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

President's Message

There are some important dates this month. Is April 1st for practical jokes or is it for fools? I don't know, but we can enjoy goofing off. April is tax time – income taxes and property taxes are due. What a bummer. As if the government doesn't have enough money already (**our money**). Now, down to business.

The Woodworking Show is scheduled for April 24 – 26 (Friday through Sunday). We have filled all of the slots for volunteers. **Thank you**. We will be demonstrating intarsia. I have patterns and wood from last year. So, if you have a dremel tool, please bring it to the show. I will ask Woodcraft for a couple of scrollsaws. This is one of the venues that we use to advertise our club.

We have a router table donated by the Lemons and a pin router donated by Woodline. However, we do not have a router to utilize these donations. We will use these items to make cradles for the **Toys for Tots** projects. If anyone has a **Porter Cable 690** type router that they do not use, we would appreciate you donating it to the club so we will have a complete pin router. At the last December meeting, we were short on cradles. We donated many dolls to the Salvation Army. The Lemons let us have the use of their cradle patterns. All we need to do is make patterns for the pin router. This will be one piece of equipment that will greatly enhance our **Toys for Tots** projects. **Thank you, Lemons.....**

Bob Schieck has talked to the manager at Higgins. The Higgins BBQ is tentatively a go. The scheduled date is Saturday, June 6. Please mark your calendars. I will continue to keep you posted on the status of the BBQ.

Safety has always been a priority at all SIGs. It was

agreed that all members who participate in on-hands instruction will be provided safety glasses and hearing protection (if needed). We would like to have everyone enjoy the instruction without injury. There have been members who have been injured while woodworking. Members have reported at the club meetings about injuries suffered. Let's keep our shops and SIGs safe.

We have a chance to get discounts from Klingspor. The only requirement is we must send a list of the current members including mailing address and email address to Klingspor. They do **NOT** sell the list. It is put into their database for catalog mailings and special notifications. By being part of their database, our members will enjoy a discount of 10 percent. This does not apply to any power tools. The club was last supported by Klingspor in 2007. As part of their support, they will donate, twice a year, a box of sandpaper for our raffles. If anyone does not want to be part of this, please let us know so we can delete your information from the membership list that is going to be sent to Klingspor.

April's general meeting program will be about household items used in woodworking. If you have any items from the kitchen or anything used in the house that you also use in the shop, please contact Gary Foster before April's meeting. This program should be very interesting. Many ideas have become standard from the house to the shop.

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Welcome New Members

Jerry Butler
Jim Devine
Rocklin Forest Products

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

*Voting board member

All Phone numbers without an area code are 916.

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SAW Staff Members

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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Small Raffle	Doris Woods Marilyn Gibson
Large Raffle	Nancy Laudenslayer
Merchandise	Judy Wavers Hank Wavers
Badges	Charles Linn
Refreshments	Lynn Duran Rob Drown
Web Master	Jason Beam

!!! CONGRATULATIONS !!!

To Jason Beam, winner of a free 2009 membership!

LIBRARY

Books, videos, and magazines are available *FREE* to members for one month at a time when checked out of the Library at the back of the meeting room. Be sure to return the items at the next meeting.

New Books for April

Storage & Shelving Solutions	Handyman
Super Simple Scroll Saw Clocks	Nelson
Intarsia Woodworking Projects	Kathy Wise

**SEEKING VOLUNTEERS:
SPRING 2009 SAW SHOP TOUR**

Our next SAW club shop tour is scheduled for Sunday, May 17, 2009. We are seeking club members to open up their woodshop for other saw members to visit.

Each shop on the tour only stays open for one or two hours, providing you the opportunity to visit other club members' shops. Please call me if you would be willing to host your shop in the Spring Saw Shop Tour. Thank you.

Clayton Nye

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.

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A step stool contest is also scheduled for the April meeting. If you have completed or are in the process of completing a step stool since the last step stool contest, please bring it in. The step stool needs to be completely finished.

