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**SAW Newsletter**

**NEXT MEETING:**

**HART SENIOR CENTER**

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August Meeting is Cancelled

915 27th St, Sacramento, CA

August 2020

(Between I & J Streets)

**President's Message**



Well, I just finished a stay-vacation for the week, working on projects that I have not had a chance to tackle before this. I also slipped in a hike in the forest of Lake Tahoe to enjoy some socially distanced outside time with the

family. A woods or a shop is still a great place to isolate and to enjoy yourself with activities or hobbies.

I just had my birthday so I got a few items that I have been missing from my shop, like some additional equipment, and shop enhancements like a wood rack that I have wanted for some time. Regardless of what is going on in the world you can also find some change or new item for your workshop that will make you more efficient or just organized.

The Fireplace Mantel in my living room is on the home stretch. However, now I need

to draw up some plans for some cabinetry to be assembled next to my initial project.

We have had an exceptional turnout for our first ever SAW Facebook On-line Contest. I would like to thank everyone who participated and acknowledge all of their fine woodworking. Regardless of whether you were a winner or not, the workmanship on the projects was exceptional.

Your SAW Board was so pleased with the turnout that we have created a new **Toy Virtual Contest for August, 2020**. We hope to get those creative juices flowing towards some additional ideas for the end-of-year Salvation Army Toy Drive. (Toys are still being made in individual shops of our members.) Rules and details of the new Facebook Toy Virtual Contest challenge is posted on the SAW Facebook Page and on page 4 in this Newsletter.

Enjoy the summer month of August by honing those woodworking skills. Don't forget to make a few Toys for the yearly Salvation Army Toy Drive or for the WEAVE projects, if you have time. Talk to you all in September!

Take care and be safe!

Mark Mason

**Welcome New Members**

Mark Mann Caleb White

Arbortech Tools USA (Brian Nyberg)

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	
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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**

- Aug: Speaker: Cancelled  
Activity: On-line Toy Contest
- Sept: Speaker: TBA  
Activity: TBA
- Oct: Speaker: TBA  
Contest: TBA

**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!

## Joining SAW Facebook

The SAW Facebook page is a great way to exchange ideas, interact, and stay connected with the SAW group. You can share your projects with other members, ask questions, and share tips, tricks, fun videos, and even participate in our virtual contests.

As a reminder, this is a private Facebook group, so you will need to request to join. One of our Facebook moderators will approve the request. Once approved, you will be able to share with other members.

## August 2020 Calendar

8/01	Sat. 10 - 1	<b>Lathe Turning SIG</b> Jim Cauley No SIG in August.
8/04	Tue. 7 - 9	<b>General Meeting</b> Ethyl Hart Senior Center <b>CANCELLED</b>
8/08	Sat. 10 - 1	<b>Novice SIG</b> Gerry Holmquist No SIG in August.
8/09	Sun. 10 - 2	<b>Scroll Saw SIG</b> Holly Lovvo No SIG in August.
8/12	Wed. 6:30 to 9 PM	<b>SAW Board Meeting</b> Phone Conference
8/19	Wed. 10 - 1	<b>Toy Workshop</b> Woodcraft No Workshop in August
8/20	Thur. 1 - 4	<b>WEAVE Workshop</b> Woodcraft No Workshop in August
8/15	Sat. 10 - 1	<b>Furniture SIG</b> Herb Fuller No SIG in August.

## 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.

### Cool Websites to check out:

Share your favorite woodworking related websites here!  
Contact [Andy Volk](#).

Herb watches a few YouTube channels that SAW members might be interested in.

**Paul Sellers** blog on using hand tools

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCc3EpWncNq5QL0QhwUNQb7w>

**Stumpy Nubs**, especially Cool Tools:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCstwpLSByklww1YojZN-KiQ>

**Thomas Johnson** on furniture repair and refinishing

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd8v3SbzGP9\\_wuSOr\\_xk\\_eA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd8v3SbzGP9_wuSOr_xk_eA)

**Wood & Shop** visits a variety of woodshops

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUn4DVVtJ\\_vfV\\_KzgVmZBog](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUn4DVVtJ_vfV_KzgVmZBog)

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**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.

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

## SAW 2020 Toy Virtual Contest

Since the first ever SAW Summer 2020 Virtual Contest had such great participation, we would like to do another virtual contest. This contest will target the main goal of our club: the Toy building and the Toy giveaway to the Salvation Army. Here’s how it will work:

- Submissions will be done via the SAW Facebook group. If you do not have access to Facebook, you can contact a board member to submit on your behalf.
- Dan Burgess has created a new Facebook group 'topic' called, "Toy 2020 Virtual Contest". When you submit your entry, you will tag it with this topic. This will allow other members to quickly filter and see all entries. If you have questions or issues tagging, a board member can help adding the topic tag.
- At the end of the contest period, Dan will create a way to anonymously vote for your favorite item. If you cannot get online, contact Dan to cast a vote by proxy.

