

BAY AREA WOODWORKERS ASSOCIATION

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February Meeting

Program
Warren Wise
The Woodsman
and tool sharpening

When
February 17, 1994
at
the Mainliner Club
Corner of 42nd Avenue
and Pacific Boulevard
San Mateo

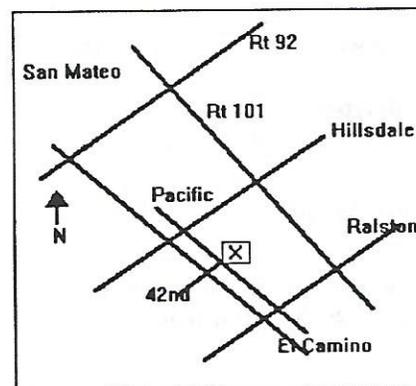
March 18
Two-By-Four Contest

April 16
Art Carpenter
Cabinet/Furniture
(Off-site at Bolinas)

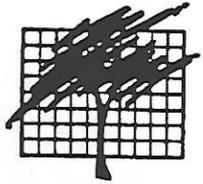
Our Next Meeting Thursday, February 17! by Bill Henzel

We have all heard about the destruction of the rain forest in South America and felt the impact of the availability of rare and beautiful tropical hardwoods. Many species of American grown hardwoods are also becoming more difficult to obtain as the demand for wood increases.

This month Warren Wise at the Mainliner Club in San Mateo will tell us how his company (The Woodsman) recycles locally grown trees into usable lumber. Hardwood trees that need to be removed from residential backyards and lots are harvested by his company. The wood is then milled and dried at the request of the tree owner or put up for sale to the public. The company also imports and mills exotic hardwood species such as rosewood. Warren will tell us about the many species of California trees that can be used for furniture making as well as tips for harvesting and drying your own lumber. Sign-in and socializing will begin at 7PM.



CinA*SF - April 30, 1994



Third Annual 2x4 Contest

by
Bob Nisbett

Woody's Third Annual 2x4 Contest will be held at the April meeting and judged by the members present. Articles made from a single piece of wood, 2"x4"x8' will be accepted for the contest. All types of fasteners and operable hardware may be used. Points will also be given for maximum use of the wood. A prize list will be announced next month. For further information, contact me at 510-654-3844.

EDITOR NOTE: The idea is to see how much of the wood can be used for the articles. More than one article can be made from the piece. You should begin with one piece having a maximum size of 2"x4"x8'. Any type of wood will be acceptable except plywood. This should be a fun contest to see what our members can do. The contest is limited to members and should be an item(s) that were made this year and not entered in a previous contest. rk

MESSAGES FROM ANNE

New Members

On behalf of BAWA, please welcome the following new members:

Rodger C. Brrandt - all types woodworking
W. Weston Bielby - all types woodworking

Schedule for Board Meeting

The next meeting will be February 22nd at the usual place, 1499 Bay Shore Hwy., Ste 200, Burlingame (cross street Malher).

Dues

Do you plan to be a member of BAWA this year? Yes, of course I do. I don't want to miss sharpening chisels and

plane irons mini seminar in March, The Woodsman, Art Carpenter's shop, the 2x4x96 contest (first prize being given by Bob Berryman is a plane ride around the Bay Area and Napa Valley for an hour). The Woodworking show coming up in April with members manning the booth (these members get in free the day they help in the booth, see Frank Hungler for details), or perhaps seeing Ed Howell who is a violin maker, Jim Crockett who is a wooden boat maker and a teacher at the San Francisco Maritime Museum, or perhaps a cabinet maker, stained glass maker, with lots of other things happening.

Then it is time to stop putting off paying your dues and start thinking about the club. It is your club! You can make things happen be coming to club meetings and participating. You can also discuss them with board members. Better yet, come to Board Meetings and discuss your ideas for future plans in person!

THIS IS THE LAST NEWSLETTER FOR UNPAID MEMBERS! We have 43 members just like yourself that haven't paid. Do you want to be on the outside looking in? No, of course not. So, pay your dues and keep your newsletter coming into your life. One way you can tell if we have recorded your dues payment is to look at the mailing label on this newsletter. If the words, DEC 94 are next to your name, you are paid up. If you have paid, and DEC 94 is not next to your name, contact our treasurer, Ann Fuller, and she will correct the roster.

To pay your dues, fill out the membership application in the back of the newsletter and please send to the Post Office Box at the bottom of this newsletter, or give to Anne Fuller, our treasurer, at this upcoming meeting.

