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April 4, 2006 7:00 pm

A SUPERSTAR is coming for our April 4th SAW general meeting. William Ng, featured in “Fine Woodworking” and other notable wood magazines, is a titan of woodworking and is honoring us by speaking at our April meeting.

Please invite your woodworking friends to come see and meet this icon of modern woodworking. Mr. Ng will be giving a woodworking demonstration, and explain woodworking techniques useful to any woodworker. You and your woodworking friends will be guaranteed to laugh and learn!

Because it is such a special treat to learn from William Ng, our club step stool competition is being postponed until the SAW May general meeting. Build a step stool and have it ready for the May club general meeting!

On April 7th through 9th, the Sacramento Woodworking Show takes place at Cal Expo. This is another event you will absolutely not want to miss!

With acclaimed woodworkers—such as David Marks, Michael Fortune, Graham Blackburn, and Marc Adams—to name a few who are going to be in attendance—this is another truly extraordinary woodworking program.

Over 100 FREE woodworking classes are available (with your $9.00 paid admission to this event good for all three days), the show will be something like no other woodworking show in Sacramento history! The Cal Expo Woodworking Show times are: Friday noon to 7pm, Saturday 10am to 6pm, and Sunday 10am to 4pm. Please see www.thewoodworkingshows.com for more information.

Sunday April 23rd will be the first SAW Shop Tour for the year. As a way to extend opportunities for our members—and with all the Saturdays in April already filled up with other SAW activities—this Sunday April 23rd afternoon Shop Tour experience should be another fun and informative adventure for SAW members.

SAW members will receive a list of member’s shops and locations planned for this tour, and other information. Visiting other woodshops is a great way to get ideas—and meet other members.

The Spring SAW Tool Swap Meet is May 6th at Wood Craft in Sacramento. Now is the time to gather up the tools you want to move out of your shop—and make the list of items you desire to swap and/or buy.

June 10th is our club’s annual “Higgins Barbecue.” Be ready to enjoy a great meal, along with some great bargains on wood and related items!

We are a busy and active club. Use your membership to your benefit. Invite your friends and family to join SAW. Finally, please let me know how we can make this club even better. You deserve the opportunity to be the best woodworker in our club!
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 Jason Beam for more membership information.

Contributions to the newsletter must be sent to the Editor Jerrold Braunstein, 4542, email jbbraunstein@sbglobal.net, by the 20th of the month for inclusion in the following month's newsletter.

CLASSIFIED

Do you have woodworking related items to sell? Are you looking for something special for your shop? Advertise here.

FOR SALE

PURPLE HEART 4" wide ¼” finished (rounded Edges) S4S @ $3.00 BF (that is $1.00 a running foot). 8" wide ¼” finished S4S @ $4.50 BF. Call Dick Wampach (530) 677-8251

RBI Hawk variable speed 220 precision scroll saw. Never used, foot control, video, blades, blade angle setters. 10 gauge steel legs. $1050 contact Marty Martin (916) 927-1110

Powermatic # 90 wood lathe, older gap bed, 36" between centers,12" dia. $1,200. call Gary at 530-889-9361

2 HP Dust Collector, Reliant brand, new condition. Asking $100.00. Contact Marirose @ 448-1358.

Near-new 18Volt Makita drill/driver, including the case, 2 batteries, the charger, auxiliary handle and depth stop. The tool can be purchased for as low as $240 online; I will sell the set for $160. Porter Cable 333VSK 5" Variable Speed Random Orbital Sander. This is a great little sander (but I bought a Festool sander that connects to their dust vacuum), so I don't need a redundant tool. Brand new, never used Incra Ultra Jig (the 16" model), complete with all the instructions, templates, and their extra base. I paid around $250 for this, and will sell it for $150. Bruce Weitzman, wmb123@pacbell.net (916) 635-4446 Daytime (916) 635-8444 Evenings & Weekends

Used 63A table saw for sale. This is a contractor type saw, not a cabinet saw but it has cast iron trunnions and is a heavy duty saw. It is now sold as a model 64. It has no motor but the spindle feels like it is fine but I haven't put a motor on it. I had a windfall of money and bought a brand new 64 and so I need to get rid of this one. Price is $150 for SAW club members. Call Michael at 916-832-8225 if you are interested.

