President’s Message

Hope everyone is still enjoying the beginnings of a New Year and getting started on projects both for yourselves and others. At the February meeting, we had a wonderful presentation led by our very own Andi Brewer and Dan Burgess that reviewed possible toy designs, fabrication tips, and packaging for our future yearly donation program with the Salvation Army. Hopefully everyone enjoyed the presentation as much as I did. I think we learned that there are so many options for continuing our good work in the local community of helping kids during the Holiday time period.

According to Punxsutawney Phil, spring is supposed to be on its way! However, with the recent snow that keeps coming down in the Sierra’s this may not be the case. Regardless, of the circumstances of a continuing winter, this should leave us hopefully more time in the shop to work on our projects.

Speaking of projects and expertise of our General Membership, Dr. Gerry Holmquist is going to share with us “How to Build a Dining Room Table” during his talk on March 5, 2019, at 7:00 PM. So be there or be square!

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 instead. Our contest for April 2 will be the famous “2x4 Contest.” Rules and examples of entries from past years are given on Page 7.

To stimulate your interest in this Contest, we are going to have Mr. David Chin share with you at the next meeting some tips for how he approaches this contest. I am definitely looking forward to seeing what everyone creates this year.

With your membership comes the benefits of our Special Interest Groups (SIG’s). So make sure you get the important dates in the newsletter on your calendar so you can enhance your knowledge and skills that incorporate topics related to the following: Lathe work, Scroll Saw work, Toy building, Furniture making, and our Novice skill program.

As a reminder, we have two shop tours each year in the spring and fall. Our spring tour is currently scheduled for Sunday, April 7, 2019, with three shops in the Fair Oaks, Orangevale, and Folsom area. There will be more information in the April Newsletter. If you are willing to show your shop in the fall, please contact Jim Cauley and let him know you want to show your shop and we will put it on the list for
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.

2019 SAW BOARD
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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 Repair & Refinishing," by Brian D. Hingley
"Building the Perfect Tool Chest," by Jim Stack

Fox Chapel Publishing has announced the definitive book on the world's all-in-one tool "The Swiss Army Knife Survival Guide." They are taking reservations for purchase. With this guide one could live in the woods forever, maybe build your forest home. To find more on this tool go to foxchapelpublishing.com or other book sellers. And NO, there are no plans to purchase it for the SAW Library.

MEMBERSHIP
Last Month to renew before your Newsletter Subscription lapses. 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.

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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 the SAW Treasurer (See SAW Board listing above left) 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

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future tours.

As a final reminder, it is the time of year to renew your membership to SAW and dues can be paid at the next meeting or by talking to Kathy Braun or by being mailed in. A renewal form is available at the meeting or contact any board member and we will assist you. For those who have not renewed yet, March is the last newsletter!

Thanks again for your continued SAW involvement. We will see you at the next monthly meeting on March 5th.

Mark Mason

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HELPING HANDS

SAW has a mentor program. This is how it works:

• If you need help with woodworking tools or a project - call ANDI Brewer
• If you have woodworking skills and knowledge to share - call ANDI Brewer

Members will be brought together. ANDI Brewer will be the conduit to bring members together.

Cool Websites to check out:

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

Did you like the toy hippo rattle that Dan Burgess made for infants, then check out You Tube at: https://youtu.be/ZDRIKCbewaw to see how it is done.

If you want to know the proper height for a workbench, there is an excerpt from the The New Traditional Woodworker by Jim Tolpin: https://www.popularwoodworking.com/woodworking-blogs/the-best-height-for-a-workbench/
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.

Lathe Turning SIG  Contact person:  Jim Cauley standing in for Jack Stellman

The lathe SIG will taken over by Jim Cauley for the near future. Jim has set up pen turning classes for March 2nd and 3rd. Blanks and pen materials will be provided. The classes are full at this writing, but contact Jim about possible cancellations or additional sessions in the future.

