



Newsletter

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President's Message

We're getting back together again and it's been a blast!

Our first post-pandemic face-to-face event happened at the Shop. We restarted the last Saturday "Eye Opener," this time featuring a SawStop demo. **Over 60 people showed up** and it was abuzz! A week later the Digital Tools community met for a Shop Tour at AleSmith Brewery and while fewer than 15 were expected, **40-45 showed up**. There was joy in the air! We're quickly bringing our pre-COVID programs back. In-person SIGs, classes, Shop Tours and more are just around the corner.

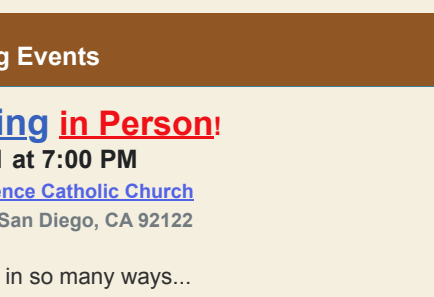
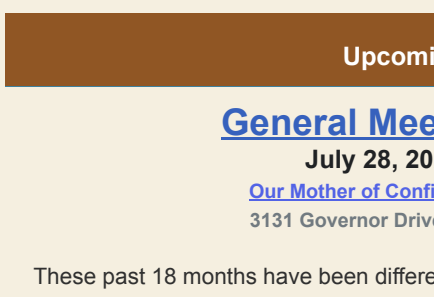
The biggest surprise though is probably *the speed at which General Meetings are returning*. Our Mother of Confidence Church has unexpectedly re-opened their doors to us. Wonderful! The problem is that our speaker, Paul Schurch, is set to present from Hawaii via Zoom. What to do?! The answer from leadership was obvious... **Let's have a woodworking celebration!**

Prior to the General Meeting's featured presentation **we're going to hold a woodworking exhibit of your COVID-period projects**. Everyone is encouraged to bring in their favorite projects from when they were locked indoors. We'll add food and drink to the mix, perhaps a little music in the background, and revel in the creations of our fellow members. If you'd like to exhibit then plan now to arrive at 5:30 to set up your table. The doors will open and **the exhibit will begin at 6:00 PM on July 28**.

One last word: **pride**.

For those who have followed the efforts of our community service teams there is wonderful news. They've started to deliver the results of their efforts. [Desks](#) were delivered to O'Farrell School; [Little Free Libraries](#) were completed for three elementary East San Diego schools. **We should all take pride in the good work we're doing for the community** with our woodworking skills.

Be sure to [check out their stories](#) and start planning to **GET INVOLVED!**



Upcoming Events

General Meeting in Person!

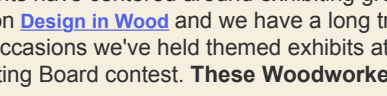
July 28, 2021 at 7:00 PM

[Our Mother of Confidence Catholic Church](#)

3131 Governor Drive, San Diego, CA 92122

These past 18 months have been different in so many ways...

Individually, what we could do was severely limited. Friends, family and work all became virtual and we barely went anywhere. We had to find solace in our homes and as woodworkers, most of you probably completed projects.



Come Join us to share your COVID projects at our [Show & Tell](#) on July 28!

Some of our best events have centered around exhibiting great woodworking. Our founding was based on [Design in Wood](#) and we have a long tradition of showing off projects. On special occasions we've held themed exhibits at General Meetings, the last being the Cutting Board contest. **These Woodworkers Corals are FUN!**

Our [General Meeting](#) will be held at [Our Mother of Confidence Catholic church](#) and **we are making this one special!** Our **Show & Tell will run from 6:00-7:00 PM**, (if you plan to exhibit, then arrive early at 5:30 to set up).

We'll feed you!

We'll have **hot dogs, chips, soft drinks and ice cream**. You'll be showing off your prized projects in a happy mood.

