President’s Message

Welcome everyone to our 34th Year of SAW! Our February 2nd general meeting will have a very special guest speaker and presenter: Gordon Lipp! Gordon Lipp is a master at woodworking, cutting and carving out of wood one-of-a-kind creations. At the February SAW general meeting Gordon will have some of his hand-made creations on hand to show and share, and will explain to those in attendance how you or your friends can do the same thing. Invite your friends and family to learn from this very special and true artist of wood!

Also at our February SAW general meeting, our first 2016 club member contest: Make something using Pocket Hole Joinery! It doesn’t matter if you use a store-bought jig or machine to create your pocket holes, or just work it out with hand tools. The big thing is to build an item having at least one pocket hole. Be sure to bring your item to the February general meeting! The top member- (Continued on page 3)

Welcome New Members

Mike Dunajski Read Harrison
Jack Read Dave Shilling
Nancy Voss

Bring a friend! Guests are always welcome.

Hi Everyone,

My name is Michael Bush. Yes, I think everyone knows me as Michael Jay, but that is my Woodcraft name. Speaking of Woodcraft, I have stepped down as store manager. I still have a large stake in making Sacramento Woodcraft (#320) a great store, but I now have time to be a woodworker, again.

I plan on entering every contest that is offered this year, as well as making toys for the Toy Drive and continuing to be an active Member-at-Large on the SAW Board.

Some of the reasons I enjoy SAW so much is the generosity of ALL of the members when it comes to the Toy Project, the sharing of woodworking experience and knowledge to help each other with becoming better woodworkers, and the passion everyone shows for their projects. I truly can’t think of a better place to spend the 1st Tuesday of the month.

Thanks for letting me be a part of your lives.
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.

2016 SAW BOARD

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

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

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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.

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 no new books this month.

Please return all checked out books (from the November general meeting, etc.) at the February meeting.

General Meeting Program Schedule

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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!
voted items will win their makers a cash prize! Have fun and be creative!

**It is also SAW Show and Tell time!** Included at out SAW February general meeting we invite attendees to bring woodworking-related projects, tools, mementos, and other items and ideas to display and share for other club members to enjoy. If you are do not wish or want to speak or preach to an audience or crowd, simply bring your item or idea with a short note of explanation attached so a SAW club officer or member can give the presentation for you. We truly want everyone to feel comfortable.

**Time to Renew Annual Club Dues!** Pay now by mail (so you don’t forget!) or see the SAW club treasurer at the general meeting. Remember: Your 2016 dues and any donations are now tax deductible! By having your 2016 SAW club card you qualify for special bargains and discounts from various woodworking companies and local hardwood lumber stores. Purchase or renew your membership to save big in 2016!

**Big Appreciation to Special Interest Group (SIG) volunteers!** The SAW club is always seeking people willing to open up their home or workshop to other club members for SIGs, or just share their particular interest or experience related to woodworking. If you can help out, we are also looking for someone who can run the SAW Furniture SIG for this year. Please contact one of the SAW board members if you can host or lead a SIG meeting or program! Remember: You don’t have to be a professional or expert, just someone willing to tell what you learned to others!

**Also, another reminder:** The SAW Toy Workshop will be the third Wednesday of each month (including February 17th, 2016)! Hands-on fun will be held at the Woodcraft store, 9523 Folsom Blvd., in Sacramento from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM to make toys. All toy-making tools, equipment, and materials will be provided. On that day all SAW club member will also receive a 10% discount on most items you purchase in our local Woodcraft store! (Thank you Woodcraft!!!) Come out and help make some toys, enjoy some time crafting with other club members, and even enjoy some woodworking bargains from Woodcraft!

This concludes this month’s president’s report! May you experience great fun and friendship with SAW this February. Attend a SAW meeting or SIG, say hello and meet some new SAW club members, and always, have a safe and enjoyable time with our club! Have a great February!

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### February 2016 Calendar

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### 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!
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.

Novice SIG  Contact persons: Clayton Nye

Come one! Come all! Our first SAW Novice Special Interest Group meeting for the calendar year starts at 10:00 PM on February 6, 2016 at Richard and Holly Lovvo’s woodshop! The theme for this meeting will be “The SIG’s with the Jigs!” Come out to Holly and Richard’s woodshop and learn the essentials of selecting and using all sorts and varieties of coping, scroll, and jig saws! This is going to be one truly fun and action-packed gathering to get the year started!

Group participants will start by learning practical and very useful cutting, scribing, scoring, coping, scrolling, notching, and other techniques with human-powered handheld scroll saws—including some practice at mastering the techniques with some fun and simple projects of your own personal choosing; later (if you like), you can even use a hand-driven scroll saw to craft a scrolled project designed exclusively for your own home or woodshop!

Then, we will power-up the program a notch and cover the basics and vitals of using hand-held/operated electric-powered jig/scroll saws; after a short spell of training, interested group participants can practice scrolling out some items with some provided handheld electric power jig/scroll saws. Eventually, if you like, you can practice and create some more personal projects to document your handheld electric jig/scroll saw cutting accomplishments.

After working with the hand-held jig and scroll tools, we are then going to move the program up a tad more to using the real deal: Stationary jig/scroll saw machines! Learn the ups and downs (sorry, bad joke!) to getting the maximum use and enjoyment out of a these fun stationary pieces of equipment! By the end of the session you will be having so much fun making things to take home and give away you will probably not want to leave!

