Hello, I am Jerry Butler.

I was born in Amarillo, Texas and raised in the Dallas/Fort Worth area until I was nine years old. Then I moved to central California where I lived until I graduated from high school. I served four years in the United States Air Force, after which I returned to Central California. I attended the College of the Sequoias and Fresno State and earned a degree in Engineering. In 2012, I retired from UC Davis as a Construction Administrator/Inspector.

I first joined SAW in 1990. In 1992, I was Vice President of the club. I had to drop out in 1995 due to family problems. I rejoined SAW in 2004, and have enjoyed the fellowship and tips I have gained from other members.

I have been given the honor of being your Program Coordinator. I hope during my term, with suggestions of the members on what you would like to see, we will have interesting and informative meetings.
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.

We also share woodworking experiences, information, instructions, plans, books, tools and lumber sources, and sharing in discounts resulting from volume buying.

2017 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 enjoyable and run smoothly.

Librarians: Bob Beckert, Norm Steinbach, Dick Lewis, Joe Trevino
Toy Chairperson: Steve Bockman
Small Raffle: Kathy Braun, Sally Green
Large Raffle: Judy Prichard
Badges: Tom Harrington
Refreshments: Neysa and Michael Bush
Web Master: Matthew Burlingame

MEMBERSHIP

**It's that time of year!** 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.

**Newsletter Items**
Contributions to the newsletter must be sent to the Editor by the 20th of the month for inclusion in the following month's newsletter. Send to Andy Volk at newsletter@sacramentoareawoodworkers.com

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!

General Meeting Program Schedule

| Jan: Safety in the Workshop | “What I got or made for the Holidays” |
| Feb: Speaker: Leif Sorensen of Super Sharp Contest: “Put a Lid on it” |
| Mar: Speaker: TBD |
| Apr: Speaker: TBD Contest: “2 x 4” |

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.

The new books this month are:

"20-Minute Whittling Projects," by Tom Hindes
"The Art and Craft of Whirligig Construction," by Gabriel R Zuckerman
SAW Show and Tell time! Included at our SAW general meetings, we invite attendees to bring woodworking-related projects, tools, mementos, and other items and ideas to display and share for other club members to enjoy. If you do not wish or want to speak or preach to an audience or crowd, simply bring your item or idea with a short note of explanation attached so a SAW club officer or member can give the presentation for you. We truly want everyone to feel comfortable and share their projects with us.

SIG's (Special Interest Groups) Don't forget a benefit of your membership is the information and experience you get from going to any of the SIGs They can really enhance your woodworking. I know from attending the SIGs myself, I always seem to learn something I did not previously know and find out multiple ways of doing things more efficiently on my own projects. Look forward to seeing everyone take advantage of the SIGs.

Time to Renew Annual Club Dues! Pay now by mail (so you don’t forget!) or see the SAW club treasurer at the general meeting. Remember: Your 2017 dues and any donations are now tax deductible! By having your 2017 SAW club card you qualify for special bargains and discounts from various woodworking companies and local hardwood lumber stores. Purchase or renew your membership to save big in 2017!

Toy Workshop! The SAW Toy Workshop will again be the third Wednesday of each month. Hands-on fun will be held at the Woodcraft store, 9523 Folsom Blvd., in Sacramento from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM to make toys. All toy-making tools, equipment, and materials will be provided. On that day all SAW club member will also receive a 10% discount on most items you purchase in our local Woodcraft store! (Thank you Woodcraft!!!) Come out and help make some toys, enjoy some time crafting with other club members, and even enjoy some wood-working bargains from Woodcraft!

This concludes this month’s president’s report! Hope to see you all either at a SAW meeting or one of the SIG’s where we all gain something by meeting together. Be safe and have an enjoyable 2017 with our club!
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.

Novice SIG  Contact persons:  Clayton Nye (916-215-5349)

The SAW Novice group met under cold dark rainy skies on January 7th at Paul Verlinde’s woodshop. Fortunately the spirit and mood in Paul’s shop was much warmer and welcoming as we focused on wood planers and jointers. It was a real extravaganza of machinery to behold, with Paul having three planers and two jointers available in his woodshop for SAW members to observe and learn upon. The SIG covered the nuts and bolts of planers and jointers, covering different features on machinery, cutting knife systems, power requirements, and even how to feed materials into or on to machines. It was a long list of topics and discussion points.

