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MEETING ETHEL Mac Leod HART SENIOR CENTER 915 27th STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA (BETWEEN I & J STREETS) November 6, 2007 7:00 pm

President's Note's:

Our club has some great opportunities and fun this November with SAW! Here is just a sampling of what is happening:

It is time again for our club's annual box contest! What are the rules? Pretty simple: The box must be built by a SAW club member in the past year. If it was made out of wood, and has a box shape, bring your project to the November general meeting. Any size box qualifies--as long as you can present it to the membership to see. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top four winning entries!

At our November general meeting we will also be raffling off a Metabo 18 volt cordless saw and drill set. Its a real dream of a cordless kit, donated by the folks at Sacramento Machinery! (Thank you Sacramento Machinery for your generous club donation!) Come on out November 6th and buy your tickets for this very very special raffle!

With the Christmas holidays soon here, look forward to these great SAW toy programs this month: First, bring your toy projects to share at the November meeting Show & Tell program. Bringing samples of your toys gives other SAW members "How To" skills--not to mention just showing projects for other club members to

consider making.

Also mark your calendars to attend a SAW Club Toy Workshop this November. The first Toy Workshop, sponsored by our friends at Woodcraft, will be held on Wednesday November 7th. A second SAW Toy Workshop will be held the following Wednesday November 14th for club members at the same location. Drop in at any time on either or both of those dates between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to give Santa a little help. Woodcraft will have all kinds of machines for you to use and practice making toys on. Lots of samples and toy plans will also be available. Please feel at ease to bring along to these workshops any materials you would like to donate to the club for toys. Both days should be fun for everyone!

SAW shop safety tip of the month: Do you have a blowgun hooked up to your air compressor system? It sounds tempting to just blast wood chips and debris from machines, projects, and materials. Unfortunately, its an all-too-common occurrence to also use a compressed air blowgun to blast debris into an eye, or fling particles into the air that are sucked into your lungs. A better way is to simply use a vacuum system, or use a tried-and-true traditional brush and dustpan to collect the debris. In the end, why be moving around offensive material, only to have to sweep it up later anyway?

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

Small record lathe for sale on a shop made stand with several faceplates. It was used very little several years ago when my son was younger (working & marriage replaced turning). I can be contacted at gefrazier@yahoo.com or 916 408-1775

I am redoing my shop, and need to get rid of some large power tools. I would like to offer them free to any SAW member who could use them. They would have to come out here to Sloughhouse to pick them up. You could either forward this message to the members or put it in the next newsletter. The list is as follows:

- 1. A Belsaw molder-planer, model 9103, very old. Has a 3 HP 220 motor
- 2. A Ward's 10" radial arm saw, new in 1966
- 3. A Rockwell 11" lathe. Needs assembly. Have chucks and accessories to go with it.

Anyone interested can contact me at (916-354-0201) or e-mail me at alexturner@aol.com

FOR SALE. Craftsman table saw, pre 1940 Model 6066; Rockwell wood lathe Model 46-111; Black & Decker drill powered band saw model 74-480, type 1 but missing electrical cord. Make Offer Tom Taylor 916-961-4432

President's Notes: Cont. from P. 1

Finally, it is with gratitude we commend the many candidates who are running for 2008 elected positions in our club. They each bring a wealth of experience, and bring a warmth of personality that I am certain will keep our club moving forward in the coming year. We vote for your club officers at the November general meeting. Be there to make your vote count.

And just as another president said "A chicken in every pot," lets see if any 2008 SAW officer candidate proclaims "A tablesaw in every garage"--or some other wise saying for us to remember.

As for me, I say "Ask not what your wood club can do for you, but what you can do for your wood club!"

That said, have a Thanksgiving November with your friends in the Sacramento Area Woodworker's!

^{*}Voting board member

2008 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS ARE HERE!

Here is your 2008 membership renewal form. Please fill it out and mail it with your check to SAW, P.O. Box 661121, Sacramento, CA 95866. If you get your Newsletter electronically, just print this page, complete it and send it in. Your 2008 membership card(s) will be ready for you to pick up at the next meeting. You can turn in your 2007 membership card at that time to be entered into the March 2008 drawing for a free membership. Both new and renewal membership forms will also be available at general meetings. For questions call Sally Green

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Election of Officers for 2008

The election of officers for 2008 will be held at the November General meeting. The following members have been nominated:

President: Rob Drown; Floyd Gibson

Vice President: Rick Mc Clusker

Secretary: Richard Lovvo

Treasurer: Sally Green

Editor: Nancy Landenslayer

Program Chair: Gary Foster

Box Contest

If it is generally made out of wood, has been made since October of 2006 and will hold something, it qualifies to enter the SAW 2007 Box Contest.

Bring your best box creation to the General Meeting and WIN, WIN, WIN
The recognition of your fellow SAW members. Also, although we are really in it for the love of making sawdust, there will also be great monetary prizes

Show & Tell October













Novice SIG

Contact person: Allan Laudenslayer

Fourteen members met at Allan and Nancy Laudenslayer's shop for a discussion of jointers and planers. All agreed it was a very informative session. The first half was devoted to why and how to use both pieces of shop equipment. We took a piece of Allan and Nancy's ash tree that was very roughly cut and far from useable, and turned it into flat and square piece of wood that was ready to be used in a project. The second half of the meeting was devoted to the setting up of both pieces of equipment in order to produce the square surfaces need for producing good tight joints in our woodworking projects.

