Welcome everyone to the remarkable month of November!

Our November 3rd SAW general meeting speaker: Marc Berner of Whiteside Router Bits! Whiteside Machine Company in Claremont, NC has been in business for over 30 years. Marc will talk about how router bits are made, and how to determine and select a quality cutting tool from a less suitable or less desirable product. Learn some woodworking tool industry secrets from this woodworking professional! Invite your friends and family to this informative and interesting meeting!

Elected Officers: SAW general officer elections were held at the October general meeting. For 2016 through 2017, the SAW Vice President is Joe Orbeck, and SAW Treasurer is Tom Harrington. For 2016 Clayton Nye is Program Chairman and the Editor is Andrew Volk. Welcome these newly elected officers!

The last SAW Toy Workshop of 2015 will be on November 18th at the Woodcraft store, 9523 Folsom Blvd., in Sacramento from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM to make toys. Tools, equipment, and materials will be provided. On that day all SAW club member will receive a special 10% extra discount on most Woodcraft store items. Come out and help make some toys! Enjoy some hands-on fun and great times with other club members!

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Welcome New Members

Mark Anderson  Joseph Balbiani
Al Garcia      Darren Rusk

Bring a friend! Guests are always welcome.

Hi, I’m Jack Stellman, your raucous raffle rabble rouser. Perhaps you know me because of the segmented bowls I’ve brought to Show & Tell at the meetings. I became interested in segmented turning due to my love of geometric puzzles. Besides, I got tired of making the usual bowls and pens.

I’m originally from Chicago; via Houston, Texas; via San Francisco; and finally Orangevale. I learned a lot of my woodworking from my dad as he was a cabinet maker all his life. However, due to my job as a systems analyst/programmer, I spent 40 years away from woodworking. For almost the last 20 of those 40 years I was a consultant – 15 of them with AAA both in San Francisco and Rancho Cordova. Because I’m so old that they, don’t even teach the languages - COBOL and Assembler - I used anymore. It took me three tries to retire. I still haven’t, since I have the pleasure of working at Woodcraft part time. Some job - they pay me to schmooze with woodworkers all day and give me an employee discount to boot!

When we moved here, we made sure we had a large back yard so I finally was able to build my own almost 900 square foot shop and fill it with all the necessary machines and accessories. Because it’s cool, I’ve lent it out to the Projects (used to be Novice) SIG, and other (and upcoming) SIGs.
The Sacramento Area Woodworkers, also known as SAW, is an 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is:

To provide the community an enriched educational and charitable experience through woodworking.

We also share woodworking experiences, information, instructions, plans, books, tools and lumber sources, and sharing in discounts resulting from volume buying.

**2015 SAW BOARD**

All listed are voting members of the Board. All Phone numbers are in 916 area code unless otherwise indicated.

President Charles Linn
Vice President Joe Orbeck
Secretary Richard Lovvo
Treasurer Tom Harrington
Program Chairman Jim Cauley
Editor Andy Volk
Member-at-Large Richard Shiraishi
Member-at-Large Bruce Muramoto
Member-at-Large Judy Wavers
Member-at-Large Jack Stellman
Member-at-Large Michael Bush
Member-at-Large David McPherson
Member-at-Large Christy Wallace

**SAW Staff Members:** Volunteer members who work hard to help make the club enjoyable and run smoothly.

Librarians Bob Beckert, Norm Steinbach, Dick Lewis, Joe Trevino
Toy Chairperson Steve Bockman
Small Raffle Sally Green
Large Raffle Judy Prichard
Badges Clayton Nye
Refreshments Neysa and Michael Bush
Web Master Matthew Burlingame

**General Meeting Program Schedule**

Nov: Marc Berner, How router bits are made
Dec: Toy Presentation to the Salvation Army
Jan: What I got or made for the Holidays.
Feb: TBD

**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.

There are five new DVDs this month:
Rough Cut - Woodworking with Tommy Mac: DVD and Printed Plans on:
- Flag Box
- Serving Tray
- Blanket Chest
- Finishes
- Trellis

**MEMBERSHIP**

It is RENEWAL time! For all renewing members, the dues for SAW are $30 per calendar year (no prorated renewal). Any and all dependent family members, residing in the same address of a fully paid member, can join for an additional 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 for the year:

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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 Tom Harrington for more membership information.

