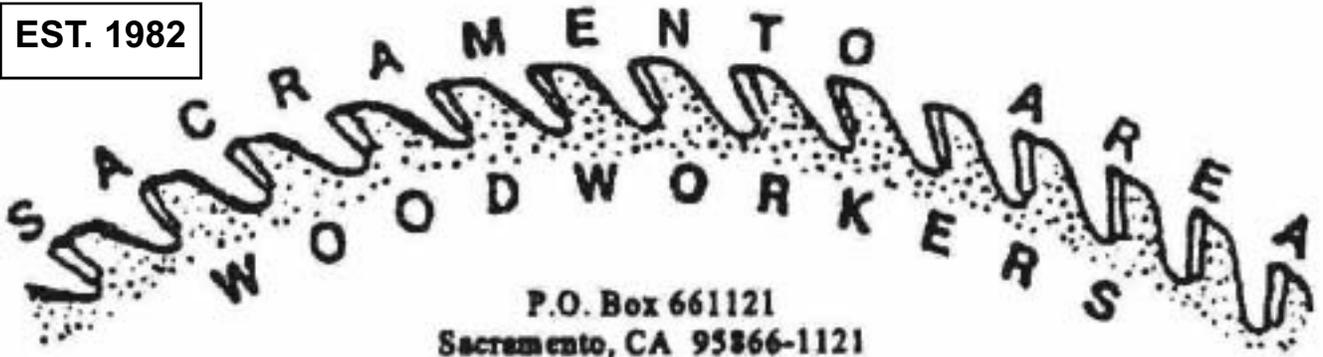


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SAW NEWSLETTER

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MEETING

ETHEL Mac Leod HART SENIOR CENTER  
915 27th STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA  
(BETWEEN I & J STREETS) November 7, 2006 7:00 pm

President's Message

A superstar of woodworking is coming to SAW! Robert Erickson, world renowned woodworker, is our club's November 4th guest presenter!

One of only 25 people in the world to be elected into the same guild with Krenov, Malloof, Chan, and other champions of fine woodworking, it is a real honor to have Robert Erickson present to our club November 4th.

At our November general meeting Mr. Erickson will share his 30-plus years of woodworking journey and discovery. He has agreed to speak about some of his woodworking methods and chair making processes, and general facts useful to anyone wanting to improve their woodwork skills and methods.

Due to the popularity and reputation of our speaker, please arrive early for best seating! Because it will also be state general election night--and the Ethel MacLeod Center is a registered voting precinct place--please do not park in the circular driveway. (We need to keep the driveway access open so that disabled registered voters can make it to the polls.)

Finally, as a courtesy to our speaker, Mr. Erickson will start his presentation promptly at 7:00--so don't be late! (We will cover announcements and other general information afterwards.) This is one evening of SAW you don't want to miss!

Election for SAW club officers for 2007 will take place at our November general meeting. Our club is fortunate that most officers for 2006 have agreed to serve again in 2007.

If you would like to help in a SAW position--or want to run for a position--please contact me. Clubs like ours run best when people do not feel forced to fill positions. If you have a little time, want to make a difference, or just want to have more involvement with woodworking, serving as an elected/appointed SAW position makes sense. Again, see me if you wish to be nominated for a SAW position.

Our November general meeting is also our annual "Toys on Parade" event. Bring a sample of any toy you have been making/made so fellow club members can see a club-wide display of toy ideas. With the Christmas season coming upon us soon, this is the time to finish those Toys for Tots projects! Let's bring some joy to some less-fortunate kids this year.

Speaking of toys, be sure to attend a SAW toymaking workshop sponsored at Woodcraft! Toymaking sessions will be November 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. Join some SAW friends and enjoy learning some woodworking! This is a great opportunity to try out some machinery, and just practice whatever suits your toymaking fancy. Our club will provide materials. Come have some fun and participate in a great community service! Santa's elves-and many children-will be appreciative of members' efforts!

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**Welcome New Members**
  
**Rich and Joyce Dillon—Sacramento**
  
**John Drago—Fair Oaks**

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.