Sign-Up Sheets

February is the kickoff for those who have woodworking skills and wish to help others. I am willing to give away what I know about using scroll saw woodworking to other members. I myself want to learn more about using a lathe to make bowls, hand mortises, etc. What do you want to learn and what do you want to share with other members?



March to Be Part Host to Woody's 2x4x96 Inch Contest

Woody's 2x4x96" Contest is coming! This contest is dedicated to a member who died while being a President of BAWA. I remember Woody as always giving away to others secrets in woodworking. He made jigs and fixtures, coached newer members with helpful ideas, and made many beautiful items that he displayed at meetings and shows.

I visited various club meetings where the 2x4x96" contest has been held, and I think the San Joaquin Fine Woodworkers Association explains the rules the best: *Entries must be made from one construction grade, 8 foot 2"x4", of Western softwood (fir, hemlock, pine, cedar or redwood) and use at least 75% of the board.* This association had more members participating in a 2x4 contest than I have seen in other clubs in other years. They had fifteen entries.

It would be really great to have woodworkers get really behind this project. We could have 100 members by the time March comes along and it would really warm my heart if everyone had an entry! I think I will use some of the ideas that were at the Christmas party for my entry.

Did you know that many of the libraries have a 2x4 book? I believe it is in section "684". All you have to do is to scale down the project to make it from one 2x4.

Point to Ponder

We had a problem at the last meeting and a couple before that with members talking amongst themselves but within earshot of the speaker and other woodworkers. These talkers were asked to quiet down by a number of members and to talk in a different room, but they didn't. This is not appropriate behavior for members of an adult club.

We need to let our speakers and members know that we appreciate them coming by showing them respect. Give the speakers in the future the same respect that you would want others to give you at your place of business, or when you come up in front of the group to say something. Some of us may be hard of hearing and think others can't hear us, but most others have excellent hearing and are bothered by the side conversations. The best solution is

to take your conversation outside of the main room, then take as long as you wish, as long as it is out of earshot of others. Thank you in advance for your thoughtfulness.

QUESTION

Do you want the meetings videotaped? Do you want to assist in the taping if we decide to do it? Come to the Board meeting and voice your opinions. Also, talk to me is you so desire.

When Last We Met

by
Anne Glynn

The January combination of two clubs joining forces brought a great speaker, Brian Boggs, to bring us knowledge about green woodworking.

Carl Johnson, President of the Peninsula Woodworkers Association, introduced Brian Boggs, who is a green woodworker, to the group. Carl talked about how he was at a seminar taught by Brian. There were nine woodworkers in the class learning how to make hickory bark seat chairs using the green woodworking technique.

Brian first talked about a trip he recently took to Honduras to market little known woods that are harvested in the area. His slide show was very informative. Brian told how the villagers were bringing wood to market and how little they received for their lumber. He also talked about how the local people use a machete and butterknife to make hand planes to smooth a board. Brian is in the process of setting up a chair making shop in Honduras, another reason for him to buy some of the local woods that these people pack out of the woods on their backs. In the future we may be able to get wood samples of that area from Brian.

Next we saw him in his shop and grounds, splitting a green log because it is always easier when green. The logs are usually four feet long. This is the best length because longer lengths are more difficult to split straight. He keeps splitting the wood until getting to the section that will be used for chair parts.

of our hobby. The learning of new skills is often listed by new and prospective members as to why they are interested in joining the club. This program addresses that need.

With the introduction of a "BACK TO BASICS" program we will attempt to fill this void with a brief review of certain basic skills or general woodworking information that should benefit all members. This program is planned for each meeting, starting in February. The presentations will be made during the first twenty and no more than thirty minutes of the meeting. Members proficient in a particular skill will make the presentations.

This is an all volunteer program, so I am asking for members to sign up for the presentations listed below. I will gladly take suggestions for additional presentations. Some presentations can benefit from two member teams presenting different aspects of the skill. Obviously, greater detail than twenty minutes allows could be provided on any of the listed topics. We can only cover the basics in this amount of time. If the membership wants additional details on a topic, that could be scheduled for a future meeting.

At a meeting, or contacting me by phone at (707) 433-5234, please sign up for a presentation including a phone number, and best time to call. I will coordinate the schedule of which meeting the presentation will be made. Handouts are essential for the presentation, for us to use for future reference on the topic. This will also reduce the need for note taking during the presentations. We will maintain a history of presentation notes, for future members and those not in attendance to access. For those without a computer, I will be glad to help in printing your handout.