**Newsletter Items**

Contributions to the newsletter must be sent to the Editor. by the **20th of the month** for inclusion in the following month's newsletter. Send to Andy Volk at newsletter@sacramentoareawoodworkers.com

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!
Get those toys ready! The Christmas/winter holiday season is coming, and it’s time to get your personal workshop holiday toys ready! In years past, SAW members have been a major toy and gift source for numerous needy local children and youngsters. Let’s make sure there are toys for every child this winter! Thank you SAW Toy Chairperson Steve Bockman for heading up our club’s toy efforts!

Time to join or renew your SAW membership for great savings and opportunities! Card-carrying members of SAW receive special club member discounts and special privileges at a variety of lumber yards, hardware and tool stores, and many other businesses. SAW membership is even tax deductible! Join or renew your SAW membership to enjoy these club member-only bargains and opportunities! See Page 9 for renewal form.

The Autumn SAW Shop Tour was a great success! Thank you SAW club members who participated in the Autumn SAW Shop Tour! A special note of gratitude goes out to the Lovvos, Tom Griffith, and Tom Harrington who hosted and opened up their woodshops for other club members to visit. It is much appreciated!

SAW Club Library. After the SAW November 3rd general meeting our Library will close until next year. If you have books and other SAW items on loan after that date, please hang on to the items and return them at our SAW general meeting on January 5th, 2016. Our club has an amazing assortment of woodworking books, videos, and even some tools for club members to check out for free at our monthly club general meeting.

Check out our club’s Special Interest Groups (SIG’s)! Learn and have fun with other club members, and get the opportunity to improve your woodworking skills. See inside this newsletter for times, dates, and places of current SIGs. Want to see or start a new SIG? Check with any of our board members to get started!

Contests and Speakers - we working on ideas for next year! Let me know or a board members on ideas for contests for the general meetings you would like to have or see, and what type of Speakers also, your input is important to me and your board so let us know, thanks

Bring your items! We always welcome all club members to just bring to any SAW general club meeting any toys, tools, or other woodworking-related items you have to share, show, and/or tell about to others. Sharing is caring, and bringing your woodworking interests, curiosities, efforts, and accomplishments to club meetings lets the rest of us learn and experience the joys (and sometimes the challenges!) of woodworking!

Invite a new SAW club member! Our club needs to grow! Invite your friends, family, neighbors, and/or coworkers to become part of SAW! We welcome anyone of any age with a willingness to enjoy woodworking, have fun, and meet great people to come visit a club meeting or activity! Anyone who helps a new member join our club will receive a FREE SAW large raffle ticket, or three small raffle tickets per new membership!

Would you like to be a SAW Member-at-Large? Be a SAW board member of the club! See me at the next meeting and let’s talk; or, email me at president@sacramentoareawoodworders.com.

Have something you want to sell or donate to other SAW club members? Club members can advertise for free in the SAW Classified Ads section of the monthly club newsletter! Also, bring your items to sell or give away at the club’s general meetings too.

That concludes this month’s president’s report! As the weather starts to cool this month, warm up your interest in woodworking by attending one or more of the many SAW activities and events. Visit a SAW Special Interest Group meeting. Call up a SAW friend. Or, just come out to our monthly SAW general meeting to keep the sawdust pulsing in your blood! Enjoy some fun, laughter, and woodworking comradery! I hope to see you soon!

November 2015 Calendar

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SIG 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. Times and locations for each SIG is given in the Calendar on page 3.