Nothing satisfies like a full stomach and talking about your work. 😊

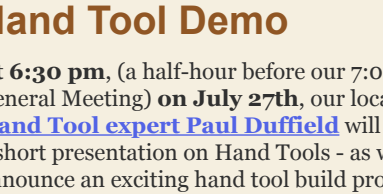
Come join us! **In Person!** Bring a project! Share your projects with our community!

P.S. If you would like to add your projects to our [Instagram feed](#) then just [send a picture](#) (or two or three) along with a brief description and we'll make that happen.

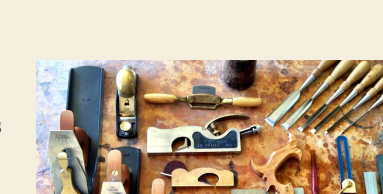
Our **PROGRAM** will be a comprehensive presentation on **"Veneering, Inlay and Marquetry"**, (from historical techniques to the present), by award-winning, Fine-Woodworker [Paul Schurch](#).

[READ MORE about our Meeting PROGRAM here...](#)

The Raffle Prizes!



1. [Lie-Nielsen No 4 smooth plane](#)

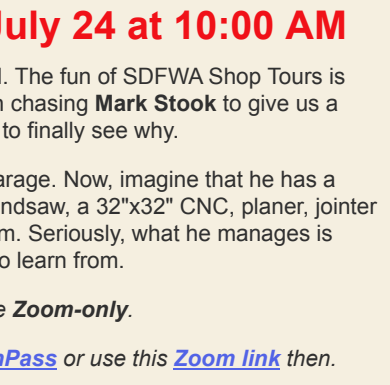


2. [Boggs flat spokeshave](#)

Hand Tool Demo

At **6:30 pm**, (a half-hour before our 7:00 pm General Meeting) **on July 27th**, our local [Hand Tool expert Paul Duffield](#) will give us a short presentation on Hand Tools - as well as announce an exciting hand tool build project, (requiring no previous hand tool skills). *Hint...* you could end up making and owning your own wooden plane. Paul's visual aids are often from different eras and countries. You can be assured of seeing some interesting tools.

[Read more details here >>>](#)



Shop Tour on Saturday, July 24 at 10:00 AM

It's amazing the workshops that woodworkers build. The fun of SDFWA Shop Tours is discovering what members have done. We've been chasing **Mark Stook** to give us a tour of his shop for many months and you're about to finally see why.

Start with 340 square feet of usable space in his garage. Now, imagine that he has a large SawStop, a large bed laser, lathe, full size bandsaw, a 32"x32" CNC, planer, jointer and on and on, plus a central dust extraction system. Seriously, what he manages is compact and well organized and a great example to learn from.

Note: Due to his HOA Restrictions this event will be Zoom-only.

Mark your calendars and sign up now on [PunchPass](#) or use this [Zoom link](#) then.

Old Tool Swap Meet

Sunday, August 1, 2021 at 6:00 am

FREE in the [Rockler Woodworking](#) parking lot
8199 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. San Diego, 92111

[Get the Details here...](#)

Member Shop News



There's *always* something **new** happening at the Member Shop!

Thanks to the generosity of **Sam Takahashi** we're adding a new [Shaper Origin](#) tool.

We've also just acquired the larger [Domino XL](#) machine!

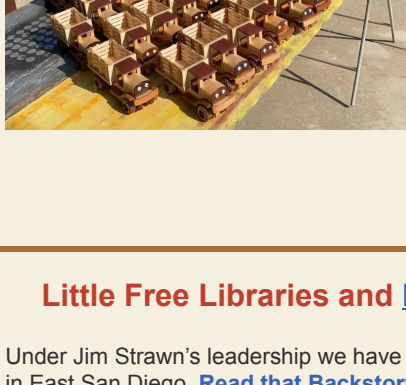
We've restarted our monthly Social **"Eye Opener"** Events. And we'll be doing it again in July! **Free and open to all.**

Mark your calendar now for [Saturday, July 31st at 9 am](#). See you then, at the Shop!

