRAFT SUPPLY of Sacramento for the kind loan of both the DeWalt scroll saw the JET lathe. If you had a chance to use one of the tools at the show and would like to buy one, see Pat at WOODCRAFT, I am sure that he can fix you up with one.

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Welcome New Members

Neysa Bush

Michael Bush

Daniel D Fishbein

Robert Hunter

John Kinnear

Bring a friend! Guests are always welcome.

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.

2011 SAW BOARD

All listed are voting members of the Board
All Phone numbers without an area code are 916.

| | | |
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| President | Gary Foster | |
| Vice President | Richard Lovvo | |
| Secretary | Doug Griebner | |
| Treasurer | Charles Linn | |
| Program Chairman | Gary Thatcher | |
| Mbr at Large† | Rob Drown | |
| Mbr at Large† | Richard Verwoest | |
| Editor† | Andy Volk | |
| Past President | Andrew Silvester | |

SAW Staff Members

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 | Judy Wavers |
| 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 |

General Meeting Program Schedule

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| Dec | Presentation of Toys to the Salvation Army |
| Jan | New SAW Board Discussion of Contest formats "What I got for Christmas" |
| Feb | Speaker: TBA "Clocks and Musical Items Contest" |

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.

The Library will not be open during the December meeting. Bring any books you have checked out to the January meeting.

MEMBERSHIP

It is Renewal Time! Membership/Renewal forms are included in this newsletter.

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!

(Continued from page 1) President's Message

Thanks to the members that loaned us many great small and large items, like the tools and furniture on display. (See Page 6 of the newsletter.) Thanks to Richard Verwoest for his "before-and-after" display. In case you missed it, he had the Cub Scout toolbox he gave his mother many years ago and the coffee table he made for her this year.

The WOODCRAFT Special day for SAW members was on November 19. We had four people sign-up for the newsletter. Many members took advantage of the 10% discount for SAW member purchases. Thanks to Pat and Michael at Woodcraft for hosting the special day for SAW.

The **next board meeting** will be held at 6:00 PM on Saturday, December 10, 2011, for just the outgoing and incoming board for the official handoff.

Many thanks go to the SAW board with whom I worked this year. They have been an absolutely great group of people. No item was too small or too large for them to tackle and, more importantly, take care of in great form.

Also, many thanks go to all the club members and volunteers for making 2011 a great year for SAW.

Last and not least, a special thanks to Doris Woods and Marilyn Gibson who will be retiring next year after many years of volunteering to run the small raffle. Nice work, and enjoy your time sitting in the audience.

"Wood was once a beautiful living tree. Remember to make it live on as something more beautiful when you have finish with it."

Gary Foster

| December 2011 Calendar | | |
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| 12/3 | Sat. 10 - 1 | Wood Projects SIG No Information |
| 12/6 | Tue. 7 - 9 | General Meeting Ethyl Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street Sacramento, CA |
| 12/10 | Sat. 10 - 1 | Scroll Saw SIG No Meeting |
| 12/10 | Sat. 6 - 9 | Board Meeting Louie's Asian Cuisine 4605 Broadway Sacramento, CA 916-739-0930 |
| 12/17 | Sat. 10 - 1 | Furniture Projects SIG No Meeting. |
| 12/24 | Sat. 10 - 1 | Novice SIG No meeting. |

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!

OPEN HOUSE WEEKEND IN NOVEMBER



There were two open house invitations last month. First, Far West Forest Products was showing off their Wood Mizer products by cutting redwood logs including this one (left) from a huge fallen log. (A quarter section of the log is shown here.)



Also, Essick Woodworks showed off their beautiful shop with 7 kW of solar power on the roof. Dugan Essick (seated in photo at left) is a friendly guy and produces all kinds of wood products and offers classes.

For Sale

RBI Hawk 20-inch variable speed Scroll saw.
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Contact Floyd Gibson



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: Steven Hitchens

No information on the SIG. If one is held, an e-mail notice will be sent.

