

SUN CITY WEST

WOOD WORKING CLUB



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From the Desk of the President

Jim Sloan

I would like to introduce our new editor of the SCW Woodshop's Newsletter, Rosemary Abrami!

Should you have something that should be in the newsletter, she can be reached at Abrami@cox.net

She is teaming up with our webmaster Ernie Mills to produce a newsletter each month that will help keep us informed.

This month there are some interesting articles including one featuring our own Bruce Broussard...

Here is the link, just click on www.scwoodshop.com and see the newsletter icon on the right side.

See you around the shop!

Jim

WEBMASTER'S WARBLE #0001

Ernie Mills

I would like to offer a very warm welcome to our new Newsletter Editor, Rosemary Abrami. There is a connection between the two of us that goes back to 1964 but that is another story.

In this first Warble I would like to point put some of the features of the website.

First off the URL: www.scwoodshop.com . Enter this link into your browser or click on the link and your SCW Wood Club world will open up before you.

Click on the button **News Flash**. This will keep you *in-the-club-know* on all current club information.

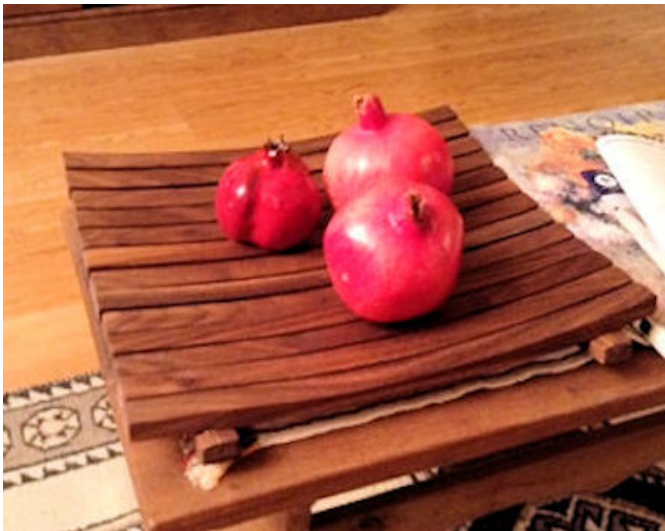
Next try clicking on the **News Letter** button. No prizes for those who find this in less than 30 seconds. The first thing you'll see is the Archive table where you will find all past and present newsletters. Below the table is the current newsletter. It is from the *archived letters* that you will find a **Print This Page** button.

The latest link is a menu item button named **Videos**, which you can find second from the last on the right menu column.

The Safety links are almost required reading - if you learn nothing else you will gain respect for the perils of careless machine use!

Any woodshop related videos for inclusion in this section should be e-mailed to me at emills21@cox. Much more to come on the web site. Enjoy, Ernie

ONE PERSON'S DISCARDS BECOMES ANOTHER PERSON'S ART...



Fred Baldwin was making a set of elaborate chairs which required curved slats for the backs. He discarded some which did not meet his requirements - we can only imagine his annoyance at the waste of work and wood.

Rosemary Abrami, as fond of "trash-bin diving" as anyone else, found the discards and decided they were too beautiful to waste, so they were retrieved and sat (where else?) in her garage for a while.

Some months later she made them into this almost-Japanese style article. This style is emphasized by the display of the fruit so common in classical Japanese art - pomegranates, one pottery, the other two edible.

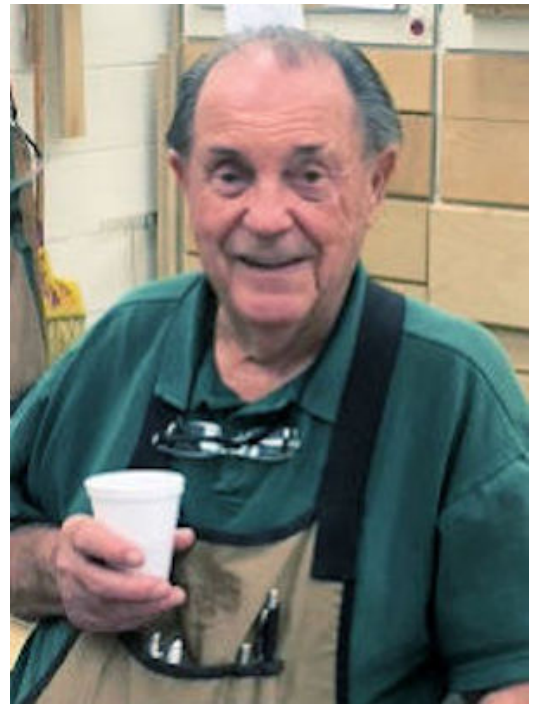
TERMITE TIDINGS

George Wildridge

Our featured woodworker this month is Bruce Broussard, a man of consummate skill.

