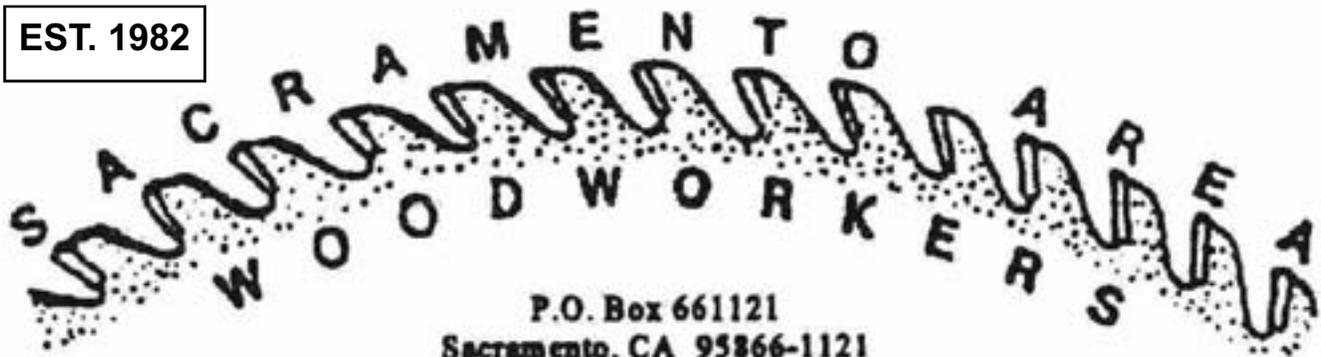


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MEETING

**ETHEL Mac Leod HART SENIOR CENTER
915 27th STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA
(BETWEEN I & J STREETS)
September 4, 2007 7:00 pm**

President's Notes:

September 4, 2007 has another SAW general meeting you do not want to miss! Coming to us from their studio in Southern California are Ron and Patricia Posten, World-renowned intarsia experts, Ron and Patricia have raised the bar in what can be done to join wood through artistic design and expression--and using tools as basic as only a pencil, scroll saw, and sandpaper!

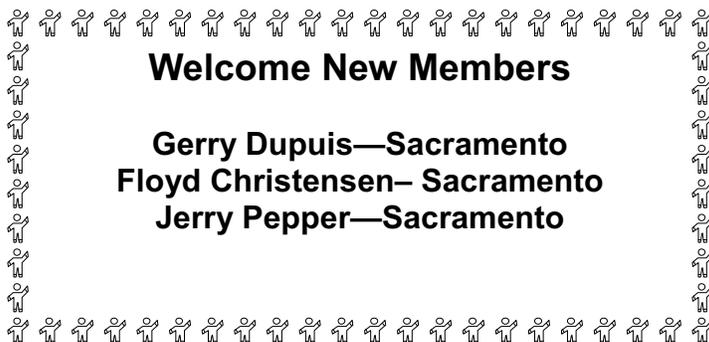
Your jaw should be dropping September 4th as you see their live hands-on program! Presentation time begins at 7:00 PM. It is a first-come, first-seated event. Please invite your friends to meet this remarkable woodworking couple!

Also, at our Tuesday meeting, we will raffale a Lie-Nelson large shoulder plane! Included in this very special prize is a VERY SHARP blade--honed to hair splitting precision by club vice-president Gary Foster. An added bonus to our club this month: Ron and Patricia Posten have graciously offered to teach on Wednesday September 5th two FREE intarsia sessions to club members! Hosted in the Folsom workshop of Gary Foster. Sign up for this very valuable opportunity with Jason Beam at the Tuesday SAW general meeting. Due to available bench space slots, this event is limited to only ten SAW members in each session. It is advised to bring a Dremel-type tool (if you happen to have one) to your session. Mark your calendar--and call in sick to work if you have to! (Perhaps tell your boss you have been afflicted with intarsia!)

We have scheduled a fantastic SAW shop tour this month! Please check this club newsletter for further information on specific times, date, and hosting members' locations. Visiting shops is always a valuable way to see how other club members put fun into their life--and visiting other club members' shops gives us ideas on how to set up our own shop too!

Hats off and grand applause to the club members who won recognition and fame by displaying their works of art at the 2007 California State fair! Club members won prizes in all sorts of woodworking categories. Rollie Bowns, and Tom and Roberta Taylor were some club members honored with awards. (My apologies if you were awarded an honor and I didn't acknowledge--let me know so I can give you the recognition you deserve in next month's newsletter.)