### Contest Rules

- 1) Any toy can be created.
- 2) The toy must have been created since shelter in place started in California in March 2020.
- 3) The toy must not have been entered in previous SAW contests.
- 4) Anyone can enter, but only SAW club members can win cash prizes. Non-SAW club members can win other prizes.
- 5) Entries will be due on September 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 6) Voting will run from September 2<sup>nd</sup> through September 9<sup>th</sup>.
- 7) Please submit a few photos of your entry to better show of the piece or in progress pictures.
- 8) Please submit a suggested age range for your toy.

### SuperMax 19-38 Sander for Sale

I have a SuperMax 19-38 sander for sale, in perfect condition. I’m going to put it on Craigslist for \$1050. But before I do that, I will offer it to SAW members for \$900.

Contact: Greg Alvarez  
Ph: 916-684-1594

[alvarez.business@comcast.net](mailto:alvarez.business@comcast.net)



## Winners of the First SAW Virtual Contest!



**First Place: 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



**Second Place: Jason Stumbo** - Dresser is built with cherry hardwood stiles and 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.



**Third Place: Kathy Braun** - This is from Kathy Wise's new book "Intarsia Animals". Made from Ipe, Maple, Verawood, Bocote, and Dalmation.

## Toy Time

SAW Woodworkers unite! We have the opportunity to make beautiful wooden toys for the Salvation Army again this year. Today I'm putting forward a GOAL. Since we are all working from home and in our shops, I think it would be a good idea for us to have something to strive for, and that GOAL is 1500 wooden toys.

The toy drive for the Salvation Army will be here before you know it. There are so many members like Dave Hudson, Michael Bush, Floyd Gibson, Dan Burgess, Andy Volk, Steve Bockman, Bob Beckert, and so many more who are hard at work building toys for December. How about you? Are you ready to add your name to those making toys and enjoying the sweet pleasure of giving those beautiful toys to children this Christmas?

Remember, Gerry Holmquist has volunteered to open his shop on a "one to one" basis for members to come to his shop to work on projects. He wants to share his knowledge as the Novice SIG leader. I am also opening my shop on the same basis. Members simply need to call me, then make arrangements to come over and work in my shop making toys. I have plans, supplies and anything you might need for your wooden creation.

Additionally, remember there is a Virtual Toy contest on SAW's Facebook page. (Also see Newsletter page 4.) So put your thinking cap on and submit your toy for the contest.

ANDI Brewer



## WEAVE News

With the high summer temperatures and ever present family responsibilities, the WEAVE gift making during July has slowed. However, some members indicated they are in the process of completing gifts for WEAVE. Those gifts and the ones created over the next several months will be given to WEAVE in November. The need is great so please join the venture. If you have questions please contact Don Brice.

During this very stressful time the need for WEAVE's services continue as detailed in their publication, "COVID 19 Response & Accommodations." It states, "*The COVID 19 outbreak is an additional hurdle to safety, support, and access for survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, and sex trafficking. ... The following services remain fully operational with no charges: 24/7 Support & Information Line, Emergency Shelter, Transitional Housing. ... We have added Online Chat via our website...*" Services offered telephonically are advocacy, case management, counseling, and legal services.



Don Brice made the bowls above.

## From the SAW Facebook Page



**Cyndi Seybold** - My dad always carved spirit sticks when I was younger. He's 81 now and just sent me a pic of his first carved birdhouse. First time carving on a flat surface too. Thought I'd share with fellow wood workers.



**Matt Muirhead** - This is a commission piece ordered by the president of a free-mason society in France. The plan is to have the presidents names of the past 100+ years engraved on a plate to be attached to the mallet head, and to be continued to be passed down in future presidents. Apparently it will be used as a ceremonial gavel. Fun project to work on and happy to know my work will hopefully be in use for a very long time. Walnut and Osage Orange



**Justin Koenigshof** - Here is a commissioned project I just completed. It's a stove cover with an integrated cutting board. It has ID's of 20.5" x 30.5". The frame is soft maple finished with Osmo Top Oil and the cutting board is walnut finished with two coats of Walrus oil and one coat of Howard's conditioner.



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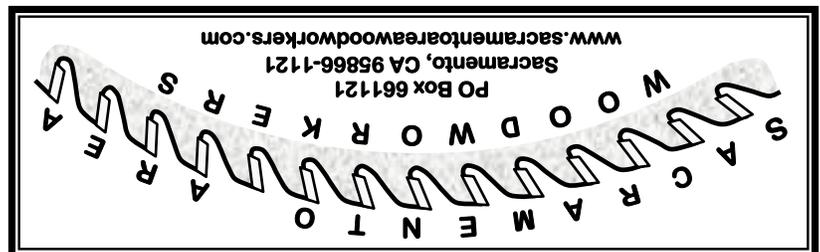
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