

SOUTH BAY WOODWORKERS' NEWS

Volume 34, Issue 1

January 2024

President's Column

By Jay Perrine



Happy New Year!
We start the year without Woodworker West, that ceased publication. That had a lot of notices of events and classes which I will miss. I actually used Ron (original publisher and

editor - then his wife took over) for ideas for speakers 15 years ago when I was Program Chair at BAWA.



This year should mark the completion of Bob's house (as we saw at the Summer 2023 Picnic the shop is up and running). And Bill Turner's dream shop should be about set up inside (we toured that in Fall of 2022 but wood shop tools were yet to be set up). Perhaps Steve's kitchen and bath will come to fruition now that he has the vacuum 'clamp' for his CNC machine. Woodworking shows have not been around for a few years (seems to be some on the



East Coast), and CB Tool is gone, but we still have a Rockler store in the East Bay and Woodcraft remains in San Carlos. The other closure touching us less is the organization that sponsored the first Woodworkers Eco Tour, Green Wood (in which I participated) has closed after 30 years. Green Wood started as a Woodworkers Alliance for Rainforest Protection. (The second Eco Tour got no takers by the way.)

HOWEVER, we continue although a bit smaller than 10 or 15 years ago. WE have a few younger (under 70) members and a great place to meet. We are starting the year with a Pizza Holiday Party on site. Please bring spouses and significant others so they can see WHERE we actually meet (picnics and previous holiday events have been held elsewhere).

I'm working on a Lectern for church in a style to match the style of the altar table I made a year ago - this is also in walnut. I will see you all at our Pizza Holiday gathering on the 23rd!! Bring projects from 2023 or something you are working on now if small enough. Jay

December 2023 - No Meeting

Happy Holidays! Hope you enjoyed the month off with friends and family.

Meeting January 23 7pm

Guests are encouraged for this **New Year's celebration Pizza Party!**

Please bring projects in for Show n' Tell to revisit your woodworking from 2023.
(Or bring in pictures of them)

Meeting Location

Saratoga Federated Church
Postal Annex Building
14376 Saratoga Ave.
Saratoga, CA

Map and directions:

<https://www.southbaywoodworkers.org/>

November Meeting in Review

Ron Gerard discussed the making of two practical projects for his home. A shoe rack and a clothes hamper.

The shoe rack is made from English figured sycamore and secured to the wall of the master bedroom closet. It replaces the metal shoe rack that hung on the back of



the bedroom door. The shelves are dadoed into the sides with ears on the front of the shelves to hide the dado joints. The rack is finished with a coat of stain and two coats of gloss brushing

lacquer and one coat of satin brushing lacquer.

The clothes hamper replaces the antique wicker hamper in the front bathroom that has performed its duty for many decades.



The hamper is made from cherry. The front face is slightly curved and each vertical slat is concave in the middle with the front corners of the slats also concave. The sides of the slats are relieved seven degrees with a 1/8 inch gap between the slats to allow any moisture to escape.

Soss hinges were used to attach the

lid to the hamper and rubber pads were installed on the under side of the lid. Circular abalone shell dots were used to cover screw holes on the top back piece. Rods were inserted in the front of the lid handle to strengthen it and were covered with abalone shell as well. Gel stain and lacquer were applied to all pieces before assembly. Two coats of gloss brushing lacquer and one coat of satin brushing lacquer covered the hamper with an additional gloss coat on the top under the satin lacquer. Additional work was performed on the top. After the lacquer had been applied, a buffing compound made by 3M was rubbed on the top to smooth out any imperfections in the finish with Clapham's beeswax and mineral oil finish applied to complete the project.

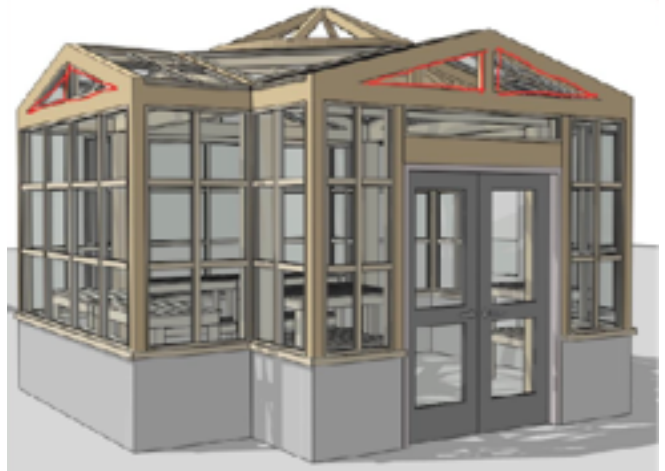
November Show n' Tell

Greg Spencer created a cutting board from purple heart, padauk, and wenge. The adhesive was Titebond III and he finished it with Rubio Monocoat.



Jim Bender gave us an update on a green house construction project performed by his students of the Redwood City continuation high school. One of the students produced the plans using Sketch-up. There are four classes of fifteen students each involved in the construction. The footprint is 16 by 16 feet, the forms are up, and the rebar is installed.

Curtis Ullerich and **Meishan Fan** brought in and described the making of an apple grinder. It's made from oak, redwood, fir and pine. The round grinding drum is made of oak with stainless steel flat head screws placed around the periphery. They also brought in the sled that they used to make the round oak drum on the table saw. The club members were treated to a sample of the end product, a lovely glass of fresh apple juice!



2024 Programs

Any additions or changes to the program schedule please contact **Tracie Johnson**.

December	Holiday Break No meeting
January 23	New Years Party! Pizza provided by SBWW and delivered by Bob K. Guests encouraged! Bring projects from 2023 for the Year in Review Show n' Tell.
February 27	Alan Kutach Coffee Table Snacks Dave Burkett
March 26	Greg Spencer Standing Desk
April 23	Jay Perrine Lectern for his church Snacks Alan Kutach
May 28	Greg Spencer Workbench
June 25	Eugene Gulko Workbench
July 23	
August 27	Bob Konigsberg Drum Building
September 24	
October 22	
November 26	
December	

2024 Officers

President	Jay Perrine perrinedazign@gmail.com
Vice-President	Tracie Johnson
Secretary	Vacant
Treasurer	Steve Kelem steve@kelem.net
Newsletter Editor	Tracie Johnson
Photographer	Tracie Johnson
Librarian	Dennis Yamamoto dennismnyamamoto@yahoo.com
Web Master	Allen Glesser aglesser@gmail.com



Concrete forms for the green house foundation



Template for the green house dome