The February SAW Novice SIG will cover a topic useful and essential to any woodworker: applying primers and finishes on woodworking projects. Learn the trade secrets of painters and finishers know, including how to create eye-popping finish coats. Learn how to minimize runs and sags in your finishes, and even alternative methods to apply finishes. We will cover some of the basic elements of wood finishing many woodworkers forget or don’t realize. Come out to Paul Verlinde’s woodshop on February 4th at 10:00 AM. Refreshments and drinks will also be provided!

Scroll Saw SIG  Contact person:  Holly Lovvo

We had the January Scroll Saw SIG at Floyd’s shop, cutting out 3-D Dolphins, a 911 memorable and other 3D patterns. Floyd also helped me put together my Flatmaster sander and gave a demonstration on the proper way to set up and use the machine. The installation went well, and only took a trip to 2 different stores to get the right parts.

In February, we will be back in our shop with intarsia patterns. I will have the patterns and wood to practice with, but feel free to bring your own pattern or wood if you have something special you would like to work on. Intarsia is best done with a Dremel tool. We have 2 we can share, but if you have your own, you may want to bring it along.

Special note: February is typically a wet month. There is a possibility the approach to our shop from the south (Elverta and Sorento Road) will be flooded, so you may need to approach from the north side (Rio Linda/Pleasant Grove road). In addition, stay on the gravel road and driveway portions. Four-wheel drive will not help if you sink in the softer areas up to your axle. We will be outside to guide you to a safe parking spot. We don’t want another stuck-in-the-mud.

Furniture Projects SIG  Contact person:  Clayton Nye

There was a good turnout for the January SIG at Paul Verlinde’s shop. The group discussed how they wanted to see the SIG go in 2017. The plan is to have the attendees make their own examples of furniture pieces, and the SIG meetings will for discussing design and execution ideas with comments on the members’ examples. The first item to be tackled will be a simple table.

For the February SIG attendees can bring in some plans for a table they want to build - something small and simple enough that it can be brought into future SIG meetings. There will be reference material for discussion of table designs, and we will review some of the plans brought in.

Hand Cut Dovetail SIG  Contact person:  Dave Traversi

The Hand Cut Dovetail SIG in February will return to dovetail basics, specifically “through dovetails.” As always I welcome folks new to hand cut dovetails as well as anyone who would like to get a refresher course or just have some fun practicing this fundamental type of woodworking joinery in the group setting. Remember that signup is required for this SIG and it is limited to 6. This is a hands-on SIG that requires participants to bring the following tools: Dovetail saw, marking gauge, two sharp chisels (1/4" and 1/2"), mallet, marking knife, dovetail marker or bevel gauge, and a sharp pencil. Optional tools: fret saw, dividers (2 pair). If you are a little shy of the complete tool list - call me - I have a few tools to loan.

Lathe Turning SIG  Contact person:  Jack Stellman

The February Lathe SIG will be held at my shop and will be on how to make a simple bowl using the basic tools that were discussed in January.

A Gridley woodworker (Sacramento Victorian home restorer) died and left thousands of tools. About 80% are hand tools such as planes, scrapers, routers, draw knives, spoke shaves, rasps, files, back saws, folding rulers, layout equipment, etc. Some are vintage, some not. The man’s wife and grown children know the value of tools, but you will find diamonds in the rough and you will not pay an arm and leg for them. Make an offer...be prepared for a counter.

For more information contact Tim Turney  tmpt@surewest.net
February Large Raffle Prize
Porter-Cable 3.5 Gallon Air Compressor

The Porter-Cable PCFP02003 is a perfect little general purpose shop compressor. This unit features a 3-1/2 gallon tank with 135 maximum PSI and can supply 2.0 SCFM delivered @ 90 PSI. This compressor has a durable oil-free pump which is designed for longer run time and quicker recovery, which provides long life and no maintenance.

