President’s Message

Welcome everyone to the month of June!

For our June general meeting we have another very special speaker: Mr. Marc Foster! Marc has a woodworking business that uses urban forest trees to create heirloom fine furniture and other products. Come to the June meeting and learn about his both beautiful and amazing masterpieces! There should be something for everyone to learn at the meeting!

The June SAW Club Contest is “Put a lid on it…… or Not” This can be anything with or without a lid that can contain something. Build it now so that your item is ready for the June 4th SAW general meeting! We always welcome all SAW club members to bring in any toys or other woodworking projects you have been building to share and show-and-tell with the other SAW club members. All of us learn a thing or two when members share their work and methods.

Special SAW General Meeting President’s Prize: Attend the June SAW general meeting and if you are good with your numbers you will win a prize!

Thank you Spring Shop Tour leaders! – We had a tremendous turn out May 5th - and really great shops to visit too! Thank you Oliver, Bruce, Don, and Marion for hosting this tour!

Thank you Joe Orbeck! Joe designed and produced the beautiful certificates that were given to SAW contest winners and honorable mentions! Also, thank you to Joe’s wife for providing the paper and assisting in this special recognition!

Aura Hardwoods Barbecue June 8th! 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. Also, enjoy a meal and drink too.

Future SAW general meetings in July, August, and September: The Ethyl Hart Senior Center is undergoing a summer remodeling. As a result, the SAW general meetings for these months will require a new location. Your SAW executive board is diligently looking into alternative meeting locations. Stay tuned for e-mails and/or other timely updates!

Because the Hart Center is closing this summer, we will not have access to our Library. Please return all books in June.

The California State Fair has 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 22th. 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...

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Welcome New Members

Greg Alvarez
Richard Folema
David Wilson

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.

### 2013 SAW BOARD

All listed are voting members of the Board.
All Phone numbers are in 916 area code unless otherwise indicated.

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### SAW Staff Members

Volunteer members who work hard to help make the club great.

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### General Meeting Program Schedule

**June:**
- **Speaker:** Marc Foster on “Functional Art”
- **Contest:** *Put a lid on it…Or Not*

**July:**
- **Speaker:** Dave McPherson of Dave’s Custom Molding on how to do molding
- **Contest:** *Something in the Round*

**Aug:**
- **Speaker:** TBD
- **Contest:** *Something for the Outside*

**Sep:**
- **Speaker:** TBD

**Oct:**
- **Speaker:** TBD

**Nov:**
- **Speaker:** TBD

**Dec:**
- **Presentation of Toys to the Salvation Army**

### 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:**
- “**Rustic Furniture Basics**,” by Doug Stowe
- “**Chip Carving**” from Woodcarving Illustrated

*(For those that may have become interested in chip carving after hearing our Guest Speaker, Diana Kwan.)*

**Note:** Because the Hart Center is closing this summer, the library will not be open June through August. Please return all books in June.

### 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.

**Individual**
- 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 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!
fun and easy way to let other people learn about our wood club, and also gives the public a chance to join our organization. Club members who would like to can also sign up for more than one day or shift. The big thing is to have a few people from our club available in the booth to keep an eye on things and hand out SAW cards, brochures, and possibly answer questions. (We don't expect booth volunteers to be woodworking experts or know-it-alls - merely club members who enjoy having fun with woodworking.)

We have tentatively planned to have some simple woodworking items, materials, and equipment in our booth to showcase - things like a stationary electric scroll saw and a small wood lathe. Club members that want to can saw or make things, but it is not a requirement. You can just hang out and let people know what SAW is about. With several people staffing the SAW booth at a time, it will also hopefully make the experience more enjoyable and easy. Shift times are about three hours, giving you the opportunity to enjoy the other activities at the fair that day.

We are also seeking woodworking items built by club members to display in the booth. If you have any woodworking creations that you would be willing to display at the fair, please bring the item or items to the July SAW general meeting. Please email me if you would be willing to help staff the booth. If you have any questions please let me know.

Get your glue! We have glue and other assorted SAW Club items for sale at our monthly meetings.

