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 (BETWEEN I & J STREETS)
 March 4, 2008 7:00 pm**

President's Note

The ides of March are upon us, and this is known for the date of the assassination of Julius Caesar. This is a little bit of a history lesson and has nothing to do with this message other than it is the month of March. I have a few things to include in this message, especially the memory box workshop.

The Memory Box Workshop was very successful. 28 members attended the workshop at Tom Nelson's on Sunday, February 17th. Hili Fortier was there. Great to see her. Everyone pitched in to make memory boxes for the terminally ill children. Tom had the help of Ralph Desmond who is the guru for making the boxes. We used his expertise, and Tom set up different workstations to assist the production process. Ralph's brother John, work at the glue-up table was extremely valuable. We learned a lot about what went smoothly and what processes needed to be modified. Hopefully, we can have another workshop soon. I know there were about 10 boxes completed. There were many more still in process and some members took the in-process boxes home to complete. Thanks to Ralph, Tom, and Jason for a successful workshop.

The March general meeting will have a scheduled speaker. Keith Rios from California Hearing Center will speak on hearing problems and ways to prevent hearing loss. I am looking forward to this presentation as I only have hearing in one ear. We will give Keith Rios plenty of time for his subject as this is very important to woodworkers.

Dues are now payable and must be paid by the end of March. If not paid by the end of March, the newsletter will be discontinued to non-paid members. Renewing members dues are \$30.00 no matter when the dues are paid. New members, who were not members during the

previous year, will have the dues pro-rated depending on what time of the year they join.

The Tole Painting SIG has experienced lack of participation. This has put a strain on Rogette, so the Executive Board decided that the Tole Painting SIG will be sign-up only. Gary Foster will have a sign-up sheet for those who would like to learn or continue Tole Painting. The Tole Painting SIG will be scheduled as needed depending on the number of participants. This may discontinue as a SIG and turn into a class format.

The April shop tour is to be held Sunday, April 6th from 1pm to 5pm. Clayton Nye is the coordinator. So far, we have his cabinet shop in Auburn and Bob Waters' shop in Alta. We would like one more shop in the Rocklin to Auburn area. The shop tour will be a progressive type tour. This means the first shop, in the Rocklin area, will be open from 1pm to 2:00pm, Clayton's cabinet shop from 2:30pm to 3:30pm and Bob Waters from 4:00pm to 5:00pm. If you live in the Rocklin/Auburn area and would like to open your shop, please contact Clayton Nye.

The Woodworking Show has been sold. These shows in other areas are decreasing in attendance and sponsorship. The show is scheduled for April 18, 19 & 20th at Cal

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Welcome New Members

**James Benson
 Herbert Edwards
 Paul Mewman
 Dodie Newman
 Kelly Ellis**

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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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 Membership

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.

Newsletter Items

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.

CLASSIFIEDS

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Woodworker Wanted:

Not long ago I bought a very nice woodshop located in Auburn, California. One of my challenges with buying an already operating shop is figuring what to do with the many tools, supplies, and machines that I already owned. I'm looking for someone who would be interested in putting the available woodworking resources and materials I now have sitting unused and in storage to good use. I am open to any ideas you would like to offer. Thanks. Clayton Nye.

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SIG and Class Information

A **“SIG” (Special Interest Group)** is a gathering of woodworkers 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.

Wood Projects SIG

Contact Person: Floyd Gibson or Steven Hitchens

The Wood Projects Group met Feb 2nd at Steven Hitchens Shop on a cold rainy day. Thirteen SAW members attended the SIG, all were happily warm in the fully heated and well lit shop. Steve started out with two video's on building a cross-cut sled and how to align the Sled Fence to the table Saw blade. Steve supplied Free computer CD's full of articles on building Crosscut Sleds to any member. Next meeting will be at Don Robinson's Shop on March 1st. The subject will be about shop made router tables and making your own. Dust collection and how they fit in your shop. How you can adapt them to other tools that work with your router.

Scroll Saw SIG

Contact person: Buzz Arnould and Roberta Taylor

Sixteen members met in Bob Schiek's garage to scroll dollhouse furniture. Patterns and wood were provided for several projects from simple to advanced. We used RBI and DELTA saws mainly, and the Lovvo's brought in their new HEGNER to try. This is a top-rated scroll saw and several members had a chance to use it. Thanks for the use of the hall, Bob.

On March 8th, Saturday, 10am to 1pm we will meet at Roberta Taylors shop. We will be doing compound cutting using a simple to make clamp, making your cutting easier, more accurate, and SAFER. Roberta has a new pattern for a votive candle holder that looks like a small urn, a challenge for intermediate to advanced scrollers. Not to worry!!! We will have many easier projects available also.

Furniture Projects SIG

Contact Person: Gary Foster

The February 16 Furniture Making open meeting was attended by 19 SAW members. Seven students and one instructor signed up for the Hands-On class to be held at Gary Foster's shop 10am to 2pm, on Saturday, March 8. The next open meeting will be at Gary's shop between 10am and 2pm on March 15. The subject will be Tuning up, Sharpening, and Use of Hand Plains, Spokeshaves, and Hand scrapers. A Hands-On class sign-up sheet will be at the open meeting.. The April subject will be selected by the SAW members signing up on the "I want it sheets" at the next regular SAW meeting on March 4. Thanks to the Allan, Jason, and Rob for being guest instructors at the last meeting. Gary Foster

Toys for Tots SIG

Contact Person: Bob Curnow

The first meeting for this year was held at the Woodcraft Learning Center. 6 members attended. The object was to produce doll beds and small wagons (trolleys). As we were all new to the workshop it took some time to orient ourselves to the machinery and to find the other items we needed. The items to be made and the system used was also new to most of us. This meant that not a great lot was produced. We had a few problem with a router we were using that was not conducive to our total output. (Exit one Router!!!). We did, however, produce 6 carcasses for the wagons and multiple parts for the doll beds, Not bad for our first effort.

