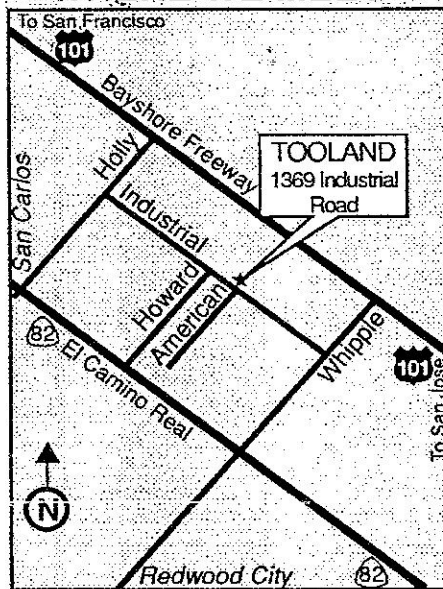


BAY AREA WOODWORKERS ASSOCIATION

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 1997

April 17, 1997 WHERE WE MEET



• TOOLAND • 1369 Industrial Road, San Carlos.

South on 101: to
Holly (west), left
on Industrial
(south/east);
TOOLAND on left
after Howard, on
the corner of
American.

—OR—

North on 101: to
Whipple (west),
right on Industrial
(north/west);
TOOLAND on
right at corner of
American; you've
gone too far if you
reach Howard.

April 17 Meeting

REFRESHMENTS 7:00PM

Third Thursday

MEETING STARTS 7:30PM

Annual 2 X 4 Contest! Prizes for the winners.
If you haven't already started your project, get
your joints in gear! (See Page 3.)

Annual Tool Swap/Sale! Get that tool you've
always needed. Or pass on that tool you've
always wanted.

May 15 Meeting

Open to Public

7:00PM — 10:00PM AT MAINLINER CLUB, SAN MATEO

John D. Alexander Jr. will present a 3-hour work-
shop on "How to Make a Chair from a Tree." Mr.
Alexander is a lifelong student of the traditional
woodworking technology of stick-chair making
and joinery. He has been making chairs for over 30
years.

He has concluded that dry wood is harder to work
than green. Furthermore, as green wood shrinks, it
holds the parts of the chair together better. Mr.
Alexander will explain the old ways of splitting
and shaping wood to make a light, beautiful, and
rugged chair.

This meeting will be open to the public. To cover
our overhead costs there will be a \$3.00 admission
charge for everyone.

More BAWA Meeting News on Page 3

OFFICERS

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| President | Al Semenero | 415-595-1273 |
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COMMITTEE

CHAIRPERSONS

| | | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Program | Stan Booker | 510-522-7879 |
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| Hospitality | Gene Wagg | 510-527-5805 |
| Membership | Don Wagg | 510-769-8901 |
| Shows | TBD | |
| Outreach | Don McGrew | 415-665-6206 |
| Librarian | Rodney Finlay | 415-747-9572 |

For any questions or information about BAWA programs,
contact Stan Booker: (eves)

WHEN LAST WE MET Don Naples

After Al Semenero reviewed the success and
experiences gained from the San Mateo Home and
Garden Show and the normal business was con-
ducted, Carl Johnson gave an excellent presenta-
tion on hand cabinet scrapers.

He explained and demonstrated how to prepare
the scraper using Japanese wet stones to polish

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Last call* for 1997 BAWA dues !

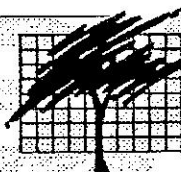
*This is your last BAWA newsletter if you haven't paid your 1997 dues.

DO IT NOW! → → →

BAWA: Who We Are

The Bay Area Woodworkers Association was formed 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. Since then, this non-profit organization has grown to many members.

BAWA meets on the third Thursday of the month at 7:00PM. Meetings usually have a specific topic, such as router techniques, finishing, turning, or business aspects of woodworking; or focus on a distinguished guest speaker who gives a presentation in his area of expertise. Meetings are held at the Mainliner Club in San Mateo or at woodworking shops and businesses in the Bay Area.



BAY AREA
WOODWORKERS
ASSOCIATION

Membership Application / Renewal

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip +4 _____

_____ Work Phone () _____

_____ Home Phone () _____

Profession: _____

Specialty/Interests (List): _____

Skill Level: ☐ Professional ☐ Amateur ☐ Beginner

☐ Please don't circulate my name/address to other organizations.

I would be willing to volunteer for:

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

Check as many as you want, but check at least one.

BAWA Membership Dues

BAWA dues are currently \$25.00 per year (family memberships are \$30.00 per year) payable by December for the following year.

Membership can begin during any month of the year.

