President’s Note

Happy New Year.

December’s Toys for Tots for the Salvation Army was very successful. We presented the Salvation Army with 1484 handmade toys. Thank you to all members who participated in making the Toys for Tots a success. Thank you, Bob Schieck for leading the toy workshops at Woodcraft. Thank you, Woodcraft for allowing us to use your facility and tools. A slide show of the Salvation Army Toys for Tots December meeting will be presented at the January meeting.

I am looking forward to 2008. We have exciting things happening this year. The first meeting in January will be held the second Tuesday, January 8th due to New Years Day falling on the first Tuesday. So, enjoy it and if you do any woodworking, be SAFE. Also, 2008 membership dues are now payable. The cost is $30.00 per member and $15.00 for spouse or child. Please fill out the membership renewal form so your address/phone number/email address will be current.

One of the subjects to be covered at the January meeting will be what you got from Santa. Also, what you made for family & friends for Christmas. I know some of you received some unique woodworking tools for Christmas. Please share your happiness with the members. And, if you are lucky, you can add to your collection with one of the raffle prizes. Buy as many tickets as you can afford.

The large raffle, members only, will consist of the Worksharp sharpening system with accessories.

What a great prize. (Who will be the lucky person). February’s prize will be a Freud 3½ HP variable speed plunge router. The small raffle is open to all to purchase tickets, including guests; we’ll have some neat prizes. If we can get more members to receive their newsletter via email, the small raffle can offer better prizes.

Those members who have email capabilities and are receiving their newsletter via snail mail, US Postal Service, please consider receiving your SAW newsletter via email. We would like to expand the newsletter to include more information concerning SIGs and various planned activities. With the increased expansion, the costs of printing and mailing will increase greatly if we have to mail hard copies to members. If more members receive their newsletter electronically, via email, the costs would be less and the expansion would be feasible. So, consider receiving the SAW newsletter via email if your capabilities allow it.

Please respond to Nancy Laudenslayer by ____________ indicating whether you want the newsletter sent via email or US Postal Service.

Welcome New Members

Doug Darmsted - Carmichael

Kathy Wise Intarsia Books are being shipped to Gary Foster. Please call Gary regarding obtaining your copy of the book.
The SACRAMENTO AREA WOODWORKERS, also known as SAW, is an organization formed for the purpose of:

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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 Nancy Laudenslayer, 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.

President’s Note Continued:

If you have already replied to Nancy’s e-mail of December 9, 2007 you do not need to respond again.

Any submissions to the SAW newsletter editor must be sent no later than the 20th of the month. All SIG reports must be made by the SIG coordinators or the designated writer. If the SIG meeting is before the general meeting or is held after the 20th of the month, please include what was discussed and/or demonstrated at the prior SIG, and what is planned for the next SIG meeting. The new format of the Special Interest Groups (SIGs) has been in effect for 6 months. We would like some feedback on what you think. Have you participated in any of the classes offered? I think the SIGs and classes are wonderful teaching sessions for our members. They are great social gatherings, too. I really enjoy going to the SIGs, and I learn many things and get to visit with other members. I am looking forward to seeing many different projects coming in for Show and Tell and the contests. The February contest will be birdhouses/bird feeders. Butterfly houses and bat houses are welcome to be entered.

A special thanks to the previous year’s officers and board members. Your participation is welcomed and appreciated. A warm-hearted THANK YOU goes to all members who were involved with the club and SIGs/classes.

Floyd Gibson
SAW President 2008

Information from Judy Schuchmann
I want to let the members know that the Hardware Emporium in downtown Loomis will close in December 2008. Rumor has it that Home Depot and Lowe’s are going in at the intersection of Sierra College and Hwy 80. They are selling off all of their antique tool collection. It was in the Sac Bee on Thursday in our local section.

Note from Nancy and Allan Laudenslayer.
The collection is fantastic and we were told it will not be sold until November or December of 2008.

Go See the collection!!
A “Group” is a gathering of woodworks at a member workshop to discuss and do project related to the Group’s interest. Any SAW member or guest of a SAW member may just show-up at the meeting.

A “Class” is a predefined project and you must sign-up to take the Class. It is only open to SAW members and a limited number of woodworkers.

Furniture Projects Group
Contact Person: Gary Foster
The Furniture Projects SIG will be meeting 2pm to 5pm, Sunday January 20, 2008 at Gary Foster’s Shop. The Subject will be what identifies the different styles of furniture construction.

Novice Group
Contact Person: Allan Laudenslayer or Jack Duran
The first novice SIG of the new year will be held on January 27th, at Jack Duran’s shop in Roseville. This meeting will be covering “Small Power Tools”. For those of you that might be “tool deprived”, this will be a good opportunity to see and understand how to use some of these power tools that we all wish we had. We hope to give you some insight on the how’s, why’s and when’s of a good many small power tools.

Tole Painting Group
Contact Person: Rogette Sommers
If you have ever wanted to learn to tole paint, Rogette is the person to teach you. She is excellent and a very patient teacher. Tole Painting will be Thursday, January the 10th and 24th, 2008 at the Hart Center from 7p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Wood Projects Group
Contact Person: Floyd Gibson or Steven Hitchens
The Wood Projects SIG will be held January 5th at my Floyd Gibson’s work shop. The subject will be to discuss what projects will be of interest to the members. I am considering jigs and fixtures for the various power equipment. And classes will be offered to construct the various jigs and fixtures.

Scroll Saw Group
Contact person: Buzz Arnould and Roberta Taylor
The Scroll Saw SIG for January will be held on January 12th at Rick and Holly Lovvo’s shop. The project will be gifts for Valentines Day. Patterns and wood will be provided unless you have a special wood you want to use.

Small Lathe Turning Group
Contact Person: Tom Taylor or Jason Beam
Small Lathe Turning will be Jan 26 10am to1 pm at Tom Taylors shop. Mini show and tell, bring any work you did in November or December. Project bottle stoppers. Feb 23 10am to 1pm at David Rice’s shop. Project and topic To Be Announced.

Furniture Projects Class
Contact Person: Gary Foster
The Furniture Projects Class will be meeting 2pm to 5pm, Sunday January 6, 2008 at Tom Nelson’s Shop. The Subject will be the last of the workbench class and will cover the installation of the Veritas Twin-Screw Vise.
A Hearty Thank You from Captain John Brackenbury from The Salvation Army
Be sure to stop by and see all the pictures that were taken at the Toys For Toys gathering. There were so many great pictures and I could not begin to include them in the newsletter. I will have a slide show before the meeting starts and during the break.

Great Toys!!!!!
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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January Calendar

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6th Sun. 2 - 5  Furniture Projects Class - Tom Nelson’s work shop,
8th Tue. 7 - 9  General Meeting - Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th street, Sacramento
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