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SAW Newsletter

NEXT MEETING:

HART SENIOR CENTER

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Tuesday, February 1, 2022

915 27th St, Sacramento, CA

February 2022

7:00 to 9:00 PM

(Between I & J Streets)

President's Message



The Winter Season appeared to be upon us with the recent record snow and rainfall that we received around the beginning of the year. However, now it feels like Spring is on its way with the nice sunny days and no rainfall

in the forecast. We definitely could use the rain. But I must say that in the meantime, it is great weather for working in the Garage, Shop, or doing some work around the yard. I suppose we will know a little more on whether Winter is staying or Spring is coming given that "Punxsutawney Phil" will be coming out as of Groundhog Day on Wednesday, February 2, 2022 to give us his forecast lockdown!

I enjoyed discussing and sharing with all of you my experience with safety issues and new shop tools acquired over the Holiday's. Make sure you mark your calendar for this month's presentation on **"Making Pens and**

Preparing Blanks," by Dan Burgess

scheduled for Tuesday, February 1, 2020 at 7:00 PM. Dan has become quite masterful at making pens and bottle stoppers over the last several years (see page 6). In addition, he has a great familiarity with equipment needs, material options, and tricks of the trade.

Lastly, our next contest, **"Something in the Round,"** is also set for the next meeting, so don't forget to bring you creation for the competition.

There is always a multitude of great opportunities to promote our group internally and externally. If anyone wants to get more involved with our club, do not be shy! We are seeking a Concessions Leader to assist with continuing the snack and refreshment bar at the meetings and a potential Member-At-Large to join our Board. Any help will always be appreciated! We cannot continue to support the club activities without everyone's interest and involvement in all that we do.

Please do not forget to share with the Board, the type of SIGs (Furniture, Novice, Lath, and Scroll) or other topics that may be of interest to you so we may tailor our SIGs to fit our membership needs.

Welcome New Members

John Dougherty

Bring a friend! Guests are always welcome.

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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.

2022 SAW BOARD

All listed are voting members of the Board.

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Member-at-Large	Open	

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	Steve Bockman
Small Drawing	
Large Drawing	Jack Read
Badges	Bruce King
Refreshments	
Web Master	Matthew Burlingame

General Meeting Program Schedule

- Feb: Speaker: Dan Burgess - Getting into Pens
Contest: Something in-the-Round
- Mar: Speaker: John Vestor - Aerospace Museum of California, Gift Shop Cabinet Build
Activity: TBD
- Apr: Speaker: Bruce King – Chess board/chest
Contest: Toys & Games

If YOU have any ideas for speaker topics and/or for Contests in 2022, contact Andy Volk at the address at the right or any SAW Board Member.

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.

The new books this month are:

"The Art of Making Fine Wood Jewelry," by Tony Lydgate

"Decorative Routing: Jigs & Techniques," by Jack Cox

"Woodturning Jewellery," by Hilary Bowen

We would also like to thank **Mrs. Clara Austin**, a former member, for donating boxes of books to the Club. Some will be put into the Library and the rest will be made available to members.

MEMBERSHIP

It is RENEWAL time again! 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

If SAW had a position for official photographer, the position would be assigned to Steven Hitchens. During normal meeting times, Stephen takes many of the photos appearing in the newsletter. If you like the pictures, be sure to give Steven your thanks!

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Lastly, do not forget that if you have not done so it is that time of year to **renew your SAW membership**. Dues can be paid at the meeting by talking to our Treasurer, Kathy Braun, or mailing your check to our PO Box along with the renewal form that is on our website.

Talk to all of you soon. Take care!

Mark

February 2022 Calendar

02/01	Tue. 7 - 9	General Meeting Ethyl Hart Senior Center 915 27th St. Sacramento, CA
02/05	Sat. 10 - 1	Lathe Turning SIG Jim Cauley No SIG in February
02/09	Wed. 6:30 to 9:00 PM	SAW Board Meeting
02/12	Sat. 10 - 1	Novice SIG Gerry Holmquist No SIG in February
02/16	Wed. 9:30AM to Noon	Toy Workshop Woodcraft 9523 Folsom Blvd Sacramento, CA 95827 916-362-9664
02/19	Sat. 10 - 1	Furniture SIG Herb Fuller

Tips and Tricks



Forwarded by Steve Moser:

Saw tight corners with less binding by lightly rounding over the back edges of the blade. With the saw running, rotate a sharpening stone on the back of the blade to break the sharp corners or wire edges created during blade manufacture. - *Family Handyman*

HELPING HANDS

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

- If you need help with wood-working tools or a project - Contact a Board Member
- if you have woodworking skills and knowledge to share - Contact a Board Member



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!

Joining SAW Facebook

The SAW Facebook page is a great place to share with other members, ask questions, and share tips, tricks, and fun videos.

This is a private Facebook group, so one of our Facebook moderators will have to approve the request. Once approved, you will be able to share with other members.

To join the group, it is as simple as going to the SAW Facebook group URL:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/sawmembers>

Click the "+ Join Group" blue button

That's it!!!

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

Watch this space for announcements.

