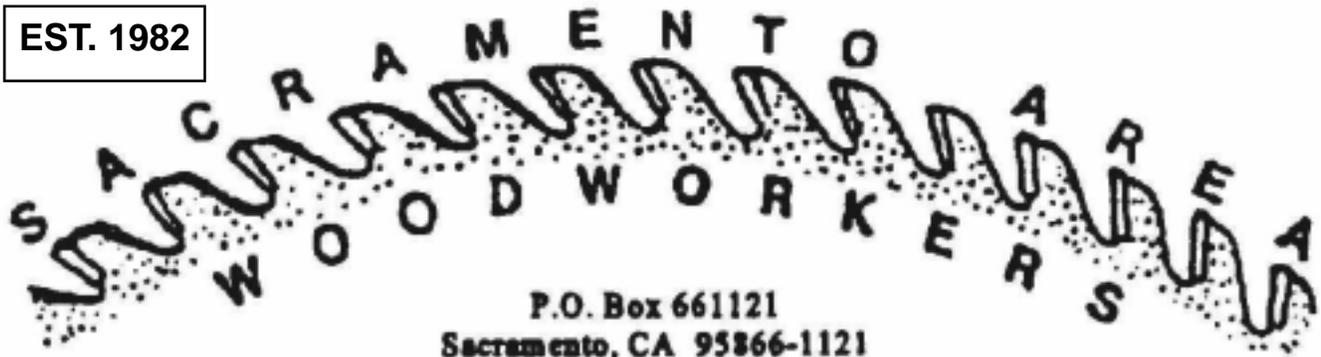


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MEETING
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915 27th STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA
(BETWEEN I & J STREETS)
December 7, 2004 7:00 pm

Presidents Note's, Allan Laudenslayer

It's December and this year has gone by fast. I know that as we all age (gracefully) the years seem to go by faster than they did when we were younger, but this year did go by quickly. Maybe it was just all of the good times I had as president and all of the quality times spent with you, the members of SAW.

In looking back, I think this year's board did an outstanding job of providing some quality presentations for our meetings. We even had someone that the ladies in our club could appreciate, and the rest of us learned all about what the Miller Dowel could do for us in the shop.

We had very good participation at this year's wood-working show and state fair. Thank you Floyd for all of your work in making these events successful. I would encourage any of you that did not participate in any event this year to seriously consider volunteering for at least one session in the coming year. Taking part in one of the events allows you to talk to the people interested in woodworking, and let them know what SAW is all about. These events are one of the ways we attract new members to the club. The other is by word of mouth, both from our membership and from our commercial members. Many times they are the first to know that there is someone out there interested in woodworking. They tell them about our club and urge them to attend a meeting. The rest is up to us.

We ended up the year with 240 members. This is an increase of about five percent over last year. Considering that we as a matter of course lose ten to fifteen percent of our current membership each year, we are doing quite well in attracting new members.

More kudos and listed in no particular order:

To Bob Beckert for the outstanding job he does as the club librarian.

To Bob Schieck for not only chairing the Toys for Tots effort, but he also heads up two SIG's (Novice and Scroll Saw) and attends just about everything.

To Dick Wampach for his work in coordinating the furniture and finishing SIG maybe to the detriment of working on his airplane.

To Rogette Sommer for all she has done to not only stimulate budding artists, but also in helping to get many of the toy painted.

To Abe Low for getting people interested in using their computers for something other than solitaire at the CAD SIG.

To the many refreshment volunteers we have had this year, including Neal Boyd, Bert and Hildegard Fortier, Dick Grant, and many others for making sure that we have the coffee, sodas, and cookies at our breaks, even when your president tries to go to a break too early.

Last but not least, this year's board of directors without whom I could not have functioned. Thank you Wade,

Casey, Neil, Art, Tom, Don, Bob, and Jerrold.

Our December 7th meeting will be a cake and coffee social with the presentation of the toys to the Salvation Army. I look forward to seeing all of you there.

Finally, I wish all of you a very happy holiday season and a prosperous new year.



Welcome New Members

**Randy Krigbaum, Fairfield
Jack Rexroad, Zamora**

NOTICE

This is the last newsletter for this year and the last for out going Editor Don Robinson. All information for coming newsletters should be sent to new Editor Jerrold Braunstein.

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Contributions to the newsletter must be sent to the Editor Jerrold Braunstein, 4542 Scenic Drive Rocklin, CA 95765, email jbbraunstein@sbcglobal.net, by the **20th of the month** for inclusion in the following month's newsletter.

SHOW & TELL FOR NOVEMBER



Bert Fortier, Scroll saw Christmas ornaments



Rollie Bowns, crank driven piano player



Bob Schieck, Tole painting, scroll saw projects



Jack Rexroad, segmented salad bowl made from Beech wood.



