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SAW NEWSLETTER

January 2009

MEETING
ETHEL Mac Leod HART SENIOR CENTER
915 27th STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA
(BETWEEN I & J STREETS)
January 6, 2009 7:00 pm

President's Message

Happy New Year! 2009 has arrived and it looks like we have a great year ahead of us. We will still have our meetings at the Hart Senior Center, but that has become a cost item which started last July because the City of Sacramento has a budget shortage. So far, we have enough money in the Treasury to pay the rental fees for 2009. However, to reduce expenses, the Board Meetings will no longer be held at the Center. The meetings will be held at various board members homes. We will let you know the location of the Board meetings at the general meeting. What is in store for January 2009 and beyond?

First, the program for January's General meeting will be "**What Santa Brought**". Bring the item(s) or pictures to the meeting that you received for Christmas or what you decided to give yourself. Most woodworkers are tool collectors anyway. I am interested in what the members received that they needed (right!) or just wanted. The question is what Santa brought to those woodworkers who have "**EVERYTHING**". I know that most woodworkers have a shop full of tools, but still have a little bit more room for another tool. Bring it in or pictures of it, and we will put it on display.

As we discussed at the November 2008 meeting, we are going to teach woodworking at **Theodore Judah Elementary School's After School Program**. So far, we have 5 members signed up to volunteer. However, we would like to have a minimum of 8 members to help teach the children. The PTA will provide all equipment and assist in the supervision of the classes. I have requested that 2 parents be included in the supervision. The classes are scheduled to start sometime in January and will be held once a week on either Tuesday or Thursday. The classes will last one and a half hours. We will need 2 instructors per week. If we have 8 instructors, we can

limit each to once per month. This is an opportunity to pass on to the children our expertise.

We have some changes in the leadership for the SIGs. The Wood Projects SIG will remain the same. **Steven Hitchens** and I will continue to lead this SIG. **Gary Foster** will continue to lead the Furniture & Design SIG. However, he will need assistance and wants to rotate the hosting of the SIG. If you would like to host the SIG at your shop during the year, please notify Gary. The Scrollsaw SIG coordinator will be **Holly Lovvo**. Rick and Holly have been members for a short time and have been an asset to the club. **Jason Beam** has graciously accepted to be coordinator for the Lathe Turning SIG. **Jack Duran** and **Allan Laudenslayer** will continue to coordinate the Novice SIG. The Toys for Tots SIG coordinator is **Woody Woods** with assistance from **Bob Schieck**. If any member would like to host any of the SIGs during the year, please contact the SIG coordinator. Also, if you have any suggestions for subjects for each SIG, please contact the coordinator. The SIGs have been a great learning tool for different aspects of woodworking.

There have been some personnel changes for the different concessions at the General Meeting. **Nancy Laudenslayer** will be the Large Raffle ticket seller. **Lynn Duran** and **Rob Drown** will do the refreshments. **Doris Woods** and **Marilyn Gibson** will continue to sell the Small Raffle tickets. These volunteers help make the meetings successful. Please say thank you to each of them.

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Welcome New Member

Deborah Hall

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.

2009 SAW BOARD

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All Phone numbers without an area code are 916.

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Volunteer members who work hard to help make the club enjoyable and run smoothly.

Librarians	Bob Beckert, Jack Van Keuren, Norm Steinbach, Dick Lewis.
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Large Raffle	Nancy Laudenslayer
Merchandise	Judy Wavers Hank Wavers
Badges	Charles Linn
Refreshments	Lynn Duran Rob Drown
Web Master	Jason Beam

CLASSIFIED ADS

No Classified ads this month.

MEMBERSHIP

For all renewing members the dues for SAW are \$30 per calendar year (No Prorated renewal). 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.

New Members will be prorated by month joined for the year.

Jan - Mar	\$30.00
Apr - Jun	\$22.50
Jul - Sept	\$15.00
Oct - Dec	\$7.50

No refunds will be given on membership dues.

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. Richard Lovvo by the **20th of the month** for inclusion in the following month's newsletter.

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.

Tops the Universal Toy	Cullen
The Ultimate Band Saw Box	Menke
Building Small Projects	Fine Woodworking
The Woodturners FAQ Book	Holder



(Continued from page 1) President's Message

The Salvation Army Toys for Tots meeting was a success. We donated 1164 handmade toys. Capt Hendrik Sumter and his wife were very impressed with the quality and the amount of toys we made. I am proud of our members who gave of their time and effort to create these toys. It is a work of love and gives the needy children a very Merry Christmas. There were children smiling because of your contributions. Thank you!!!

