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SAW NEWSLETTER

September 2009

**MEETING  
ETHEL MACLEOD HART SENIOR CENTER  
915 27th STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA  
(BETWEEN I & J STREETS)  
September 1, 2009 7:00 pm**

**President's Message**

Fall is around the corner. School has started for many and the shops are starting to buzz with activity because the weather has started to cool. For many of us, this time of year we look forward to getting back to the projects that were put on hold because of either vacation or hot summer weather. It feels good to smell the odor of wood being cut and shaped by the tools of the trade.

There is one disappointment that we experienced this year with the California State Fair. We were scheduled to demonstrate for 5 days. However, the Fair decided that we would be liable for any lawsuits that would have been litigated due to mishaps close to our demonstration area. We were to defend and indemnify the State of California, Cal Expo, its employees, vendors or anyone associated with the Fair that were close to the demonstration area. In past years, the Fair covered us with their insurance. I guess with the economy and budget shortfall, they wanted to put that liability on volunteers. I consulted several people about this and everyone said not to do it. So, the board decided not to put the club in financial jeopardy if a lawsuit was filed. We decided that in the best interest of the club, we would not demonstrate this year. I don't know if we will be invited back, but we cannot afford to defend the Fair and the State of California if we or they are sued. It would bankrupt the club and possibly its members.

The September meeting will have **Kevin Glen Drake of Glen-Drake Tools**, Fort Bragg, CA, as our speaker. He is the maker of the "**Tite Mark Marking Gauge**". He has many precision tools. His website is: <http://glen-drake.com/>. Go to his website to see his products. In October, we will have David Keller from Keller Dove Tail Jigs located in Petaluma, California. I have used his jig, and it is very easy to use. Don't forget the **October con-**

**test** is "**Anything Made for the Kitchen**".

We are planning a Fall Shop Tour. It is scheduled for Sunday, October 11, and will be in the South Sacramento Area. If you would like to open your shop for the Tour, please contact Clayton Nye. Again, we would like three (3) shops and be within a short driving distance. I really enjoy the Shop Tours. They give me a chance to see other shops and how they are stocked and workable.

We will continue to hold our meetings at the Hart Senior Center for 2010. The Hart Senior Center has some projects that they would like to have our club complete. Also, she would like some handmade items as donations for their raffles. The items could be small scroll saw figurines or even turned pens. Please let me know if you would like to donate any handmade items for the Hart Senior Center raffles.

November is fast approaching and November is **election** month for SAW. Many positions will be open for 2010. If you would like to run for any office, please contact one of your 2009 board members and we will enter your name for the office of your choice. It is a rewarding experience to serve the club. It has given me a chance to really get

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**Welcome New Members**

David Brannam  
Doug Griegner  
Midi Haws  
Hima Issakah  
Sharon Stellman

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.

President*	Floyd Gibson	
Vice President*	Rick McCusker	
Secretary*	Gary Thatcher	
Treasurer*	Sally Green	
Program Chairman*	Gary Foster	
Mbr at Large*	Jack Duran	
Mbr at Large*	Charles Linn	
Editor*	Richard Lovvo	
Past President*	Clayton Nye	

### 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.
Toy Chairman	Woody Woods
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

### 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.

### 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.

### Newsletter Photos

If SAW had a position for official photographer, the position would be assigned to Steven Hitchens. Stephen takes most, if not all, of the photos appearing in the newsletter. If you like the pictures, be sure to give Stephen your thanks!



(Continued from page 1) *President's Message*

to know the members and their interests. The job is challenging, but very enjoyable. I would recommend each of you to at least try it for one year. We have a lot of knowledgeable members who would make good officers. Please give it a try. The rewards are worth it.

The September meeting will have great prizes. The Large Raffle will have a Dewalt Drill Driver as the prize. It has been a long time since we have had a drill/driver as the prize. I can always use another drill. The Small Raffle and Badge Raffle will have some good prizes. Buy as many tickets as you can afford. The raffles have always been a highlight of the meeting. It is a nice conclusion to the meeting.

Continue to support the Special Interest Groups. Now that summer is almost over, we can concentrate on having the SIGs at shops that don't have air conditioning. I would like to thank the SIG leaders for all the work they do to facilitate the personal instruction that is the backbone of the SIGs. The learning from the SIGs is a way to enhance our woodworking skills.