WOW Prize

Gorilla Ladders
3-Step ladder Type II Duty Rating, 225 lb. Capacity

Fixr
20 in 1Tool True Utility Pocket Tool

Wanted: Lie Nielsen Tools
Tenon Saw and Lie Nielsen #9 Miter plane
I will pay going rate. If you are down sizing your tools and no longer use your tenon saw or LN #9 contact me.
Dave Traversi
Ph: 916-509-2992
Our speaker for January was our own club Secretary, Jim Cauley. Jim gave another very nice safety lecture again. There were many serious points, and with Jim alibiing a bit, made the lecture interesting. He also had small first aid kits to hand out to winners of questions he threw to the audience. It was a good reminder on being safe in the shop. Thanks, Jim!

And everyone, take the safety to heart and have fun out there.

January Show and Tell

Tom Harrington (above left) shows a drill-powered wood lathe he has. It doesn’t necessarily take much to do woodworking.

David Traversi (left) made a fastener cabinet of pine with 21 half blind dovetailed drawers. It also featured a resawn book matched door of spalted maple. He also showed an end table of 8/4 elm with bentwood laminated legs and hand cut mitered dovetails. These dovetails will be shown in his January Dovetail SIG.

Joe Orbeck (left) made a pen jig for assembling inlay pen blanks. Before he made this, he had problems dropping the blank which caused all the inlay pieces to scatter. This jig holds everything securely and provides hand rests.

Windfall Firewood

Many people suffered tree losses in the January storms. Our Treasurer, Tom Harrington lost a Chinese Elm in his front yard. He was sitting in his living room next to the windows. Luckily, no injury or damage occurred, just a lot of firewood.

(Editor’s note: I didn’t lose a tree this year, but have in years past. I’ve noticed that they fall often fall pointing North, like this one.)

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SAW SHIRT and HAT ORDERS

Polo Shirt - Silk Touch 65/35 poly-cotton blend

COLORS: Black, White, Stone, Lime, Grey, Marine, Royal, Dark Green, Orange and Red

Each shirt is $24  Add $4.00 for Pocket  Add $3.00 for Tall Sizes  All Prices include tax and shipping

Prices may be lower for bulk orders.

To order or for questions: Contact Jim Cauley

Sandwich Bill Cap - One size up to 7 3/4

Colors: black, navy blue, dark green, khaki, red, royal and stone.  $15.00 each

Hart Center Area Parking

There are new restrictions on the parking around Midtown Sacramento that started in September and are now being enforced. Parking limits in the area around the Hart Center are all 2 hours max with the following exceptions.

The slots around James W. Marshall Park (where the Hart Center is situated) are 4 hour max, as shown in dark blue on the map at left. Note that directly across the street on all streets except J Street, parking is 2 hours max.

All metered parking spaces (shown in green lines) on J Street, K street, and 28th Street are free and have no limit after 6 PM.

While this information is from the City of Sacramento Parking Map, please check local parking signage.

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**Toy Time**

The January meeting was used to discuss plans for the year and get things started. Please contact me if you will need wheels, axles and other parts for this year. I plan on placing an order after the February general meeting.

At the February workshop, we will start work on doll beds, a pull toy duck, and an educational toy for shapes and counting.

One again a big thank you to all the toy makers and our corporate sponsors for everything last year and everything for this year. As ever, thanks to the Sacramento Woodcraft for hosting our workshop.

Steve Bockman

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**Eucalyptus Wood Available**

I will soon have an 80ft eucalyptus tree removed with a trunk width about 3ft. If wood desired by anyone, let me know.

Mel Solomon  
meld@surewest.net  
1304 Gold Pan Dr.  
Roseville, CA. 95661

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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!

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**Cool Websites to check out:**

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

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**Tip Corner:**

If you have an interesting tip or “trick-of-the-trade” to share with the membership, contact Andy Volk. Published tips will earn a small raffle ticket.

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Membership Renewal Drive

It is that time again! Renewals are NOW! Please help by mailing in the form early. This will save you time waiting in long lines, and ease our new Treasurer’s stress! A win-win all the way around!

And consider e-mail delivery of the newsletter to get everything in color, get the web links at a click of a mouse, save paper, and save the club over $15.50 in printing and postage.

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. Remember, your dues are tax deductible!

Note: There is now an option to have only your name published in the membership list that is available to other members on request.

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 2017 General Meeting! The winner will be refunded their dues for the 2017 calendar year!