After almost five years of service in Europe with the U. S. Air Force, Bruce was discharged as a sergeant and began employment with Union Oil. Here he worked in the Risk and Insurance field. Among the claims he helped settle was one in which a Union Oil ship tried

to sail up an inland passage rather than taking the long way around in an approach to Southampton, England. The ship ran aground and there was oil everywhere. This incident resulted in changing the way maritime insurance coverage was written.



Married, with four children, Bruce spent a lot of time travelling in his job and lived in several new homes, in each of which he worked installing cupboards, cabinets and making furniture for the new digs. In addition to developing woodworking skills his other hobby was golf. In 1999 there was a need to assist in the care of Mrs. Broussard's parents so the couple moved to Sun City West. There was no thought of staying here but the amenities ultimately offered caused a change of mind. The woodshop has become Bruce's home away from home. He spends time here almost daily and has, for several years, worked on Special Projects. This is an activity in which items brought in by community members are repaired and, in some instances, the creation of new items built to the residents' specifications. Bruce had mastered most of the necessary skills of a cabinet-maker or finish carpenter by the time he arrived here. As a consequence he has provided assistance other members as they worked on their own projects. He sees new members as folks who may have no idea as to what they want to accomplish. He recruits them to assist in the Special Projects area where they can acquire new skills, meet other members and contribute to the smooth operation of the shop.

ASSORTED PIECES OF IMPORTANT INFO

BENCH USE IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM

As members return from their summer absences benches are in full use. If a project does not have a name on it and show signs of ongoing activity it will be consigned to the "free" table.

IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO PLAN FOR CHRISTMAS...

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Last year we had a good response to the Salvation Army request for bell-ringing volunteers, let's hope this year will be even better.

Woodshop members are scheduled to ring on Wednesday 16 December at both doors of the Fry's right here on R H Johnson. Hours are 8:45 am to 5 pm but no-one is expected to ring for that entire period!

Please contact Jim Sloan if you are able to participate. Telephone 623-687-8756 or e-mail majorjim439@gmail.com

DID YOU MISS THE LUNCHES?

Bad News/Good News situation: If you didn't come to any of the wildly successful and popular summer lunches, the Bad News is that they are over for the year. The Good News is that the board approved an extension of these wonderful opportunities to see members whose times don't usually coincide with yours at the woodshop and also to meet their spouses/significant others/partners or whatever.

The time will move to the afternoon, the location will change to Kuntz courtyard, and instead of lunch we will enjoy a BYOB happy hour. The club will provide the munchies. Watch for a date and come join the social side of woodshop.

HAUTE COUTURE AT WOODSHOP?

Ain't gonna happen BUT club T-shirts are being ordered. They will go on sale in early October in sizes medium to XXXL.

Also, we will be making children's T-shirts that will make great gifts!

Ken and Jean Richards will be handling the sales, so watch for times, cost etc.

SAVE THE DATES

6 October: General meeting in R JH Johnson lecture hall

20 October: Woodshop picnic, Bearsley Park

10 December: Christmas party

16 December: Salvation Army bell-ringing at Fry's

SEMINAR SCUTTLEBUTT

Jim Rowe

As the time draws closer for the return of our northern friends, I expect that the interest in seminars will increase. There have been some successful seminars during the heat:

PETER LOMBARDO has worked his circle magic a couple of times and DAVE FRANCE had a successful lathe class for beginning turners.

Shop credit is earned for teaching a seminar.

Seminar forms are on the hall bulletin board, so fill out one and get it to me and I will create a schedule for sign-ups.

SUMMER ACTIVITY

Who says SCW dies during the summer? President Jim announced that over the summer the club brought in 47 new members and that currently there are 904 members. Wonder what would happen if all of them came to the shop at the same time...

IT SNOWS IN SCW IN SUMMER!

Jean Richards turns a white Corian base



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