Theodore Judah Elementary School has again invited us to demonstrate at their Harvest Festival in October. Louis Yanez, PTA President and SAW member, will give me the details later. Also, he is going to discuss with his board about SAW being involved in their After School program. We need more volunteers to teach 3rd through 6th grade students if we become involved. I have some volunteers, but more is needed. Please let me know if you would like to volunteer and pass your knowledge onto the next generation.

See you all at the September 1<sup>st</sup> general meeting.

Floyd Gibson  
President 2009

Last Month's Large Raffle Prize



## September Calendar

1st	Tue. 7 - 9	<b>General Meeting</b> Ethyl Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street Sacramento
5th	Sat. 10 - 1	<b>Wood Projects SIG</b> SIG cancelled Holiday weekend See you in October!
10th	Thu. 7 - 9	<b>Board Meeting</b> Sally Green
12th	Sat. 10 - 1	<b>Scroll Saw SIG</b> Jack Van Keuren
19th	Sat. 10 - 1	<b>Furniture Projects SIG</b> To be Announced At the General Meeting.
26th	Sat. 10 - 1	<b>Small Lathe Turning SIG</b> Andrew Silvester
27th	Sun. 2 - 5	<b>Novice SIG</b> To be Announced At the General Meeting.

## CLASSIFIED ADS

Chuck Renda

I have recently installed a new cyclone dust collecting system in my shop which uses 6" ducting and connectors. Unfortunately, I have been buying and using 5" & 4" equipment with my former system. So, I am offering to sell practically an entire dust collecting system consisting of:

- 1) Grizzly 2 HP Dust Collector with 2 sets of bags
- 2) A Long Ranger Remote for the dust collector
- 3) Ten 4" metal and plastic Blast Gates
- 4) Eight metal 5" EIs, long short and adjustable
- 5) Two 5-4 metal reducers
- 6) One 5" ATT hood (to connect ducting to machine)
- 7) Four 5" spiral duct couplers
- 8) One 5x5x4 lateral
- 9) Approx 150' of metal ducting (including spiral)
- 10) Various lengths of 4" & 5" hoses

The first \$375 takes the whole lot!

## 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

There will be no Wood Projects SIG meeting on September 5th do to the Labor Day weekend. We will skip this SIG do to the three day Holiday.

The last meeting was held on Saturday, August 1st, at Hank & Judy Wavers’ shop. We had a good time working out the issues Judy had with miter sled accuracy. The issues were excessive play in the Table saw miter slot and binding areas down the track. Judy cleaned and waxed the guide and she is working on clearing up the binding problems.

### Scroll Saw SIG

Contact person: Holly Lovvo

We had the Scroll Saw SIG at Bob Sheik’s house this month and we had a good time. We had 15 people show. Buzz was great with showing us how to make puzzles and he had patterns for everyone to cut out. We talked about the next scroll saw project which will be held at Jack Van Keuren's shop in September. Will be making a pencil holder or a box. I hope to see you there.

### Furniture Projects SIG

Contact Person: Gary Foster

(No information was available at press time. Details for September will be given at the General meeting).

### Small Lathe Turning SIG

Contact Person: Jason Beam

The Small Lathe SIG met at Tom Taylor's new shop on the 22nd where Tom presented his techniques for stabilizing turning blanks. Tom's presentation was excellent and we all learned quite a bit.

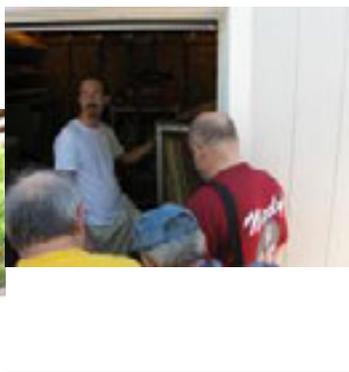
The September SIG will meet at Andrew Silvester's shop on the 26th from 10am to 1pm. The topic will be a demonstration of turning boxes. I will try to go into more detail about how I turn boxes and some of the techniques that are used for hollowing the box.

### Novice SIG

Contact person: Jack Duran

The August Novice SIG met at Jack and Sharon Stelman’s shop and went over changing the blades on a planer. The SIG was well attended by 10 people.

The location for September, along with the agenda, will be announced at the next General meeting.



# SIG PICTURES (more pictures on pages 2 and 4)



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