

BAY AREA WOODWORKERS ASSOCIATION

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 1997



**January 23, 1997
WHERE WE MEET**

January 23 Meeting -- Fourth Thursday, not Third

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Refreshments 7:00PM

Mainliner Club in San Mateo

Meeting starts 7:30PM

Sandor Nagyszalanczy, the Bay Area woodworker and author who knocked us out with his presentation on *Woodshop Jigs and Fixtures* at the October 1996 meeting, will present *How to Fix Your Mistakes*. This one's a must-see! Mark your calendar for January 23rd, the fourth Thursday night.

Some books by Sandor Nagyszalanczy. Look them up!

Fixing and Avoiding Woodworking Mistakes, Taunton Press, ISBN: 156158097X

Fine Woodworking Design Book Six : 266 Photographs of the Best Work in Wood, Taunton Press, ISBN: 1561580171

Woodshop Dust Control, Taunton Press, ISBN: 156158116X

Woodshop Jigs & Fixtures (A Fine Woodworking Book) Taunton Press, ISBN: 1561580732

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Phone 510-522-7879 (eves)

Special Issue of the BAWA Newsletter

This issue is being sent to people who have expressed interest in BAWA, as well as to regular BAWA members.

It is packed with information on BAWA activities, events, and resources--and a *BAWA Membership Application Form*.

WHEN LAST WE MET

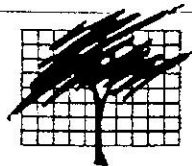
Al Semenero

Outgoing 1996 BAWA president Stan Booker proposed, and we agreed to, dedicating the toy donations this year in the memory of the six members and members' relatives who passed away in 1996.

The officers and committee chair persons for 1997 were confirmed. They are listed to the left.

It was a pleasure to see Yeung Chan and Arnie Champagne at our December Meeting. Both were accepted in the nine-month program of the College of the Redwoods. We are very proud of their craftsmanship, which was why they were chosen for the program.

Arnie invited us to visit their furniture exhibit in Fort Bragg on February 7, 1997. These exhibits showcase the products of the College of the Redwoods students. Anyone interested in going can
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BAY AREA
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Greetings from the 1997 BAWA President

BAWA promotes public education on the principles of woodworking through lectures, seminars, discussions, workshops, and field trips. We disseminate and exchange information on woods, tools and woodworking methods.

Our members can show their woodworking projects at our monthly meetings and at various shows throughout the year. Professional or amateur, hobbyist or do-it-yourself woodworker, BAWA members offer each other encouragement and appreciation of woodworking skills.

Do you like working with wood?
Come join us!

Al Semenero, BAWA President

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.

Membership Application / Renewal

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip +4 _____

_____ Work Phone () _____

_____ Home Phone () _____

Profession: _____

Speciality/Interests (List): _____

Skill Level: ☐ Professional ☐ Amateur ☐ Beginner

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

I would be willing to volunteer for:

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| <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

Monthly BAWA Meeting

The monthly meeting is held either as part of our frequent field trips to woodworking shops and other sites or at the Mainliner Club in San Mateo. Each meeting has

- a presentation/demonstration on a specific topic by a distinguished guest (or host, if it's a field trip).
- an Association business and news update session,
- members' show and tell session,
- door prizes and a raffle of some woodworking tool, and
- refreshments.

BAWA Field Trips

Many monthly BAWA meetings are hosted at various Bay Area woodworking shops and businesses. Examples from past field trips: chair shop, carving studio, cabinet shop, wood-working machinery rebuilders, Berkeley Co-op shop, stair builders, harpsichord shop, and many other furniture shops.

We are always looking for new types of field trips. We encourage all our members and guests to recommend them. Please contact Program Chairperson Stan Booker, (510) 522-7879 [evenings] with your ideas.

Show and Tell Sessions

Each monthly meeting, members demonstrate and discuss their projects, experiences, tools, jigs, and almost anything else related to woodworking—an opportunity for appreciation, help, and encouragement.