The Board has decided that new members will be given a temporary badge when they join. This is so all members will know who the new member is. If you see a new member(s), identified by a temporary badge, please welcome them.

Membership dues are now payable. Don't forget to fill out the Membership Application. Also, you will need to turn in your old membership card. The old membership cards will go into a drawing for a free membership. The dues for 2009 are \$30 for renewing members and \$15 for the rest of the family.

We have some great prizes for the raffles. January's large raffle prize is a Bosch Colt Router kit. This prize is a must for woodworkers. Buy your tickets. At \$1.00 per ticket, it is a bargain. The small raffle will have some good prizes including one "WOW" prize. Let's give Holly a run for her money. Wouldn't you like to be the recipient of the "WOW" prize? Buy as many tickets as you can afford.

We received a thank you letter from Traci Aoki-Tan, Child Life Specialist at Kaiser, for the donated Memory Boxes. I will read it at the January meeting. Tom Nelson will again hold a Memory Box workshop this year. The date will be determined later. The Memory Box program was started by our late member, Bert Fortier. Tom has continued the tradition.

See you at the January meeting

Floyd Gibson
President 2009

Capt. Hendrik Sumter and his wife represented the Salvation Army and the Toys for Tots.



January Calendar

6th	Tue. 7 - 9	General Meeting Ethel Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street Sacramento
3rd	Sat. 10-1	Wood Projects SIG Floyd Gibson
8th	Thu. 7 - 9	Board Meeting To Be announced
10th	Sat. 10 - 1	Scroll Saw SIG Rick & Holly Lovvo
17th	Sat. 10-1	Furniture Projects SIG Gary Foster
24th	Sat. 10 - 1	Small Lathe Turning SIG Jason Beam
25th	Sun. 2 - 5	Novice SIG Jack & Lynn Duran

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Hrs: M-T-W-F: 9AM - 7PM, Th: 9AM - 9PM, Sat: 9AM - 6PM, Sun: 12PM - 5PM

SIG and Class Information

A “**SIG**” (**Special Interest Group**) is a gathering of woodworkers at a member’s workshop to discuss and do projects 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 a limited number of SAW members.

Wood Projects SIG

Contact Person: Floyd Gibson or Steven Hitchens

The Wood Projects SIG will be held at Floyd Gibson Shop on Saturday January 3, 2009. The subject is making box joints on a table saw and with routers jigs.

Scroll Saw SIG

Contact person: Holly Lovvo

We will have the Scroll Saw meeting at my house this month on January 10th. I would like to thank Buzz and Roberta for their knowledge and experience in the past year of the meetings and I am hoping they will pass that along this year with helping me in the coming year. I will have a questionnaire form at the meeting to ask what would members like to see in the SIG this year. Would you like to see fret work? A large project? Themed SIGS? So please have your idea ready for the SIG.

Furniture Projects SIG

Contact Person: Gary Foster

At the Furniture Project SIG we will be build a Cricket Table from issue 200 of Fine Woodworking. If you want to make one for yourself, please refer to issue 200 for a materials list. If you do not want to make the table please come and observe and learn - all are welcome. The making of the table will be done over sever sessions.

Small Lathe Turning SIG

Contact Person: Jason Beam

The turning 101 classes have been going along well. Signup is closed for now. I have been going down the list of sign-ups and will be contacting each member when I have an open time for them. The turning SIG will be at my shop in January. The subject will be a demonstration of using the skew chisel.

Novice SIG

Contact person: Allan Laudenslayer or Jack Duran

The January 25th SIG will be covering band saw setup and tuning, and some useful jigs that you can build to make your saw more productive. The January SIG will be at Jack Durans Shop in Roseville. We will be talking about and showing various accessories and do some tuning up of Jack’s Band saw.

The February 22nd Novice SIG will be a follow up of the band saw SIG and we will be doing band saw boxes and other band saw items. Plan on attending this to improve your band saw skills.

Toys For Tots

Woody Woods

Our SAW Club gave 1164 toys for the Salvation Army this year – Let’s try to do even better in 2009! These quality toys were made by 30 of our woodworkers with a big helping hand from the Citrus Heights Eskaton Village woodworking club. Since I’m sure we can do better in 2009, let’s get started now instead of waiting until the last minute. We need some ideas and/or patterns for toys for girls – let me know. Wood, wheels and patterns are available. All it takes to get those is a call or message to me and you will have them.