Help! I have more tools than space. For sale: Craftsman 10" radial arm saw with 3 carbide blades, updated blade guard, dust collector hood, and six drawer stand on casters. This isn't the "cheap" one. First $250 take it. Abe Low, 528 Woodlake Drive, Sacramento, CA 95815, tel. 916-359-5287

1 x 19 x 100 sugar pine @ $7.90 each. Call Bob at 925-8726
Show and Tell March

Gary Foster’s carved rocking chair. He was inspired by Sam Maloof after taking a 70 hour class. He has 250 hours in the project.

Jack Van Keuren’s Turning SIG project.

Tom Taylor’s Turned candle holder and bottle stoppers.

Roberta Taylor’s scroll saw projects from the SIG

Inlay carving done by Dan Hope.

Inlay cutting done with a Laser. Right piece was only a shallow etching and left piece was inserted into it. It was pressed in no glue.

Bob Schieck’s projects, Miniature Cherry Queen Anne dresser. Cherry tuck in table and a turned redwood soap dish.

Dave Holtz, is working on some toy experiments, for Toys for Tot’s. The grasshopper is favorite, but “still needs some adjustments” he said.

Pen maker, Neil Knutsen is sure no one has used this material for pen making. It is compressed Sun Flower seed husks, called “Dakota Burl”.

Ted Young’s turned piece of Avocado. It started to be a vase, but when a hole fell out of the bottom, he made and adjustment to the plan, adding a top and a perch, and now it is a birdhouse.
Four Shop Tours This Year, Not Just Two

The Spring Shop tour, our first of the year, is set for this month Sunday, April 23 from 1 to 4 p.m.

The members who are opening their shops are:

Michael, Neal & Chuck invite you to look, appreciate, and learn. The tour is open to members, spouses, guests or friends

Visit each shop for as long as you want but do come to all three.
Novice SIG

*Contact Person: Floyd Gibson,*

The Novice SIG met on Saturday, March 18 at Don Robinson's shop. Twenty four members and one guest attended. The program was making picture frames. Don Robinson & Floyd Gibson had all the devices woodworkers needed to make frames. Don & Floyd showed members how to cut perfect 45's and how to clamp a perfectly squared frame. The members had lots of questions and Don & Floyd had all the answers. After the program, refreshments were enjoyed by all. Thank you Don & Leta for a great meeting.

The next Novice SIG will be 10am to 1pm, Saturday, April 15 at Bob Schieck's shop,

Tole Painting SIG

*Contact Person: Rogette Sommers,*

The April Tole Painting meetings will be Thursday, April 13 and 27, at 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Senior Center, 915 27th Street, Sacramento, CA. All members are welcome. Even if you have no experience in painting and can't draw a straight line with a ruler, you should come and try this. It is great fun. Tole painting a different aspect of woodworking.

Furniture/Finishing SIG

*Contact Person: Bob Schieck,*

The March Furniture SIG was hosted by Gary Foster. Sixteen members were present and the subject was carving and shaping tools. Gary demonstrated several of his power carvers - 4" power grinders, and disc sander, all on a slab of walnut. (Dust collection is a must with the grinder and sander.) He also set up work stations around the shop so we could try out the various hand and power carving tools for shaping. Dave Wilson then demoed his many hand tools for carving out Windsor chair seats. His favorite tool is a spoon scraper - it makes short work of removing a large amount of wood. He also demoed on a beautiful piece of #1 pine and made the cuts across the grain. The purpose of the cross grain cut is to eliminate tear out. Dave then showed his straight draw knives and how they work to shape the front edges of seats, followed by curved draw knives for roundovers. Dave does most of his chair shaping with hand tools, all of which are very sharp!

Sonja showed and demonstrated a Ryobi power carver/chisel then several others tried it. Bob Schieck demoed his power carver on a figure he is making. During the course of the evening several other tools were discussed - edge planers, curved bottom hand planes and flat bottom planes. As always, members gathered in small groups to discuss procedures and try their hand with the various tools. We all learned a lot. Thank you, Gary!!

