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**SAW Newsletter**

**NEXT MEETING:**

**HART SENIOR CENTER**

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May Meeting is Cancelled

915 27th St, Sacramento, CA

May 2020

(Between I & J Streets)

**President's Message**



Well, our interactive SAW meeting environment has changed quite dramatically over the last 45 days due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the Shelter-In-Place declaration established in our region, state, nation, and world. I know regardless of the circumstances

that are taking place, this too will end. We will get back to interacting in person as we did before this all happened.

But, the SAW Newsletter goes on!

As a reminder, our Special Interest Groups (SIG's) related to Lathe work, Scroll Saw work, Toy Workshop, Furniture making, and our Novice skill program are still currently on hold.

In the meantime, the SAW Board approved a new source of social media communication interaction for our membership. Our very own tech-savvy Secretary - Dan Burgess has set up a SAW Facebook site for all of the membership to be able to stay connected with during this time - and beyond. Now, it is even more important than ever to share, interact, and learn

from each other.

The Facebook group is for our members to share projects, ask questions and share tips, tricks and fun videos. This group is currently a private Facebook group, so you will need to request to join.

A board member will approve your request in short order and you should be all set to post. Once approved, you will be able to share with other members and hopefully get a little woodworking joy during the social distancing environment in place.

It is my belief that sharing the woodworking experience can brighten people's daily lives. Therefore, please continue with making new opportunities to help your immediate family, friends, neighbors, or outside parties in need using your skills as a woodworker. Your skills as a creator, fabricator, or designer in woodworking is more important than ever!!

Take care and be safe at home, when you have to go out for necessities, and in your shop!

Talk to everyone soon.

Mark Mason

**Welcome New Members**

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.*

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

**2020 SAW BOARD**

All listed are voting members of the Board.

President	Mark Mason	
Vice President	Richard Fuller	
Secretary	Dan Burgess	
Treasurer	Kathy Braun	
Program Chairman	<b>Open</b>	
Editor	Andy Volk	
Member-at-Large	Andi Brewer	
Member-at-Large	Jim Cauley	
Member-at-Large	Charles Linn	
Member-at-Large	Richard Lovvo	

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

Librarians	Bob Beckert, Norm Steinbach, Dick Grant, Joe Trevino
Toy Chairperson	Andi Brewer
Weave	Don Brice
Small Drawing	Holly Lovvo
Large Drawing	Jack Read
Badges	Kathy Braun
Refreshments	Don and Maria Brice
Web Master	Matthew Burlingame

**General Meeting Program Schedule**

- May: Speaker: General Meeting Cancelled
- Jun: Speaker: TBA  
Contest: "Something for the Home or Shop"
- Jul: Speaker: Kathy Braun – Intarsia  
Activity: TBA
- Aug: Speaker: Ryan Kodani — Festool  
Contest: "Wooden Art"
- Sept: Speaker: TBA  
Activity: TBA
- Oct: Speaker: TBA  
Contest: "Fall Holiday Extravaganza"

**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 all items checked at the next meeting, whenever that is.

**With General SAW Meetings suspended, the Library is closed until we resume meetings.**

**MEMBERSHIP**

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:

<u>Term</u>	<u>Individual</u>	<u>Family</u>
Jan - Mar (or renewing member)	\$30.00	\$45.00
Apr - Jun	\$22.50	\$33.75
Jul - Sept	\$15.00	\$22.50
Oct - Dec	\$ 7.50	\$11.25

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](mailto: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!

### WEAVE News

Despite the cancellation of the WEAVE/SAW workshops at Woodcraft, SAW members Tim Gonsalves, Michael Jay Bush, Ernie Buda, Bill Watts, Dan Burgess and Don Brice have been working individually to make pens, bowls, jewelry boxes and survivor boxes for the participants in WEAVE's domestic violence and sex trafficking programs. These gifts will be given to WEAVE in June. In addition to the above, community members have purchased diaries, crocheted blankets and embroidered aprons which will also be donated in June.

### A Message from WEAVE

COVID-19 has impacted us in a way we would have not expected, but our staff was able to pivot services within hours to ensure our life-saving services remain accessible for all survivors who are able to reach out only because of the generous support from our community.

The COVID-19 outbreak is an additional hurdle to safety and support for survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, and sex trafficking. We maintain all services with some looking different to ensure the safety of victims and staff. We've increased staffing on our 24/7 Support & Information Line and our emergency shelter and transitional housing programs continue to operate at near capacity. Counseling, advocacy, and legal assistance are being provided by phone. Victims are deeply appreciative of continued support with an average of 40 counseling sessions occurring daily. We added Online Chat via our website to offer another means of supporting survivors who may not be able to call due to sheltering at home with the abuser.

With the changes we have received more intense calls on the Support Line, have received more requests for legal assistance, and seen an increase in the cost for providing basic necessities for those residing in our housing program. When the stay at home orders are lifted, we only see the need for these program areas increase as survivors gain time away from the abuser and are able to reach out.

We have been forced to temporarily closed all our retail stores and refrain from accepting donations to limit risk of exposure. This revenue loss is compounded by the need to cancel our Spring event and a conference. We are shifting our fundraising efforts to focus on increased costs and ensure critical services are not impacted.

