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MEETING
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915 27th STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA
(BETWEEN I & J STREETS)
JULY 11, 2006 7:00 pm

President's Message:

Coming to our club's July 11th general meeting is **David Marks**, woodworking authority and host of the acclaimed ongoing television series *Wood Works*.

Recognized for his inspiring designs, fine details, impeccable workmanship, and amazing finishes, (and not-to-mention projects that sell for thousands of dollars made in only a half -hour TV show!) our club is grateful to have David Marks as our July guest woodworker.

This will be another club meeting that you will absolutely not want to miss! David Marks is going to present information helpful to any woodworker. **Please remember that due to the 4th of July holiday, our club's general meeting is the second Tuesday this month!** Mark your calendars so that you do not forget!

Our July club meeting will include a band saw as a large raffle prize. A Fein professional router (retail value \$409) will be raffled off at our August general meeting. Come to our general meetings and enter to take home some great club prizes!

Now is also the time to start on upcoming SAW Club woodworking contests! The August general meeting will be our club's annual **"Clock Contest."** Build a timepiece that shows your skill, ingenuity, and imagination with wood! (The crystal, mechanisms, instrumentation and hardware can be purchased, and/or taken from an already-built clock, watch, or other timepiece.)

To give you plenty of preparation time: Our club's October meeting will include a **"Box-Making Contest."** Build a wooden box and have it ready for the October meeting! Judges will evaluate entries on artistic and quality considerations. Like all club contest entries, submitted items must have been made by the club member, and never entered previously in club competition.

This summer season is also chock-full of many other opportunities for SAW club members and their adult guests to practice and learn woodworking:

Attend a SAW Club Special Interest Group (SIG) meeting. (Read inside this newsletter for more details.) A monthly "SAW Skill Building Class" starts in August. It will be held on the first

Saturday of each month beginning at 10:00 AM (location to be reported later). Club members and their friends can get into the useful subjects of woodworking. Topics range from tuning-up your various woodworking machines, to instructional programs on jigs and fixtures, workbenches and vises, woods, finishes, joinery, tools, and a host of other practical woodworking attributes. **Thank you Gary Foster and Michael Bush** for getting this SAW Skill Building Class going!

An added benefit of SAW Club membership is access to our club library. Feel free to borrow at any general membership meeting books, plans, videos, and/or DVDs on topics you want to learn more about. (Thank you club library volunteers for doing an outstanding job at keeping our club's library collection organized and up-to-date!)

Club member Steve Dolan, construction technologies instructor at Granite Bay High School, is asking for club members to help his students learning woodworking. This is an opportunity for individual club members to give back to future generations of woodworkers. Please call Steve at (916) 786-8676 extension 5503, or email a note to sdolan@rjuhsd.k12.ca.us if you can volunteer or support in any way.

A big thank you goes to all club members and volunteers who participated in the June 28th WoodCraft-sponsored Toys for Tots toy making program. Thank you WoodCraft for your kindness and hospitality! Making toys for children is both a great public service--and lets us practice woodworking with other club members

On another note of gratitude: Thank you Higgin's Lumber for hosting last month's barbecue and sale! It was a great time enjoyed by all!

As happens every month, our club has members creating impressive woodworking. From inset door and ball bearing-glide drawer cabinetry recently made by Abe Low, to a magnificent set of wood-turned pens made by Dick Lewis--that I have yet to return to Dick (Sorry!)--it is truly extraordinary the standard of wood construction demonstrated by club members.

In conclusion, there is no "Closed for the Summer" with the Sacramento Area Woodworkers! Come to a meeting, participate in a SIG, and at the very least, check out a club book or video. I hope to see you at a SAW activity soon!

The SACRAMENTO AREA WOODWORKERS, also known as SAW, is an organization formed for the purpose of:

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MEMBERSHIP

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, email jbbraunstein@sbcglobal.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

RBI hawk variable speed 220 scroll saw. Never used. Foot Control, video, blade angle setters \$500.00. Call Marty Martin 927-1110.

FOR SALE: I need to downsize! Dremel Scroll Saw \$100; Delta 12" Planer \$250; Craftsman Band Saw \$250; Delta 4" Joiner \$100; Craftsman 8 1/4" Compound Mitre-Saw \$125. Woody Woods dwoods@d-web.com or 530.621.0310

SANDPAPER: 400 & 600 grit 3M sandpaper, wet or dry. Usually \$1.00/sheet, now only .25/sheet. Call Gary Foster 916-982-7723.

Bench Top Shaper with several knives. Cast iron top & fence. It must be old as its Montgomery Ward brand \$50.00. Call Don Kent, 916-427-8871.

De Walt Scroll saw with stand on locking wheels. Includes light, Plex blower, upper arm lift & foot switch. \$300.00. Call Don Kent, 916-427-8871.

Work at the Furniture/Finishing SIG



THE WINNER



Nancy Lichman's beautifully scrollsaw seagull totem pole. What did she do with the rest of the 2x4???

2 X 4 CONTEST 2006

Other Winners



5th Place.
Clayton Nye's wall mounted tool rack to hold screwdriv-



4th Place.
Dick Wambach's Australian "Borbie" jig to help him paint his airplane.



3rd Place.
Ted Young's grinding jig for turning tools.



2nd Place.
Marion Gribskov's shelf from this month's Woodsmith.

Show and Tell

June



Dick Lewis must do a lot of writing, look at all the beautiful pens



Abe Low is always designing a new jig. This is to help him cut a straight line



Bob Schieck is getting really good at tole painting. Here is his carry all and trivet.



Mike Peace and Tom Nelson put together these rod holders. I sure could have used a couple of these when I had my boat.



