

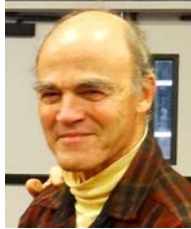
# SOUTH BAY WOODWORKERS' NEWS

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## Presidents Column

By Chuck Aring



I want to remind everyone of the South Bay Woodworkers' Christmas dinner, on Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>, from 5 to 9 PM. Each one of us is to bring one dish to share with everyone, including serving utensils. The club provides ham, punch, and table settings. We hope your mates will join us for this lovely evening in Richardson Hall, which we'll decorate for the season.

The gift exchange, where your home-made items are on display on the front stage, allows your spouse to mull over their favorites, and then results in a drawing for them to choose the craft item that they find most-appealing.

This evening is the only time all year we are able to show our year's creations to the whole club and their significant others. These we display on a long row of tables and then describe what motivated us to make what we've shown.

It is a fun evening and a real highlight of the year. Please make plans to join us.

## Message from Fred Sotcher:

Fellow members, the church has asked up to make more of the Advent Candle Holders as we have in the past. They would like them for their Thanksgiving program. I have orders all the parts required and will make up fixtures to speed the process, but I would appreciate your help. I have set aside Wednesday November 16 as a project day. We can meet at my home at 10AM. If that time or date does not work for you please contact me and we can arrange for you to come

at a different time or do some of the work at your own shop.

A reminder that the church provides us with a meeting place each month and projects like this make up our rent for that space, so please join us.

This is also a chance to work side by side with other club members.

## Next Meeting

Tuesday  
November 22  
By  
Chuck Aring &  
Tracie Johnson  
At  
The Saratoga  
Federated Church  
at 7:00 pm

Tuesday  
December 13  
By  
The Officers

Think about your shop experience of the last month and give us a 10 second explanation of something important you learned.

## This Month's Program:

Minutes October 25, 2016

### Guests:

Edward Morimoto and Art Carlson were our guests.

### General Announcements:

The annual Christmas party is slated for December 13, 2016 at the church.

The club will be moving to a new location in January. Our meetings will be in the old Saratoga post office next to the fire station on Saratoga Ave.

Syd Dunton is now accepting membership dues of \$20.00 for 2017.

Nomination of club officers will be taken at the November meeting for those positions that are open.

### Program for October:

Jay Perrine reported on three recent woodworking events that he attended.



He participated in a woodturning class at the Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts in Gatlinburg, Tennessee taught by Beth Ireland. He claimed to be the least talented student of the four that attended.

He turned a tool handle then painted it with milk paint and decorated it with pyrographic and other designs.



Another project required searching the library for ideas. One of the requirements was that it had to have a secret compartment.

He described a cruise to Alaska where he took an excursion ashore in Ketchikan to visit a master carver of totem poles. It was in a building built specifically for the master. There was no carving going on, but Jay was able to talk with the master carver and check out his tools.



Jay also attended a gathering called "Kezurou-Kai USA" at the Los Gatos high school and the Hakone Gardens in Saratoga. It was about Japanese methods and tools. Logs of redwood and Port Orford cedar were being dressed with axes and planed with Japanese

planes. There was a contest to see who could produce the thinnest shaving.

Now that Jay is an accomplished turner, he acquired a 600 pound Powermatic wood lathe. He described how he and helpers wrestled it into his truck and got it installed in his shop.

He also described an encounter on a camping trip to June Lake with a Toyoya pickup truck with a wooden camper shell over the bed. The owner used wood strips left over from construction projects. The inside and outside of the shell were covered with fiberglass.



A second box sports finger joints made with the jig that he demonstrated in last month's program. It's made of maple, black walnut, ebony and brass and contains a tray inside. It is finished with General's Anchor-seal.

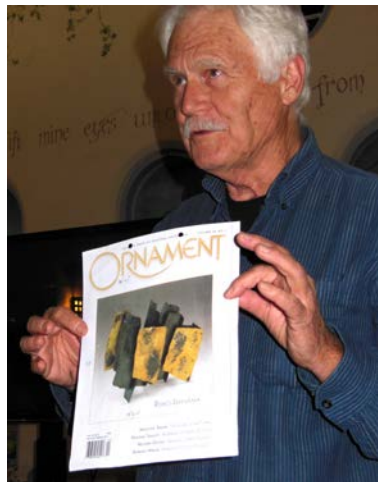


Len Viale made a cutting board from reclaimed hardwood. The inside portion of the board is pepper wood with a darker wood around the edges. It is finished with butcher block finish that has to be refreshed every few months. It was made as a wedding gift.



## Show and Tell:

Syd Dunton continues his artistic quest with a sculpture called "bull". The idea came from a picture of a women's pin made of gold and patina. The material is chain-sawed black walnut that creates the rough texture and has been ebonized to create the black color. Gold leaf was applied as contrast. Dowels were used to join the segments. Wipe-on polyurethane was used to protect the gold leaf.



Terry O'Donnell carved several kitchen implements while attending the Arrowmont school of Arts. A spreader or butter knife was carved from maple while a spoon was carved from walnut and a bowl was carved from cherry. They were all carved from green wood.



Art Carlson showed the club a tote box that he made from walnut and maple that he uses for carrying



garden tools. His logo of "AC" is burnt into one end of the tote.

Mike Papa made a box from curly redwood using miter joints.





He also demonstrated the use of a bottle opener he designed that is made from walnut, an eight penny nail, and a magnet.



A third project is a box for storing a mahjong game that is made of walnut and poplar. He used lock miter joints for the corners. Inside, there are four trays that hold the tiles and a fifth box in the middle for storing the chips.

### 2016 Officers

<b>President</b>	Chuck Aring
<b>Vice-President</b>	Dennis Yamamoto
<b>Secretary</b>	Ron Gerard
<b>Treasurer</b>	Syd Dunton
<b>Newsletter editor</b>	Larry Schwarcz
<b>Photographer</b>	Fred Sotcher
<b>Librarian</b>	Mike Wirth
<b>Web Master</b>	Tom Kenyon

### Program Committees

Date	Members
November 22	Chuck Aring Tracie Johnson
December 13	Officers
January 24	Tom Kenyon LeRoy Nelson
February 28	Fred Sotcher Rich Winslow
March 28	Sid Dunton Mike Wirth Bill Whittemore
April 25	Tom Gaston Ed Vincent Tracie Johnson
May 23	Ron Gerard Lou Thorpe Allen Glesser
June 27	Bill Henzel Larry Schwarcz
July 25	Dennis Yamamoto Ross Oliver
August 22	Terry O'Donnell Rex Osborne
September 26	Mike Papa Don McKell
October 24	Jay Perinne Jeff Lukanc
November 28	Chuck Aring Larry Petulla
December	Officers
Contact Dennis Yamamoto for any changes to the committee schedule.	

### Next Program Committee

Please take the ice chest home after the meeting

### Refreshment Suggestions

**Variety of Soft Drinks (48)**

Water, Regular, Diet, Caffeine-Free, Juices

**Varied Snacks: Donuts, Cookies, Chips, Nuts**