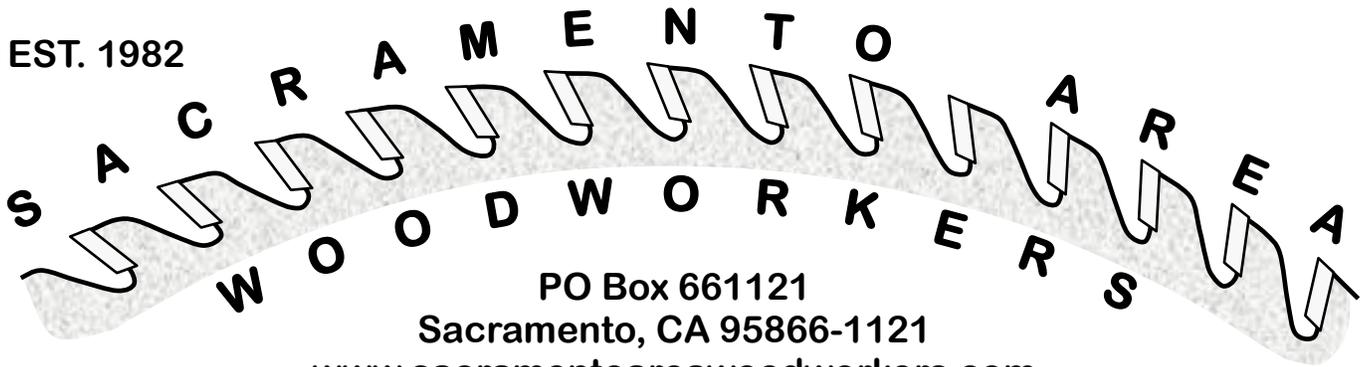


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MEETING
ETHEL MACLEOD HART SENIOR CENTER
915 27th STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA
(BETWEEN I & J STREETS)
June 7, 2011 7:00 pm

President's Message

Thanks to Don Vargo, the National Sales Manager of Apollo Sprayers, for a very informative presentation at the April general meeting. He had a wealth of knowledge about High Volume Low Pressure (HLVP) spraying of finishes. If you would like to get in touch with Don, his email is: don@hvlp.com. You still might be able to get a good deal on some great equipment.

The June speaker is Max Hunter owner of Western Dovetail. He is in the Navy's old wood shop on Mare Island in Vallejo, CA. His web site is www.drawer.com, at which you can see the many products that his company makes. Take a look and have your questions ready for him when he comes.

The June contest is the big one, "FURNITURE" of any type. We should have a great turnout. The Gottshall Block Challenge Contest will be in July.

The California State Fair had only a total of 14 items from the entire state entered the woodworking division of the creative arts competition. This is the lowest number they have ever had. The SAW club should have had that many by entries just by ourselves. By the way, the state had eighteen cash (\$) prizes to give away in the woodworking contest, of which almost 1/3 did not get awarded. Next year, the SAW club needs to fill up this contest. I will provide information at the beginning of next year so that we can get ready.

We are working toward getting into the California State Fair to demonstrate and for club outreach. If

we are able to get in, we will need to fill twenty (20) time slots with three members each (60 volunteers total) AT THE JUNE MEETING. People in the booth can demonstrate their woodworking skills or just talk about it and do PR for the club. If we are unable to fill the slots, we may not try anymore.

Your SAW board is working on bylaw changes in regards to elections, membership and well as the big one, Non-Profit Corp and 501(c)3 status. Wish us luck; it is harder work than we thought.

The shop tour went well. Thanks go to Andrew Silvester for coordinating, and to the three hosts: Paul Jacobs, Abe Low, and Bill Proctor for opening their shops to the club members. It was nice to get out of the rain. We are hoping that Andrew will volunteer to coordinate as nice a shop tour this fall.

The Higgins BAR-B-Q is set for Saturday June 11, more information will be given at the next general meeting.

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Welcome New Members

Fred Adams	Rosa Hernandez
Tom Jennings	Gil Reynaga
David S. Robinson	Elwin "Russ" Russell

Bring a friend! Guests are always welcome.

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.

2011 SAW BOARD

All listed are voting members of the Board
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	Roberta Taylor
Merchandise	Judy Wavers Hank Wavers
Badges	Charles Linn
Refreshments	Holly Lovvo Rob Drown
Web Master	Jason Beam

General Meeting Program Schedule

Jun	Max Hunter - Western Dovetail "Furniture Contest" -- Tables, shelves, chairs, etc.
Jul	Kevin Glenn Drake Tools "Gottshall Block Challenge"
Aug	Speaker TBD "Things for the Shop Contest" -- Tools, Jigs, and Fixtures

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.

There are no New Books 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.

	<u>Individual</u>
Jan - Mar	\$30.00
Apr - Jun	\$22.50
Jul - Sept	\$15.00
Oct - Dec	\$ 7.50

Family members at the same address can be added at half this rate. 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 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!

(Continued from page 1) President's Message

The Hart Center has a woodworking project with which they would like some help from the Club. If you can help me do some of the work please see me at the general meeting.

The next Toy Workshop is not yet planned. If you can help coordinate one, please let a Board Member know. If you have any unused soft woods, that could be used by the toy makers, please bring it to the club general meeting.

Remember that every accident that happens to you in the shop has a cause. Most often the cause is that you did think about what the results could be if something went wrong, maybe very, very wrong with the way you started to do a task. I had a very large sander try to pull me into it because my vest was not zipped shut. (For sale, cheap, three-quarters of a very well used brown vest...)

Be safe first, have fun, and see you at the meeting.

