President’s Notes, Allan Laudenslayer

It’s October and that means its time for our annual box contest. In order to qualify for the contest, the box should have been made since last year’s contest, made of wood, and, oh yes, you should be able to put something into it. Sounds like something we can all do if we put our skills to use. We look forward to seeing all of your projects for this year’s contest.

October is also the time that we nominate our Board of Directors for next year. I know that a couple of you have volunteered to serve on the new board, and some of you may have been contacted by either Dick, Bob, Neal or Chuck and asked if you would like to serve.

If you haven’t been contacted and would like the opportunity to help direct your club, then it’s not too late to come forward. I know not everyone has the desire to stand up in front of a group of people and conduct the meetings, but you know what, when they are your friends and fellow woodworkers, it’s actually quite easy. As someone who has served for two years now, I can attest that it has been a very rewarding experience serving as your president.

If you have the desire to serve, just contact any member of the nominating committee, or any of the current board members, and we will make sure your name is placed in the running for the office of your choice.

The program for October will be an open forum meeting where you can ask the membership any questions about any woodworking issues you may need answered. This forum has been very popular in the past so we decided to do another one.

This is the time to ask the questions: How do I ..., Where can I get ..., Why do I ..., and When should I .... Sounds simple, but without you filling in the blanks it will be a short program. So bring in all of those questions that need answering and help make this a quality session.

Don’t forget the show and tell items for the meeting. Even if you didn’t make a box for the contest, we would all like to see your other projects.

See you all at the meeting.

Welcome New Members

Tim Hill—Orangevale
Frank Stolten—Orangevale
Nancy Myers—Elk Grove
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.

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For all new members the dues for SAW are $30 per calendar year. 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. 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 Neil Knutsen for more membership information.

Contributions to the newsletter must be sent to the Editor Jerrold Braunstein, email jbbraunstein@sbcglobal.net, by the 20th of the month for inclusion in the following month’s newsletter.
Several members made memorial boxes for use by the hospice unit at the Shrine Hospital. Unfortunately, more are always needed.

Chuck Renda made this plant stand at the Chinese jointery class at Fort Bragg. He says it was really tough.

John VanSant’s Christmas boxes

Dan Moening’s chess board

Chinese jointery as done by Chuck Renda

Woody’s turned bowl

Judy Wavers’ Snowman bank

Paul Toth’s turned birdhouses for a very small bird

Bob’s tole painting

Rollie Bowens’ latest turned bowl

Gary Foster’s hand made tools in his briefcase

Hildi Fortier’s mini bat and other turning projects

Bob Beckert’s night-light
Furniture/Finishing SIG
Contact Person: Dick Wampach, 530-677-8251
The Furniture SIG met at Bob Schieck's shop/garage on Tuesday evening, Sep 20. 6 members attended. The program was edge gluing wood. Bob had various thickness of wood ready for edge gluing. Before starting the demo, there was a discussion on types of glue and their various uses. For the demo Bob used yellow glue. Bob first used biscuits on 2 pieces of #3 Pine. The boards were uneven, but Bob showed how to fix this. The next discussion was how much pressure to put on bar clamps and what to do with squeeze out. Bob then glued two pieces of 1/2" #3 pine, no biscuits, just glue, and a clamping fixture. Next he glued 1/4" wood on his gluing fixture. Next Bob glued the 2 pieces of 3/16" & 2 pieces of 1/8" using no clamps & no fixture. He used 1" masking tape to hold the wood together. The first pieces were dry but uneven, so Bob took his belt sander (40 grit sandpaper) and sanded the two boards even. There were 2 handouts for each member. He also issued a challenge to members to complete a miniature "Queen Anne Chest" within one year. When they are completed the Furniture SIG will work on finishing. Thank you Bob for a good meeting. The next meeting will be Tuesday, 7pm to 9pm Oct 18 at Allan Laudenslayer's.