Co-op Projects

Like to work with others? BAWA members can arrange to work in a group in a member's workshop. For those interested in a group hands-on experience; contact Gene Wagg, (510) 527-5805, with your ideas.

Outreach Programs

Toys for Tots, Habitat for Humanity, Christmas in April--opportunities to help others using your woodworking skills. Contact Don McGrew, (415) 665-6206.

Woodworking Show Display Booths

BAWA runs display booths, showing members' work and recruiting new Association members, at the two annual Northern California Woodworking Shows in San Mateo and Pleasanton.

New in 1997: the San Mateo Home and Garden Show. This promises to be a great outlet for showing off BAWA work.

Year-End Potluck Dinner

The December BAWA meeting is our annual Potluck Dinner. Every member brings food, family, and friends. We display toys we have created in our *Toys for Tots* program, and share any special projects created during the year.

Annual 2 x 4 Contest

Each year in the spring BAWA holds its 2 x 4 Contest. *Rules:* You can use any type of wood, with a maximum dimension of 2"x4"x8' as materials for the entire project. You can make anything you wish, within these limits. Projects are judged by membership at a BAWA meeting, with prizes in categories.

Tool Exchanges

Exchanges, sales and/or giveaways of almost anything related to woodworking.

Woodworking Resources Book Library

We have books. We need to find them a home. Any volunteers?

New Member Greeting & Orientation

When you join BAWA, President Al Semenero, (415) 595-1273, will assign you a mentor who will introduce you to others and to the BAWA amenities.

Back to Basics Course

Notes for *Back to Basics* presentations--a course on basic woodworking--can be picked up at any BAWA meeting.

Contact Rodney Finlay, BAWA Librarian, (415) 747-0657 or (415) 747-9572 [evenings] for copies of *Back to Basics* notes.

Contact Program Chairperson Stan Booker, (510) 522-7879 [evenings] to request a *Back to Basics* presentation at a monthly meeting, or to volunteer to give one yourself.

Video Tape Library.

Any of approximately 40 woodworking videos may be rented at any BAWA meeting. Contact Rodney Finlay, (415) 747-0657 or (415) 747-9572 [evenings].

Seminars

In process of being planned for the summer months. Possibilities include 1-2-3 week programs at the College of the Redwoods. Please contact Al Semenero, (415) 595-1273.

Monthly Newsletter

Meeting notices and BAWA news. Send news items to Tony Fanning (415) 323-1183 [evenings].

Your Call:

We really have no set limits on our BAWA activities. What new ones can you suggest? Please contact BAWA President Al Semenero, (415) 595-1273, with your ideas and interests.

BACK TO BASICS

New and prospective BAWA members very often list "learning new skills" as an interest. The *Back to Basics* program addresses that need. Each *Back to Basics* presentation gives a brief review of certain basic skills or general woodworking information that should benefit all members.

Members proficient in a particular woodworking skill make the presentations. *Back to Basics* presentations are made during the first twenty and no more than thirty minutes of the monthly meeting.

BAWA maintains a history of presentation notes, for future members and those not in attendance at the presentations. Notes for the following are available from Rodney Finlay, BAWA Librarian, at any monthly meeting:

Packaged <i>Back to Basics</i> Presentations	Band Saw Blade Types & Uses
	Marking/Cutting/Mortise Gauges
	Photography of Wood Projects
	Sharpening Planes & Chisels
	Table/Radial Saw Blades
	Using a Biscuit Joiner
	Using Vacuum Bags (Veneering)
	Veneering

In addition to the "packaged" *Back to Basics* presentations, others have been suggested:

Suggested <i>Back to Basics</i> Presentations	Bending Wood
	Dust Collection
	Glues Types & Applications
	Inlaying
	Log Cuts & Effects on Wood
	Making Door Panels
	Resawing
	Straightening a Board
	The Dove Tail Joint
	The Mortise & Tenon Joint
	Tuning a Plane
	Using a Plunge Router
	Water Based Finishes
	Wood Carving

If you would like to have one of the "packaged" presentations given at a BAWA meeting, or if you would like to give one yourself, contact Stan Booker, Program Chairperson, (510) 522-7879 [evenings].