Scroll Saw SIG Contact person: TBD

If we are going to have a Scroll Saw SIG, we need a new coordinator to take over. There are club saws that can be used, and Holly Lovvo and can help the new leader with plenty of resource material. If interested, please contact Holly or any Board member for more information.

Furniture Projects SIG Contact person: Richard and Herb Fuller

Herb and Richard will be having the February Furniture SIG on Saturday Feb 19 from 10-1 on Herb’s shop. Richard will show how he is completing his workbench. Richard is also starting a new project: making a live-edge coffee table from a 3-inch thick maple slab. The design is complex enough that he is going to build study models for the coffee table. Come and find out what that entails and what you can learn from them.

They ask that you wear a mask and the SAW name tag as well as call to let them know you are coming.

Novice SIG Contact person: Gerry Holmquist

Watch this space for announcements.

Contests for 2022

Feb: Something in-the-Round (sawn or turned)

Apr: Toys & Games (for all ages)

Jun: Furniture

Aug: Something for the Kitchen (indoor or outdoor)

Oct: Put a Lid on It

Cool Websites

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

How to sharpen from Lee Valley:

<https://www.leevalley.com/en-us/discover/sharpen-net/how-to-sharpen>

Membership Renewal Drive

It is that time again! You can renew at the general meeting. Renewals are due no later than March 1, 2022. Please help by stopping by the Treasurer’s table in the General Meeting or mailing it in early. The mailing address is on the front and back pages of the newsletter in the club banner. 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 in printing and postage.

If you renew at the General Meeting, go to the Treasurer’s table at the 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 that the Treasurer will provide and turn that in with your dues. All renewals will be sent a new membership card by e-mail. Remember, your dues are tax deductible!

All members registered by March will get a chance to win back their 2022 membership dues in a drawing at the April 2022 General Meeting!

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



February Large Drawing Prize

Bosch Colt 1/4-in 1-HP Variable Speed Fixed Corded Router

- Powerful 5.6 Amp motor – produces 1.0-hp max. and 16,000 to 35,000 RPM
- Rugged aluminum fixed base — durable, solid and precise
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WOW Prize



**Brad-point Drill Set
1/16" to 1/2" by 1/64" ***

Badge Drawing



**Woodcraft Gift Card
\$25.00**



DeWALT 25' Tape Measure



Husky Pliers and Wrench Set (3-Piece)



WoodRiver Carbide Burr Set - 20-Piece



WoodRiver - Large Riffler Rasp Set - Coarse - 8-Piece

* This Item was donated from the estate of former SAW Member Harold Hubbard

From the General Meeting - January 4th



Our President, **Mark Mason**, started the year with a talk on Safety. Mark is a fire insurance adjuster and has seen plenty of bad outcomes due to lapses in safety considerations. Many of the “usual suspects” for unsafe situations were covered: self-combusting oil soaked rags, overloaded or damaged power cords, leaving batteries charging for long a long time, space heaters set too close to flammable items, sparks from a grinder or cutoff wheel igniting something flammable (i.e.: gasoline!), etc. There also was discussion on personal safety: masking for dust, proper lighting so you can clearly see what you are doing, eye protection, hearing protection, avoiding rushing things that lead to mistakes and injuries, avoiding lapses in attention to what you are doing or distractions when using tools, and using the appropriate tool for the job. A lot to think about, but it can save a finger, your shop, and your life.

January Show and Tell



Greg Nuckols made a reproduction of the Stickley 603 Tabouret with through tenons out of cherry.



Dan Burgess made a bottle stopper (with integrated cork screw). The handle is laminated plywood cut on a bias. He also played around with a herringbone pen blank built using a custom, 3-D printed spine.

Club Discounts

We would like to remind our members that certain stores offer discounts to SAW members (current membership card may be needed).

Woodcraft, Aura, and Rockler offer **10%** on all purchases, with exceptions for certain brands and items already on sale.

Take advantage of your membership to extend your purchasing power!

Toy Time

The Workshop meeting in January was lightly attended. Only three people showed up. Besides just shooting the breeze, plans for getting started on doll cradles and Andy's Fishing Game were discussed.

In the February Toy workshop, we will start working on some jeeps. I will show some ideas on improving production, such as improving wheel (axle) hole drilling, headlights, and taillights, and installing the spare tire and jerrycans. Hopefully we can finish up some sanding on ducks and last year's cars. I would like to discuss doll bed design. You all have had an extended vacation, but how it is time to get back to work on our toys for the Salvation Army.

Best Regards,
Steve Bockman

January Furniture SIG



Richard Fuller continued his discussion and demonstration of his workbench construction. The top left photo shows the current state of the tail vise construction with the hardware mounting mostly in place. He has assembled the bench legs using 3 laminations of 1" oak (top right and bottom left). The mortises are made by leaving gaps in the center layer of the lamination. The gaps are filled by extended center lamination "tenons." Mortises have to be cut into the legs for the stretchers (bottom right). These mortises are tapered to form a dovetail shape (bottom left) that will be used to lock the stretchers in place with a tapered wedge. The bulk of the mortise was removed by a Forstner bit on a drill press. The remainder has to be removed by chisels and filling. The first part of the mortise is chiseled out from one face (top right). The rest will be chiseled from the other face. This is white oak and it is hard work!



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