The raffles for April will have some very good items as prizes. The Large Raffle item is a **Bosch 1617 EVSK** router kit. You cannot have enough routers. It is nice to change routers instead of changing router bits. The small raffle "WOW" prizes will include two items. One item is the Rockler height gauge and the other is a Starrett Double Square 13A. These are items that will go fast. Buy as many tickets as you can afford. The more tickets you buy the better chance of winning. By the way, May's Large Raffle item will be a **Lie-Nielsen 22 inch Jointer Plane**.

The SAW merchandise table will have caps for sale. We have ordered 20 caps with the SAW logo. These will be available at the meeting. If anyone would like shirts with the SAW logo, please let Hank and Judy Wavers know. We must order at least 12 shirts to get a discount.

The **Spring Shop Tour** is still scheduled for Sunday, May 17. If you would like to open your shop for this tour, please contact Clayton Nye or one of your board officers. We would like 3 shops in close proximity of each other.

Have a safe and enjoyable woodworking hobby. See you at the April meeting on Tuesday, April 7.

Floyd Gibson
President 2009

April Calendar

4th	Sat. 10 - 1	Wood Projects SIG Don Robinson
7th	Tue. 7 - 9	General Meeting Ethyl Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street Sacramento
9th	Thu. 7 - 9	Board Meeting Gary Thatcher
11th	Sat. 10 - 1	Scroll Saw SIG Neil Knutsen
18th	Sat. 10 - 1	Furniture Projects SIG Gary Foster
24th - 26th		The Woodworking Show Cal Expo

APRIL PROGRAM

The April program is going to be a true member to member learning experience. The subject is "Tools from other lines of work that woodworkers can use"

Please Email me (Gary Foster, Garybfoster5754@sbcglobal.net) with any suggesting that you know of for inclusion in the program. You are most welcome to bring samples and show them to the other club members yourself. Otherwise, I will do my best and give you credit for the idea(s).

The tools that you can suggest might come from any of the following areas. Makers of: auto parts, bowling balls, bullets, fiber optic, or tool and dies. Trades such as: Auto mechanic, Carpet layer, Cook, Gardener, Metal finisher, Plumber, Seamstress, Trucker, and Welder.

Also, think about professions such as: Dentist, Doctor, Engineers, Draftsman, or any other area. Thanks!

CLASSIFIED ADS

No ads were submitted this month. Ad space is available for all club members on a first-come basis, free of charge, as space permits. Photos and formats may be modified or omitted based on the number of ads submitted.

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 for the class. It is open to a limited number of SAW members.

Wood Projects SIG

Contact Person: Floyd Gibson or Steven Hitchens

The Wood Projects SIG was held at Steve Hitchens Shop on Saturday March 7. Steve started with a information DVD on cutting tenon with a large router bit and how to use a 8 inch Stack Dado blade in the table saw. With good weather we had a good turnout of fifteen members and great time.

The next meeting will be held on Saturday, April 4, at Don Robinson Shop

Scroll Saw SIG

Contact person: Holly Lovvo

The March SIG was attended by 5 members. We had a great time making clocks and comparing patterns.

The April SIG will be held on April 11 at Neil Knutsen’s shop where we will be learning how to create birds. If you have not seen Neil’s birds, you will not want to miss this! This project will test how well you can saw a straight line.

Furniture Projects SIG

Contact Person: Gary Foster

The April Furniture meeting will be 10am to 1pm on April 18 at Gary Foster's Shop. The subject will be tuning up an old #6 Stanley hand plane. We are still looking for host shops for future Furniture meetings, please join us and contact Gary Foster. If you have already volunteered your shop please contact Gary and confirm dates that you will host. The May subject and location will be selected at the April meeting.