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!

With summer arriving there will be plenty of fun things to do with SAW. We hope to see you soon at a SAW club meeting or other SAW event - and don't forget the Aura Barbeque!

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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.
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 June 1st, at Chuck Renda’s shop from 10 AM to 1 PM. The topic will be on dovetail jigs. Chuck has an amazing shop, so come on by.

Scroll Saw SIG  Contact person: Holly Lovvo

We had a good showing at this last SIG, we cut out some 3D bird houses and took some bank plans home. A great big THANK YOU to Bob Beckert for the banks that he made for the SIG.

There will not be a SIG in June as there is an Aura wood sale on that day. The July SIG is still in progress and will be announced later. Have a great and safe holiday

Furniture Projects SIG  Contact person: Andy Volk

There was a good turnout at Tom Nelson’s shop for a demonstration of wood veneering techniques from Tom and Paul Verlinde. They showed the jigs and techniques they use.

In June, Ron Ashby of www.shellac.net will be talking all about using shellac to get a great finish. Call me (Andy) with questions on shellac and finishing, and I will forward them to Ron so he can cover them in his demo.

Lathe Turning SIG  Contact person: Ed Gieszelmann

Ed is off on vacation, so Bob Prichard is taking over the SIG in June. He will demo the differences in traditional tools vs. the EWT (Easy Wood Tools) and using the Longworth chuck for finishing bowls.

Novice SIG  Contact persons: (None)

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

Call for Funeral Urn Makers

The Garden of Innocence Sierra Hills provides dignified burials for abandoned and unclaimed infants. They are in need of volunteers to build urns. The County currently has 14 infants that we will be burying this summer. Please let the Director know if you can help or can connect them with someone who can. A contact number and link to their web page is given below.

Victor Junior, Director
Garden of Innocence
Sierra Hills California
(209) 542-0278
http://www.gardenofinnocence.org/ourgardens/goisierra.html

The Hart Center Magazine Rack is almost complete. Joe Orbeck and Andy Volk completed spraying on the lacquer finish. All that is left is to finish the plastic acrylic windows and deliver it to the Center.

Congratulations to Andy Santos, the winner of the Woodcraft pen raffle. The pen was made and donated by Michael Bush (right.)
June Large Raffle Prize
Lodging for Three Days and Two Nights in San Francisco
WorldMark San Francisco occupies a historic building dating from 1908 on the corner of Bush and Stockton streets and is a short walk to Chinatown, Nob Hill and Union Square. The famous Powell Street Cable Car stops just one block away, and public transportation on the Bay Area Rapid Transit system is nearby. Note that transportation to SF, meals, and parking are not included.
You can check out the hotel at https://www.worldmarktheclub.com/resorts/sn/.

June Small Raffle Prizes

**WOW Prize**

**Badge Raffle:**
DeWALT 12”
Push-lock Pliers

**Digital Tool Setting Gauge**

**Safety VU Safety Glasses**

**Bloxygen Spray, Seal & Store**

**Irwin 6pc Clamping Set**
Set includes two 6” mini quick-grip bar clamps, two 2” handy claps and two 2” spring clamps

**Hex Chuck adaptors:**
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Large ¼” 3mm – 6mm (Separate prizes)

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The speaker for the May General Meeting was Scot Steenson from Freud / Diablo Tools (http://www.freudtools.com/). Freud represents the higher quality products with longer life while Diablo is aimed more at the price-conscience, occasional user. Scot explained the products and the members engaged him in a lively question and answer session. A few members even won some Freud router bits for paying attention and answering Scot's questions.

May Show and Tell

Oliver Crandell shows a beautiful splined ballot box that he built.

Joe Orbeck and his wife designed contest winner awards certificates that have a photo of the winning item. They will be given in the meeting following the contest.

Jim Cumberbatch shows a beautiful splined ballot box that he built.

Tom Harrington reminded everyone that there are a few doll bed kits left to be put together.

David Chin had two items to show. A walking duck and a mirror he made from the plastic mirror we got from Tap Plastics.