Jason Beam did this beautiful step stool and top



In addition to winning the 2x4 contest, Nancy Lichman showed off her toy cars.



Maddy Peace & Tom Nelson's project (a boat puller



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

The Novice SIG met on Saturday, June 17 at Bob Schieck's shop/garage. Twenty members attended. Bob had a program of sawing up Toys for Tots wood purchased at the JE Higgins BBQ. This was a hands on program. First Bob showed how he measured & cut wood into 4 foot lengths with his Black & Decker saw. Next Don showed a speedier method of cutting wood with his saw, Jason also had his saw for cutting wood. There were as many members doing the cutting & storing, as there were supervisors making suggestions along the way. Total quantity of #3 pine & #2 pine was 704 board feet. Next Bob had his Shopsmith set up in sawing mode to cut 5" x 5" sheets of plywood into 30" squares. Bob did the first one, and the members took over from there. The production line took many breaks. Don talked safety. Later Bob put his Shopsmith in the bandsaw mode and demonstrated how to re-saw without a fence. Bob also showed how to plane the resawed wood to 1/2" thickness. Thank you Bob Schieck. Next Novice Meeting will be Saturday July 15 10am to 1pm at Bob Schieck's shop/garage

Tole Painting SIG**Contact Person: Rogette Sommers,**

Tole painters finishing up their "House Carry All" at the Tole painting session on June 8. Rogette handed out the new project "Have a Holly Jolly Christmas". Rogette did not have a color version at this time, only a black & white copy. The second session, June 22 was cancelled due to the unusually hot weather. The next meetings of Tole painters will be Thursdays, July 13 & 27. Hopefully we will have a color copy of the project available. Any & all members are invited to the Tole Painters SIG. This is a fun outing and members should attend these SIGs.

Thank you Rogette Sommers

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

It was a very warm evening, but 10 members ventured to Lemon's Shop to watch Bob demo several ways to cut and use templates. He discussed template routing; design/use of template/patterns, both with and without vacuum clamping, using guide bushings and pin routers. He showed how he modified a portable router table to hold inserts with guide bushings for a Porter Cable router. We also discussed the mental problems encountered between using a hand held router and table routing. The direction of travel for overhead routing is the opposite of table routing.



It was then time to turn to finishing and Crawford Butler provided the problem. He is finishing a desk and was not getting an even stain on the parts. We suggested a wash coat of Shellac (Zinnzer Sanding Sealer), sanding, then staining. We'll look forward to seeing the results.

The next SIG meeting will be hosted by Lemon's on Tuesday, July 18, at 7:00 p.m. (The shop is air conditioned for those who don't like the heat. Subject to be determined later.

Scrollsaw SIG

Contact person: *Bob Schieck,*

The Scrollsaw SIG met on Sunday, June 11 at Jules "Buzz" Arnould's Shop. Fifteen members attended including two new members who ended up sharpening their skills and knowledge on the scrollsaw. Buzz had 6 scrollsaws; a Dewalt, RBI 26" (with wheelchair legs to accommodate a wheelchair), a 16" Delta, two Hagners and a 15" Delta. All members tried the different brands of scrollsaws. Several members were having trouble with their scrollsaws at their homes, so Bert & Buzz helped those members. They all ended up sharpening their knowledge & skill on the scrollsaws. One member was having trouble with his RBI, so Bob S. gave the member verbal instructions in operating RBI and lots of practice projects (Bob always "sits down and never works a saw") The meeting ended at 4 p,m . Thank You Buzz for a great meeting.

The next Scrollsaw SIG will be Saturday, July 8 10am to 1pm at Bert Fortier,

Pen SIG

Contact Person: *Tom Taylor,*

The June Pen Sig was held at Allan Laudenslayer's shop. Eight members attended. Tops were made along with several pens. Neil Knutsen displayed several pens and pencils he had produced, using many different woods and plastics. The next Pen Sig will be held at Craig Blankenship's shop, on July 29 at 10 am in Elk Grove. He plans to make Bracelet helpers. Tom Taylor will have the bracelet helper kits for sale at the SIG or you may bring your own.

Toys for Tots

Contact person: *Bob Schieck,*

Toy Workshop at Woodcraft Wed 6-28. This was our first Toy workshop for 2006, Ten members attended this very productive workshop. We completed 150 cars left over from last yr, 10 dollbeds and 5 ducks. In progress we have 30+ ducks, 120 cars, 20 doll beds and 30 stick horses. Last time we made stick horses was approx 5 yrs ago. I may be able to make some "kits" on the toys in progress,



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.

Using the Table Saw Making Desks & Bookcases

Finishing Making Built-in Cabinets

Making Jigs & Fixtures Using the Bandsaw

These books are part of The Workshop Companion series and are authored by Nick Engler. And were donated

STATE FAIR UPDATE

SAW was absent from the State Fair but, thanks to the efforts of Roberta and Tom Taylor, not to mention California's First Lady, Maria Schriver, that may change. Come to the July SAW meeting and listen to Tom's report about his communication with the Gov's office and how SAW overcame politics to put us back where we can have the public exposure that brings new and experienced woodworkers to our club.

Calendar

- 8 Sat. 10am-1 pm **SCROLLSAW SIG** Bert Fortier's shop,
- 11 Tu. 7--9 p.m. **General Meeting** Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street, Sacramento **David Marks (Woodworks)** speaks
- 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 Tu. 7-9 p.m. **Furniture/Finishing SIG** The Lemon's
- 27 Thu. 7-9 p.m. **Tole Painting** Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street, Sacramento
- 29 Sat. 10-1 p.m. **Pen SIG.** Graig Blankenship's shop,8

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