L to R Jim Jackson, Doug Darmsted, and Sterling Parrish from Citrus Heights Eskaton



Woodworking Contests for 2009

Below is a sample of the form to be used for judging your wood-working project for the contests and the contest rules. Please take time to read the form. Thank you.

Woodworking Contest Projects for 2009

Month	Project
February	Bird House
April	Step Stool
June	Furniture
Aug	Clock
Oct	Box

SACRAMENTO AREA WOODWORKERS WOODWORKING CONTEST

SAW CONTEST RULES

The project has to be mainly wood and must have been finished since the last contest of the same type. To qualify for prizes a MEMBER can enter only one project per contest with any extras going into the show and tell.

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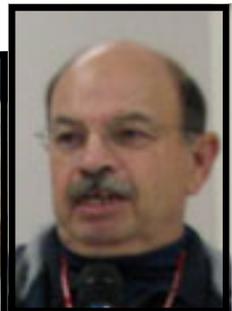
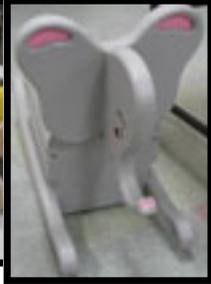
All projects are to be judged anonymously by a minimum of three SAW members. Each of the three judges will vote secretly, ranking all of the projects in the competition based on the following criteria.

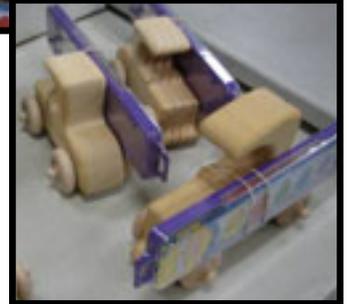
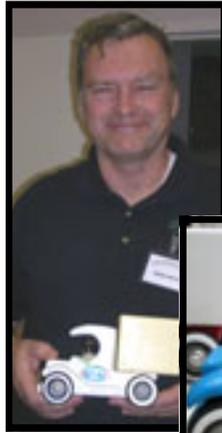
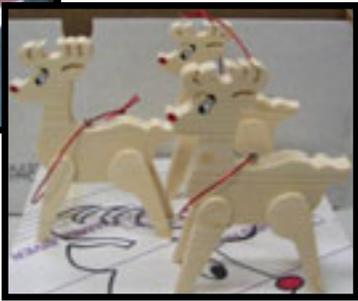
SCORE SHEET

Entry Number	Appropriate Use Of Materials		Quality of Finished Surfaces 20%	Correct Design Strategy 20%	Quality of Overall Workmanship 25%	Total 100%	Place 1st-2nd-3rd Or Honorable Mention
	Colors & Texture 15%	Wood Selection & Grain Matching 20%					
	MAX SCORE 15%	MAX SCORE 20%	MAX SCORE 20%	MAX SCORE 20%	MAX SCORE 25%	MAX TOTAL 100%	PRIZE AWARDED
COMMENTS							

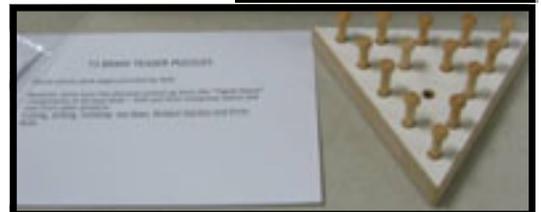
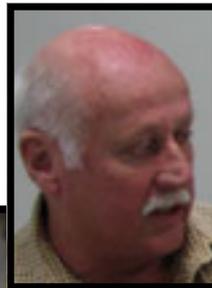
The vice president will announce the winners to the club after the judging is completed and total scores are compared. In case of a tie, the members tying will share combined award moneys.







Hilie found some cars that Bert had made and brought them in for the tots.





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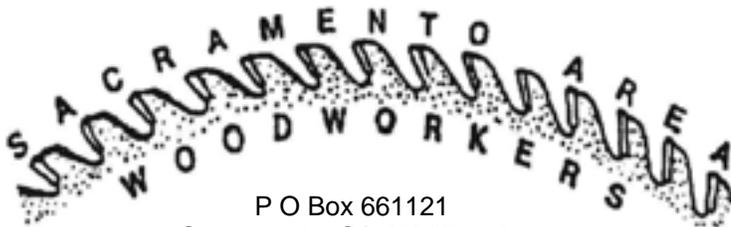


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