President’s Message

Welcome everyone, to the month of April!

The April general meeting is an event that you will not want to miss! Presenting for us is guest speaker Diana Kwan. She will demonstrate woodcarving and will be showcasing some of her work. Diana is a most amazing expert woodworker and craftswoman. She was selected during the California State capitol renovation to craft and carve the tables and chairs used by senators. She is a Blue Ribbon and First Place winner in all sorts of furniture and other woodworking competitions. Diana is going to explain some of her woodcarving methods and inform you of some local opportunities to become as talented as her at woodworking. Invite your friends, and don’t miss this very special SAW monthly meeting!

The April SAW general meeting club contest is “Cutting Board.” Build yourself a cutting board or chopping board (or bring one that you made that hasn’t been entered in a SAW contest already). Build a board now so that your entry is ready for the April 2nd SAW general meeting. No limit to cutting board size, shape, or special creative ideas - but only one entry per registered club member!

Club member, Michael Bush with Woodcraft, is continuing the raffle at the Sacramento Woodcraft store into April to help our SAW Toy Committee purchase supplies and wood. When shopping at the Sacramento Woodcraft, please be sure to buy some raffle tickets to win a hand-turned pen by Michael Bush! We will have tickets at the April SAW meeting for you to purchase, too. Drawing is on April 20th at 2:00 pm at Woodcraft Sacramento store. All of the proceeds will go to our club’s toy fund.

Spring Shop Tour is May 5th! Yes, with the weather getting warmer it is time to visit some woodshops! We are looking for only three or four members to open their shop who may live reasonably near one another. If you can spare only about an hour and half on that Sunday, it would be an opportunity for club members to see how you operate your workshop or space. We hope to show a variety of shops, from the Norm Abram’s dream shop to the rest of us who have to share our workspace with a car or washing machine. The goal is to let club mem-

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Welcome New Members

Carole Adams       Mark Mixson
Bear River Woodcrafts (David LaPinta)

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.

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Volunteer members who work hard to help make the club

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**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.

*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.

**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!
bers see that woodworking is possible in any workplace - even outdoors. And yes, you can leave the sawdust on the floor if you wish. (Thank you also to those who have already expressed a willingness to host!) To host your shop, please contact our SAW program chair, Clayton Nye.

Aura Hardwoods Barbecue - SAVE THE DATE: Aura Lumber has graciously agreed to host a SAW club wood sale and barbecue social at their Rancho Cordova warehouse facility on Saturday June 8th. The time will be from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm. Stop on in and get a great deal on some wood and other SAW specials. Enjoy a meal and drink, too.

Mark your calendar for the Fair! The California State Fair leadership has once again invited SAW to again host a booth at Cal Expo! Our club will have an air conditioned booth inside Expo Center Building #4 from Friday, July 19th to Monday, July 22nd. As in years past, SAW club members willing to help staff the booth for a few hours will receive a free entrance ticket to the fair that day. It becomes a fun and easy way to let other people learn about our wood club, and also gives the public a chance to join our organization.

Please welcome our new board member Joe Orbeck! Joe will service as member-at-large for the club, so if you see Joe please welcome him aboard. Thank you Joe, we appreciate all your devotion and support to SAW!

Refreshments! Our club needs some helpers in the kitchen at SAW general meetings to help set out the food and drinks, and/or help cleanup/ put away things afterwards. If you would be willing to spare a few minutes of your time at the SAW meetings to be a refreshment helper, please let me know! And thank you to those SAW members (and nonmembers) currently helping with the club refreshments!

Have something you want to sell or donate to other club members? Club members can advertise for free in the SAW Classified Ads section of the monthly club newsletter. Also, bring your items to sell or give away at the club’s general meetings too!

As the winter turns to spring, may your world of woodworking blossom, too. Take some time to smell the flowers, and perhaps attend a SAW Special Interest Group or other SAW activity this month also. In closing, I hope to see you at a SAW event soon!
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:  Steven Hitchens

The next Wood Projects SIG is scheduled for April 6th in Steve Hitchens’ shop from 10 AM to 1 PM. The topic will be painting with an air brush. He will also cover using his Incra precision gauge if there is time.

