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JULY -MEETING-

WHEN

Thursday
Jul. 18, 1991

WHERE

MainLiner Club
42nd & Pacific
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SCHEDULE

7:00 - 7:30 p.m.
Sign-in &
Social Time
7:30 - 10:00 p.m.
Program

UPCOMING -EVENTS-

JULY 18

July meeting

AUG.1-4

Woodworking
Conference
Biola Univ.

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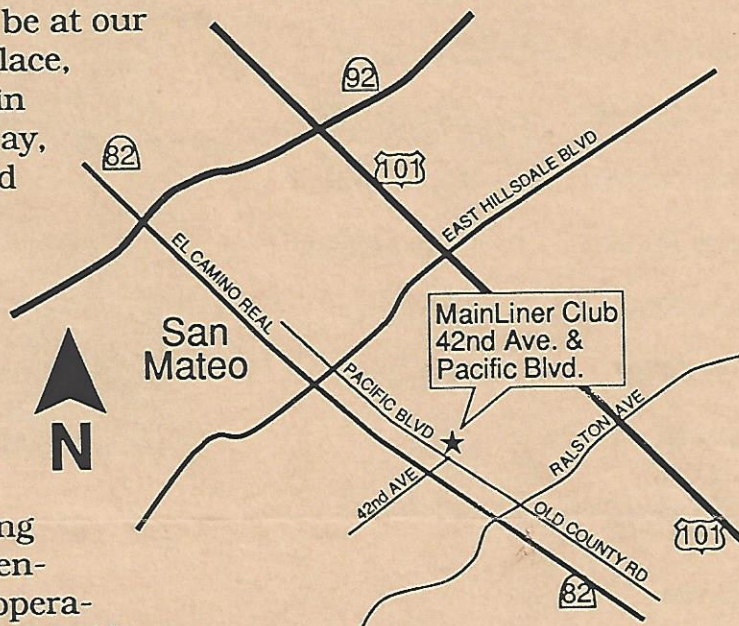
August meeting

AUG.23-OCT.6

Small Works
Annual Juried
Exhibition
Bolin's Museum

July's meeting will be at our regular meeting place, The MainLiner Club, in San Mateo on Thursday, July 18th. Sign-in and socializing will begin at 7:00 p.m. Our program will start at 7:30, along with a short business meeting.

Joanne Lockwood will be the guest speaker for the evening and will make a presentation regarding the operation of scroll saws, followed by a question and answer period. Ms. Lockwood runs the Three Bear Workshop in Sacramento. She specializes in scroll saw technique training. She will have several saws available for hands-on use by our group following the presentation. She will be bringing Hegner saws and will trouble shoot any member's Hegner or other brand saw. The evening should be very educational, so come and enjoy! Remember, non-members are always welcomed as guests to our monthly meetings.

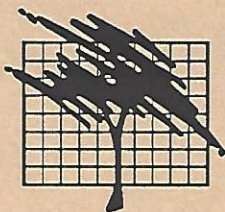


When Last We Met

The following is written by John Weidner regarding June's meeting.

In June we met at Heritage Repair, at 1623 Industrial Way, in Belmont. Fred Sotcher opened the meeting by welcoming some new members. Anne Fuller has been a teacher of Jr High Shop. Don Wagg said that he has been coming so often with his brother that he thought he ought to join up. Tony Cremin from Mt. View has a sheet rocking business, and is interested in Woodwork-

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A Personal Welcome from Fred

I would like to personally welcome the new members to BAWA and hope that your membership with us be a long and beneficial one.

Don Wagg	Oakland
Ralph Mendoza	San Jose
John Littrell	San Leandro
Tony Cremin	Mt. View
Doug Ryan	Santa Clara
Anne Fuller	Belmont
Tom Duffy	Daly City
John Clark	S.F.
Sterling Dogan	Oakland

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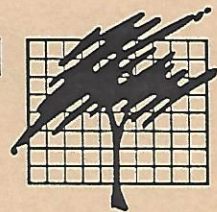
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ing. John Littrell, of San Leandro, is new to woodworking, and Sterling Dogan is a woodworking instructor at Shopsmith, and also has his own shop in Oakland.

Fred was using our new SOUND SYSTEM—and a very nice thing it was, to be able to hear everyone speak, in a noisy shop. The speaker is in a case built by Ernie Werkheiser—thank you Ernie!