[Read the full details here...](#)

Community Outreach

Toy Program



Jerry's Toy Group

James Vitale delivered **Toy Trucks** to 4 separate Fire Stations for the children of the firemen. Here is a [Thank You](#) Letter:

Dear San Diego Fine Wood Workers,

Your local Fire Department crew from Fire Station 27 (Clairemont, San Diego) would like to thank you for your generous donation of wooden toy trucks on July 3rd, 2021. Our families will enjoy them for years to come. We admire your skills and value your craft within our community.

Thank you and happy summer!
Paul Tagariello
Fire Engineer 27/C
City of San Diego
Fire-Rescue Department

Little Free Libraries and Desks for at-home learning

Under Jim Strawn's leadership we have produced 3 Little Free Libraries for schools in East San Diego. [Read that Backstory here...](#)

Here is a letter of appreciation for Jim and his team of a dozen woodworkers.

On behalf of all the students, families, staff, Board members, volunteers, and community partners at DEEP, we extend our most sincere gratitude to you and the San Diego Fine Woodworkers Association for your generous construction and donation of Free Little Libraries to our community literacy program.

We look forward to working with you and your team to install these new Little Libraries in the Diamond Community as part of our summer reading program. Please reach out to Tania Luken to schedule installation at your convenience.

I look forward to sharing the impact of your meaningful donation on the students and families we proudly serve. Best wishes to you and your team for a fun and relaxing summer. Have a wonderful day.

Thank you and Best Regards,
Nicole Celeste Marquel

[Be proud of what your SDFWA is doing!](#)

[Read the latest update about BOTH outreach initiatives here >>](#)

and how **you** too can get involved.

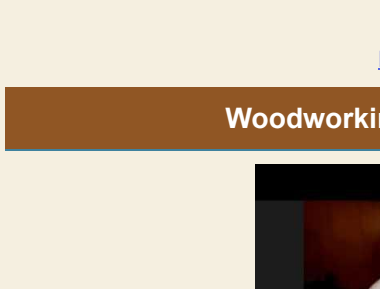
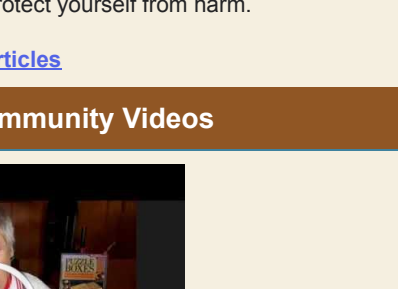
- It starts with joining an initiative [here](#)...
- It continues with joyful woodworking/craftsmanship.
- It finishes with a satisfying feeling of making a difference that matters.

Woodworking Community Articles

Why I am a Member

As we all have had over a year now to sit and ponder our navels in deep introspection, we have come to realize the importance and appreciate the privilege of being a San Diego Fine Woodworkers Association **MEMBER**.

[Read about these insights Here>>>](#)



Wood Dust

An important **Public Service Announcement** by Dick Ugoretz from September of 2019 is being reprinted here.

Wood Dust in your lungs or eyes may cause serious problems from irritation to long-term damage or even Cancer.

Wear Safety Glasses and a Dust Mask.

[Read the in-depth article Here >>>](#)

[to protect yourself from harm.](#)

[More Articles](#)

Woodworking Community Videos



The recording of our most recent General Meeting in May
[Jeff Vollmer](#) on [Making Puzzle Boxes](#)

[More Discussions](#)

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Interested in sharing your story or project? Write editor@sdfwa.org.

Member Resources

SDFWA members regularly sell and buy quality Woodworking Tools and Materials to and from each other.

See the latest offerings on [our Wants and Disposals Page](#).

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SDFWA 2021 Meeting Dates

General Membership Meetings	Board Meetings
Wednesday: January 27 March 31 May 26 July 28 September 29 December 1	Wednesday: January 6 March 3 May 5 July 7 September 1 November 3

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