There has been some confusion as to what members who do not participate, can or should make. It is not, and never has been intended that we, the club, would tell any member what to make. We appreciate the efforts of each and every one of you, Go for it folks!

At the next meeting on March 18, we'll try to complete the wagons and doll beds. We'll also try to find some ideas of other things we can do to not only make toys, but increase our expertise in using different techniques and tools. Hope to see more of you in March. Bob Curnow

Small Lathe Turning SIG

Contact Person: Tom Taylor or Jason Beam

The January pen SIG was held at Tom Taylor's shop. 22 members attended to see a demo of bottle stoppers being turned by Michael Boswell. Jason Beam also demoed the turning of lidded boxes. Tom gave instruction on sharpening lathe tools. The next SIG will be held at David and Judy rice's shop on Feb. 23. Demoing of pen finishing will be done.

Novice SIG

Contact person: Allan Laudenslayer or Jack Duran

The January meeting of the Novice SIG was held at Jack Duran's shop and 19 members attended. The meeting covered a wide variety of hand held power tools ranging from corded, cordless, and air driven. There was a lot of discussion on the pro's and con's of each category. If you missed this SIG, you might want to catch it the next time around.

At the time this newsletter went to press, the February SIG had not been held so we will let you know what happen at this SIG in the next newsletter.

The March novice SIG will not be held due to the fourth Sunday being Easter Sunday.

In keeping with the theme of the Novice SIG's, the next meeting of the SIG will be starting the sequence over starting with the April meeting. That meeting will be going back to "Basic Shop Setup". For those of you that are still trying to figure out just how to make things work in your shop, this will be a big help in getting your thought processes moving to set up an efficient and safe shop. Jack Duran's presentation on "safe shop electrical" is a do not miss subject. There will be more on this SIG in the April newsletter.

President's Note (continued from page 1)

Expo. If we are invited, sign-ups for participation will be held at the April general meeting. We should know some time in March if we will participate.

The Higgins BBQ is tentatively scheduled for June 7th. However, they still have not moved and hopefully, will be in their new facility by that date. Will keep you posted.

Now for the good news. The large raffle will have a Lie-Nielsen Bench plane. This is a wish list item. Gary Foster has agreed to make sure it is sharp and in very tiptop condition. It is **NEW**.....To the winner will go a bottle of camellia oil to preserve the plane's pristine condition. So, buy many tickets. Be the **WINNER**.

See you at the Meeting.....

Floyd Gibson

*******Please pick up your new membership cards at the March General Meeting.*******

Special Message from Richard Lovvo

Want to know what was discussed at the Board meeting? Want to catch up on the club Bylaws? Need a new member list? Limited copies of each will be available at each General meeting to current paid members. See the Secretary located at the side table on the left-hand side of the meeting room.

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Wood Projects SIG presentation by Steven Hitchens »



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Jason Beam presentation at the Small Lathe SIG, "Now you had better pay attention!!"



Mike Bosewell



Floyd Gibson at the scroll saw SIG.



Interested group at the scroll saw SIG.



One of the methods demonstrated was the Porter Cable Dove Tail System and the results at the Furniture Projects SIG.



Some of the members at the Furniture Projects SIG.

Memory Boxes



Jason Beam and Sam Stier on Saw. Jack Van Keuren and Holly Lovvo using the router table in the back.



Jason Beam adjusting the Band Saw.



Tom Taylor on Chop Saw.



Craig Blankenship on router table



Nancy and Roberta at the glue table.



Floyd Gibson, Rick Lovvo, and Sally Green at the Planing Center.

Show and Tell Bird House Winners



Large Raffle won by Sally Green



Abe Low shared his wood box.



Bob Schiek won 2nd prize for his bird house.



Vern Waters won 1st place for his bird (cat) house.



Debbie Probst showed her pen that she made.



Bob Beckert showed off his beautiful Cross he made for his church.

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.

Your Library received a gift of books from Ron Setzer. We will be able to use some of these books. The rest will be offered to you the members of SAW. The others will be donated to a school in Elk Grove. If you know of other schools that you think could use woodworking books please let me know. Bob Beckert

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March Calendar

1st	Sat. 10 - 1	Wood Projects SIG - Don Robinson's shop,
4th	Tue. 7 - 9	General Meeting - Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th street, Sacramento
8th	Sat. 10 - 1	Scroll Saw SIG - Roberta Taylors shop.
13th	Thur. 7 - 9	Board Meeting - Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th street, Sacramento
15th	Sat. 10 - 2	Furniture Projects SIG - Gary Foster's Shop,
18th	Tue. 1:30 - 7	Toy For Tots SIG - Woodcraft Store,
22nd	Sat. 10 - 1	Small Lathe Turning SIG - David and Judy Rice's shop,
23rd	Sun. 2 - 5	Novice SIG - Easter NO Meeting

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