Many members may have supporting documentation that may be borrowed for the development of a presentation. If you have such reference material on a listed topic, and are willing to lend it to the listed presenter, please contact them.

I believe with the talents we have within the membership, we can all benefit from this program. Usually the ones who learn the most are the presenters, so you need not be an expert prior to the presentation, to do a good job.

Thank you for your support on this program.



Don Naples

PROPOSED PRESENTATIONS

TOPIC	MEETING	PRESENTER/TEL#/TIME
Sharpening Planes & Chisels	Feb. 94	Don Naples/707-433-5234/eve
Band Saw Blade Types & Uses		
Table/Radial Saw Blade Types & Uses		
Marking/Cutting/Mortise Gauges		
Tuning a Plane		
Bending Wood		
Water Based Finishes		
Veneering		
Log Cuts & Effects on Wood		
Inlaying		
Wood Carving		
The Mortise & Tenon Joint		
The Dovetail Joint		
Making Door Panels		
Glues Types & Applications		
Resawing		
Dust Collection		
Straightening a Board		
Using a Biscuit Joiner		
Using a Plunge Router		
Using Vacuum Bags		
Sharpening Drill Bits		

Christmas Outreach, 1993

by
Arnold Champagne

Thanks to all of you that assisted in making and donating toys for the Christmas Outreach project and making it a success. I have enclosed two letters we received thanking us for the gifts. These letters are yours, thanks again.

I also have information about the Handicap Center that I will bring to the February meeting.



For Sale

Air compressor, Ingersoll-Rand T30, 10hp gas powered, 2 stage, 30 gallon horizontal tank, electric start. Puts out 20cfm at 175psi. Barely used Asking \$1,175 obo. Call Don Wilson at 415-691-1844 days, or 415-965-2237 evenings.

FOR SALE - BAWA hats, \$6.50. See Bill Hartigan.

Call for Information

Do you have something about woodworking you would like to share with all of us? If so, please write it up, include simple drawings if possible (or call me and I'll work with you on it), and send it to me. Which ever way you do it, just do it..(on paper, DOS diskette, etc.).... We want your news and ideas! To get it to me, send to

Ron Kowalka, 203 Winding Way, San Carlos, CA 94070, 415-595-0560.

Board Members

- President - Anne Glynn
- Vice-President - Bill Hartigan
- Treasurer - Anne Fuller
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- Newsletter Editor - Ron Kowalka
- Librarian - Michael Bray
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- Program Coordinators - Bill Henzel, Stan Booker, and Don Naples
- Hospitality Chairman - Stan Booker, Vince Saponara
- 2x4x96 Inches Contest Chairman - Bob Nisbett
- Outreach Chairperson - Pete Meininger
- Woodshop Tours, Berkeley - Gene Wagg



Bay Area Woodworkers Association

Membership Application, Renewal and Commitment as a Member

The Bay Area Woodworkers Association was originally formed early in 1982 by a small group of dedicated people who felt the need to strengthen the woodworking community by holding regular meetings, establishing an informal forum for the exchange of knowledge and ideas, sponsoring shows and meeting others in woodworking and related fields. BAWA meets on the third Thursday of each month from 7:00 to 10:00 P.M. Meetings usually have a specific topic such as tool techniques, finishing, turning or business aspects of woodworking. Often the meeting features a guest speaker with a specific area of expertise.

Dues are currently \$25.00 per year, payable by December for the following year. Membership can begin during any month of the year. Make your check payable to BAWA and bring it to the monthly meeting, or mail to:

BAWA
P.O. Box 5481
San Mateo, CA 94402

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ -- State _____ Zip+4 _____
 Work Phone (____) _____ Home Phone (____) _____
 Profession: _____
 Specialty/Interests (List):

(Check) Professional _____ Amateur _____ Beginner _____

Check One: I (do) (do not) want my name and address circulated to other organizations.

I would be willing to volunteer in the following areas (check as many as you want):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Elected Officers | <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach and Community Projects |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events Coordinator | <input type="checkbox"/> Organize Tours of Woodworkers' Shops |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality for Guest Speakers | <input type="checkbox"/> Show and Exhibit Coordination |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nominating and Election Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Librarian for Video Library |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity for BAWA in Local Press | <input type="checkbox"/> Meeting Set-Up |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meeting Clean-Up | <input type="checkbox"/> AV Equipment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assist or making Toys for projects | <input type="checkbox"/> Trade Show Staff |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Greeter for Guests and New Members | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter articles or Editor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Program Committee or Chairman |

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