STAN BOOKER introduced our host, CARL GIANNI. The introduction was a very special moment for Stan. Not only did he and Carl study together to be shop teachers at SF State in 1974, but also present was their favorite teacher, Dr John Kassay. Dr Kassay was persuaded to say a few words, and mentioned that he had started working with wood 60 years ago! He has promised to do a program for us later this year, either on Shaker furniture or windsor chairs, subjects he is an expert on.

Carl has a busy shop, Heritage Repair, in Belmont, specializing in stripping and refinishing. He has been doing this for 3 years, and mentioned that he felt like he hadn't paid his dues, being a woodworker who prospered right from the start and never had to starve getting started! It's a fine big funky

shop, filled with interesting old pieces of furniture being worked on. He has six employees, and besides furniture specializes in wooden auto dashboards, and has done some custom turning.

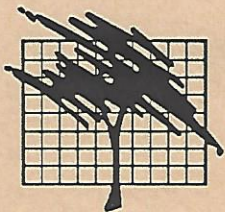
Carl demonstrated his mysteries on a set of chairs that was in various stages of refinishing. His shop does not do any dipping or soaking in stripping old finishes. He said that dipping has good and bad points. It is great for removing thick old paint, but it can fatigue veneers and glue joints. He saturates pieces, but doesn't leave them to soak.

He started by doing some simple hand stripping, by way of encouraging us to do it ourselves. I was certainly encouraged. Carl says that common commercial strippers like Jasco are good products. Work in a clean area, and give the chemicals time to work. Do one small area at a time. Brass or nylon brushes, toothbrushes, steel wool—all are helpful. Once you have removed the old varnish, neutralize the stripper by rinsing it off with Acetone. This will prevent stripping chemicals from interfering with finishes later.

Repairs should be done after stripping, except if veneer is starting to lift—stop before stripping makes it worse.

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"Who says you have to starve in order to be prosperous."



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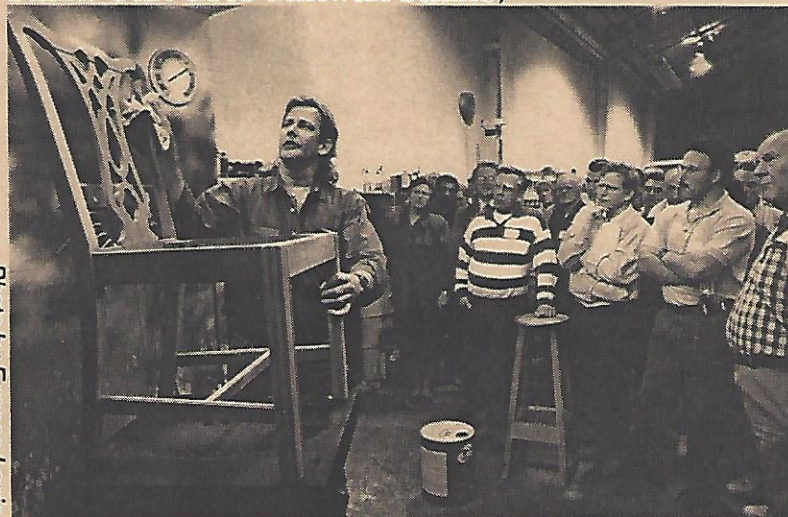
We then proceeded to the stripping tank to see how they actually do it in the shop. Carl set the chair in a low-walled steel tank and hosed it with methalene chloride which is circulated by a pump through a small hose with a brush attached to the end. As he brushed and squirted, the old varnish just washed away like dirt. I don't know if it is always that easy, but it was an exhilarating thing to watch! A chair takes about five minutes. This process is NOT recommended for home use.

Repairs are next, and then sanding. Palm sanders and flap-wheels are useful. A good tip: Quartering your sheets of sandpaper and then folding the pieces into thirds makes a handy sized piece.

Then we took the chair to the spray booth. Finishing starts

with a rubbed-on base coat of stain. Carl uses Minwax stains,

Photo by Eugene Louie



'It's all in the wrist'

because they are very compatible with the cellulose lacquer he uses—it can be applied five minutes after the stain. Remember, stains can vary from one dyelot to another.