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Welcome New Members

**Gerry Dupuis—Sacramento
Floyd Christensen— Sacramento
Jerry Pepper—Sacramento**

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

Abe Low picked up a newer Unisaw so he is selling his older Unisaw for \$550. He also has a 4" Shopsmith shaper mounted on a Shopsmith power station going for \$200.

President's Notes Cont:

It is a great accomplishment to win State honors--and inspiring to view the creativity and skill exhibited in their productions.

Great thanks to every club member who participated in staffing and supporting our SAW fair booth this year. Your efforts do extend the experience of woodworking to thousands of fair attendees. Thank you especially club member Floyd Gibson for putting together our club's program this year! It is a lot of hard work that few club members may actually realize. Again, thank you Floyd for your years of service to our club!

Did you happen to find a few beautiful brass/copper custom-made workbench dogs floating around in one of your toolboxes or bags by accident? We have a club member who discovered some dogs were loose and had run away after some SAW club meetings at this club member's shop. With all the tools and materials that get passed around and shared at club meetings, it is almost inevitable that a club member not realize that those little dogs were licensed to another club member. If you have been at a club class or group meeting in the past few months, please check and see if some dogs are roaming in your premises. Call me or bring those runaway dogs to a meeting so I can return them to their rightful owner. Its a bit of "Lassie, Come Home-Woodworker Style!" Thanks

Safety tip for the month: A few years back I worked for the Union Pacific Railroad. Driving trains, serving as the conductor, or just working on a train crew, every day had the potential to be my last. One railroad rule I always admired was keeping out of the "Red Zone"--the areas at work where life and limb can be forever changed. Do you have identified red zones in your workshop? I make it a policy to never let me or anyone else stand in the zone directly in front of a table saw where materials can be "kicked back." The same rule goes for the thickness planers and other heavy machinery. On band saws I never let anyone stand to the side where a broken blade might unload.

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You have been waiting for it and here it is

The second **shop tour** for 2007

Sunday September 23, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Come out and see these great shops

1. Bob Drotos,
2. Art Quinn,
3. Jack Duran,

Proposed bylaw modification. It has been proposed that the following wording be added to the club bylaws. This proposal will be read and voted on at the September General meeting:

Section (2) Officers

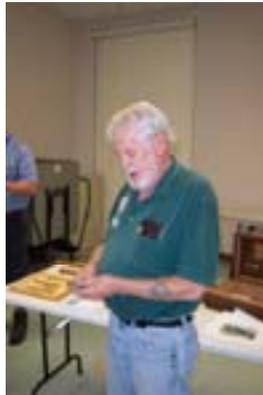
Program Coordinator: shall:

- (a) Seek and schedule quality guest speakers and or demonstrations for the general meetings pertaining to woodworking.
- (b) Introduce speakers, and moderate the speakers and demonstrations.
- (c) Report to the Board the schedule of booked speakers, and or demonstrations

Show & Tell - August 2007



Judy Wavers has taken up turning and is doing a great job



Neil Knutsen showed off pens that he turned.



Just when you thought Rollie Bowns had done it all, he comes up with something new. What are you going to eat with that Rollie?



Can't say enough about the award that Bob received for 20+ years as Toy Chairman



Holly Lovvo brought in a number of cars that she made for the toy project.



Always a good reminder, use that push stick. It is better to cut it than your fingers



Break out the wine for this beautiful wine rack. I could use one of those myself.

Novice SIG**Contact person: Allan Laudenslayer**

On August 26th, the Novice SIG met at Rick and Holly Lovvo's shop in Rio Vista for a discussion on table saws and band saws. We had a small turn out since there was some confusion as to whether or not the SIG had been canceled but we forged onward with the Lovvo's and with a little work we did get their new ShopSmith's table saw and band saw tuned up and working. We also had some good discussion on some jigs that would make the ShopSmith an even better wood-working machine.

The next meeting of the Novice SIG will be in October at Allan Laudenslayer's shop as the September date is also the date of the fall shop tour. In October we will be discussing jointers and planers, so if you have any questions or problems with how and when to use these tools, please plan on attending.

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

The Tole Painting SIG met August 4 with ten members and a guest attending. Each painter was painting a different project. Projects included painting on a clay pot; a turtle on a large rock: Christmas Carolers; toys and a cat. All present had a very good time. Thank You Rogette.

The next meetings will be Thursday evenings, September 13 and 27 from 7 pm to 9pm at Ethel Macloud Senior Center. Plan to attend for a great meeting.

