Hope everyone is still enjoying the New Year and getting started on projects both for you and others. At the February meeting, we had a very interesting speaker on the art of 'Coopering.' I think this was one of the better speakers we have had and everyone at the meeting seemed to really enjoy the talk that David Stare gave. I did not realize that everything in this art had certain specs for size and a name for each. It was also interesting to hear that all cooperers have the same standard sizes within a tolerance across the country. Hopefully everyone enjoyed the presentation as much as I did.

For awhile, it looked like we were not going to have a Winter. All the trees and plants started to think the same. Suddenly we are faced with snow in the high country very unexpectedly. Hopefully, we can get some rain in the coming months or the Summer will most likely be a hot and dry one in the shop.

We don't have a project contest this month so hopefully we will have a number of people that bring in their 'Show and Tell' projects for all to see. Our contest for April 3 will be 'Something in the Round'. Looking forward to seeing what everyone creates this year.

As previously mentioned, we were looking for people to volunteer their time to assist with some of the Special Interest Groups (SIG’S). As reported last month, Herb Fuller volunteered to be an instructor for the Furniture SIG. His first SIG was very well attended and informative. We are very fortunate to have Herb pass on his many years of experience and hopefully everyone will be able to make a piece of furniture to take home with them later in the year. Look for more info at the next meeting.

We are still need a volunteer to organize and run the Novice SIG so please let a board member know if you can assist with this.

We are still working on a Mentor program so members can get assistance in a more timely manner versus waiting for a Special Interest Group (SIG) to cover the topic. At the last meeting, I was asked if something as simple as setting up a shop and discussing everything that goes into that would qualify for mentoring. That is exactly what we are looking for! If you have a talent such as 'Setting up a Shop' or anything similar and want to share...
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.

**2018 SAW BOARD**

All listed are voting members of the Board.

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**SAW Staff Members:** Volunteer members who work hard to help make the club enjoyable and run smoothly.

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**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:**

*"Furniture Projects,"* (Better Homes and Gardens Wood Shop Library)

*"Arts & Crafts Woodworking Projects: 11 New Designs in the Stickley Tradition,"* by Robert E. Belke

**MEMBERSHIP**

It is that time of year again to renew your membership for 2018! March is the last month to renew before your name is dropped from the membership roles.

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 Steven your thanks!
your expertise, let any board member know and we will add you to a mentor list for the membership to utilize your talent based on your availability and not a monthly schedule.

We have almost finalized our membership satisfaction survey for everyone to let us know how we are doing and any input you might want to share. The forms should be distributed at the March meeting so look for that as well and please help us by filling out the form so we can better serve the membership.

Reminder, we have two shop tours each year and the Spring tour on Sunday, April 8, has its first volunteer in Rancho Cordova so we need a couple of more in the same general area. If you are willing to show your shop, contact Jim Cauley and let him know you want to show your shop.

There will be a Tool Swap at the Sacramento Woodcraft on Sunday, April 22nd, from 8AM to 1PM. SAW will have a table there to sell some donated tools. If you have something to sell to help SAW, let us know.

Renewal time is running short if you do not want a disruption in your newsletter delivery. Dues can be paid at the meeting by talking to Tom Harrington or mailed in. A renewal form is available at the meeting or contact any board member and we will assist you. Anyone not renewed by the 20th of March will be removed from the membership list.

Hopefully I have not forgotten anything that needed to be discussed here so I will see you at the next monthly meeting on March 6.

March 2018 Calendar

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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 your favorite woodworking related websites here! Contact Andy Volk.

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.
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 person:  (Position Vacant)
There is no Novice SIG planned for March.  If anyone is interested in taking over, please contact any board member.

CNC SIG  Contact person:  Bob Prichard
This will be our third SIG of the year as we had a conflict last month.  We will meet at Bob Prichard's shop on Sunday, March 11, from 2pm to 5pm.  This will allow the Scroll Saw SIG to keep their previous SIG slot on the 2nd Saturday each month.  This month our topic will be the various software packages available for doing CNC work and what capabilities they provide.  We also ask for attendees to bring some show and tell projects they have produced on their machines.  Even if you don't have a CNC you can come for the information.

Furniture Projects SIG  Contact person:  Richard and Herb Fuller
We will start off the SIG with bandsaw safety, then we will move into the next steps for making the Tabouret table legs.  Since we do not currently have a Novice SIG, I am going to cover some basic techniques with hand tools and possibly do some sharpening of them.  My overall goal is not only to build furniture, but also to help beginners build their skills with both hand and power tools.

Lathe Turning SIG  Contact person:  Jack Stellman
In March, we will be going back to basics for our new members.  There will be a bit on lathe safety, and then we will cover using the spindle gouge, the bowl gouge, the parting tool, the scraper and the skew.  If you want to start using the lathe or need a refresher, come on by.

Scroll Saw SIG  Contact person:  Holly Lovvo
The Scroll Saw SIG will be held as needed on an occasional basis in 2018.  If anyone would like to take over the SIG, please let me know.  Holly is also available to give help individually on the scroll saw.  Just contact her.

Hand Cut Dovetail SIG  Contact person:  Dave Traversi
For now, the Hand Cut Dovetail SIG is on hiatus.  Any future SIGs will be announced in this space.

