President's Message

Welcome everyone to the month of March!

The March general meeting is an event that you will not want to miss! Mr. Dugan Essick! Mr. Essick is furniture builder with a shop in Grass Valley. He runs a furniture building school that can accommodate four students over night. He will be covering how to build a chair in one day. Come learn some great information! Check out his website: http://www.essickwoodworkingschool.com/.

The Next Contest is “Something in the Round” in April! Have your contest entry ready for the April 1st SAW general meeting! (No fooling!) Have fun and let your imagination go! We always welcome all SAW club members to bring to the general meeting any toys or other woodworking projects you have been building to share and show and tell with the other SAW club members, too.

This will be your last newsletter if you have not renewed your membership by the March general meeting! SAW membership dues can be paid at the meetings on the 1st Tuesday evening of each month. (See Tom Harrington, our club treasurer--or you can pay by mail.) Remember: Your 2014 dues and any donations are now tax deductible! Have you turned in your old membership card? We will pick the winner from last year’s (2013) SAW membership cards submitted to receive a free $30.00 membership for this year 2014, at the March general meeting.

Spring Shop Tour, Sunday April 6th from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM Yes, with the weather getting warmer, it is time to visit some woodshops! We have four members to open their shop who live reasonably near one another. The shops are Mark Mixson, Jack Stellman, Jim Cauley and Joe Orbeck (the three J’s and one M). The goal is to let club members see that woodworking is possible in any workplace—even outdoors. And yes, you can leave the sawdust on the floor if you wish.

Check out the SAW Logo embroidered Shirts and Hats we are making available to SAW members. Jim Cauley is taking orders for shirts and caps with the SAW Logo embroidered on the front. An order form is included in the e-mailed newsletter and on the SAW website. Pictures of the shirts and hats are on page 3. (Sorry, extra postage is required to include order form in mailed newsletters.)

I would like to thank all our members from the February general meeting for helping set up and put away items after our monthly meeting. This helps us and the Hart Center lower operational costs. We will be doing this all this year.

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Welcome New Members
Edward Abbott    Debbie Cheris
Gerald Holmquist  Bob Huddleston
Mike Norton      Bruce Norton
David Plance     Al Russo

Bring a friend! Guests are always welcome.
The Sacramento Area Woodworkers, also known as SAW, is an 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is:

To provide the community an enriched educational and charitable experience through woodworking.

2014 SAW BOARD

All listed are voting members of the Board.
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Volunteer members who work hard to help make the club enjoyable and run smoothly.

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MEMBERSHIP

If you have not renewed, this will be your last newsletter! Renew now!

For all renewing members the dues for SAW are $30 per calendar year (no prorated renewal). Any and all dependent family members, residing in the same address of a fully paid member, can join for an additional 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 for the year:

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No refunds will be given on membership dues.

The club is always looking for new members. Recommend us to all your woodworking friends!

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 Tom Harrington for more membership information.

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.

DUE TO UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES, none of the Librarians will be at the March General meeting and the Library will not be open. Please return books in April.

The new books this month are:

"Chip Carving: Expert Techniques and 50 All-Time Favorite Projects," by Woodcarving Illustrated

"Great Wood Finishes," by Jeff Jewitt

"Rustic Furniture Basics." by Doug Stowe

General Meeting Program Schedule

Mar: Speaker: Dugan Essick - "Making a chair in a day"
Apr: Speaker: Tom Vaninwagon - "Rosewood"
    Contest: "Something in the Round"
May: Speaker: TBD
Jun: Speaker: TBD
    Contest: "Something for the Outdoors"
Jul: Speaker: TBD
Aug: Speaker: TBD
    Contest: "Put a Lid on It…or Not"

Contributions to the newsletter must be sent to the Editor.
Andy Volk, 7380 Sierra Ponds Lane, Granite Bay, CA. 95746, or e-mail amvweb@surewest.net by the 20th of the month for inclusion in the following month's newsletter.

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!
March 2014 Calendar

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Classified Ads

SAW members have been coming up with many great ideas, such as how to network with other members outside of SIGs, or creating ways to borrow set-up tools. Might we suggest using the classified ad section?

Ads can be run for more than one month. Just contact us each month and let us know the ad is still valid. Remember, you must be a member to take advantage of our free ad space!

Cool Websites to check out:

Share some of your favorite woodworking related websites here! Contact Andy Volk.

Bruce King recommends:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1yWmqbltB-c

Also, our sponsor Far West Forest Products was featured in the Woodworker’s Journal E-zine:
SIG 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. Times and locations for each SIG is given in the Calendar on page 3.

Wood Projects SIG  Contact Person:  TBD

The Club is looking for someone new to host the Wood Projects SIG. Please contact any board member if you might be interested, or if you have suggestions for Wood Project topics (simple items to build, group participation projects, etc.).

Scroll Saw SIG  Contact person:  TBD

One of our members has expressed a tentative interest in coordinating the Scroll Saw SIG if the logistics can be worked out. Stay tuned for further developments.

Novice SIG  Contact persons:  Sally Green

At the March meeting of the Novice SIG, we will continue work on the tic-tic-toe game. We will be assembling the box and building the drawer, so be sure to bring your base, top, and directions. Remember your hearing, sight and lung protection devices as well. It will be at Jack Stellman’s shop 10-1 Saturday, March 8. See you there.

Furniture Projects SIG  Contact person:  Jerry Samla

We will have the Furniture SIG at my shop on March 15 from 11:00 to 2:00. At the February SIG, the group decided to work on a 18th century Pennsylvanian blanket chest. We will review the design and construction of the blanket chest. We will also go over the beginning processes and joinery methods. There will be demonstrations on the various methods of construction. See you there!

