

# BAY AREA WOODWORKERS ASSOCIATION

Newsletter

June

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## THIS MONTH'S MEETING

June 15th

3rd Thursday

Snacks 7:00pm Meeting Starts 7:30pm

This month's meeting is being held at MacBeath Hardwoods in San Francisco. Our guest speaker is Greg Hay from the Sonoma Woodworkers Association.

Greg has been making furniture for 12 years, working with an apprentice for the last two years. Besides doing custom designs he has delved into period styles, like Chippendale and Windsor chairs. As a matter of fact he will focus on chairs at the meeting. You can check out Gregs work before the meeting, if you go to their club's website [www.sonomawoodworkers.com](http://www.sonomawoodworkers.com).

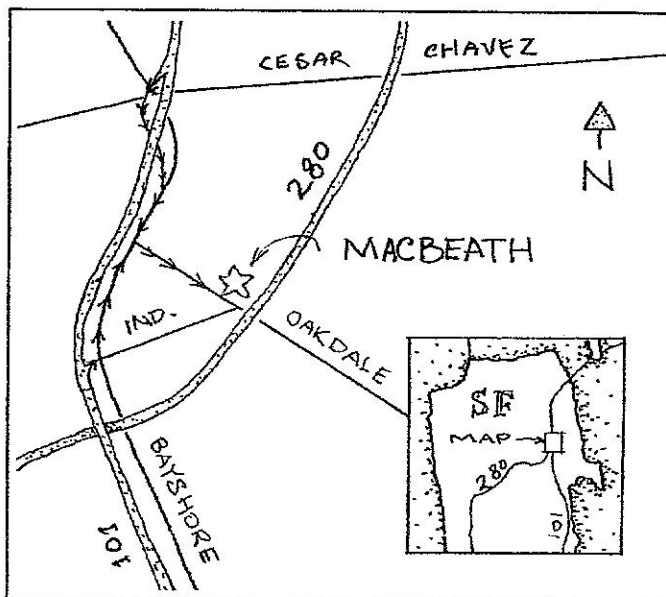
As a special treat MacBeath is holding a sale for us before the meeting starts. From 7:00 to 7:30 there will be 10% off all wood in the showroom.

MacBeath Hardwoods,

2150 Oakdale,

San Francisco, CA 94124

From Hwy 101 southbound take the Bayshore offramp right next to the Cezar Chavez offramps. Turn



left off of Bayshore onto Oakdale. MacBeath is on the left before you go under the 280 freeway overpass.

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## From Our President: *Linda Salter*

I read somewhere the other day that the best way to keep a club strong is to develop lasting friendships among the members. One of the ways to do this is to promote activities where members can work together on various projects - such as the Christmas toy program, Christmas in April, open shops or working our booth at the wood show. By getting together in small groups like this, members will learn more about each other and find many interests in common besides woodworking. Then each month members will look forward to seeing their friends as well as to the meeting... sometimes it takes more than just the program to get members to keep coming back.

With all that in mind, I am holding open work shops on most Thursday nights (but call first) and am hoping so see some of you here. Bring something to work on, or just hang out. I'm planning on working on my 2x4 entry. Maybe I'll actually finish it this year!

If you have ideas you'd like to see happen at the club, let me know.

## Last Month's Meeting

Last month's meeting was hosted by John Grew-Sheridan at his shop in San Francisco.

### Announcements

**Bill Henzel** talked about the toy workshop at **Linda Salter's** house. There were just four people: **Carl Johnson**; **Rodney Finlay**; Bill and Linda, but they turned out 38 puzzles! They really worked hard and long- Carl made some comment about a sweatshop being operated in San Carlos. Thanks to the **Gang of Four** for all their hard work! Bill is probably going to host a toy workshop in July.

**David Martel**, who's moving back to England, brought in some magazines to sell. He donated \$22 to the club from the proceeds.

The door prize - a feather board - went to **Paul Reif**, and two raffle prizes went. The curly maple board went to **Axel Weichert**, and the grinder went first to **Jay Perrine**, who passed, and then it went to a mystery winner. No one could read the name on the ticket, but the phone number and the city were clear so **Stan Booker** will find him.

### Show & Tell

**Arnie Champagne**: a tea box.

**Guy Marsden**: small free-standing shelves.

**Bill Manix**: a chisel box.

**Paul Reif**: a spoke shave.

They were all very well done, needless to say.

### Main Speaker

Our host **John Grew-Sheridan** turned out to be a very gracious host indeed. He even provided a selection of cheeses, toasted french bread and peanut brittle from a caterer. Linda Salter told him if he was going to treat us so well, we'd hold all our meetings there!

John is very concerned about shop safety and talked about cutting safely on the table saw. He showed how he uses two push sticks. He also recommends a splitter, a zero clearance throat plate, and a blade cover, or at least keeping the blade only one tooth above the work. Saves fingers!!! John made some push sticks before the meeting and sold them for \$5 each, with the money going to help **Allen Harrison** rebuild his shop. That raised \$80. He said he read about it in the newsletter. Too bad Allen wasn't there.

John also showed us a lot of mallets he made from old bowling pins. He said every bowling pin has a mallet hidden inside it (see **Woodwork Magazine's** tips & techs section, issue # 63, for more about it).