Since the fourth weekend in November is Thanksgiving weekend and there are no SIG's scheduled in December, the next meeting of the Novice SIG will be on January 27th, and will be covering small power tools. Location to be announced.

Tole Painting SIG

Contact Person: Rogette Sommers

The Tole Painting SIG met on Thursday evening, October 11 and 25. The painters were working on new projects, specifically, animals on fence or a rack for keys or coats. Thank you Rogette.

The Tole Painting SIG will be meet only once in the month of November on November 8th from 7pm to 9pm at the Ethel MacLeod Senior Center. 915 27th St., Sacramento, CA. This will be the last Tole Painting session in 2007.

Regular Tole Painters will be starting again in January, 2008 Members are all invited to the November session, and, if you can't come then, plan to come out in January and learn Tole Painting.

Wood Projects SIG

Contact Person: Floyd Gibson or Steven Hitchens

The Wood Projects SIG was held on October 6th at Gary Foster's shop. The subject was bending wood. Three methods of bending were demonstrated, heat bending, steam bending and cold bending of laminated wood. All attendees participated in both laminated bending and heat bending. The best type of wood to bend is non-kiln dried wood. The kiln dried wood seemed to break easier when heat bending. Some members bent the wood strips in a spiral, corkscrew pattern. The members made forms for laminated wood bending and used a lot of clamps, of which Gary has plenty. Gary's steam chamber had some problems. The wood plugs in the steam pipe swelled so he had to use a saw to cut the pipe open to access the steamed wood. All in all, it was an informative and successful meeting.

There will be no Wood Projects SIG in November or December so everyone can devote the time to work on toys for the Toys for Tots program. The next meeting will be January 5th. It will be held at Floyd Gibson's shop from 10am to 1pm. The subject will be announced in the January newsletter.

Scrollsaw SIG

Contact person: Buzz Arnould or Roberta Taylor

The Scrollsaw SIG met at Buzz Arnould's shop, where members were busy doing fretwork, intarsia, and compound projects. A large assortment of projects were available and half-a-dozen saws were in use. Roberta Taylor coached members doing intarsia for the first time, Bob Schieck had some snowflake ornaments to cut, and Buzz gave out patterns for Penguin and Duck push toys. Members took a lot of projects home to complete.

The next SIG will be at Roberta Taylor's on November 10 from 10 am. to 1 pm. We will be working on toys and puzzles for Christmas.

She has many animal puzzles to be cut. Several types of saws will be used.

Lathe Turning SIG

Contact Person: Tom Taylor

The Lathe Turning SIG was held at Floyd Gibson's shop. The subject was sharpening lathe tools. There were several sharpening systems demonstrated. The systems included: Wolverine, Wolverine clone, Alan Laudenslayer's version (Blue Collar), WorkSharp, Tormek, and Lap-Sharp. Fifteen members were in attendance. Alan Laudenslayer showed Lynn Duran how to use the Wolverine system to sharpen her lathe tools. Rick Lovvo brought his new WorkSharp and Jason Beam help him set it up. We found out that the WorkSharp system is not very useful for sharpening turning tools, but is very good for chisels and plane irons. Floyd Gibson demonstrated the Tormek and the LapSharp systems.

The Wolverine sharpening system seemed to be the most useful system for sharpening lathe tools. It is fast and easy to learn. The other systems are good but are slower and harder to learn. There will be no meeting in November. The next meeting (SIG) will be held on Saturday, January 25th. The location and subject matter will be announced at the January General Meeting.

Toys for Tots

The final Toy Workshop for 2007 will be held at Woodcraft's new store, 9523 Folsom Blvd. Sacramento, CA 95827 (916) 362-9664 on Wednesdayd, November 7 and 14 from 10 am to 3 pm. All members are invited to help with our biggest club project of the year, making toys for children who might otherwise not receive anything for Christmas. Come for one hour or stay all day. Bring a friend, this is a fun day doing something for someone else.

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.

NEW BOOKS:

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Making Toys that Teach Les Neufield
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Calendar				
3	Sat. 10-1	Wood Projects Group—No Meeting		
4	Sun. 2-5	Furniture Projects Class— Gary Foster 's shop		
6 	Tue 7-9	General Meeting—Hart Sr. Center 915 27th St. Sacra- mento. Box Contest		
7 	Wed. 10-3	Toy Workshop, Woodcraft, 9523 Folsom Blvd. Sacra- mento		
l 8	Thu. 7-9	Board Meeting—Hart Sr. Ctr. 915-27th St. Sacto.		
8 1	Thu. 7-9	Toll Painting Hart Sr. Ctr. 915-27th St. Sacto.		
10	Sat. 10-1	Scroll Saw Projects Roberta Taylor's shop,		
14	Wed. 10-3	Toy Workshop, Woodcraft, 9523 Folsom Blvd. Sacra- mento		
17 1	Sat. 10-1	Wood Projects Class—No Meeting		
18 	Sun 2-5	Furniture Projects Group— Gary Foster Toll Painting—No Meeting		
22	Thu 7-9	Lathe Group—No Meeting		
24	Sat. 10-1	Novice Group—No Meeting		



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