Router and Drill Press Table Hardware For Sale

**Bench Dog ProTop Standard Router Table Top (40-032)**
Router table top with fully adjustable miter track and 3/4-inch accessory t-track
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*Asking price $75*

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T-track and adjustable fence above, t-track underneath for mounting
Size 24 x 15 1/2 x 1 1/2 in.  3” diameter hole under centerplate
Includes two aluminum hold downs with knobs and two post knobs for mounting

*Asking price $50*

**T-Track USA 32” Pre-Drilled Aluminum Fence with center hole for router table**
Includes part 20504 adjustable sub-fence (2)
With T-track and adjustable fence above, t-track underneath for mounting
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*Asking price $40*

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From the General Meeting — February 2nd

David Stare (left) came to SAW share with us his hobby of being a Cooper. Typically cooperers are thought to make barrels, and that is a big part of their craft, but they make any container with staves held by straps. David lead us through a history of coopering, the types of cooperers, barrel types and sizes. David is a “white cooper” that builds with straight staves (not bowed like a barrel) to make buckets, tubs, butter churns, and mugs (center photo). He showed us some of his work and the tools he uses to make them. It was a fascinating talk. Thanks, David.

February Contest: “Put a Lid on it”

First Place: Ernie Buda (above) took the idea of “Put a Lid on It” a step further and made a turned box with a turned box as a lid which had a finial as a lid.

Second Place: David Chin (above) made a segmented pot on a scroll saw that becomes a teapot.

Third Place: Andy Volk (above) made a puzzle box that was so puzzling to open that it took him more than 15 min to open it. It includes a secret draw in the bottom lid.

Honorable Mention: Floyd Gibson (above) cut out this box, lid, and bottom on his CNC from a single board; then glued the layers together.

Honorable Mention: Jack Read (left) made a desktop secretary with a tambour lid for a friend.

Honorable Mention: Tom Harrington (above) did a band-saw box for artist’s supplies with an applique image on top.

Judy Prichard turned a walnut bowl and lid. Unfortunately, she was sick that evening, so Bob Prichard (left) showed her entry.
SAW member Dave Traversi gave a hand cut dovetail demonstration at Woodcraft in January which drew quite a bit of interest as seen at right. He showed basic techniques and some of his own wonderful work.

The February Furniture SIG was held at the Lovvo’s large shop which was good since there were more than 15 attendees. Herb Fuller lead the SIG and started off with an excellent table saw safety refresher. Then he started the process of building a Stickley-inspired Tabouret Table (shown on the bench above). He showed how to draw a full-sized plan (above far right), the start to prepare the legs, including making the through tenon on the leg. More about the design will be in coming SIGs.

Dan Franke (above left) turned bowls of black walnut, pear, and olive. One of them had walnut stripes embedded in the design.

Gerry Holmquist (above) has a positive pressure Rockler respirator which he likes, except the battery supply, which he has a replacement design.

Andi Brewer (left) showed some of the puzzles she is proposing to make in the March Toy Workshop.

Tom Harrington (right) had a tension problem on his bandsaw which came down to replacing a nut and a bolt which he did himself.

Ernie Buda (above) turned several bowls for the Empty Bowls project.

Kathy Brauer (above) made a parquetry table.

Bob Prichard (left) made a two piece Valentine’s day box on his CNC from plans given at a CNC meet. It involves two-sided milling.

Floyd Gibson (left) made a lid for a Ball jar with the M&M’s man logo for his son-in-law for storing the candies.
Toy Time

We had a great turnout at the February Toy Workshop, with at least 15 members and non-members coming. We worked on Bob Beckert's design of a four-wheeled chicken for young kids to pull around. Several were cut out and sanded; the number of toys only limited by the amount of wood available. A few giraffe puzzles were also cut out.

SAW has received a large group of wheels and factory made wood toys. We plan to show examples at the next meeting. (For example, the wooden barrels will make great additions when combined with open bed trucks. My wife says that I can't say they'll become beer trucks...)

Andi Brewer will be lead the March Workshop doing more puzzles like the ones she showed at the February general meeting.

Toy Workshop continues to be fun and rewarding. Come join us. Thanks again to the Sacramento Woodcraft for hosting our workshop.

David McAfee

Toys for Parrots

Anjanette Grossman visited our February general meeting to ask for wood scraps to make toys for rescued parrots. Commercial toys are quite expensive and don’t last long with a bigger bird. Anjanette can make the toys if she can get the wood. She is looking for solid 3/4” or thicker stock. Anything a few inches or more is useful. Please bring your scraps to the March General Meeting. Acceptable wood species include:

- Apple
- Ash
- Aspen
- Balsa
- Basswood
- Beech
- Citrus
- Cottonwood
- Crabapple
- Dogwood
- Elm
- Eucalyptus
- Fig
- Fir
- Hawthorne
- Larch
- Madrona
- Manzanita
- Maple
- Pine
- Poplar
- Walnut
- Willow
- Balsa
- Crabapple
- Fir
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- Larch
- Madrona
- Manzanita
- Maple
- Pine
- Poplar
- Walnut
- Willow

You can contact her at Anjanette.Grossman@gmail.com or 916-717-4202
Membership Renewal Drive

Renewal time is running short if you do not want a disruption in your newsletter and other benefits. 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 2018 General Meeting! The winner will be refunded their dues for the 2018 calendar year!

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Membership Application
January to December Renewal

Mail to:
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Do we need to update your information? If so, please let us know what needs to be changed:

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