Small Lathe Turning SIG

Contact Person: Jason Beam

The March SIG will meet at my shop on the 28th. The subject will be making toy tops for the Toys 4 Tots program. If you have a portable lathe and chuck, please bring it and we'll try 'n crank out as many tops as we can for Woody and the Toys 4 Tots! **There is no SIG in April due to the wood show.** The May SIG will also be at my shop on May 23rd with a temporary change of program. The Turning 101 class has been very popular!

The signup list is taking me awhile to get through and I'm hoping to use a couple SIG dates to help get through the list a little quicker. More details will be announced at the April general meeting. Stay tuned!

Novice SIG

Contact person: Allan Laudenslayer or Jack Duran

The March SIG met at Jack and Lynn’s shop and we covered a variety of hand power tools. Gary Foster brought some of the tools he uses to make sculptured furniture. Most of them were from disciplines other than woodworking. We will learn more about them and many more at the April general meeting.

There will be no SIG in April due to the wood show

The May 24th Novice SIG will focus on making projects using small power tools. No stationary tools will be used in this SIG. This will include both electrical and air powered tools. If you have a favorite hand power tool, feel free to bring it along and share with the others why you like this particular tool and how you use it. This session will be at Allan and Nancy’s shop.

Toys For Tots

Contact Person: Woody Woods

Memory Box Workshop

Contact Person: Tom Nelson

17 members attended the Memory Box workshop at Tom Nelson’s shop on March 15. Tom and Ralph Desmond spend a few hours before the workshop “dialing in” the routers and saws so there could be a degree of mass production. Prior to the meeting, many attendees had resawn their boards to 3/8” thickness. Boards were resawn, planed, ripped, routed, and sawn. 22 boxes were glued up and over 20 more were cut out and workshop attendees were able to take them home for assembly later. Even though there was some standardization, the tops and bottoms of the boxes required fine tuning on the table saw to fit perfectly due to minor differences in how each person defined 3/8” thickness. The purpose of the workshop was to teach how to make memory boxes, along with actually making some. Many attendees found it achieved these goals. It has been suggested that this be an annual event.



New SAW Hats with new colors

See them at Tuesday's Meeting

Newsletter Delivery: E-mail or USPS?

Members have the option of receiving their newsletters either way. There are pros and cons to both methods.

Email copies: Sent on the same day the NL is sent to the printer, thereby arriving 2-4 days earlier. Also, editor corrections are only sent electronically. You do need to print your own copy, but you can replace your lost copy. Did we mention the pictures are in color?

USPS: Great if you do not have a computer or printer. Also great for those who hate blue hats (left). Did we mention how this helps keep USPS employees (and our printer!) employed?

The money saved from printing and mailing the newsletter is an additional benefit to SAW by freeing up the dues collected for other uses. For example, we now pay for the meeting room rental (50% of regular rate) at the senior center. The dues may go to 100% next year.

Bottom line, SAW is here to serve the membership. Select the delivery format that is best for YOU!



