

SOUTH BAY WOODWORKERS' NEWS

Volume 33, Issue 1

January 24, 2023

President's Column

By Jay Perrine



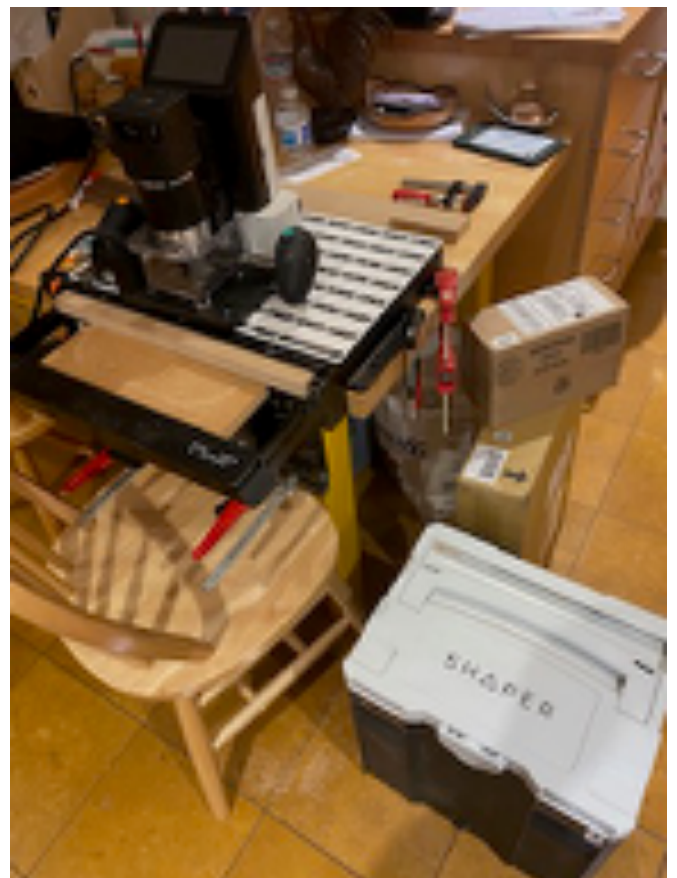
Happy New Year
SBWW members!

So Tracie has incorrectly pegged me as having already served as your President for SEVEN years, not true. I have served SIX years - that's the length of a nice ruler by Starrett. Six is twice the number of boats Columbus had when he set sail. Six is the number of players needed for volleyball (well there are now often 7). Six is the nominal width of a jointer and so forth.

Back to Columbus's boats - as your captain I have tried to steer us safely across uncharted territory (meeting via Zoom during Covid shall we say) and discovering the world isn't flat- at least not as flat as we like our horizontal tool surfaces. And I have done my best to avoid mutiny at sea and other seaworthy maneuvers.

Well now that I have actually started my seventh year at the helm I am very pleased that our next in command Tracie HAS set us up with who is in charge of each month's program until our next Holiday party. We've had some attrition but it seems we have survived some storms at sea. Hopefully we will add a few new members this year. Having Bill's shop for backup is a great comfort.

I have one little update. Santa came late to me - I was searching after Christmas on Craigslist for something for my daughter and while there I decided to type in FESTOOL, and Bingo SANTA had manipulated to get a SHAPER Origin listed under that name (actually Shaper is made by Festool which the seller knew as he is from Germany) there and I instantly knew Santa had done that just for me - SO I drove to Santa Rosa and indeed bought that little-used SHAPER. I managed to get it set up (only one text to the old owner) and I'm going to a surprise 60th birthday party tomorrow and for a gift bought a



wood-handled hammer (flattest handle at Home Depot) and engraved the recipient's name into the handle! I'm off and running with SHAPER!! So I guess that means I made a New Year's Resolution to conquer at least a minimal ability to use CAD (there are many projects already completed that are available to download for SHAPER so not every project has to be created by me via CAD).

See you all January 24th at the Old Post Office at Saratoga Federated Church site!

How Sharp is Enough?

For January's meeting, **Chuck Aring** will cover the expansive topic of sharpening. Although we all have different methods of sharpening, most good, some better, Chuck will not only share his method but he has several other, equally-important, relevant-to-sharpening topics he will cover.

Meeting Location

Saratoga Federated Church
Postal Annex Building
14376 Saratoga Ave.
Saratoga

Map and directions:

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

2022 Christmas Party in Review

The club had its annual Christmas gathering hosted by **Chuck and Karen Aring** once again in the church's fireside room this year. The club provided the ham and punch while the members rounded out the menu with side dishes. The attendance was much smaller this year because of COVID.

There was a wide range of projects on display for show and tell. **Chuck Aring**



made a bowl from an apricot tree that he harvested from his yard. He then described the making of a bandsaw box with four drawers made from walnut.



Alan Kutach created a marquetry and inlay project of various woods and dyes.



Steve Kelem used his CNC router to make a spiral grooved spindle and a half model of a salmon.

Bill Henzel showed us a pull toy in the form of a gorilla made of walnut and cherry as part of the toy workshop put on by the Bay Area Woodworkers Association (BAWA) each year. He also described a pencil box that featured several special Tennessee red pencils and a folding side table made of teak.



Mateo McCullough continues his carving of animals from basswood. They included a rhino, cat, mouse, and owl. He also made a pen-box of maple and walnut and a thank you box of walnut and black acacia.



Eugene Gulko showed us his stunning router plane made from Brazilian cherry with an acrylic base. It comes with three interchangeable blades that he also fashioned.



David Burkett Brought in pictures of a number of pieces of outdoor furniture made of ipe'. There were Adirondack



chairs, five tables, a Maloof style bench, and a frame for a hammock that was steam bent. He also brought in a meat tenderizer that was also made from ipe'.



Ron Gerard brought in one of a pair of bedroom side tables made from claro walnut.



There was also a desk clock with the face set in an odd shaped chunk of walnut burl.



SBWW Business Cards

Tracie Johnson worked with her friend Cindy Baldanzi, owner of FineLine Graphics in Santa Clara to design and print a new business card for the club. Please take some with you and share with the world.

2023 Program Responsibilities

If there are conflicts or need for changes, please contact **Tracie Johnson**.

January 24	Chuck Aring How Sharp is Enough? Eugene Gulko
February 28	Bill Henzel Building a Baby's Crib Jeff Lukanc
March 28	Tracie Johnson Guest Jim Bender - Boat Builder
April 25	Steve Kelem - CNC project Laura Marshall Ben Karni
May 23	Jay Perrine Alter Table for Church Rich Winslow
June 27	Bob Konigsberg Update on the house build Matteo McCullough

July 27	Tom Petzoldt Mike Castellanos
August 22	Allan Kutach Terry O'Donnell
September 26	Bill Turner Norm Burns
October 24	Dave Burkett Allen Glesser
November 28	Ron Gerard Dennis Yamamoto
December	Christmas Winter Holiday Party TBD

2022 Officers

President	Jay Perrine perrinedazign@gmail.com
Vice-President	Tracie Johnson
Secretary	Ron Gerard Jst4rlg@yahoo.com
Treasurer	Steve Kelem steve@kelem.net
Newsletter Editor	Tracie Johnson
Photographer	Ron Gerard Jst4rlg@yahoo.com
Librarian	Dennis Yamamoto dennismnyamamoto@yahoo.com
Web Master	Allen Glesser aglesser@gmail.com



Holiday Christmas Party - from left to right

Chuck and Karen, Annie and Bill, and Laura