Welcome New Members

Tony Albanese  Dan Battliner  
Jeremy Cargile  Daniel Cervantes  
Hilli Fortier  Jim Jaggers  
David Robinson  Thomas Schwarz  

Bring a friend! Guests are always welcome.

President’s Message

Greetings to the marvelous month of March!

Our March SAW general meeting will have a presenter you will not want to miss: Steve Prey! Steve is an expert on early California woodworking - even serving as a spokesperson and representative for the State of California on woodworking history and tradition. Steve will be bringing in tools, books, pictures, and other items to share, and provide wit and wisdom on the arts, crafts, and history of early-day California woodworkers. Come listen, see, and learn the craftsmanship to early California woodworking practices and design—and discover how men like James Marshall (of California gold history) and John Sutter (of Sutter’s Fort fame) made woodworking a local activity that eventually helped direct and shape our nation’s future. Mark your calendars for this very special event! Also, invite your family and friends, anyone who would enjoy attending to this very interesting and entertaining evening program! Note that the Furniture SIG will be a follow-up to this talk at Sutter’s Fort. (See Page 4.)

Time to renew your SAW annual dues—or join our group as a SAW member or sponsor! If you have not renewed by March, this will be your last SAW newsletter! Please see the SAW club treasurer at the general meeting—or pay by mail. Remember: Your 2015 dues and any donations are now tax deductible! By having your 2015

Hello. I am SAW member Clayton Nye. I wear several hats in SAW these days. I am the Program Chairman, the Novice SIG Coordinator and I am helping coordinate the Furniture SIG

A little about me:

As a young boy I took up woodworking. I used to find scraps of wood and try to build things. Later, I took woodshop at every opportunity in junior high and high school in Rancho Cordova. I also earned the woodworking merit badge to become an Eagle Scout. I continued to dabble in woodworking after high school. I even attended an evening woodshop program at Folsom High. Later, I completed Sierra College’s woodworking program (along with attending other colleges and universities) to hone my woodworking skills.

Woodworking continues to be a big part of my life today. These days I am the California Highway Patrol Cabinet Shop supervisor. Prior to the CHP, I worked in a California state prison as a prison superintendent. In prison, I helped run a prison furniture factory. I’ve also been a California school teacher too, where I’ve taught middle school, high school, and ROP woodshop students. I’ve also had some businesses connected with my woodworking interests as well. I hope you can find great opportunities in SAW too.
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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### Membership

It is RENEWAL time! If you have not renewed, this will be your last SAW Newsletter!

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.

### General Meeting Program Schedule

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### 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!

**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 new books this month are:**

- "Ingenious Shop Aids and Jigs: Professional Shortcuts for the Home Workshop," by Graham McCulloch
SAW club membership card, you receive many special cost-saving discounts from a variety of woodworking companies, local hardwood lumber stores, and other businesses.

Get ready for our April General Meeting club contest: “2 x 4”! This is one of the most enjoyed of the club contests! The rules for this contest are on page 4 of this newsletter with some pictures of past club member entries. Let your imagination run wild! And remember, there are cash prizes for the club membership-voted best entries!

Also remember that it is Show and Tell time! 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 not wish or want to speak or present to an audience or crowd, simply bring your item or idea with a short note of explanation attached. If desired, a SAW club officer or other SAW member can give the presentation for you. We truly want everyone to feel comfortable at our meetings!

Bring your items to sell or give away to a SAW general meeting! Have items in your home, business, garage, or workshop collecting dust or creating clutter? Our club always has tables set up in the back of our general meeting room available for no cost for you to sell or give away your no-longer-needed-or-wanted items! If an item is too big or cumbersome to bring in, post it on the club’s bulletin board.

Legacy CNC Woodworking is coming to Sacramento on March 18th and 19th. The CNC Retreat will be at Rick Lovvo’s shop. If you are interested in CNC come on by!

Hey You! See me at the general meeting on March 16th if you see something new in this newsletter pertaining to our club. I will have a ticket for you to enter into a special SAW president’s prize that evening!

The SAW Spring Shop Tour is scheduled for Sunday April 10th! Jot down on your calendars, computers, notebooks, tablets, and phones to not forget. Come on out and see some truly wonderful club-member woodshops! We are still looking for one or two more club members to open up their shop south of downtown Sacramento for other club members to visit. Interested in sharing your shop? Contact SAW program chairman Clayton Nye. Thank you SAW members who are already scheduled for this spring tour! Stay tuned for further information to come out to SAW members in the coming month, and in April newsletter too!

Big Appreciation to Special Interest Group (SIG) volunteers. The SAW Club is seeking club members willing to open up their home or workshop to other club members for SIGs.