Scroll Saw SIG  Contact person:  Holly Lovvo

There several people showed up at the last Scroll Saw SIG. Tom brought is scroll saw and told us how he was making a book stand from one piece of board. The person who won the scroll saw at the last General Meeting came by to see what we are about. There were patterns to cut out, such as a layered airplane scene and one for a desert scene.

We will have the SIG at my house again in April. We will be cutting out compound patterns. I will have miniature bird houses and animals to cut out. There will be other patterns, also. We will have 5-6 scroll saw machines working. Hope to see you here.

Furniture Projects SIG  Contact person:  Tom Nelson

The Furniture SIG is on Saturday, April 20, 2013 (10am to 1pm) and will be held at Paul Verlinde’s shop. Paul Verlinde and Floyd Gibson will demonstrate inlays. Floyd will use his Microfence system to create the grooves in the substrate (any wood) to insert the inlay material. Using the Microfence system is an easy way to fit the inlay in the wood very accurately. Paul Verlinde will demonstrate his method of inlay. Be sure to attend to learn the techniques of enhancing your work with contrasting material. See you all there.

Lathe Turning SIG  Contact person:  Ed Gieszelmann

The April Lathe Turning SIG will be on April 28 at Ed’s shop. We will continue with Multi-axis tuning. Bring any turning attempts - successful or not - and we can compare techniques, results, and tips.

Novice SIG  Contact persons:  TBD

There is no Novice SIG planned at this time. We are in need of a coordinator for this SIG. If you are interested, contact any SAW Board (Blue Badge) Member.

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.

Toymakers may find this page interesting:

April Large Raffle Prize
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April Small Raffle Prizes

WOW Prize

Black & Decker Cordless Drill with Stud Sensor. 18V with 3/8” keyless chuck

April Small Raffle Prizes

Badge Raffle:
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From the General Meeting — March 6th

Tom Nelson and Clayton Nye set up another opportunity for club members to vote on the topics they want to see in the Furniture SIGs for the rest of the year. Dave Keller of Keller Dovetail Systems gave a informative and entertaining demonstration of how easy it is to use his dovetail jigs.

March Show and Tell

Daniel Snow shows a truck and flatbed trailer carrying a crane. Floyd Gibson shows a leg he turned and mortised on his CNC. Bob Schieck shows a hot pad he made several years ago. Jack Stellman shows a live-edge bowl he turned from olive wood.

Doll Bed Design Event

The Toy Committee put out a challenge to come up with a new doll bed design and two people answered. Niemand Quok (above left) shows his design, and David Chin (above center) shows a bed that converts from a bed with finials to a four poster bed (right).

Judy Wavers provided a photo of the 11 step stools that were made at the February Toy Workshop.

The magazine stand for the Hart Center is taking shape at Paul Verlinde’s shop. (Thanks Paul!) (From above left) Bob Beckert and Andy Volk glue the pedestal that will hold up the stand, and Andy inspects the clamped part. Bob and Tom Harrington build one of the six sides to hold the magazines. The sides needed a bit of adjustment which Paul did with a hand plane. We really got into our work as Tom shows as we assemble the six sides of the stand. The six-sided stand is shown on its side at right, ready for finishing touches.
Toy Time

We are now in full swing of the toy season. The Bed Design event provided a new design submitted by Niemand Quok (see inset on Page 6). This design will used at the workshop. It has very clean lines and appears very sturdy. Also, thank you David Chin for your entry with the Barbie canopy bed - Outstanding!

The workshop this month was lead by Tom Harrington (upper right photo). The project was making beds using the new design. There were 15 participants and we competed 6 beds and kits for another 20 were taken to be assembled. Check out the pictures and see the fun we had. We were well fed with cookies from Maggie Harrington and pineapple upside down cake from Vikki Orman. Thank you both. Thank you Woodcraft for the support by furnishing the class room as a workspace. We still are in need of workshop leaders for June, July, August and September. Check with the members that have done the workshop about what is involved. This is a fun thing to do.

Thank you also to Michael and Woodcraft for supporting the toy project with the pen raffle. The raffle is still in process. You will have an opportunity to purchase a raffle ticket at the general meeting and the raffle date will be in April.

We have on hand wheels, dowels and some wood. A supply order will be placed in April so let me know what you need.

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