**2006 SAW BOARD**

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- Librarian Bob Beckert
- Toy Project Bob Schieck

\*Voting board member

**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.

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President's Message Continued:

On November 10th and 11th Woodcraft is also hosting a National Guard pen making jubilee. SAW members are invited to help make custom wooden pens from wooden pen blanks/materials. (Pens will be donated to troops serving in Iraq, Afghanistan, or elsewhere.) Whatever your position on US military involvement, let's at least show we care for the people who are putting their lives on the line. Please call the Woodcraft store if you can volunteer. It will be a two-day event, running all day. You can volunteer for as little or as much as you want. If you have never made wooden pens, please do not worry. People will be on hand to help. Various duties are required--even simply assembling finished pens. This is a great chance to learn/improve a woodworking skill--and offer kindness to soldiers wanting to write to family members back home.

Interested in learning more about the mechanics and technology of modern woodworking tools and machinery? A special truck filled with an arsenal of the latest and greatest prototypes of woodworking--hosted by the Delta and Porter-Cable-- will be at the West Sacramento Western Tool on December 1st. Please contact the West Sacramento store if you would like to see what is in the future of woodworking. Space is limited for this very popular event, so sign up early.

In the interest of making our SAW Special Interest Group meetings more accessible to members, please note the calendar/time changes for certain club meetings/gatherings. It is hoped that by changing the start dates/times of some club meetings, more SAW members and guests can access the benefits of our club.

Our club has new activities coming on board each month--such as the ever-popular wood joinery skills class--and the tool sharpening events. Have an idea for a class or woodworking subject you want to learn? Call me!

SAW should be your local source for woodworking fun and information! Work safely, rip some wood, and have a great November with SAW!

# What a Great Box Contest



# Box Contest 2006

## The Winner



Judy Waver  
Took first place with  
This beautiful jewelry  
box

### 2nd



Tom Nelson won  
second With this  
great band saw  
box

### 3rd



Henry Castaneda was  
Third with a box made  
from cutoffs. Looks  
fabulous.

### 4th



Dick Brothers took  
4th with a wonder-  
ful jewelry box he  
made at College of  
the Redwoods

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

The Novice SIG met on Saturday October 21st at Bert Fortier's shop. Twenty members attended. Bert demonstrated several methods of resawing using band saw & table saw. Bert had several fixtures for doing resawing on the band-saw. Unfortunately one of the fixtures that Bert normally uses was loaned out and was not available for the SIG. Gary Foster, with Bert's direction, assembled a new fixture and began resawing with it. Two newer members who had never resawed wood tried the fixture and completed their first attempt at resawing. Near the end of meeting the members all came to the patio to discuss what they had learned at the SIG. Steve Hitchens stayed in the shop and, as the good woodworker he is, found interesting tools in the back of the shop. He shared his findings with the group. Thank you Bert & Hilda for a great meeting.

The next Novice SIG will be Saturday, November 18 from 10am to 1pm at Andrew Santos shop, The program will be completing toys for 2006. Bring any toys you are working on or are having problems assembling.

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

The Tole painters are finishing up their projects for the year and are shifting to getting all of those toys ready for Santa. They always need more help and new painters and novices welcome. The next meetings of Tole painters will be Thursday, November 9. There will be no Tole Painting on November 23. Enjoy your turkey. All meetings of this SIG are at the Ethel Hart Center from 7 to 9 p.m.. Any & all members and guests are invited to the Tole Painters SIG. This is a fun outing and you should come and give it a try.

Thank you Rogette Sommers

***Furniture/Finishing SIG******Contact Person: Sonja Lemon***

The Furniture SIG met Sunday October 8 at Bob Schieck's shop/garage. Eleven members attended this SIG and learned about making Shaker/Bentwood Boxes. Bob Schieck explained the construction of his poacher, molds, dryers, and anvil. Shakers numbered boxes #0 (smallest) to #6 (largest). Bob demonstrated the making of numbers 1, 2 & 3 boxes. The wood he used was cherry & maple, all cut to 1/16" thick. Bob demonstrated a box #1, showing the members how to wrap a strip of wood around a #1 mold then tack the band of wood with "copper tacks". He then used the #1 Dryers to wrap a smaller band of wood for the lid of the box and tack it. The next step is to use 1/4" wood (pine) which is formed and fitted to the bottom & top of box. Finally the box is pegged with toothpicks. When this was completed the members tried their hand at making Shaker Boxes. Three members completed two #2 boxes & one #3. Bob handed out to all members attending copies of "The Making of Shaker Boxes", some thin wood & some copper tacks. ( Bob only has approx 3,000 left). A very successful meeting ended at 4pm. Thank You Bob Schieck for a great "Hands On" SIG.