Scroll Saw SIG  Contact person: Holly Lovvo
For the last Scroll Saw SIG of 2015, I plan to have little “suit case” puzzles to cut out and other puzzle projects. The SIG will be at the Lovvo’s shop again.
If anyone would like to hold a Scroll Saw SIG at their shop or would like to suggest or host a project, please let me know and we can organize one.

Project SIG  Contact persons: Sally Green
Project SIG is on hiatus for the remainder of 2015.

Furniture Projects SIG  Contact person: Christy Wallace
There was a good turnout for the October Furniture SIG with fifteen plus members interested in general Information about the basic CNC milling machine. Steve presented 27 PowerPoint slides on the internal working parts of his 48”X48” ShopBot CNC machine. Members had questions throughout the meeting and there were detail discussions on the hardware (stepper motors) and how X,Y and Z axes operated. He gave a software demo on the Vectric VCarve Pro CAD/CAM software showing some details on the abilities of the software to show tool paths. Lastly, he gave a CNC milling demo cutting a Baby crib pattern on CNC with the help of Floyd Gibson.
The Furniture SIG will return next year with new topics. Watch this space for more information.

Sharpening SIG  Contact person: David Wilson
The Sharpening SIG will return in February 2016.

Lathe Turning SIG  Contact person: Ed Gieszelmann
There are no Lathe SIG meetings in November and December due to Thanksgiving and Christmas.
Next year the Lathe SIG will be coordinated by Jack Stellman (see Page 1 for more information on Jack.) The topics for the future meetings has not been set, so watch this space for more information.

Tip Corner:
If you have an interesting tip or “trick-of-the-trade” to share with the membership, contact Andy Volk. Published tips will earn a small raffle ticket.

A few members, including a new member attended the October Sharpening SIG. Floyd brought two wooden planes to tune up. Tom, the new member was introduced to many new sharpening techniques. The Sharpening SIG will return in February 2016.

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!

DeWalt Scroll Saw Wanted
I am looking for a DeWalt DW788 scroll saw to buy. Contact me at:
Bob Beckert
Phone: 916-482-8674
E-mail: bdbeckert@sbcglobal.net
November Large Raffle Prize

**Router Lift by Dowelmax**

An innovative, convenient and functional method of making adjustments to a table mounted router, without having to work from below the table. The Dowelmax lift assembly consists of:

- A CNC machined interface plate,
- A CNC machined base plate,
- A heavy duty piano hinge,
- Four high quality gas spring brackets,
- Two high quality gas springs,
- All required hardware.

The patented design comes with a router top, and a router stand.

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**WOW Prize**

- Veritas Miniature, Low-Angle, Block Plane

**Badge Raffle**

- $25 Woodcraft Gift Card
- Warner 4’ Fiberglass Step Ladder
- L Squares-set of three with levels
- Technical Measuring Set: Divider, inside & outside calipers, depth gauge, 6” ruler and 5” analog caliper
- 6 each of Terry Cloth & Yellow Microfiber Cleaning Towels
From the General Meeting — October 6th

Tom Phillips of Kreg Tools (below left) was the speaker for October. He covered a wide range of applications for their pocket hole jigs, showing many of the joints that can be made (below center). Tom gave to all SAW members Kreg hats and catalogs, and a nifty circular calculator that shows how to set up the jigs for any allowed combination of wood thicknesses. (One SAW member later commented how this calculator would have saved him some grief.) Tom also covered the Kreg router table. David Chin made a special modification to his contest entry just for our speaker! Thanks, Tom, for an interesting talk!

October Contest: Repurposed Up-cycling

First Place: David Chin (above) made a tray from a Krug sign and an old cabinet door. He built a carrier for it as well.

Second Place: Eugene Holdren (above) made a “Marbles and Jokers” game from old flooring. The parts interlock, and disassemble for storage.

Third Place: Michael Bush (above) took an old frame and the remainder of a bat to make a flower vase in a shadow box.

Honorable Mention: Ralph Desmond (above) took an old Post Office box and turned it into a toy bank.

