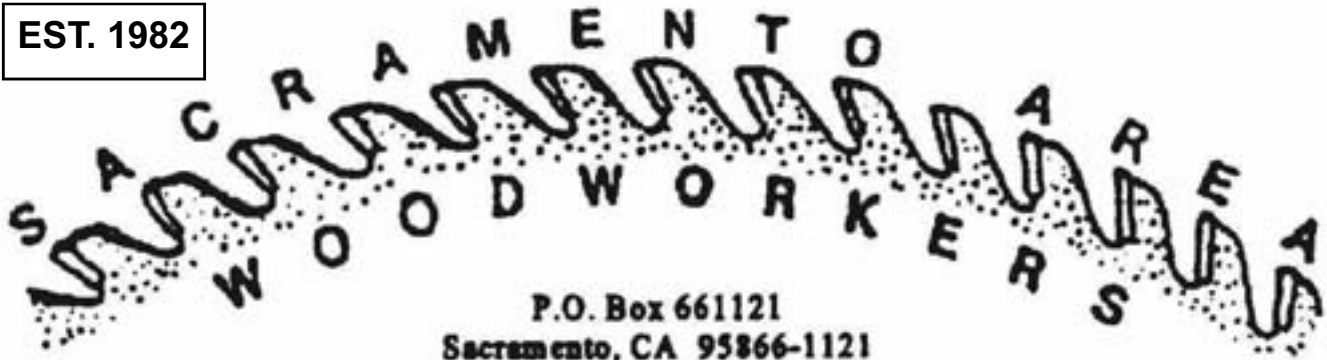


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MEETING
ETHEL Mac Leod HART SENIOR CENTER
915 27th STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA
(BETWEEN I & J STREETS)
August 7, 2007 7:00 pm

President's Notes:

Our August SAW general meeting has a presentation every woodworker should really appreciate: Safety, and not the typical reminder "wear your safety glasses" lecture. Attend our August 7th meeting and discover from seasoned experts how to design your shop, choose and operate your equipment, and practice methods that build productivity, quality, and flexibility into your woodworking projects. Hear from woodworking professionals how to protect and enhance your life and limbs--and save money and heartache in the process.

Our August 7th meeting will have numerous safety devices, tooling, and jigs on hand-- and even some that you can make at future SAW club classes. Please bring any shop safety devices, questions, neat ideas, information, or samples you want to share with your club members and guests. This Safety Night Extravaganza is a SAW meeting that every woodworker should attend! Please invite your friends!

A DowelMax jig will be raffled off at our August meeting. As an extra incentive, club member Tom Nelson has willingly offered to tutor the lucky prize winner on how to use the DowelMax. Get your tickets for this great prize at the August gen-

eral meeting.

In the market for a new Drill Doctor or Work Sharp sharpening system? Bring your check-book to the August general meeting and place your orders! Our club has received a bulk-buying group discount price for these items from the manufacturer. Contact club Vice President Gary Foster for more information on this reported deal of a lifetime if you cannot attend.

Are you embarrassed about your woodshop? Too much clutter? Not enough room? Equipment you don't like? Lacking tools you wish you had? Many woodworkers spend their days striving to get their shop together, never having the time and resources to build any of the wood projects they dream about.

If you have a workshop or home space that needs help, please give me a telephone call. In consideration for our club members helping set up your shop, our club's leadership is hoping you would be willing to offer club classes and special interest group meetings at your shop. Its nice to see more club member shops--and it gives all of us club members the chance to help each other

Welcome New Members
Andy Filla—Citrus Heights
Ray Grabb—Antelope
Jim Munson—Sacramento
Ron Setzer—Citrus Heights

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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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 Sally Green for more membership information.

Contributions to the newsletter must be sent to the Editor Jerrold Braunstein 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

I need to sell my General International hybrid 10" table saw, my 16-32 Performax drum sander and accessories, a Sjoberg workbench, a small 2-stage dust collector, and Bench Dog router table and Porter Cable plunge router, etc. My 18' X 20' garage just won't accomodate my wood-working treasures! Bruce Weitzman

President's Message Cont.

And speaking of workshops: Do you have your dream woodworking bench yet? Need a second bench, or want to build a specialty workbench? This month starts a unique SAW class on building your own custom workbench! Club member Tom Nelson begins this very useful opportunity August 19th.

Club participants will learn all sorts of things at this first workbench class, such as deciding on your workbench size, vises, ergonomic issues, material considerations, storage, and many other workbench considerations.

This very valuable class (even if you choose to build a bench later) gives you the insight and inspiration to consider for workbench possibilities. Please bring paper and pencil, a tape measure, and any workbench books, literature, plans, pictures, and drawings you want to share. Actual workbench building begins in September!

While still early, it is time to consider SAW club officers for 2008. Have a name or a leadership suggestion, or want to fill in yourself for a club position? Call me!

This month our club is hosting a booth at the California State Fair. Want to showcase a woodworking item or two you built? Please call Floyd Gibson so that your items can be displayed in our booth. Let the world see your creativity--and garner some bragging rights that your items were displayed at the State Fair!

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Novice Group***Contact person: Allan Laudenslayer***

Thirteen members met at Jack Duran's shop in Roseville for the first in the new sequence of meetings. The topic was "Shop Setup". Jack gave a talk about shop electrical installation and safety. This was quite an eye opener for those attending as he told us just how little current (amps) are needed to do serious injury or death. He also included quite a detailed explanation of just how a GFI protects us and while every circuit you use should be protected by one.