Novice SIG
Contact person: Floyd Gibson,
The Novice SIG met on Saturday, Sept ember 17 at Bob Schieck's shop/garage. Seventeen members attended. The program was making bandsaw boxes. Bob had redwood 4x4 in 6" to 8" lengths. Bob had his Shopsmith in bandsaw mode with a 1/4" blade. First he demoed a simple "bandsaw box" with two oval trays. Next he did a box with 2 drawers. Bob then glued the pieces back together to make a box with 2 drawers. Of course the drawers did not fit into the openings in the box. He had not cut openings perfectly straight; they were slanted big opening in front, smaller opening in back. Bob then put the Shopsmith in sanding mode with 50 grit sandpaper and proceeded to show members how to make the drawers fit into the openings. Next Bob Beckert demo the "flocking" for the inside of trays and drawers. After the demos were completed, members then completed their own "bandsaw box". Bob passed out an article on bandsaw boxes to each member. Thank you Bob Schieck.
The next Novice SIG will be Oct. 15, 10am to 1pm at Allan Laudenslayer's.

Tole Painting SIG
Contact Person: Rogette Sommers,
Tole Painting meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at the Ethel Hart Center. It is not necessary to bring your own paints or brushes (although it is appreciated if you do). Just bring a willingness to learn a great new aspect of woodworking and enjoy a true learning experience. 7 to 9 p.m. on June 9 & 23. Experienced Tole painters will be there to teach you how.

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Scrollsaw SIG
Contact person: Bob Schieck,
The Scrollsaw SIG met on Sunday, Sept. 11, at Bob Schieck's shop. Ten members attended. Bob had three different projects for the members to cut out, a bevel basket, a small woven basket, and a Valentine project. Sam Steir cut out the Valentine project. The wood was one piece of walnut, one was 1/8" plywood & 3/4" honey locust. Sam completed the project & took it home to put finish on it. All other members were in discussion groups. A member brought his Ryobi Scrollsaw for help. All members gathered around this scrollsaw and proceeded to instruct the member on usage of this saw. The meeting ended at 1pm. Thank you Bob Schieck.

The next Scrollsaw SIG will meet Saturday, Oct 8 10am-1pm at Bob Schieck's Shop/Garage.

Pen SIG
Contact Person: Tom Taylor,
The meeting was held at Tom Taylor's shop. Six lathes were available for the meeting. The members made several pens and pencils. Steven Hitchens made a large cigar pen, while Bob Schieck made a pen using #2 pine. Both turned out very well. The October 22 meeting will be held at Bob Schieck’s shop and the November 26 meeting will be at Craig Blankenship’s shop. No SIG is planned for Dec. A good idea for October and November, beside pens for gifts, is to make a toy top for the grandkids. Plans will be available at the SIG. After the New Year, we are planning to turn key rings, bottle stoppers, toys, small bowls and boxes. Never turned wood? Come to the SIG and learn how.

Novice SIG for September

Vendors Night
At the September General Meeting

Don’t Forget
October is Box Contest Month
Bring a box you made this year and win great prizes
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.

NEW BOOKS
Making Timeless Toys in Wood Strombeck
Spray Finishing Charron
Fixing & Avoiding Woodworking Mistakes Nagyszalanczy

October Raffle
Small raffle
1 Dead Blow Hammer
2 Table Top Rust Remover
3 Glue brushes and Scraper
4 Roller
5 Miller Mini Dowel Kit
6 Flush Cut Saw and Honing Guide

Membership Card Raffle
Shop First Aid Kit
Badge Raffle
Router Rabbeting Bit Kit
Bring your 2005 membership card to win again

Calendar
4 Tues.
7-9 p.m.

General Meeting—Vendor Night Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street, Sacramento Nomination of officers

8 Sat.
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Scroll Saw Bob Schieck’s Shop/

13 Thurs.
7-9 p.m.

Board Meeting Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street, Sacramento

13 Thurs.
7-9 p.m.

Tole Painting SIG Rogette Sommer Ethel Hart Center

15 Sat.
10 am-1 pm

Novice SIG Allan Laudenslayer, ’s shop

18 Tues.
7-9 p.m.

Furniture SIG Allan Laudenslayer’s shop

22 Sat.
10 a.m-1 pm

Pen SIG

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7-9 p.m.

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