Judy shows the doll bed she and Sally Green put together using their new Keller dovetail jig. She also shows a step stool painted by Vicky Orman (below).

Bob Prichard shows a Japanese game called “Kendama” he turned on his lathe.
Toy Time

What good toy making weather we are having. It certainly makes it fun to be in the shop

The workshop at the Sacramento Woodcraft was a total success. We made parts for 18 beds and two dozen rabbits. Jerry Engell brought in 3 additional beds he had already completed and David Chin brought a very happy rabbit that may get into production at a later date. We worked hard and were through by about 12:30. Thank you Woodcraft for the use of your space and equipment. The June 20 workshop will be lead by Andy Volk. We will be making a fishing game. This will also be a chance for a little individual creativity in the design.

The workshops are fun and we accomplish good things plus get to shop at Woodcraft. The workshops for July, August and September still need leaders and projects. Just give me a call. If you haven’t lead a workshop, it is easy and you get plenty of support.

Remember, if you are in need of wood, wheels or dowels just contact me. We will be purchasing additional wood at the Aura Barbeque so if you have a special toy project please let me know ahead of time.

Have fun making the toys. We get to smile and so do the kids.

Judy
Spring 2013 Shop Tour

We had a bonanza of shops this May with four shops open. We also had a great turnout for the tours. There was an amazing variety: two in garages and two in separate outbuildings. First up was Oliver Crandell’s shop in Loomis. He had a very nice shop layout with a flip-up planer on his saw outfeed table and a planning whiteboard attached to the back of his garage door.

Next we went to Bruce King’s garage based shop in Fair Oaks. He had some of his furniture work on display, plus clever jigs and fixtures he has build or attached to his machines.

Don Langley’s shop is in an old converted barn on his spacious property in Carmichael. He has many tools throughout the space, both old and new.

But by far the most eclectic collection of items was found at Marion Gribskov’s shop (below). His truck is labeled with “Marion the Agrarian” on one side for all the trees and gardens on the property and “Marion the Lignarian” a word play on woodworker. His workshop is full of the seriously playful: games, chimes, mobiles and his thoughts on life...
Letters to the Editor

This is a new idea for the SAW Newsletter. If members have something to say to the rest of the club that is related to what we do, we will try to make space for it in the newsletter. The Editor.

What Am I Going To Do With All This Stuff?
A guide for heirs facing disposing of a loved-one’s belongings
By Craig Blankenship

I was asked this question on our last shop tour. Maybe my recent experience with my mother’s clothes, furniture and my dad’s garage will help give you some ideas to help you take care on this problem.

RULES OF THE GAME:

Your relatives will not remember you fondly after the second week of trying to get rid of your stuff after you are gone.

You need to be realistic about what your plans and health are for your future. If you are planning to move in with a relative or a retirement community, then you probably don’t need a quarter-yard cement mixer. (For example, pen making can take a drill, very small lathe and turning tools that fit in locked case or tool chest or work at a friend’s shop.)

Ask friends and relatives if you have something they would like to have, then GIVE IT TO THEM.

When you first get an offer for something from a friend or club member, take the offer. You probably will not get as good an offer from a stranger in the future.

Your tools, guns, cars, furniture etc., are not as valuable to others as they are to you. Everyone will buy almost anything if it is a bargain, but not at full value.

Find out if there is a need for a filled tool box for the next disaster victims to get started on their recovery, (Red Cross or Salvation Army?)

Consider one or more well-advertised yard sales. Have someone roaming around making deals on your stuff. (Not You.) 10 % of something is better than 100% of no sale.

Consider hiring professional auction people to sell your tools, furniture, and appliances. The auction company cost a lot but they can sell almost anything.

Advertise tools for sale on SAW newsletter, Craig’s List, Penny Saver, etc… Furniture, appliances and cars on Craig’s list, Penny Saver, etc… You can give your guns to direct family members. Everybody else has to go through a gun shop and the state. Rules are changing; don’t leave your heir violating the law. Check with a good gun shop for regulation booklet.

DONATE, DONATE, DONATE... But keep your receipts. (i.e.: give used pillows to SPCA.)

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