All in all, the presentation gave those present a good starting point for getting their shop's in order. The next meeting will be at Rich and Holly Lovvo's shop. The topic will be the selection and safe use of table saws and bandsaws. See you there.

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

The Tole painting SIG met Thursday, July 12. Only four members attended this SIG. The project for the evening was finishing the clay pot. The second session for July was cancelled. Thank you Rogette. The August meetings will be August 9th and 23rd at the Hart Center from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. 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

Wood Projects Group***Contact Person: Floyd Gibson***

The Wood Projects SIG was held at Gary Foster's shop Saturday, July 7th. Eighteen SAW members attended. The main topic was flattening veneer. Floyd brought a couple of samples of Birdseye Eucalyptus which he flattened using a commercial veneer softener. Floyd put the wet/softened veneer between two small sheets of melamine and put weights on top. The samples were flat, but needed to dry more. Gary showed his version, which he had in a vacuum press and made up his own formula. He had handouts which had the formula. The group discussed all different aspects of veneering and vacuum pressing. Out of the SIG, a Wood Projects class will start in August to give 8 members hands on experience working with veneer.

The next Wood Projects SIG will be held Saturday, August 4th at Bruce King's shop 10am to 1pm. Jack Duran offered his shop if Bruce cannot host the SIG. This SIG will be held the Saturday before the general meeting so it is imperative that the announcement is published.

Scrollsaw SIG

Contact person: Buzz Arnould, Roberta Taylor

The Scrollsaw SIG was held at Andy Santos's shop on Saturday July 14 and twenty five members attended. Andy had patterns on wood to make race cars with bevel cuts on the scroll saw. There were four scroll saws working all the time during this SIG. Even members who normally do not use a scroll saw tried it this time. Everyone had a great time making race cars. Some of the members who attended also took patterns to use in their home shops. At the close of the meeting, the SAW members gave a surprise to Bob Schieck who is retiring as Toy Chairman. Bob stated he will bring the gift to show & tell at next months general meeting. Thank you Andy for a great day.

The next scroll saw SIG will be at Robert Schieck shop The subject will be discussed at the general meeting.

Pen SIG

Contact Person: Tom Taylor

No report from the Small Lathe Group was received this month. The next meeting will be held on Saturday, August 25, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Craig Blankenship's shop

Toy Workshop

The SAW Toy Workshop was held at Woodcraft on Wednesday, July 11 from 10am to 3pm. Twenty members attended. The members completed 82 toys including 12 ducks w/flappy feet & 18 doll beds. Many toys were not completed. These include 100 big cars, 5 ducks, & 5 doll-beds. The toys in progress will be made into "kits" to be handed out next general meeting in August. Thank you Woodcraft.

President's Message Cont.:

Thank you club members who participated in July's Toy Workshop held at the Sacramento WoodCraft store! And thank you WoodCraft for hosting this very vital club program! More Toy Workshops are tentatively scheduled for the Fall.

Finally, we hope there is something for everyone in our club this August! Check the club calendar contained in this newsletter and see what suits your fancy. Have a wonderful month and hope to see you at a club activity soon! Safe woodworking!

SAW Newsletter Photos

You who receive your Newsletters in electronic format may wonder why there are no photos contained in this issue. Your editor has discovered that, in Newfoundland and eastern Canada, it is not as easy to transmit a large file, containing photos, as it is in the US when he simply pushes "send" on his computer. The campgrounds in Canada are not quite as well computerized as one would like. Watch your September Newsletter for a large issue containing the photos and a couple of special items that were missing from this issue and your July Newsletter. They will include some important club events and a very special award given to one of our most active club members.

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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

AUGUST, 2007

- 4 Sat 10-1 **Wood Projects Group** - Bruce King
- 5 Sun 2-5 **Furniture Projects Class – No Meeting**
- 7 Tue 7-9 **General Meeting - Hart Senior Center** 915 27th St. Sac.
- 9 Thu 7-9 **Board Meeting – Hart Senior Center** 915 27th St. Sac.
- 9 Thu 7-9 **Toll Painting – Hart Senior Center** 915 27th St. Sac.
- 11 Sat 10-1 **Scroll Saw Projects Group**
Bob Schieck –
- 12 Sun 2-5 **Toy Group – TBD**
- 16 Thu **Toll Painting – Hart Senior Center** 915 27th St. Sacramento
- 18 Sat 10-1 **Wood Projects Class – No Meeting**
- 19 Sun 1-4 **Furniture Projects Group**
Tom Nelson's shop
- 25 Sat 10-1 **Small Lathe Group – Craig Blankenship,**
- 26 Sun 2-5 **Novice Group – Rich & Holly Lovvo**



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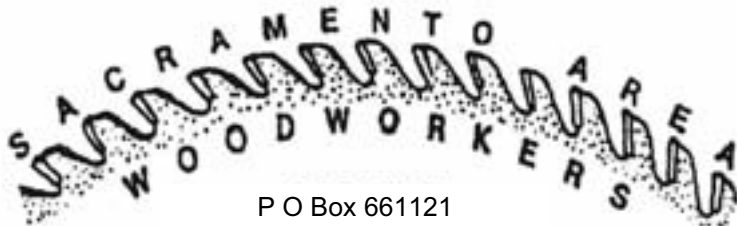
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