### May 2020 Calendar

5/02	Sat. 10 - 1	<b>Lathe Turning SIG</b> Jim Cauley No SIG in May.
5/05	Tue. 7 - 9	<b>General Meeting</b> Ethyl Hart Senior Center <b>CANCELLED</b>
5/09	Sat. 10 - 1	<b>Novice SIG</b> Gerry Holmquist No SIG in May.
5/10	Sun. 10 - 2	<b>Scroll Saw SIG</b> Holly Lovvo No SIG in May.
5/13	Wed. 6:30 to 9 PM	<b>SAW Board Meeting</b> Woodcraft <b>CANCELLED</b>
5/16	Sat. 10 - 1	<b>Furniture SIG</b> Herb Fuller No SIG in May.
5/20	Wed. 10 - 1	<b>Toy Workshop</b> Woodcraft No Workshop in May
5/21	Thur. 1 - 4	<b>WEAVE Workshop</b> Woodcraft No Workshop in May

### HELPING HANDS

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



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

So call Andi to get HELPING HANDS.

### 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](#).

**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 SIG** Contact person: Jim Cauley

Due to the current coronavirus issues, Jim is postponing his SIG until further notice.

**Scroll Saw SIG** Contact person: Holly Lovvo

Hi, Scroll Saw enthusiasts! At this time, it looks like large gatherings are still unadvised for May. With that in mind, we cannot plan for the May SIG at this time. In the meantime, we would love to hear what projects you have been working on, and what you would like to work on in the future. Thanks, and (hopefully), see you all in June!

**Furniture Projects SIG** Contact person: Richard and Herb Fuller

Again, due to the virus health directives, Herb is postponing his SIG until further notice.

**Novice SIG** Contact person: Gerry Holmquist

The Novice SIG is also on Hiatus until further notice.

## Vintage Power Tools For Sale

My father was a woodworker, as was my great-grandfather. We inherited several of their old tools, and neither my husband nor I will ever use them. We’re not interested in selling them, just looking to find them a good home and keep them out of a landfill if possible. I honestly don’t have any idea if they still work. I’ve attached pictures.

- Porter – Cable circular saw. It was my great-grandfather’s, so it might be 75-ish years old. I know my dad used it probably 25-30 years ago.
- Stanley electric router. My dad made a table for the base.
- A sanding table my dad made out of an old TV cabinet, with a belt and a disc sander.

If there are other avenues or people who might be interested, I’d love some guidance or suggestions.

Thanks so much,

Jennifer Hamilton [onethum@hotmail.com](mailto:onethum@hotmail.com)



## Vintage ShopSmith for Sale

I have a ShopSmith I inherited from my father. I am guessing it is a 1950's or 1960's vintage machine. It has not been used and collecting dust for the last 20 years. I would like to see it go to someone who can put it to good use rather than hauling it to the steel recycler. Do you know of anyone in your club who is looking for something like this?

if there is any interest contact Wayne Halterman at [whalterman19@gmail.com](mailto:whalterman19@gmail.com)

## From the New SAW Facebook Page



**Dan Burgess:** My first HDPE pen. The link to the YouTube video on this process was in last month's newsletter (Cool Links). Thanks to Andy Volk, the 17/64 bit worked well for the compression fit of the tubes. All and all I'm pretty happy with the results.



**Kathy Braun:** Just finished my intarsia project that I will use for the July SAW meeting. I plan to discuss the steps to making an intarsia project, wood selection, cutting, shaping and finishing. This picture is from Kathy Wise's new book "Intarsia Animals". Made from Ipe, Maple, Vero-wood, Bocote, and Dalmation.



**Justin Koenigshof:** I made this cutting board this past month. I made it for a silent auction that got canceled. It's walnut, maple, padauk, and purple-heart. It's my favorite one I've made yet.



**David Phillips:** Back in the shop after a short delay.



**Jim Cauley:** This is a square candy dish with flared wings. I turned it just to see if I could. I could!!!!



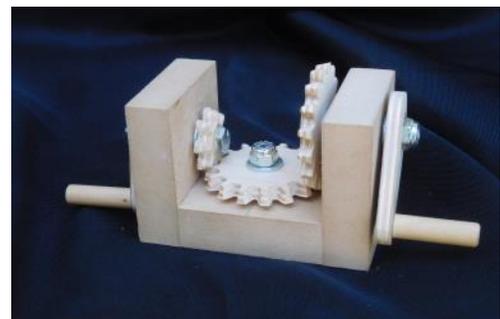
**Bob Wills:** Using up garage wood, may have to make a lumber run someday. No excuse that I didn't have time to do anything.



**Kevin Akin:** Just working on instruments. Here is the cello.



**Mark Anderson:** Way too much time at home, finally used some old 4x4 redwood fence posts and redwood lumber cutoffs that I had stored in the backyard for many years. Made these two benches and working on two more. Sheltering in place is kinda fun.



**Andy Volk:** I have been working on some bits for making Automata. I adapted a bevel gear design from Matthias Wandel ([www.woodgears.ca](http://www.woodgears.ca)) to run on Steven Hitchens' CNC machine. This allows driving mechanics through a 90° angle. Just a bit of fun for now.



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