The next Furniture/Finishing SIG will be Sunday, November 12 from 1pm to 4pm at David Wilson's shop, 4000 . The program will be the making of a chair, with steam bending of wood .

**Scrollsaw SIG****Contact person: Bob Schieck, 381-2641**

The Scrollsaw SIG met on Saturday, October 14 at Jules "Buzz" Arnould's shop with fourteen members attending. Buzz had six scroll saws available for members attending to use and everyone was kept busy through the entire meeting. Niel Knutsen instructed those interested in making birds on the 26" RBI . The Delta and De Walt scroll saws were being used to make various items such as puzzles, names, and dinosaurs. Some operators experienced the delight of breaking blades and hearing the loud bang. All members had a great time. The meeting ended at 1pm Thanks Buzz.

The next Scroll saw SIG will be on Saturday, November 11 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Bob Schieck's shop/garage

**Pen SIG****Contact Person: Tom Taylor,**

Some great pictures but no report this month. The next meeting time and place will be announced at the General Meeting.

**Visit the Penguins**

SAW member David Ruth announced at our October meeting that he will be unavailable for the next few months as he will be out of town — far out. He is going on an art expedition to cut up icebergs in Antartica. Check out his blog at [davidruth.blogspot.com](http://davidruth.blogspot.com) to see what he is doing. The trip sounded great up till the time he told this writer that they expected to encounter 60 foot seas on the way down. How do the penguins do it????



VP Gary Larson does a tremendous job instructing hand cut jointery at the October 7 Skills Class.

**November Elections:**

Whether you are for Arnold or Phil, the SAW elections are also taking place on November 7. Come to the meeting and elect your officers for the coming year. As Treasurer Jason Beam has decided to "retire" after only one year, there is an open position that has to be filled. The nominations for the coming year are:

President —Clayton Nye  
 Vice President—Gary Foster  
 Secretary—Tom Taylor  
 Treasurer—Open  
 Editor—Jerry Braunstein

Nominations may be made from the floor and we do need someone to run as Treasurer. Our club can't function without a full slate of officers and needs your help. The more active a part you take, the more you will get out of your SAW membership.

**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.

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**Calendar**

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|--------|---------------------|--|
| 7      | Tu. 7--9 p.m.       | <b>General Meeting</b> Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street, Sacramento <b>Club Election of Officers</b> |
| 9      | Thu. 7-9 p.m.       | <b>Board Meeting</b> Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street, Sacramento                                    |
| 9      | Thu. 7-9 p.m.       | <b>Tole Painting</b> Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street, Sacramento                                    |
| 10-11  | All Day Fri. & Sat. | <b>Pen Making Jubilee</b> , Woodcraft, Folsom Blvd, Sacramento, CA . Support our Troops.                     |
| 11     | Sat. 10am-1 pm      | <b>SCROLLSAW SIG</b> Bob Schieck's shop,   |
| 12     | Sun 1-4 pm          | <b>Furniture/Finishing SIG</b> David Wilson's shop,  |
| 18     | Sat. 10-1 p.m.      | <b>Novice SIG.</b> Andrew Santos shop,   |
| 23     | Thurs.              | <b>No Tole Painting , Have a great Thanksgiving</b>  |
| 25     | Sat. 10-1 p.m.      | <b>Pen SIG.</b> Place to be announced.   |
| Dec. 1 | Friday, All day     | Western Tool Tool Demonstration at the West Sacramento Store. Sign up to see the latest and greatest.        |



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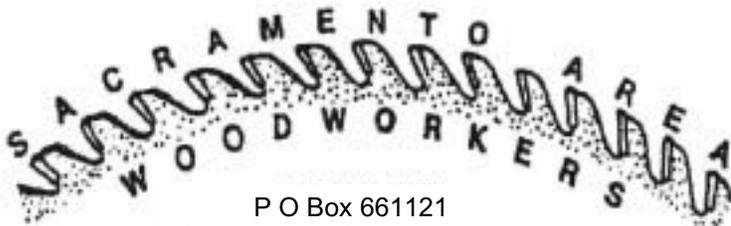
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