Wood Projects SIG**Contact Person: Floyd Gibson or Steven Hitchens**

The Wood Projects SIG was held on Saturday, August 4th at Bruce King's shop. Fifteen members were in attendance. Gary Foster showed a short video of the WorkSharp sharpening system at the beginning of the SIG. Next, Floyd showed the veneered table top for Bob Schieck's table. One of the errors made to the top was sanding too much and gluing the trim in hot weather caused the glue to set up faster than usual. The discussion then turned to safety. Gary showed his push sticks for use on the bandsaw and tablesaw. It was reported that one member (who was not present) had cut his or her fingers on the tablesaw. The member did not have any push sticks so Gary gave the member some. A demonstration was given on how to use the push sticks. Keeping track of where your hands are in relation to the blade is a major concern of all who use power tools.

There will be no September Wood Projects SIG. The SIG was to be held on September 1st, but since that is Labor Day weekend it was decided to cancel the SIG meeting. The October SIG will be held at Gary Foster's Shop on Saturday, October 6th, 10am to 1pm. The subject will be bending wood.

Scrollsaw SIG***Contact person: Buzz Arnould & Roberta Taylor***

The Scrollsaw SIG met on August 11 at Bob Schieck' shop. Fifteen members attended. There was no set program but it was decided the scrollers would try the fat frog. Bob had many copies available. Wood was cut on the Shopsmith and Neil attached the patterns with clear packing tape. All three saws were all busy cutting out frogs and several frogs were completed. Bob explained the painting of colors on the frog. Dick Wampach showed up with toy supplies and wood and wheels. All the items given to club were taken by the members attending the SIG. Thank you Dick Wampach for delivering the supplies. Thank you Bob Schieck for a great meeting and for your years of service to SAW.

The next Scrollsaw SIG meeting will be Saturday, September 8 at Rich & Holly Lovvo's shop,

Small Lathe Group***Contact Person: Tom Taylor***

The July Small Lathe Group meeting was held at Neil Knudsen's shop. Turning corian was the topic of the Sig. Tom Taylor showed how to cut and glue up corian blanks. Neil showed the 23 members that attended how to turn and finish a corian pen. Many questions were asked by the members on the different techniques on finishing. Corian samples were handed out for the members.

The next meeting of the Small Lathe Group will be held on September 22 from 10 to 1 p.m. at Tom Taylor's shop,

President's Notes Cont:

Red Zones tell everyone to avoid certain areas at all costs possible. I hope you have established Red Zones in your shop. Its an easy way to stop an accident before it can ever happen. Some club members have asked what is the difference between a "SAW class" and a "SAW group." We (hopefully) don't want to start describing everything our club does in so much fancy that it takes ten lawyers, four dictionaries, and a mile of talk to define every word our members say. Put simply: a "SAW class" is a club meeting having a limited number of seats, such as at a club member's shop where safety and sanity dictate that it is reasonable to limit the number of participants for that specific event. A "SAW group," on the other hand, has no defined SAW membership-attendee seat limitation.

As the weather begins to cool, please be reminded of our club's Toys for Tots program. Please commit to making at least a few toys this Fall season. Let's prepare now to make Christmas bright for some of our neediest local children.

This month I would like to close by thanking Rogette Sommer for all of her work in supporting our club. For years Rogette has devoted two nights each month to helping club members and their friends learn the skills connected with tole painting. Even more, Rogette has--unbeknownst to probably most club members--helped paint a countless number of toys and other manufactured gifts that go to the Salvation Army toy program. Rogette has tirelessly given her heart and soul to our club--something that even I fail to acknowledge at meetings. Thank you Rogette for all of your charity and kindness.

That said, our club has a lot to be grateful for this month. Have a wonderful month this September 2007--and hope to see you at a SAW activity soon!

Clayton

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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September Calendar

1	Sat. 10-1	Wood Projects Group—NO MEETING
2	Sun. 2-5	Furniture Projects Class—NO MEETING
4	Tu. 7--9 p.m.	General Meeting Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street, Sacramento
8	Sat. 10-1	Scroll Saw Projects Group. Rick & Holly Lovvo's shop,
9	Sun. 1-4	Furniture Projects Group-Gary Foster's shop,
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	Wood Projects Class—NO MEETING
16	Sun. 2-5	Toy Group—NO MEETING
22	Sat 10-1	Small Lathe Group—Tom Taylor's shop
23	Sun. 2-5.	Novice Group— NO MEETING
23	Sun. 2-5 Thurs.	SHOP TOUR. See P. 3. Maps will be handed out at the General Meeting
27	Thu. 7-9 p.m.	Tole Painting Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street, Sacramento

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