President’s Message

Well last month, I thought we were all moving towards gradual lifting of the restrictions due to COVID-19. However, as they say, we are not out of the woods yet. As I write my message to you, the local TV News is playing in the background telling of the resurgence of the virus across the nation.

The month of July, is usually the time of year you either go for a hike, go to the beach, or in our case, work on a summer project when time permits. Therefore, I think we should all stay out of trouble and continue with our efforts to pass the time in our personal shops where we can feel safe.

This edition of the newsletter has the entries in the first ever SAW Facebook Online virtual Contest (see pages 5-7) for the entries and instructions for voting for your favorite entry on page 4.

I have been working on my Fireplace Mantel in my Living Room, and it is coming along quite well. I have used my Table Saw, Circular Saw, Router, and Kreg Jig for fabrication. However, as any project goes it does not get built in a day! In my case, it is sometimes a week, a month or even a year if it is a Home Improvement Project at the Mason house. I only get to tackle these projects on my weekends or planned vacations. My New Year’s Resolution is definitely getting closer to completion. I thought I would share a work in progress picture of my current endeavors.

Welcome New Members

William Latham
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  Open
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

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 depend-ent 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 the SAW Treasurer (See SAW Board listing above left) for more membership information.

General Meeting Program Schedule

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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!
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Interactions with the SAW group using Facebook and other apps.

If you have not interacted with the membership Facebook, please give it a try. Our Secretary, Dan Burgess, has set up a SAW Facebook site for all of the membership to be able to stay connected. The Facebook group allows our members to share projects, ask questions, and share tips, tricks, fun videos.

Keep up the woodworking skills and don’t forget to work on a few things for yourself, your friends and family. Also don’t forget to make a few Toys for the yearly Salvation Army Toy Drive or for the WEAVE projects if you have the time or interest.

Take care and be safe!

Mark Mason

July 2020 Calendar

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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

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.
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. All SAW SIGs are also on Hiatus until further notice.

Lathe SIG  Contact person: Jim Cauley
Scroll Saw SIG  Contact person: Holly Lovvo
Furniture Projects SIG  Contact person: Richard and Herb Fuller
Novice SIG  Contact person: Gerry Holmquist

Letter to the Editor:

Local Giving

Four kids just rang our doorbell to show us a completed jig saw puzzle of them decorating a fence. I made the puzzle with a DeWalt scroll saw recently purchased from Judy Wavers. And then the young birthday lady, accompanied by her mother, took me up to her room, past their dining table (I made the aproned base) to show me a sign I had just made as a birthday present, “Gracie’s Room.” I bought the sign-making template also from Judy. Contrary to SAW’s goals, I find this connectivity much more rewarding than having the fruits of my labors gathered and thrown anonymously into the back of a truck every Dec. 1.

Gerry Holmquist

It's time to vote for the Summer 2020 Virtual Contest Winner!!!

The entries in the virtual contest are shown on pages 5, 6, and 7 so you can see them all together. There is often more information and photos with the SAW Facebook page postings. If you would like to review all entries, you can click on the Popular Topics in Posts (upper right in your browser). Click on “Summer 2020 Virtual Contest link.” This will filter all posts in our group for contest entries only.

We have set up a survey on SurveyMonkey to vote for the winner. The survey will run from 7/2 thru 7/18. SAW members will also be getting an email from Andy Volk with similar details. When you click on the survey link below, you will see 3 questions. The first is for your name so we can track who took each survey. Questions 2 and 3 are where you vote. SurveyMonkey only allows a maximum of 10 images per question, and since we have 14 entries, we had to create 2 questions to show all the entries. Please review the entries/pictures on questions 2 and 3 before selecting ONE answer on EITHER question 2 or 3. Please do not select an answer from both questions. If you have any confusion or think you answered your survey incorrectly, please reach out to Dan Burgess.

We will be tallying the votes in the couple days following 7/18 and then announcing the winners on this Facebook group and via an email blast from Andy for SAW members.

We are being told by SurveyMonkey that they will be doing scheduled maintenance and that our survey will be unavailable starting July 3 (tomorrow) around 8am PT for approximately 12 hours. Please keep this in mind as you submit your vote.

Thank you to everyone who has entered and to everyone for voting for a winner.
First SAW Virtual Contest!

Mark Anderson - 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.

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 purpleheart. It's my favorite one I've made yet.

Kathy Braun - Finished my intarsia project for the contest. This picture is from Kathy Wise's new book "Intarsia Animals". Made from Ipe, Maple, Verawood, Bocote, and Dalmation.

Andrea Failla - This is a “rustic” board for keeping notes, reminders, to do lists, etc. I used pine boards that I charred the with a propane torch, then brushed clean with a steel bristled brush. It is finished with some thinned water-based white paint, applied with a rag, and immediately rubbed off. The wood was assembled with a combination of screws and construction grade adhesive. The paper clamps were attached with screws.