"I believe with the talents we have within the membership, we all benefit from this program."

"Usually the ones who learn the most are the presenters, so you need not be an expert prior to the presentation to do a good job."

Don Naples

BAWA VIDEOTAPE LIBRARY

BAWA keeps a collection of woodworking videotapes for members' use. Any video may be rented, at any BAWA meeting, for \$2/month. (\$5 deposit; \$3 returned when the video is returned at or prior to next meeting; otherwise, the \$3 goes to the club treasury.)

If you want to contribute a video or get info on tapes, contact Rodney Finlay, BAWA Librarian, (415) 747-0657 or (415) 747-9572 [evenings].

BAWA Videotape LIST 1/97

TITLE	PRESENTER	TIME (min.)
Repairing Furniture	Bob Flexner	70
Refinishing Furniture	Bob Flexner	60
Wood Finishing	Frank Klausz	110
Build A Shaker Table	Kelly Mehler	60
Beginning Wood Lathe	Delta	28
Turning Wood	Richard Raffan	117
Bowl Turning	Del Stubbs	120
Dovetail Jig	Leigh Industries	40
Incra Jig	Taylor Design Grp	60
Dovetail A Drawer	Frank Klausz	60
Making Mortise & Tenon Joints	Frank Klausz	60
Dovetail Systems	Keller & Co.	12
Sam Maloof Working Profile	Sam Maloof	60
Making Kitchen Cabinets		
Faceplate Cabinet Making	R.W. Cliffe	53
Building The Cabinet		48
Advanced Drawer Construction		54
Basic Door Construction		54
Advanced Door Construction		82
Sharpening Chisels & Plane Irons	WoodSmith Shop	32
Mastering Your Bandsaw	Mark Duginske	60
Router Jigs & Techniques	B. Maas, M. Fortune	60
Router Secrets	Woodhaven Inc.	120
Mastering Your Table Saw		
Radial Arm Saw	Curtis Erpelding	110
Small Shop Tips & Techniques	Jim Cummins	60
Learn Woodworking	Kelly Mehler	70
Mastering Woodworking	Mark Duginske	60
Intarsi	Judy Gale Roberts	90
Carving Techniques & Projects	S. Bush & M. Headley, Jr.	90
Installing Doors & Windows	Tom Law	60

BAWA OUTREACH REPORT *Don McGrew*

The BAWA Outreach program is expanding beyond the now-monthly *Toys for Tots* program and the annual *Christmas in April* participation to include the *Habitat for Humanity* program. This program provides homes for people through a combination of interest free loans, sweat equity from the prospective owners, and extensive homebuilding (design, carpentry, electrical, plumbing, etc.) help from volunteers.

Some local *Habitat for Humanity* programs we can participate in:

1. *San Francisco H. for H.*: 415-750-4780. Projects begin in spring '97.
2. *Peninsula H. for H.*: 415-324-2266. Volunteers needed until November 1997 on the 24-unit Gloria Way Project. Tuesdays-Saturdays 8:15-4:30; half-days acceptable Tues-Fri; full days only on Sat.
3. *East Bay H. for H.*: 510-251-6304, Volunteer Coordinator Chris Becker.
 - Two year more work on half-done 40 units at 375 105th Ave, Oakland.
 - Jan. 31, 1997: 350 volunteers needed for 1 day of wall pre-fab, 8AM-4:30PM at Alameda military base. Call Chris for directions.
 - Collegiate Challenge: Feb 25-last week of March; 1-2 groups/week from colleges nationwide; need experienced builders to supervise.
 - July '97 Buildathon: 6-10 homes framed in 3-5 days; need 200 volunteers/day.
 - Other skills/services needed besides building: office volunteers, materials and skilled trades location, fundraising, All Women's Crew, graphic design, youth outreach, public speaking, faith relations, welcome wagon.