Bill Jansen, Logging truck



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2004 T o y s



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*Novice SIG***Contact person: Floyd Gibson**

Seventeen members met at Don Robinson's Shop on November 20, for the Novice SIG. The meeting covered a few different shop jigs, with the main topic of cove cutting on the table saw. Don had prepared a hand out on the subject,



which you can find in Woodsmith Vol. 19 / No. 133 and from an American Woodworker publication "Cutting Shapes and Profiles". Another hand out submitted by member Jim Bringham, was for a jig that fit in the meter slot of the table saw, which made the set up very simple. Check with Don for this plan. Don went through the whole process of making a cove molding and cutting it to an outside corner, pictured to the left.



The demonstration brought up a question and answer session. They covered not only the technique of making the cove, but also the safety aspects of the process.

Don is working on a dining room table having completed the base parts (pictured right). He showed a jig he made using a router to cut the base pieces. This method produced perfect radius

cuts, rather than using a bandsaw as in the plans. The plans for this table are in Wood Magazine November 03 issue 152.



The weather was perfect and everyone enjoyed the coffee and home made persimmon cookies. Thanks to Don's wife Leta.

There is no meeting in December and January's meeting will be on the 15th, 10—1. A location is yet to be determined, look for it in the January newsletter.

Furniture/Finishing SIG**Contact Person: Dick Wampach,**

A small group of us met at Dick Wampach's on the evening of November 16. Dick prepared a couple of crock pots full of chili for us - very good!! This was accompanied by cornbread, chips, beverages, and cookies for dessert.

Our meeting for the evening was casual with lots of discussion about using shellac, both as sealer and stain/sealer. Other topics were also discussed along with much socializing.

Dick has done several things to update his shop/garage; such as painting the floor and working on the DC

system duct work. He also had purple heart available for those desiring to purchase some. And, of course, it would not be a complete evening without Dick talking about his kit airplane he is building. Progress is slow, but it is progress.

There will be NO Furniture SIG meeting in December. The January 18, 2005, meeting will be hosted by Cathy and Rich Glacken. There will be more information in the January newsletter about this meeting.

Scrollsaw SIG

Contact person: Bob Schieck,

Seventeen members met at Bert and Hildegard Fortier's Shop for the Scroll saw SIG. The main topic of this meeting was making Christmas ornaments. Bob Schieck had prepared a whole box of ready to cut ornaments, having applied patterns to blocks of pine. There were five scrollsaws available and they were busy during the whole meeting. Bert also made his mini lathe available to Woody and instructed him in making a pen. With all these machines working at the same time in a small, one car garage shop was a fete of its own. The rest



of the members who were waiting their turn in the shop was spent enjoying coffee and donuts on the patio and looking at some ornaments made before coming to the meeting. Buzz Arnould was showing members how he took small stickers and made them into large stickers. He then applied them to plywood and cut them out. He will bring these to the Show



& Tell segment of the Jan Meeting and explain the process using his

computer, very interesting. Rick McCusker brought some flat, hand painted ornaments. Bert had the 3-D type made of Oak that Hildegard showed at the general meeting Show & Tell.



Mark Salomon brought a fretwork project he is doing. He needed some help on how to go about the cutting process. Bob Beckert and Bert gave him some tips on this. Mark also received information on how to make a photograph into a fretwork pattern. At the end of the meeting, Bob handed out ornament patterns for 3D and fretwork.

Thanks to Bert and Hildegard for hosting the meeting.

No Meeting in Dec, next will be January 8, 10 – 1.

LIBRARY

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

Library will not be available for the December meeting.

December Calendar

**Dec 7, General Meeting
Ethel Hart Senior Center**

Dec 12, Board meeting 12 Noon



Toy For Tots Workshops at Woodcraft Supply

Twenty-eight members attended the two toy workshops held at Woodcraft Supply. Some attended both workshops and others just one. With fourteen in the shop each time, it was rather full. Woodcraft once again supplied us with all the tools we needed. Woodcraft Supply has been allowing us the use of their shop for many years and we want to thank them for it. At the first workshop, the group was cutting out doll beds, push ducks, cars and trucks. At the second workshop, the final additions were applied, adding wheels, feet to the ducks and assembling the beds. The two days produced 440 toys; more would have been made, if the toy chairman had brought more wood. I think we will forgive him, because of the great job he does with the project all year. Thanks again for your time and dedication to the Toys for Tots project each year, Bob. We also want to thank all of those attending members for doing their part at these workshops.





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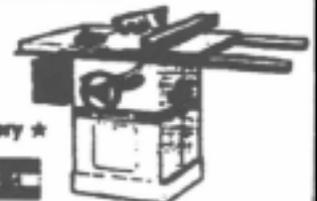


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