Gary Foster

June 2011 Calendar

6/4	Sat. 10 - 1	Wood Projects SIG Don Robinsons
6/7	Tue. 7 - 9	General Meeting Ethyl Hart Senior Center 915 27th Street Sacramento, CA
6/11	Sat. 10 - 1	Scroll Saw SIG Cancelled (see next entry)
6/11	Sat. (Hours TBA)	Higgins Hardwood BBQ 1301 N Market Blvd # 100 Sacramento, CA 916-927-2727
6/16	Thur. 7 - 9	Board Meeting
6/18	Sat. 10 - 1	Furniture Projects SIG Paul Jacobs
6/25	Sat. 10 - 1	Small Lathe Turning SIG TBD
6/26	Sun. 2 - 5	Novice SIG Rob Drown

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!

Free Teak Flip Top Table Offered

I inherited a teak fold-out table that is basically a good piece of furniture. If I had space for it, I would re-glue the slider base and refinish the whole thing. Dimensions are 38x38x30, and when opened, it's 38x76x30. It's available for whoever wants a nice little project and can pick it up here in East Sacramento, one half block off J Street.

Contact Tom Griffith



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: Steven Hitchens

The May SIG covered safety equipment for the table saw. Several members built a thin strip ripping guide.

In the June SIG, Don will be showing how to make duplicate parts with Pin Routers, such as small parts for toys etc.

Scroll Saw SIG Contact person: Holly Lovvo

Hello all! We had 8 people show for the May Scroll Saw SIG where we made wooden candy dishes. We had a good time using the saws and the company was great. The June meeting is preempted by the Higgins Hardwoods BBQ.

We will hold the July meeting at Bob Schieck's house. If anyone would like to host a scroll saw meeting at their shop please, let me know. Also if there is any type of project you would like to try, please let me know. Thank you.

Furniture Projects SIG Contact Person: Paul Jacobs

The May SIG was hosted by Tom Nelson with Gary Thatcher giving us tips on the design and construction of Arts and Crafts furniture. A very good SIG! Thanks.

The June Furniture SIG will be on finishing. This will be a relatively free-format SIG, with plenty of time for questions and answers (I hope), but we will cover an overview of the various finish types, a bit about their chemistry, and application methods. Unfortunately because of the breadth of the subject, we won't have time to get into specifics on every finish. Be ready to share your experiences - good, bad or ugly!

Small Lathe Turning SIG Contact Person: TBD

The June SIG is still to be determined. Details will be at the General Meeting. Thom Taylor can no longer coordinate this SIG and we are looking for a temporary replacement. Contact a Board member if you are interested.

Novice SIG Contact persons: Rob Drown

The May SIG will cover hand plane techniques: How to make boards square, flat and really smooth. How to use winding sticks. How to flatten a wider board than will fit through your planer. How to tune up a plane. Bring in a few planes and a rough-sawn board on which to work.

The June Novice SIG will be on Routers, Router Bits and Jigs.



June Large Raffle Prize

The Bosch 1581AVSK top-handle jig saw

- Powerful 5 Amp motor, 500-3100 SPM
- Variable-speed control
- Exclusive multi-directional blade clamp mechanism - superior blade hold
- Low-vibration design - Ensures extremely smooth operation
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WOW PRIZE



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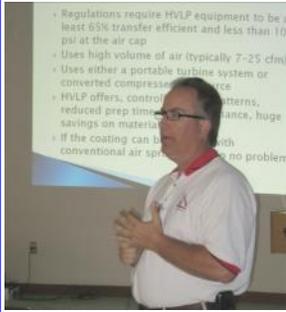
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Apollo Sprayers: <http://www.hvlp.com/>

Show and Tell



Floyd Gibson shows his fishing "net" (It is for catch and release.)



Abe Low shows his Japanese toolbox



Peter Noeth built a thin strip ripping guide and saw blade holder



Vern Waters shows a pottery glazing stand he built for his wife



Andy Volk shows the Gottshall block he made during the hand-tool class given by Gary Foster



Christy Wallace shows a toy truck that she has been intending to finish for awhile

Shop Tour

We visited three shops with very different personalities. Paul Jacobs' shop is shown on the left and Abe Low's shop is on the right



The final stop on a stormy afternoon was Bill Proctor's shop below.





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The May **Furniture SIG** was hosted by Tom Nelson. Gary Thatcher giving us tips on the design and construction of Arts and Crafts furniture.

Toy Time!

Do you have an idea, a plan? Are you looking for a pattern for a particular toy you have seen another member make? We have a great resource of talent and ideas in our club to make toy-making fun. Let me know if you are in search of a particular pattern and the toy committee will help you try and locate it. If you have a plan to share for a new toy – we will help you make it available.

We are always on the lookout for free wood to make toys. Do you know someone that would like to donate usable wood for projects? We now have available organized storage. Several members have been using wood donated by Bob Sheds of Citrus Heights over a period of years – Thanks again Bob!

We will use “Show and Tell” to highlight the toys and toy makers each month to encourage others to participate.

Bees are being assembled, beds are getting painted, and there are some ducks and stack toys out there to in the works. I also had a call that some cars are competed. If you are making toys and need a place to store them one of our members has volunteered space so you can't make too many toys.

We will be having a workshop to make some cars. The date is still to be determined, but we will let you know.

One toy equals joy for the maker and receiver. What a good way to create some smiles.

Judy



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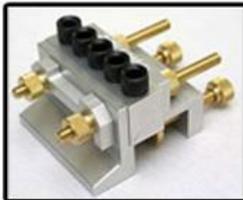
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