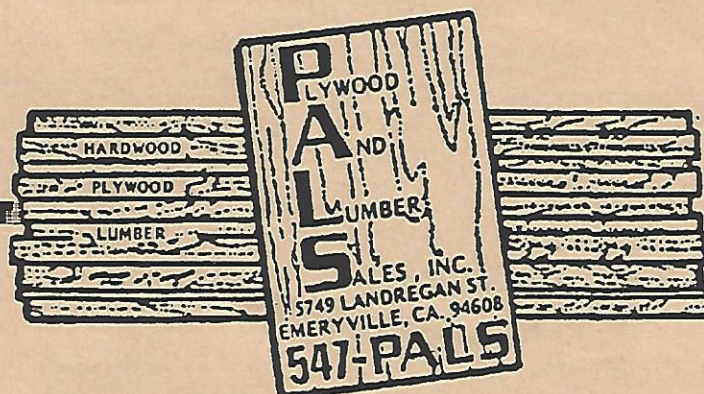
Next a coat of sanding sealer was sprayed on. If you don't have spray facilities, he recommends Deft applied with a good

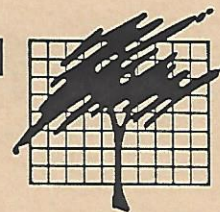
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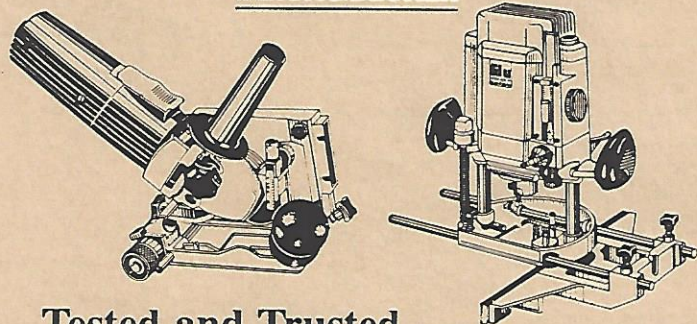
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brush. Then Carl started spraying with lacquer tinted with UTC colors. What a pretty thing that was. The base-coat of stain didn't look like much, but with coats of tinted lacquer going on, zip zip, more coats on lighter sections of wood, then we could see that the chair was going to look very nice.

Show & Tell

Written by John Weidner

Gene Wagg brought in some wooden wing-nuts he had made by inserting T-nuts into diamond-shaped pieces of wood. They are much easier to turn than ordinary wing-nuts.

Alton Jenson brought in 2 more of his wine bottle holders. When will he stop? When will he reach the limits of the 45° angle? Stay tuned to this station. He used a 1-1/4 Forstner bit to cut the holes for the bottles.

Glenn Kreug showed us an ink pot turned from a Banksia Nut from Australia. A very pleasing little *object*.

Dave Sowa brought in some wooden pens,

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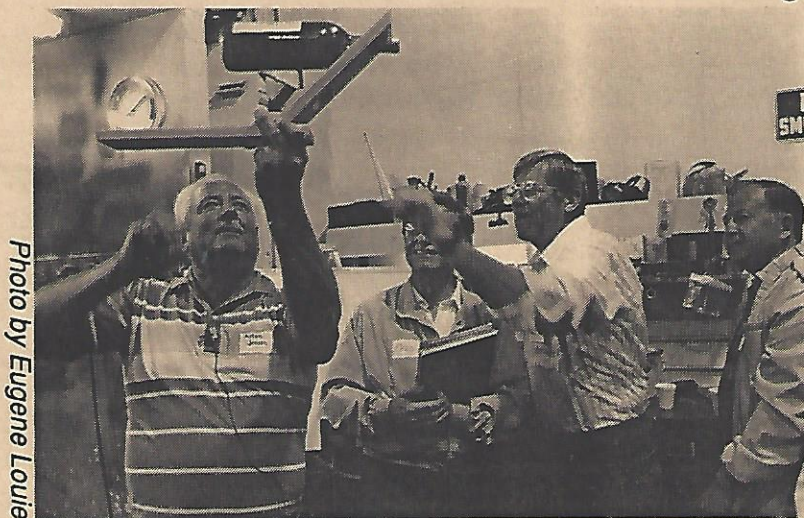
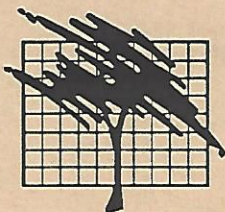


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'Alton Jenson with another wine bottle holder'



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turned from Wenge, Zebra and Rosewood.