Just a reminder: The SAW Toy Workshop will be the third Wednesday of each month! Hands-on fun for everyone (including those just starting out as woodworkers) will be held at the Woodcraft store, 9523 Folsom Blvd., in Sacramento from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM on March 16th to make toys. Tools, equipment, materials, and any needed instruction will be provided. On that day all club member will receive a 10% discount on most Woodcraft store items! Enjoy some club friendship and improve/learn some woodworking skills by making some toys! Enjoy a positive and worthy cause with other club members!

Speakers for SAW general meetings! Over the years we have had great speakers and activities. Your board would like to know if there is someone or something you would like to see presented at our meetings or do to improve your club! Your input is important to us! Please let us know your ideas or suggestions by emailing me at: president@sacramentoareawoodworkers.com or see me at a SAW meeting!

This concludes the March 2016 president’s report! With the spring clouds dropping some needed rain and the many March flowers beginning to blossom across our local landscape, I hope you can create a little time to enjoy some woodworking this month! Attend a club SIG, take on a new woodworking interest, or just call up another club member to share some company. You will find lots of fun and support in our club. I look forward to seeing you and many others at our club’s March 1st general meeting!
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
Are you ready to router?!!!  Come out to Richard and Holly Lovvo's woodshop and learn everything you wanted to know about using routers, router tables, router bits, and the rest!  We will have live demonstrations and practices (where you can try using a router too if you want).  The beginner to the experienced router user is sure to learn something!  Bring any routers, tools, cutters, or other items you want to discuss.  Also, you are invited to bring your safety glasses/ear plugs/earmuffs.  (Safety glasses and ear plugs will be available, if needed.)

Scroll Saw SIG  Contact person:  Holly Lovvo
In February, we cut puzzles from pictures out of old calendars.  The turnout was great, and Tom Harrington did a wonderful job of showing us how he prepared the puzzles for cutout.
For March, we will cut out a few more puzzles, but the main focus will be on making the boxes to put the puzzle pieces in.  These boxes will also be demonstrated by Tom, and is based on the patterns for the memory boxes.
If you have a particular project you would like to see, or if you would like to host a Scroll Saw SIG in your shop, let me know.  See you all there!

Furniture Projects SIG  Contact person:  Jim Cauley with Clayton Nye
This month's Furniture SIG will take place in a unique location:  Sutter's Fort in Sacramento!  This is going to be a follow-up event from our March SAW general meeting, providing further live interactive opportunity for old and young alike to learn actual historic furniture woodworking materials, methods, and designs--and why early California/American woodworkers built and crafted they way they did.  Wear comfortable shoes, warm clothes (if its chilly), rain gear (if its rainy), and we will be going on a walking tour of Sutter's fort from a woodworker's perspective.  Hopefully we will even handle actual tools and items used in the furniture construction trades of long ago.  Because this event is in a California State Park, there will be a state admission charge:  $7.00 for adults, youth $5.00, and youngsters 5 and under are free.  Bring quarters for parking.  Meet at the Sutter's Fort entrance at 10:00 AM.

Sharpening SIG  Contact person:  David Wilson
The next Sharpening SIG will be in April.  Meanwhile, give Dave a call if you have any questions about sharpening!

Lathe Turning SIG  Contact person:  Jack Stellman
Since the fourth Sunday in March is Easter, there will not be a Lathe Turning SIG this month.
Ed Gieszelmann is offering to mentor members one-on-one on lathe and woodturning techniques.

Rules/guidelines for the 2 x 4 project submission:

1.  Design and make something from a single piece of 8 ft. 2" X 4" (actual thickness 1½", actual width 3½", actual length 96") of any wood species.
2.  You may use any wood joint like dovetails or dowels, and fasteners like nails, screws, glue, tape or string, as long as the purpose is for fastening and not as decoration other enhancement.
3.  You cannot add plastic, different woods, metals, clay, glass or other materials to the project (except as fasteners as mentioned above).  The project should be essentially all from the one 2 x 4.
4.  You can re-saw, shave, plane, carve, cut, burn or trim the wood.
5.  You do not need to use the entire 2" X 4".  If you do not use the entire piece, you may want to bring the unused portion to show it started as a 2" X 4".
6.  You may paint, stain, wax, polish or leave your work-of-art without a finish.
7.  You can cut it up, glue it together, and turn pieces on a lathe.
8.  Use your imagination, and have fun.

Some of last year’s entries are pictured at right to show the range of things that can be done:  toys, furniture, and models.
March Large Raffle Prize
WoodRiver No. 62 Low Angle Jack Plane

Originally advertised as a plane for heavy stock removal across the grain, the No. 62 has found a home as a smoother and is quite popular among collectors. The WoodRiver® No. 62 is faithful to the original design, but is almost a full pound heavier at approximately 4.6 lbs. It features a body cast from ductile iron, with a bed angle of 12°, a bubinga tote and front knob, and a high-carbon steel blade with a 25° bevel. The plane measures a little less than 14” in length x 2-7/16” in width and has a 2”-wide blade.