If you're not yet a member of the Bay Area Woodworkers Association, NOW is the best time to become one!

Just fill out the Membership form on Page 2, and bring it to the next BAWA meeting.

If you can't make the January 23rd meeting, just follow the simple instructions on Page 2 and send in the completed form.

TOYS FOR TOTS REPORT *Don McGrew*

Thanks to Bob Steves, Tony Fanning, Al Semenaro, Alan Harrison, Nick Korens, Bill Hensel, Stan Booker, Linda Salter—and any whose names I missed—for over 400 member-built toys donated through our *Toys for Tots* program at BAWA's 1996 Potluck Dinner Meeting.

This is a greater than 4-fold increase over 1995's donations.

It doesn't even include toys donated earlier this year by Bob Steves (who also contributed Bob Potter-designed animal pattern sets to other *Toys For Tots* volunteers) to Lucille Packard's Mobil Health Van program. Yea Bob! BAWA owes a great deal to Bob for his ability and generosity.

We had so many toys that we couldn't safely carry them all in our Ghia, so Bob Steves took the remainder and found them a good home with the U. S. Marine Corps Toy program.

S. F. General's Volunteer Coordinator, Kim Dunstin, asked if we could bring some of the smaller toys to the Outpatient Children's Christmas Party, so Al Semenero and I handed out over a hundred toys to sick kids.

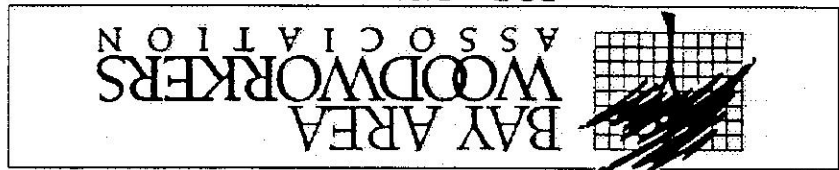
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I believe that we should now try for a delivery of toys every month (I say we shoot for 150 a month).

We have three children's hospitals to take care of: Oakland Children's Hospital, S.F. General, and Lucille Packard's Children's Hospital, each with their own outreach programs.

They can each use as many toys as we can make.

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contact Al Semenero to carpool for the trip.

Carl Johnston treated us to a display of and discussion of this elegant humidors. **Thaine Anderson** displayed and gave the history of a board of mounted tools which are at least 100 years old. Thanks, **Carl** and **Thaine**.

Carl Johnston then acknowledged **Stan Booker** and the other BAWA officers for their dedication and service. **Tony Fanning** expressed his appreciation to **Stan** for his warmth in welcoming new BAWA members. Many thanks, **Stan**!

We broke for dinner. Thanks to everyone who contributed food. It looks like **Carl's** shrimp was the hit of the party.

Don McGrew reviewed our Outreach Program, concentrating on the Toys for Tots program, since it was the Christmas season. This year BAWA set a new record, as members made and contributed over 450 wooden toys for distribution to local hospitals.

Each toy contributor explained construction procedures and answered questions. Everyone mentioned that **Don** was their inspiration, motivator, and general nagger and that without him it wouldn't have been nearly as successful. Great job, **Don** and all **BAWA** toy makers!

Our Association has been offered the opportunity to participate in the San Mateo 1997 Home and Garden Show (February 28 - March 2),

which would like to add a wood-working segment this year. We will have a booth to display our work and a platform where we can discuss our craft. We will discuss this further at our January meeting. **Al Semenero's** proposal is to have BAWA members construct garden furniture which we could raffle off at the Home and Garden Show. We could use raffle proceeds to beef up the BAWA treasury to support our other programs. Come to the January meeting, give your input, and volunteer to help with the Home and Garden Show.

Al Semenero