After touring John's great shop, we went upstairs to the showroom. Very nice. There were several chairs, a couple of living room tables and a set of bookshelves. To John Grew-Sheridan: Thanks from all of us for hosting an excellent meeting!

## Picnic!

The Bay Area Woodworking Association is hosting the second annual woodworkers picnic on Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. Starting time will be 10 a.m. Sign-ups in advance would be appreciated.

It will be held at Huddart Park in Woodside. There is a fee of \$4.00/car to enter the park. There is a dirt volleyball court and a horse-shoe pit at our site.

This will be a potluck barbecue, with each family bringing their own meat or vegetarian equivalent to barbecue and one dish to share. Please bring your own drinks and utensils. Shared dishes are being assigned by the first letter of your last name - hopefully this way we won't have 100 salads and 2 desserts.

**A-F Desserts**

**G-L Appetizers**

**M-R Salads**

**S-Z Side dishes**

### Events at the Picnic:

A show and tell table, so bring some of your best work to show off.

A 2x4 contest (see rules below).

A tool swap - bring some tools you no longer use and see if you can sell or trade them.

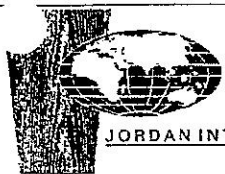
A raffle with plenty of prizes.

### Directions to Huddart Park:

Take Hwy 280 to Woodside; exit at Woodside Road (Hwy 84); turn west (to Woodside); continue on Hwy 84 for 1.7 miles; turn right onto Kings Mountain Road; the entrance to Huddart Park is 2.4 miles up the hill, at 1100 Kings Mountain Road. Signs will be posted by the park to direct you to the site. You can also ask the ranger at the toll booth for directions. For more information or if you have questions, contact Linda Salter at 650-365-4093 or you can e-mail her at [LindaSalter@earthlink.net](mailto:LindaSalter@earthlink.net).

### SHOP FOREMAN NEEDED

Studio eg is seeking a new foreman to lead their four-person shop, to run the production of their **ECOWORK** line of modular contract office furnishings. They have a spacious, well-equipped shop and use clean/green materials and processes. To learn more, please visit their web site at [www.studioeg.com](http://www.studioeg.com). They are looking for a leader with a thorough background in woodworking techniques and furniture construction. General experience with computers and basic spreadsheets a plus. They offer an excellent compensation package and work environment. Please email your resume to [MARK1@studioeg.com](mailto:MARK1@studioeg.com). Please include your resume in the body of your email (no attachments).



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## Website News

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is the most important tool in  
your shop?"

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Handplane & Chisels  
Table Saw  
Workbench  
Planer/Jointer  
Sander  
Router

To vote, please visit the  
following web page:  
[www.egroups.com/polls/BAWA](http://www.egroups.com/polls/BAWA)

## 2x4 Contest

The object of the contest is to see what extraordinary things you can make using a subordinary 2x4. This is a 2x4, douglas fir stud, eight feet long. It may be kiln dried, but may not cost more than \$10.00. This is the only wood allowed for the entry. It's OK to pick through available wood for the piece you want. Wood shall constitute at least 75% of the finished piece. For example, a wooden table with a non-wood top (glass, tile, etc.) is acceptable, if the top does not exceed 25% of the material used. A table using the douglas fir as veneer over engineered wood products (mdf, plywood, wheatboard etc) would not be accepted. Fasteners and necessary hardware are okay.

Each woodworker in attendance will cast one written vote in judging the best entry. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Honorable mentions will be mentioned. Honorably. By the way, a publisher is interested in having us do a book about the contest, so your work may get into a nationally distributed book!

## Noteworthy NEW News

Woodworker West, the bi-monthly publication covering woodworking on the West Coast, is offering BAWA members a discount on subscription: 1 year is \$10 (regular \$12) and 2 years is \$18 (regular \$20). Send your address, a check, and a note that you are a BAWA member to:

Woodworker West,  
PO Box 452058,  
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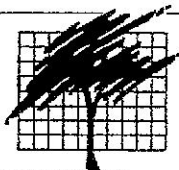
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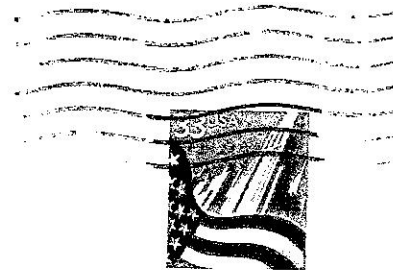
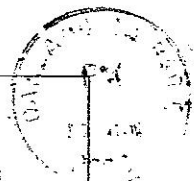
### New Gallery

There is a new gallery opening up in Idlewilde, near Palm Springs. There are large numbers of holiday shoppers with plenty of disposable income moving through the area. The gallery is called (I think) the Idlewilde Gallery. It opened on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. It is offering space on its floor on a 60/40 consignment basis. The owner-operator is Judy Crutcher. There will be furniture in the gallery, Shaker inspired, made by her husband. She is looking for smaller wooden items such as toys, boxes, crafts etc, as long as the quality is high. For more details she can be reached at [judiecr@netzero.net](mailto:judiecr@netzero.net)



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## Important Dates

2x4 Contest Final  
July 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Annual Picnic  
Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>

Box Contest Final  
October 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Woodworking Show  
Early November

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