- Heavy ductile iron casting
- Mn65 high-carbon steel blade
- Flat Sole and square sides
- Bubinga tote and front knob

### WOW Prize
Veritas Miniature Spokeshave

### Badge Raffle
General Tools Digital Moisture Meter, Model MMD4E

Assorted Length Bungie Cords

12” Steel Rule by General Tools

Box of Scott Shop Towels

Digital Scale, up to 11 lbs. or 5 kg

Jack Stellman (right), the new Lathe SIG Chair, showed members how to make a live-edge bowl (above) at the January SIG.

The Salvation Army honored the many years that Bob Schieck served as SAW Toy Chair with a special Appreciation presented to his widow, Marian Schieck.
From the General Meeting — February 2nd

Gordon Lipp & Andy Hiroshima (left) from the Capital Woodcarvers Association stopped by to show us some of their work and to invite us to their meetings at Woodcraft on the 2nd Wednesday and 4th Thursday of the month where we can get one-on-one help with carving.

February Contest: Pocket Screw Joinery

Ten Entrants!!

First Place: Jim Cauley (left) made a nice table with cabriole legs and an inset star on top. He also used the most pocket screws - 63!

Second Place: Sally Green (above) made a side table with a tile inset on top.

Third Place: Mike Bush (above) made a hall mirror with coat hooks and brass-bound corners - and the fewest pocket screws.

Honorable Mention: Bernard Orman (above) made a step stool from plans on the Web.

Honorable Mention: Joe Orbeck (above) made a version of his toy rocking horse using pocket screws.

Honorable Mention: Peter Noeth (above) made a bottle clamp stand for in-the-bottle carbonation.

Other Contest Entrants

Bob Prichard (left) made a set of stacking toy boxes. (His grandson would only let him bring one.) Fast to make and very versatile.

Eldon Stephensen (left) made a set of children’s chairs, one of which he showed here.

Judy Wavers (left) made a TV console (in the photo she is holding).

Andy Volk (above) made a shop stool from maple. His wife liked it so much, she now has it.

Cool Websites to check out:

Share your favorite woodworking related websites here! Contact Andy Volk. Andy Failla was fascinated by this video of a huge elm tree being taken down because of disease. It was reportedly the largest hardwood tree in Washington State, certainly in Seattle, that was taken down in a residential neighborhood. Check it out at: https://vimeo.com/81240461

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.
The February Scroll Saw SIG (above) made puzzles from calendar images. Tom Harrington guided the group on the methods he used to make puzzles like the ones he makes for the Christmas Toy Drive.

**February Show & Tell**

- **Bruce King** showed a drawer from a bench he is making.
- **Bob Beckert** made a fretwork candle design.
- **Andy Volk** made a Dubby-like table saw sled to cut angles for segmented turnings.
- **Dan Franke** made a Walnut case for a clock.
- **Dan Burgess** made his first toy walking duck.
- **David Chin** showed some love birds to advertise the Scroll Saw SIG.
- **Bruce Hall** had a jig that he used to make door frames for a shelf unit with pocket screws.
- **Floyd Gibson** showed a bird house that he is making with kids.
- **Patrice Fuller** showed beautiful sewing work table made by her husband Herb.
- **Ralph Desmond** made six more memory boxes.
- **Peter Noeth** made a special pen holder that works in a CNC machine spindle and allows it to draw diagrams.
- **Gerry Holmquist** made a crazy patterned cutting board from plans from a Russian website.
- **David Traversi** brought in several items to show. He made two cutting boards, one with his initial inlaid into it. Also made a recipe box out of beautiful quilted maple. Finally, he made a wooden mallet.
Toy Time

At the Feb. workshop, we discussed with John Vestor his wooden building block (sometimes called “unit blocks”) idea and met with a pretty good agreement and plan to make complete sets of the blocks using some available butcher block materials (below center). Also, progress was made on the doll beds using some new members at the helms of many of the power tools.

There are going to be two March workshops. First, Holly Lovvo will host a fish fin cutting workshop on Tuesday March 15th on her scroll saws. On the regular Wednesday at Woodcraft, we will start on the SAW prototype trucks and tractors. Both are from 10AM to 1PM. Once again we invite all members to come to the workshops. There are no skill levels required. We could help raise your skills, or you could raise ours. If you have any ideas for me, talk to me.

Finally a big shout out to Carmen and her people for another year of great doll bedding, quilts and stuff.

Steve Bockman

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!
Membership Renewal Drive

It is time to renew for 2016! If you don’t renew this month, this will be the last Newsletter until you do. You can renew by mail using the form below. 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! 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.

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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