Sharpening SIG  Contact person:  David Wilson

For the March Sig, we will sharpen a collection of scrapers such as the Chairmaker’s Devil and others but not those used with the lathe. Scrapers are excellent tools to put a smooth surface on wood. We may also “ride the horse.” (You will have to come to find out what that is.)

Lathe Turning SIG  Contact person:  Ed Gieszelmann

Lathe SIG on March 16, from 2-5 pm at my shop. Please make a big note on this one-time date change. The March SIG will continue with projects from the February SIG, such as sharpening, pens, bottle stoppers, tops, and salt and pepper mills, as well as hands-on turning practice. We’ll then venture into turning Greenwood and dry-wood bowls.

The February Novice SIG had a great turnout with many people using tools they hadn’t had a chance to use before. A few more experienced members acted as mentors for each tool the novices were using. Wood Magazine was kind enough to provide the SIG with copies of its Reference Guide (below left), a great guide for those just getting started.
March Large Raffle Prize
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WOW Prize

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The focus of the February General Meeting was safety from fire, your eyes (good safety glasses, your ears (ear plugs or muffs), and your lungs (dust collectors, filters and masks). Jim Cauley, who has many years experience in the fire department gave the talk. Andy Volk showed the Trend® Airshield Pro he got to address the issue with his full beard.

Jim Cauley is also promoting getting new SAW hats and shirts. See President’s Message, Page 1.

**2 x 4 Contest**

First Place: David Chin had an amazing castle with towers and a keep, wagons and a catapult. The castle also converted into a straight wall.

Second Place: Jack Stellman made a replica of Jules Verne’s Nautilus, complete with pipe organ and periscope.

Third Place: Joe Orbeck made three trucks, each with varying loads of lumber, milk cans and hardware goods.

Honorable Mention: John Landis with a turned and nicely finished pedestal table of Douglas Fir.

Honorable Mention: Andy Volk built a box from Western Red Cedar to hold his waterstones in at his sharpening station.

Honorable Mention: Dan Burgess two toy cars from Cedar.

Tom Harrington (left) built a wine rack from what seems a never-ending supply of redwood from an old fence.

**February Show and Tell**

Andy Volk (left) showed how the box he entered in the contest would be decked out for use as a waterstone box at a sharpening station.

Joe Orbeck (left) showed his doll chair he scaled down for small dolls. It is also a comes apart as a puzzle.

Bob Beckert (left) made a beautiful scroll-sawn cross.
A large crowd showed up for the January Sharpening SIG at Dave Wilson’s shop, and everyone got to work on their planes.

There was another large crowd for the kick-off of the new Furniture SIG. After Paul Verlinde (left) introduced his shop, SIG leader, Jerry Samla (2nd from right) lead a discussion on what to build. The selected chest is shown below.

Ed Gieszelmann is going back to basics with the Lathe SIG. He started with basic safety, tool types, and the approach to turning beads and coves. He will cover the making of items a step at a time during the next SIGs.

Toy Time

What do you plan to make this year? Do you need wheels, dowels, or wood? Please let me know by the April meeting. I am planning on placing an order just after that meeting.

The workshop for February was a great success. We had over 18 members working away and thank you Robin for helping us with the setup of the equipment and Woodcraft for the work space. We added a painting experience so the chicken pull toys were painted and their wings on before they left the workshop. Thanks to Bob Beckert for leading the workshop and all of the members that worked so hard and cleaned up so well. The workshop on March 19th will be lead by Andy Volk. We will be making the fishing game we did last year.

We have some new projects planned for the workshops and will also continue with the beds and stepstools. If you have a project you want to do at the workshops let me know.

Judy
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If you renew at the General Meeting, go to the Treasurer's table at the right side of the room and check your information on the members list there. If the information is correct, initial the line. Inform the Treasurer that it is correct and pay your dues. No paperwork. If the information is not correct, please fill in the EZ Renewal form below and turn that in with your dues.

All renewals will be issued a new membership card. All renewing members are encouraged to turn in their old cards for a chance to win a free membership in the March General Meeting! The winner will be refunded their dues for the 2014 calendar year!

Remember, your dues are now tax deductible!

Membership Application

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

On February 8th, Sally Green lead the new Novice SIG at Jack Stellman’s shop. (See photos on page 4 of this newsletter.) There was a great turnout and everyone had a good time as well as learning a lot. Sally had a few observations on her experience that she wanted to share:

Today's SIG

Today was my first experience at “leading” a SIG. It was the novice SIG. I am by far less than an expert but I have been doing various woodworking things since I was about 7 years old.

Today was one of those experiences in life that rarely happens. Everything seemed to work right. And, from what feedback I was able to get, everyone involved was pleased with the outcome. They should be. It worked extremely well.

That would not have been possible without the participation of SAW woodworkers who were there to help and to provide guidance to the learners on each of the machines (in my terms, the “proctors”). It would not have been possible without Jack Stellman providing the site for it all to happen. It would not have happened without the “novices” being there and being willing to try a lot of new things.

Somehow all of those things came together and “clicked.” They came together and provided what I perceived to be an extremely positive experience for the people involved. I heard comments like “I can't do that.” “I didn't know I could do that.” “I can do that!” How wonderful.

Thanks to everyone involved. Together we all managed to make something very positive happen and we should all be proud. Plus, it was fun.

Sally Green

At the next Novice SIG we hope to finish that project. Then, on to what next, we really don't know yet. Suggestions?

The Editor regrets that this page could not be included in the printed version of the Newsletter as the extra page would cost extra postage. It is available via e-mail and on the SAW Website.
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