Make check payable to BAWA. Bring it to monthly meeting, or mail it to:

BAWA
PO Box 5481
San Mateo, CA 94402-5481

Membership Application/Renewal

FROM THE PRESIDENT *Al Semenero*

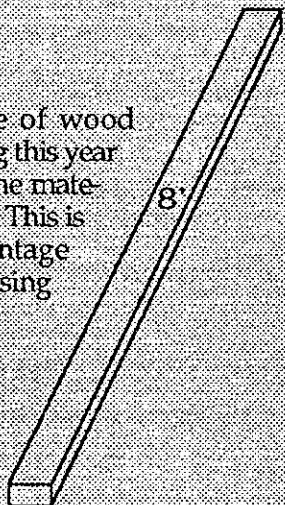
- Many thanks to Bill Henzel, Gene Wagg, Don Naples, and Rodney Finlay for their hard work making our sales items for the Home and Garden Show. Thanks also to all of you who tended the booth.
- Rodney Finlay and Al Harrison have promised to bring a work table and green wood for our May meeting.
- We will need a 35mm slide projector for our May meeting. Call me at 415-595-1273 if you can help.
- Don and Gene Wagg will be on vacation for our May meeting. Therefore we will need assistance to cover for them on May 15. Contact Gene at 510-527-5805 if you can volunteer to cover.

2 X 4 CONTEST RULES

During this April meeting, we will have the judging of the annual BAWA 2 x 4 Contest. Here's a review of the simple rules.

1. You can use a single 2" x 4" Douglas Fir* board no longer than 8 feet.
2. Any type of fasteners, except nails, may be used.
3. Operables/ornamentals may be used.
4. No other materials (such as Plexiglas or plastic) may be used.
5. There are no other design restrictions.

*In the past any type of wood could be used. Starting this year it was agreed to limit the material to only Douglas Fir. This is to eliminate the advantage usually provided by using exotic hardwoods.



UPCOMING BAWA MEETINGS

The Bay Area Woodworkers Association has just about filled out its program schedule for 1997. Here's a partial preview of what we've lined up for the rest of the year's BAWA meetings.

June 19 This meeting will be held at **Woodline** in Alameda and feature a demonstration of the Tormec grinder we have been discussing.

July 17 Boat making in Sausalito

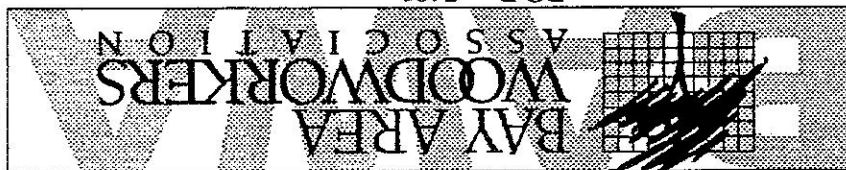
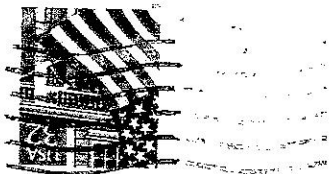
August 21 We are in the process of persuading **Don Wagg** to make a presentation on "Finishing."

September 18 . Don Naples will make a presentation on "Vacuum Hold-down Systems."

October 16 He doesn't know it yet, but we will convince **Arnie Champagne** to make a presentation on "Marquetry" (inlaid work of wood).

November 20 .. We need input for this one.

December 18 .. Pot luck dinner!



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WHEN LAST WE MET (*cont..*)

the flat surfaces and a mill file to flatten the edges. He explained the technique of "draw filing" the edge to smooth the filed surface. Wet stones are then used to polish the edges of the scraper. A two-step process using a burnishing rod is used to draw a burr on the edge of the scraper, creating a cutting edge. Sharpening and adjusting the Stanley model 80 cabinet scrapers was also discussed and demonstrated. The sharpening process is very similar to the hand scraper. Carl also showed how easy it is to remove burn marks left from a power saw, using a hand scraper.

A copy of the presentation notes is included in the BAWA library. Request a copy if you did not receive one at the meeting. Knowing how to use these handy tools is essential for smoothing hard woods with rogue grain, Birdseye Maple, and burls.

The raffle prize won at the meeting was a beautiful piece of Koa wood.

The April meeting will be the annual 2 x 4 contest and tool swap. The 2 x 4 contest rules have been previously published, but if you have any questions about this fun contest, please

call one of the club officers. Any tools you wish to sell or swap may be brought to the meeting. There are usually some great deals to be had, so please plan to attend.

The April meeting location is the proposed new home base for BAWA. Your input regarding this site will be appreciated. If it is approved by the members, BAWA will have a place to house a book library that will be available to the members, in addition to the Tape library, Back to Basic presentations, and Internet notes currently hauled from meeting to meeting.

Don Naples