Yet another month is upon us, time is flying! April’s program will be the “Put a lid on it” contest. The contest will be for any container (with a lid or not). The container can be a box, a vase, a blanket chest, or whatever can hold something or have a lid on it. The contest entry can be built or turned on a lathe. So feel free to deliver your best offering. I believe (and I could be wrong) this is the first time for this contest, so there is no “since the last contest” requirement. However, I do ask that you do not bring something that you have entered in a previous SAW contest. There will be a Novice and Advanced category, so please enter yourself in the appropriate category. Only one entry per person.

Our Spring Shop Tour will be Sunday, April 11. This will be a “northern area” shop tour this spring. Look for detail in this newsletter. The three members who will open up their shops for us are Steve Hitchens, Don Robinson, and Dave Wilson. Thanks to all.

We held a Memory box workshop at Tom Nelson’s shop March 21 (see photos on Page 3). It was well attended and many memory boxes were made. Thanks Tom for hosting, and Ralph Desmond for sharing your expert wisdom.

The annual BBQ at Higgin’s Hardwoods has been tentatively set for Friday, June 4th. Also, the Toy Workshop at Woodcraft is set for Wednesday, July 14th. Watch the newsletter for more details and updates on these and other upcoming events.

The board is looking for increased funding opportunities. We are basically running at the club on a break-even basis. We could do more if we had more money, like buy a club lathe, scroll saw, or other tools for additional stations at SIGs or classes. Or to buy DVD’s for the club library. Or to get a regional or national level speaker (read: charges a fee). Additionally, our expenses may increase significantly next year if the Hart Center does charge the full rent next year. (There was no charge for use of their facility this year.) I would like to keep the annual membership fee stable. If you have ideas, please send email to president@sacramentoareawoodworkers.com or pass on your suggestion to a board member.

President’s Message

Welcome New Members

Robert Wall
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.

2010 SAW BOARD
*Voting board member
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.

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Large Raffle  Roberta Taylor
Merchandise  Judy Wavers Hank Wavers
Badges  Charles Linn
Refreshments  Holly Lovvo 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.

New Books this month are:

Band Saw Pattern Book by Mark and Gene Duginske
Mini Power Tool Handbook by Zachary Taylor and Colin Bullock
Making Construction Vehicles for Kids by Luc St-Amour
Learning the Art of Pyrography by Al Chapman

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.

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Family members at the same address can be added at half this rate. 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 Charles Linn for more membership information.

Newsletter Items
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.

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!

Contests for 2010

| April | "Put a lid on it" -- Anything made to hold things: blanket-chests, jewelry boxes etc. |
| June  | "Furniture" -- Tables, shelves, chairs, step-stools, etc. |
| August| "Tools, Jigs, and Fixtures" |
| October| "What's Cookin'?" -- Anything Made for the Kitchen |
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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!

Membership Drive

Congratulations to Chet Chapin. His 2009 membership card was drawn at the last General Meeting. He gets a free 2010 membership.

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

Memory Box Workshop at Tom Nelson’s Shop

Special memory box made by Ralph Desmond for Traci Aoki-Tan of the Kaiser Foundation.
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

Last meeting we meet at Andy shop with a good member turnout. Andy shown how to use plywood to make a torsion box shelf and install the shelf on the wall. great meeting Andy!

In April we will meet at Floyd Gibson's shop where he will demonstrate different joinery methods using the Dowelmax jig.

Scroll Saw SIG  Contact person: Holly Lovvo

Hello fellow woodworkers. We had the March Scroll saw SIG at Bob Beckert's shop. He showed how to make bowls by cutting concentric circles on a table tilted to 28°, then stack them. It is harder that it looks. Bob showed a great wooden bowl he tried to complete. He was nice enough to share with us which mistakes not to make. We talked about the different types of bowls to make and the different scroll saws and techniques on angle cutting.

The April SIG will be at Tom and Roberta's shop where she will show us how to also make bowls. We will have some other projects available just in case someone would like to try something different. I spoke to some people about months they would like to hold a scroll saw SIG. Please e-mail or call me to remind me of when that was. Thanks to all the participants for showing up at the SIGs, I really appreciate it.

Furniture Projects SIG  Contact Person: Paul Jacobs

The March SIG meeting had to be cancelled. That topic will be moved to April and will be held at Paul Jacobs' shop. We will be discussing interior and reinforcing components commonly used in furniture, and assembly strategies, and techniques.

Small Lathe Turning SIG  Contact Person: Jason Beam

The March SIG will be hosted at Jack Duran's shop on March 27th. More details will be announced at the March General Meeting. As always, we'd be glad to hear your suggestions on the SIG subjects.

The April SIG promises to be a real treat! A prominent member of the Nor-Cal Woodturner's Club, Ted Young, will be a guest host at Jason Beam's shop April 24th. Ted makes these fantastic natural-edge mushrooms out of green limb wood and he'll be demonstrating this process for everyone. It's always great to learn some new techniques from fellow members, so come on by!

Novice SIG  Contact person: Jack Duran or Rob Drown

The March SIG is at Rob Drown's Shop and will cover shop safety. He has a SawStop and will show how the brake works, and go over safety for all the major power tools.

The April SIG is at Jack Stellman's Shop and is scheduled to cover mortise and tenon joinery.

Classified Ad

For Sale:  Excalibur Over-arm blade cover system with dust collection

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Contact Jack Rexroad
Raffle Items for April Meeting

April Large Raffle Item
Craftsman 1 hp. 12 gal. Portable Air Compressor
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April Small Raffle Items
$25 Gift Card from Woodcraft of Sacramento
Wood River 120pc. Diamond Burr Set
Sheffield Manufacturing
3-Piece Stainless Steel and Wood Handle Gift Set
Chisel point Angle Checker
Skil Level with 25-Piece Drill & Drive Set
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Captain Jim Docette of the Sacramento Fire Department was the speaker. He covered fire safety in the shop.

Traci Aoki-Tan from the Kaiser Foundation talked a bit on her experiences with giving the memory boxes out club and others make for the sick children and their families.

Show and Tell

Rob Drown’s giant pencil made for a colleague.

Abe Low shows supports he made for his mortiser.

Tom Houghton showed an old jointer he had.

Bob Waters showed off his wine rack.

Peter Noeth showed his sand paper holder for sanding his boxes.

Bob Buckwalter turned a bowl from a oak burl.

Tom Nelson showed his College of the Redwoods style sawhorses.

Gary Foster showed his Veritas ¼” rabbet plane

Art Hawkins showed a rack for grids his wife uses and some fly fishing nets.

Bob Buckwalter turned a bowl from a oak burl.

Floyd Gibson talked about the flag cases made at the Feb. Wood Projects SIG.  (See more photos on page xxx)
**March Scroll Saw SIG** was held at Bob Beckert’s shop where the gang tried their hand at making scroll saw bowls. This involves tilting the table to 28°, cutting concentric circles and then gluing them the circles together. It is harder than it looks!

**February Wood Projects SIG** was held at Donald Robinson’s shop where he showed how to build flag cases, like the one on the right.

**March Small Lathe Turner’s SIG** was held at Thomas Taylors shop where he demonstrated the turning of duck calls.

At the **March Wood Projects SIG**, Andy Santos showed how he makes floating shelves like the ones on the right.
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