Jason Stumbo - My first dresser build with cherry hardwood stiles & 3/4" cherry plywood for the side walls and base. The top is 4/4 cherry. Each drawer is made with 1/2" cherry plywood with a 4/4 cherry face. 16" full depth drawer slides. Finished the dresser with Sherwood pre-catalyzed lacquer.

Jim Fiorentini - Made a little table out of walnut and padouk. This is the second table that I have made.
First SAW Virtual Contest!

Gilbert Reynaga - Made a tool chest for his son. Made from Baltic Birch plywood. He used butt joints for the case, reinforced with exposed walnut Miller dowels. Finished with 1 coat of General Finish’s oil-based Seal-A-Cell followed by two coats of Arm-R-Seal. All exposed surfaces sanded with 220, 400, 800, and 1200 grit sandpaper followed with paste wax.

David Phillips - It's made with live edge Koa wood encased in Alumilite casting resin with a dash of Pearl powder for a touch of style.

Dan Burgess - I turned the colored pencil blanks I posted back awhile ago based on this YouTube https://youtu.be/130daflxLzf8.

Tim Gonsalves - My end table is made with Walnut. The legs were cut at a compound 5% angle. I attached the legs to the skirt using mortise and tenon joints, matching the leg angle; The bottom shelf and bottom runners were cut to match the 5% of the legs. I used

Jack Read - This is a kiosk for an icon in a friend’s backyard. The carving is done with a trim router with 1/8 & 1/16” bits.

Corey Davis - This is a shaving kit that I made for a customer a few weeks ago. These are made with resin.
First SAW Virtual Contest!

**Andy Volk** - This is the pen for which I made the rotary texturing tool. It is a wizard's wand, a riff on Dumbledore's Elder Wand. It is made of cherry, and until the pen is extended, only wood is visible. The twist seam to extend the pen is hidden in the burn patterns in the middle of the handle. The acorn end and the nubs along the wand are all patterned by the texturing tool.

**Matt Muirhead** - A basket-weave end grain cutting board. Once I pulled this out of the oil, it turned out even better than I envisioned at the beginning of the build. Walnut, Cherry and Sapele

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From the SAW Facebook Page

**Jim Fiorentini** - Here is a dog bed I made for my sister's pet.

**Andy Volk** - A rotary texturing tool for turned items like the wizard's wand pen above.

**Justin Koenigshof** - Here is a cabinet box I just finished to store office supplies.
Toy Time

Hello all woodworkers and toy builders. We’ve been housebound for more than 100 days now, I figure, because of this COVID-19. I hope all of you are staying safe and well. I, for one, want to get back to making toys in the workshop. It won’t be at the normal Woodcraft shop location for sometime, however, but there are other options.

Gerry Holmquist has volunteered to open his shop on a "one-on-one" basis, to have members come to his shop to work on projects. It doesn’t have to be a toy! He wants to share his knowledge as the Novice SIG leader.

I, too, am opening my shop on the same basis, for members to call me and come over to work on toys. I also have plans and supplies for making toys, if interested. Additionally, if one needs ideas and/or materials, just give me a call and I could deliver what you need.

The TOY DRIVE FOR THE SALVATION ARMY will be here before you know it. We must keep making our wonderful wooden toys for those deserving children. Please let me know what you are working on and if I can be of any help. Send pictures of your work to Andy Volk to put into the next newsletter or post it on the SAW Facebook page like this one of work I am doing.

ANDI Brewer
WEAVE News

In this issue of the newsletter the gifts were made by Ernie Buda, Tim Gonsalves, Bill Watts, and Don Brice. Ernie made the two different types of jewelry boxes along with the large survivor box. He made a presentation on that box at an earlier general meeting. Tim made the pens, Bill made a box, and Don made the bowls.

WEAVE was very pleased and grateful for the recently donated gifts created by Michael and Neysa Bush, Ernie Buda, William Watts, Holly Lovvo, Kathy Braun, Tim Gonsalves, Dan Burgess and Don Brice. Over the next several months those gifts be distributed to the residents in WEAVE’s domestic abuse and sex trafficking programs.

To receive a gift from the community under these very stressful and isolating times provides the recipients with support and the hope that it is possible to live safely within the community. The next SAW group donation to WEAVE will happen in November. Your contribution of small gifts intended for adults are most welcome. If you have any questions and/or would like to receive emails concerning SAW and WEAVE please contact Don Brice.

Ernie Buda made all the boxes in the three pictures above.

Tim Gonsalves made the pens above.

Bill Watts made the box above.

Don Brice made the bowls above.
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