Scroll Saw SIG  Contact person:  Holly Lovvo

February was very low in attendance, possibly due to the storms and the fact that the road to the South was flooded. Since March is anticipated to be rainy as well, we are going to skip the formal SIG. If anyone wants to stop by and play with the scroll saws, or get some one-on-one time, we are out there most weekends, so give us a call, and we will set up a time.

If there is a particular project you would like to see for April, let us know, and we will do our best to make it happen. Happy Scrolling!

Furniture Projects SIG  Contact person:  Richard and Herb Fuller

Two Shaker design tables were presented to be judged in the General Meeting (see below). The Feb SIG, we finish the mortise and tenons on the legs and rails and with the cross piece that lifts the top up off the legs.

In March, discussion will start on the design and construction of the top cabinet.

Novice SIG  Contact person:  Gerry Holmquist

Gerald Holmquist will host a novice SIG on Saturday, March 23rd at his shop in Roseville. He has a three bay unheated shop at the end of a short cul-du-sac with limited nearby on-street parking. During the first meeting, we will make a memory box from plans on the SAW website. Wood will be supplied for this first project. We will make rabbits, dadoes, and mitered-splined corners using a variety of methods for each technique. We will not mill boards (an expensive step up from novice) and avoid rip cuts on the table saw (too dangerous). At the end of the time, we will decide how future meetings should proceed. They can be technique oriented or project oriented. Coffee will be provided.

In the February Furniture SIG, the construction of the Kenov-inspired cabinet continued. The construction of the legs was completed by scraping and sanding all the pieces (lower right photos). The left most piece standing in a mortise is lift that makes the cabinet seem to float above the base.

The next meeting of the SIG will concentrate on the design and layout of the cabinet itself.

Shaker Sewing Table Contest
Mark Anderson (left) took first and Andy Volk (right) took second.
March Large Drawing Prize
Kobalt Compact Sliding Compound Miter Saw
- 7½” Single Bevel Compound Miter Saw with Laser.
- Maximum crosscut up to 2-in x 8-in (dimensional) at 90 degrees and 2-in x 6-in at 45, idea for molding and framing cuts
- Lightweight (under 23 lbs) for easy transport from storage to work location
- Miter cuts up to 50 degrees left and right with 9 positive stops at the most used degrees

WOW Prize
Veritas® Mini Spokeshave

Badge Drawing
$25 Woodcraft Gift Card
Veritas® Skew Registration Jig
$25 Woodcraft Gift Card
Kobalt 6” Folding Utility Knife

Lathe guard for Jet 1640EVS, 1840EVS, and 1840DVR lathes. Can be yours for a donation to SAW. This will be at the March general meeting.
Andi Brewer covered what she saw at the Salvation Toy Giveaway on Dec 20, 2018. While the giveaway is an amazing operation with 2000 families being served, she was a bit appalled at the rough way that our toys were treated, resulting in damage to some them. While that treatment will be addressed, it raises the issue of packaging of our toys to endure handling. This will be a focus for this next year. Packaging will make the items more durable and it will allow us to put more than one item together to make a more significant gift. We will also focus more on the infant to six-year-old segment. Dan Burgess talked about his toys that cover this segment. There are a lot of ideas and resources in the club to use.

February Contest: “Toys and Models”

First Place: Indy Shilling and his dad Dave (above) made a mobile crane with swiveling and tilting boom and a working crank for the hook.

Second Place: Rob Glen (top) made a detailed cement truck from a number of wood species

Third Place: Andy Volk (above) made a working model of the “Cryptex” from Dan Brown’s “The Da Vinci Code.”

Honorable Mention: Dan Burgess (left) made a crayon hauler truck that is destined for his child’s preschool.

Honorable Mention: David Chin (right) made some “Ducks in a Row” sculling boat with other ducks in individual “row” boats.
January Show and Tell

Dan Franke (above) made a bowl lid into a platter with a maple insert. He also used the Celtic Knot technique in a vase.