There will be much more to cover at the Novice SIG! I hope to see you at Richard and Holly’s February 6th

Scroll Saw SIG  Contact person: Holly Lovvo

Our last SIG was about cutting out Suitcase Puzzles with dinosaurs and train cars, as shown at the last General Meeting (see page 6). We had a lot of fun cutting them out. Our next SIG we will be cutting out puzzles with pictures glued on the wood and other traditional puzzles. We will have the SIG at my house. If you would like to have a SIG at your shop or would like to make any project please let me know. I will be able to transport the machines and may provide the wood (depending on the project). Thank you.

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Furniture Projects SIG  Contact person: TBD ()

The Furniture SIG will return next year with new topics. Watch this space for more information.

Sharpening SIG  Contact person: David Wilson

With the new year we will start with a lineup of ten powered tools. We will also have oil and water stones as well as diamond stones. These will be for you to work with and What will best suite your needs. You will also be able see what would meet your use of them and compare their cost.

As always, we will help with any sharpening problem you may have just bring it to the meeting.

Lathe Turning SIG  Contact person: Jack Stellman

The February Turning SIG will be about making birdhouse Christmas ornaments. This is version of a class that Jack teaches at Woodcraft, and we get it for free!
February Large Raffle Prize
Porter Cable 20volt Max Lithium-Ion Drill/Driver w/ Cordless Circular Saw Combo Kit

- Includes 1/2-in drill/driver
- Circular saw
- Standard battery
- Max pack battery
- Standard charger
- Medium kit bag
- Double-ended screwdriving bit
- 6½” 18-tooth carbide blade

WOW Prize

3-Step Folding Ladder

Badge Raffle

FIXR
20 Tools in 1

Slyde Flashlight
440 Lumens

Working Hands Hand Cream

Husky mini bucket jockey with 2gal bucket (without the tools)

Kobalt Locking Pliers 3pc Set
What We Got for Christmas

Several members stood up to describe what neat things they made or got for the Holidays. Two members brought things to show. Clayton Nye showed off the carving chisels and mallet he got, ostensibly for his daughter, and used at a carving class (left). Bruce Muramoto got a nice quilt that his wife made for him. (That’s Bruce behind the quilt at right.) It has a great woodworking theme.

January Show & Tell

Holly Lovvo and David Chin showed the “suitcase” puzzles they made, and would be made in the January Scroll Saw SIG.

Bruce Hall was featured in The Loomis News for making toys (above), beyond those he gave to SAW. See Cool Links below.

Steven Hitchens (left) has a very nice CNC machine. He was also fascinated by the FA-18 fighter jets made by Joe Trevino, so he spent the last several months figuring out how to make them on the CNC, with the above result.

Cool Websites to check out:

Share some of your favorite woodworking related websites here! Contact Andy Volk.

The story about Bruce Hall and his toys is at: http://www.theloomisnews.com/article/12/17/15/local-woodworker-makes-donates-toys.


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.

I just tried out the idea of using brown paper bag material to smooth out a finished surface (see Cool Websites). It worked quite well, but use a flat, wrinkle free piece to smooth uniformly and avoid marks.
The January Scroll Saw SIG (above) was focused on cutting out "suitcase" puzzles with dinosaurs and train cars. Examples were shown at the last General Meeting (see page 6). They had a lot of fun cutting them out.

**Old Fashioned Wooden Wagon Build**

I will be building another wooden wagon like the one below. If you are interested in making one for yourself and perhaps get a better deal on the frame, we can do a group build on making a wagon. Normally the frame, brackets, and wheels (with shipping) are $200, but the vendor will give a discount on 4 or more kits.

Call me at 916 681 2830. Craig Blankenship.

**Bicycle for Sale**

Medium frame dirt bike, high quality—Trek 7000. Low mileage. Only $150.00. Call Craig Blankenship at 916 681 2830.

**Powermatic Table Saw for Sale**

I am selling my table saw, as I just purchased a SawStop. I am selling a Powermatic Artisan Series 10" table saw with 36" extension. Has a 115/230 volt, 1 HP motor. In great condition. I will throw in dado set.

Asking $200.

Call Gary Jones at (916)477-7731 or email at gcjonesz@gmail.com
Attention all SAW Members: Call for Dolls and Stuffed Animals

A wonderful opportunity to help out has presented itself to all SAW members. As many of you know, baby cradles and doll beds are made by our members each year. These toys, in turn, are furnished with hand-made bedding, stuffed animals and dolls and given to the Salvation Army during the December toy drive. We would like to start collecting dolls and stuffed animals to put into these beds and cradles so that we have enough for next December.

The dolls for the "doll beds" are Barbie-style dolls, which measure 11.5" tall. Baby dolls and stuffed animals measuring 14" tall, or less, are needed for the "cradles." These items maybe brought to the SAW monthly meetings and given to CARMEN MITCHELL, who will be collecting them to fill the DOLL BEDS and CRADLES. Carmen also wants us to know that the FOLSOM QUILT GUILD, THE KNITTING GUILD and THE CROCHET GUILD provide the beautiful decorative touches of bedding, pillows and blankets for these toys.

With help from all of you, this year will be our best TOY DRIVE yet.

Kindly submitted by Andi Brewer

Toy Time

This month’s meeting had a very large turn out. There was about twenty-five members present. The Feb. workshop will start on the much-in-demand doll beds, with a eventual goal of 50 beds. There are plans for working on the small rocking horses and the fishing games.

We had a great turn out for the toy for the Salvation Army. We should try to increase our toy production.

Once again, if you need some parts for toys your producing, contact me so I can order them.

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 2016 calendar year!
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