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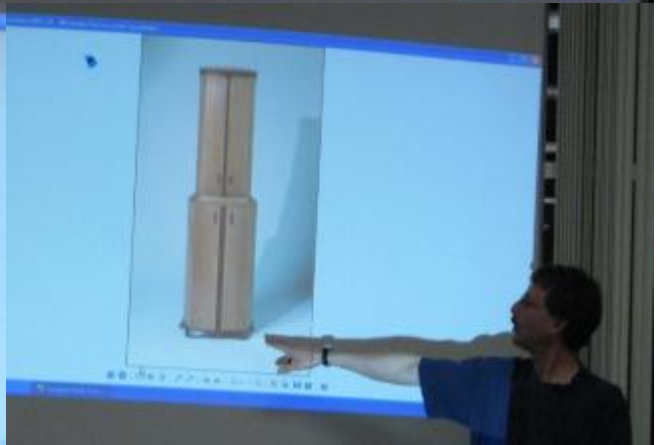
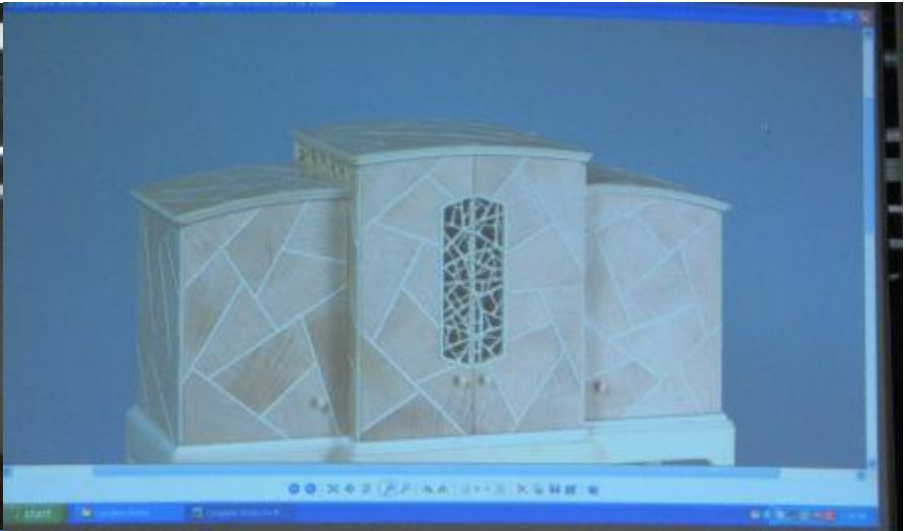
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MARCH GENERAL MEETING (Presentation)

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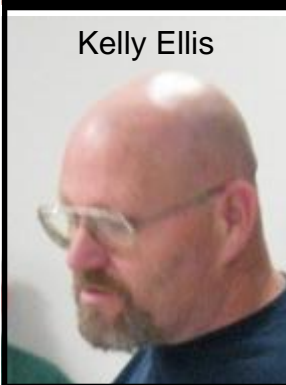
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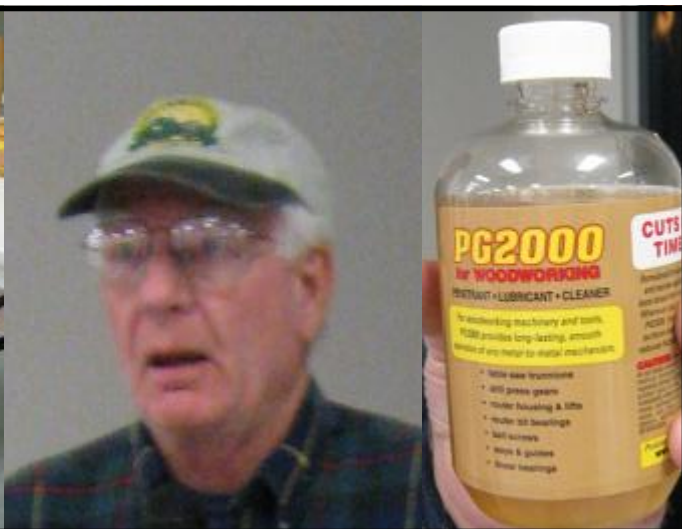
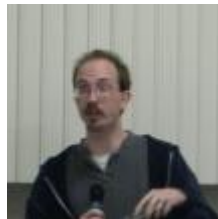


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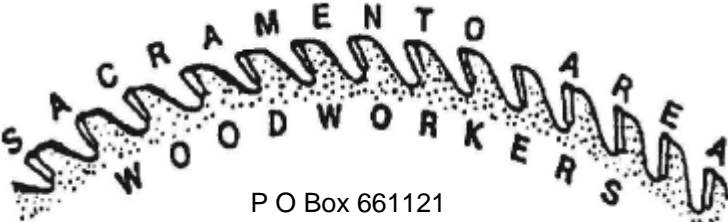


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