Honorable Mention: Vince Dooley (left) made children's’ furniture from pallet wood.

Honorable Mention: Chuck Eiferle (left) made a cutting board from the arms from old teak lawn chairs. The curve of the arms is incorporated into the board’s design and construction.

David McAfee (right) made a whirligig duck from old, painted lumber.

David Traversi (above) also used an old bat to make his favorite wooden mallet.

Other Contest Entrants:

Ralph Desmond (above) took an old Post Office box and turned it into a toy bank.

Michael Bush (above) took an old frame and the remainder of a bat to make a flower vase in a shadow box.

Vince Dooley (left) made children’s furniture from pallet wood.

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David McAfee (right) made a whirligig duck from old, painted lumber.
From the General Meeting — October 6th (cont.)

October Show and Tell

Ed Gieszelmann (above) showed the laminated and turned bracelets he made at the Lathe SIG (see below)

Jim Cauley (above) showed his first foray into segmented turning with this bowl.

Kathy Braun (above) made this intarsia circus elephant.

Sally Green (above) made a set of drawers to hold her saw blades.

David Traversi (left) made a bunch of small dovetailed boxes with wooden hinges.

Jim Cauley (above) showed the laminated and turned bracelets he made at the Lathe SIG (see below)

Jack Stellman (right) showed a selection of turned ornaments.

Judy Wavers (above) showed a photo (right) of the totem poles that her sister made from her old front yard fence.

The September Lathe SIG (above) was on making laminated bracelets. Ed made a laminated blank from exotic woods he found in his pen wood collection. Curved sections were cut from this blank and glued to edge pieces to form the basic shape (second from left). This was then cut in half so that a piece of veneer could be glued between to strengthen the bracelet. This was then put on a jam chuck (above right) to be turned. When the outside was done, the bracelet is taped to the right part of the jam chuck so that one face can be finished. The bracelet is turned around and the second face is done. Instructions with photos are planned to be posted to the SAW website.

The October Lathe SIG (above) was the conclusion of the 2015 year and the tenure of Ed Gieszelman as coordinator. Ed just finished up on information on the jam chucks for his salt and pepper grinders, and the bracelets he did in the last SIG. He also gave out a resources list of holiday gift ideas that can be made on the lathe. Some of these are shown in the middle two photos above. Thanks, Ed, for your help and your excellent run as SIG leader!
Toy Time

Since this the last workshop for the year we will be working on any unfinished toys the membership brings in. There is not enough time for a new project since the toy hand-over will be in December. If you have some materials you need for next workshop or to complete your toys at home please let me know ASAP.

Time is running out, so if you have some blocks for me bring them to the general meeting or this month's workshop.

I will bring some different toy kits to the November meeting, If you would like to put a little TLC on the kit, it would help out.

This would be a great time to make sure your Christmas list is workable while using the workshop as cover. But we will put you to work to help your cover story.

Steve Bockman
Membership Renewal Drive

It is that time again! Renewals are due in January. Please help by mailing in the form early. This will save you time waiting in long lines, and ease our new Treasurer’s stress! A win-win all the way around! And consider e-mail delivery of the newsletter to get everything in color, get the web links at a click of a mouse, save paper, and save the over Club $15.50 per subscription. Thanks.

If you renew at the General Meeting, go to the Treasurer's table at the right side of the room and check your information on the members list there. If the information is correct, initial the line. Inform the Treasurer that it is correct and pay your dues. No paperwork. If the information is not correct, please fill in the EZ Renewal form below and turn that in with your dues. Remember, your dues are tax deductible!

Note: There is now an option to have only your name published in the membership list that is available to other members on request.

All renewals will be issued a new membership card. All renewing members are encouraged to turn in their old cards for a chance to win a free membership in the March General Meeting! The winner will be refunded their dues for the 2015 calendar year!

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Membership Application

January to December

**EZ Renewal**

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Member Information

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SAW Use Only: Membership Application

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