The door prize, two quick-grip clamps, went to Dave Sowa. Remember, if you don't bestir yourself and bring something to show, you will never be eligible for a prize.

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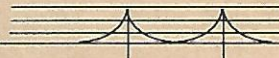
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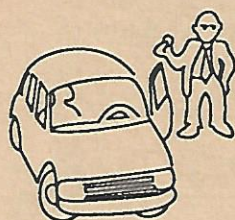
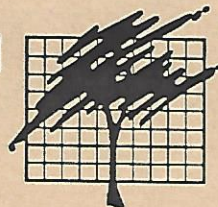
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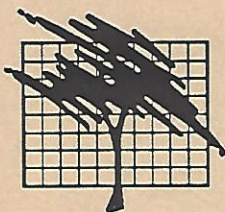
Entry form deadline is Aug. 2.

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If you have something that may be of interest to your fellow woodworkers, contact:
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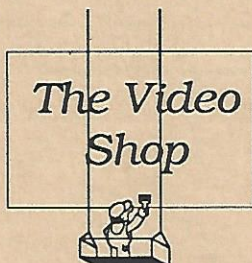



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

Available to BAWA members are video tapes of special interest. New videos include; Inera Jigg, Leigh Dovetail Jigg, Secrets of Routers. We now have a total of 23 in the rental library. Titles include:

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"Repairing Furniture"
"Installing Doors & Windows"
"Refinishing Furniture"
"Build a Shaker Table"
"Wood Finishing"
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"Basic Door Const."
"Advanced Door Const."

See Carl Johnson if you are interested.



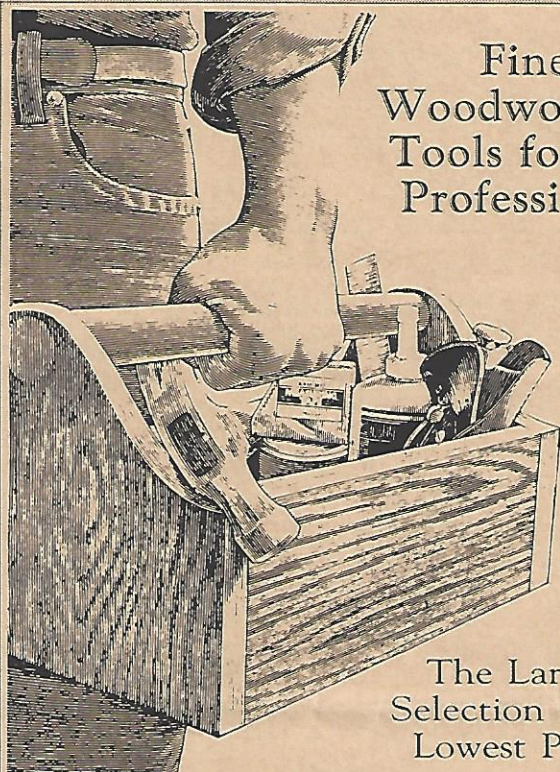
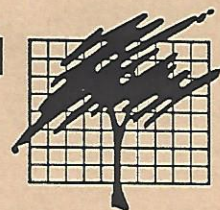
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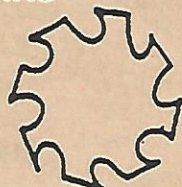
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September 19

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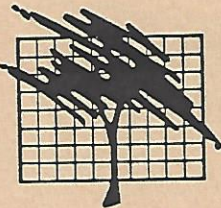
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Fellow BAWA Members,

A creative opportunity now awaits you! How is that? Between now and mid-Dec., we offer you the opportunity to get involved and make out of wood, something a less fortunate child would enjoy.

This year, we would like to see everyone make at least one toy, puzzle or wigglet to give away for the holiday season.

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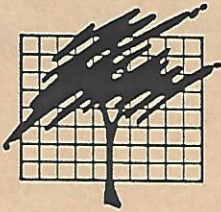
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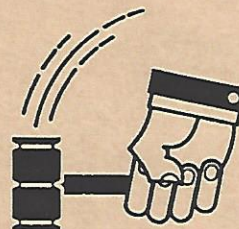
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