Ernie Buda (right) turned a bunch of bowls. He used finishing polish of boiled linseed oil, alcohol and shellac that he applies right on the turning bowl.

Rules/Guidelines for the 2 x 4 Contest:

1. Design and make something from a single piece of 8 ft. 2" X 4" (actual thickness 1½", actual width 3½", actual length 96") of any wood species.
2. You may use any wood joint like dovetails or dowels, and fasteners like nails, screws, glue, tape or string, as long as the purpose is for fastening and not as decoration or other enhancement.
3. You cannot add plastic, different woods, metals, clay, glass or other materials to the project (except as fasteners as mentioned above). The project should be essentially all from the one 2 x 4.
4. You can re-saw, shave, plane, carve, cut, burn or trim the wood.
5. You do not need to use the entire 2" X 4". If you do not use the entire piece, you may want to bring the unused portion to show it started as a 2" X 4”.
6. You may paint, stain, wax, polish, or leave your work-of-art without a finish.
7. You can cut it up, glue it together, and turn pieces on a lathe.
8. Use your imagination, and have fun.

Some of last year’s entries are pictured at right to show the range of things that can be done.

Contests for 2019

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Toy Time

Welcome to the news bulletin for 2019 TOY WORKSHOP. In February, we were joined by 15 members. The topic was spiral blade education and practice on scroll saws. Supplies, instruction sheets and directions on making puzzles were provided. Andy Volk also brought in the first bunch of fish to assemble for the fishing game.

Andy Volk also provided some information about toy safety, especially what is a “small part” that is a hazard for choking (i.e.: puzzle pieces) that are too small for kids 0 to 3 years old. Andy built a "tester" (small block at right) specified by the Consumer Product Safety Commission[1], so one could see what size pieces are OK. He also found that string attached to toys that have something on both ends (i.e.: the toy and a bead) should be 8” or less.

We look forward to welcoming you next month on March 20th at 10 AM at the Sacramento Woodcraft store on Folsom Blvd. During the March Toy Workshop, Kathy Braun (you know her as SAW's treasurer) will be heading up the session and giving instructions on making TONGUE DRUMS (bottom right).

Remember you get a 10% discount at Woodcraft for attending the toy workshop. So please come join us next month at Sacramento Woodcraft. And thanks to Woodcraft for hosting us.

ANDI Brewer


Asking for Help & Mentoring in Saw Maintenance

Here is a list of saws I have:
• 14" Powermatic Bandsaw
• Miter Saw
• Sears Craftsman 10" Table saw - Deluxe Flex Drive
• Sears Craftsman Radial Arm saw (113.23161)
• Craftsman 315.17432 Router (needs to be set up)
• Older 15" scroll saw w/ sander
• Delta Planer 12-1/2" Model 22-560

These have not been used in 5 years and my late husband did all the upkeep on them. I am anxious to get back into woodworking. I have only been a SAW member for 1 year and really want to learn more.

I live in Citrus Heights area off I-80 and Antelope. Weekends and some Fridays are best for me. If you feel like giving some guidance, please call, and leave a message if I don't answer.

Margaret Mandelik 916-410-7163

TREK BIKE FOR SALE…. $125

Model 1220 — 58cm
Contact Andi Brewer
916-612-1412
Andibrewer@aol.com.
Membership Renewal Drive

It is that time again! Renewals are due in January 2019. 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 almost $20.00 per year in printing and postage (which is going up in January 2019).

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!

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 2019 General Meeting! The winner will be refunded their dues for the 2019 calendar year!

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

Membership Application

January to December

EZ Renewal

Make your check payable to: “SAW” or Sacramento Area Woodworkers

SAW Use Only:

Membership:  [ ] Individual  [ ] Family

Amount Paid  [ ] $30  [ ] $45  [ ] Check  [ ] Cash

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