Scroll Saw SIG Contact person: Holly Lovvo

Thanks to Bob Beckert for hosting the SIG last month. Bob had an assortment of projects lined up, including ornaments made from either wood or compact disks. We had a guest from the Woodworking Show join us, and he brought his new saw. Bob and company did a great job of instruction, and the guest left with a completed project!

Although we take a break in December, I still have patterns available for anyone who needs them. In January, we will be starting an intarsia project and finishing in February. We always have other projects for those who would rather try something different. See everyone in January!

Furniture Projects SIG Contact Person: TBD

There will be no Furniture Projects SIG in December.

We are looking for a new SIG Coordinator for next year. If you are interested please contact anyone on the SIG Board (page 2).

Small Lathe Turning SIG On Hiatus until we have a new coordinator

We are looking for a new SIG Coordinator for next year. If you are interested please contact anyone on the SIG Board (page 2).

Novice SIG Contact persons: Rob Drown, Gary Foster

There is no Novice SIG in December.



SAW Members Participate in Woodcraft’s “Turning for the Troops”

Pens are made and given to people in the service.

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From the General Meeting — November 1

November Speakers:

Sacramento Machine Company and Woodcraft Supply



Kevin Primasing (left) of SMC, and Pat Marion and Michael Bush of Woodcraft spoke at the November meeting giving information on their product lines and upcoming sales and special events.



SAW at the Woodworking Show

Tom Nelson (left) and Richard Verwoest showed where the SAW booth was located and discussed the plans for participation in the show. (Photos on page 6.)



Toy Contest



David Chin shows his trains, planes, and cars



Joe Trevino and his airliner

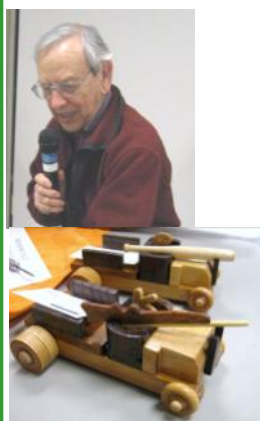


Sally Green shows her giant dominos



David Holtz shows his set of dividers and angles in a can

Show and Tell



Andy Santos made these business card holders



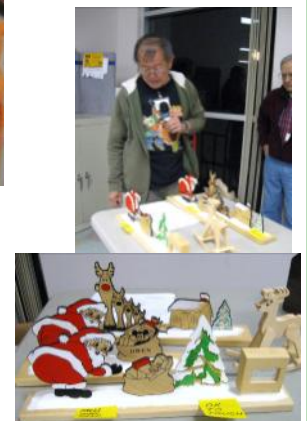
Joe Schuchmann made several of these rocking horses



Ralph Desmond made this jewelry box with inlaid strips



James Meek made this mini-cove turning tool



David Chin shows his musical Santas

Photos from The Woodworking Show at Cal Expo





The October **Novice SIG** was held at Rob Drown's shop. It covered Table Saw Joinery from Yeung Chan's book "Classic Joints with Power Tools". Gary Foster and Andy Volk demonstrated some jigs and techniques for these joints.



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Toy Time!

Now is the time. Wrap them up, pack them up, box them up, and bring your toys to the December meeting. We have loved them all year, but it is now time for them to go to out and bring joy to the children.

Toys that have parts and pieces especially need to be packaged so all of the pieces stay together. For those who have not had the fun of toy night yet, we put out samples of all the toys for everyone to share and see. When you arrive, check in with Hank and let him know how many toys you brought with you – this is whether you made them, they were made at the workshop or friends and family helped you. We are just looking for a total.

Everyone was a winner in the Toy Contest. Thanks to all the participants and what a great example of the wonderful quality of the toys we provide.

Happy Holidays to all and we will start 2012 with new projects, workshops and finishing up the toys from this year. More will follow in the January newsletter.

If you need any assistance getting the toys you have to the December meeting please contact me.

Thanks to all!
Judy



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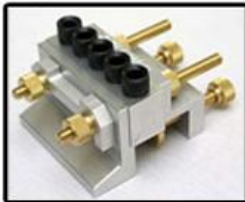
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