The next Furniture SIG meeting will be hosted by Bruce King on Tuesday, April 18, 2006, at 7:00 p.m.
Scrollsaw SIG

*Contact person: Bob Schieck,* The Scrollsaw SIG met on March 11 at Bob Schieck's Shop/Garage. Eighteen members attended. Bob had his firepit working as the day was chilly. The project this month was a scrollsaw castle. Six scrollsaws were available, two Hagners, a Delta, a Dewalt, an RBI Hawk, and one Craftsman. A guest of Sam Steir tried a bud vase and the other five saws were being used by members to make the castle. Three castles were completed along with the bud vase. The members then cut out some fat frogs. Bob also had a lot of plans & patterns available for members. After the program, the scrollers gather around fire and had refreshments discussed woodworking. Thank you Bob for a great meeting.

There is **NO** scrollsaw meeting in April. The next Scrollsaw SIG will be Saturday, May 13, 10 am to 1pm at Bob Beckert,

Pen SIG

*Contact Person: Tom Taylor,*

The March pen SIG was held at Andy Santos shop. Approximately fourteen SAW members attended. The members turned several different types of items. Five lathes were available and all were kept busy. Woody Woods turned a pen while Bruce Bartholomew turned a goblet out of green Birch that Sonja and Bob Lemon brought. Sonja provided valuable instruction to the group in turning green wood and applying finish to the items. Chuck Renda turned a small shallow dish on the Shop Smith that turned out quite well. Bert Fortier demonstrated sanding and parting items on the lathe. Several members had brought items they had turned at their shops for show and tell from tooth pick holders, small boxes and goblets. The next Pen SIGs will be held at the following dates and locations.

April 22 at Neil Knutsen's shop, May 20th at Tom and Roberta Taylor's shop and June 24th at Bob Schieck's shop. Future turnings will include Yoyo's.

Special note on Furniture/Finishing from Dick Wampach

My apologies to Lloyd Gavin, who was to host the Furniture/Finishing SIG in November 2005. Lloyd could not be reached to re-confirm his intention to host the November meeting, at the October meeting it was decided to have another member run the next meeting. It was not until after the November newsletter was published, with that change, that I heard back from Lloyd.

Lloyd and his wife spent about a month in Louisiana helping family and victims of hurricane Katrina, and as we know communications were poor to non-existent from that area. Lloyd, I commended you and your family for your efforts and sacrifice to help others during the recovery efforts in that part of the country.

I was un-available for the last 3 months of 2005 to help co-ordinate the SIG activities, a number of work related trips, and planning for retirement, kept me from participating in outside activities.

Dick Wampach

As readers may note, after many years service to our club, Dick has withdrawn as Chair of the Furniture/Finishing SIG. Thank you Dick for the great programs and all of the effort you have put in to make Furniture/Finishing one of our most successful SIGs.
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.

While I have no new purchases this month I would like to extend a BIG THANK YOU to Doris and Woody Woods for their donation of 29 books to our Library. I am sure that their books will be well received and used by all.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SPRING SAW TOOL SWAP
May 6, 2006
At WoodCraft, Folsom Blvd.
Its time to clean out the garage, get rid of tools that you don’t use and get MONEY, MONEY, MONEY for them. Come out and enjoy the Spring Swap

STEP STOOL CONTEST
The annual “step stool contest” will Take place at the May meeting. If you build it to help get that can off the top shelf, bring it to show off your skills

CALENDAR

4 Tues. 7-9 p.m.
General Meeting Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street, Sacramento William Ng, Speaker

7-9 Fri-Sun
Sacramento Woodworking Show—Cal Expo

13 Thu. 7-9 p.m.
Board Meeting Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street, Sacramento

13 Thu. 7-9 p.m.
Tole Painting Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street, Sacramento

15 Sat. 10-1 p.m.
Novice SIG. Bob Schieck’s Shop,

18 Tues. 7-9 p.m.
Furniture/Finishing SIG Bruce King’s Shop,

22 Sat. 10-1 p.m.
NO SCROLLSAW SIG THIS MONTH

23 Sun. 1-4 p.m.
Pen SIG. Niel Knutsen’s shop,

27 Thu. 7-9 p.m.
Spring Shop Tour (see P. 4)

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