NOTES FROM APRIL 14, 2013 SCROLL SAW CLUB MEETING

On April 9, 2013 we (9 attendees) had a great meeting!  Saul Bobroff, our guest speaker, gave an excellent presentation on puzzles and mechanical marvels.  Saul was very well prepared, with MANY examples of his completed puzzles, patterns, books, and a very informative handout.  Saul's scroll sawing ability is impressive - his skills certainly challenged many of us.  His examples clearly showed that the possibilities with puzzles (like so many other things in life) is only limited by your imagination.  Saul made it clear that making some of these puzzles is not easy, and you should be prepared to throw away your first 3 attempts; they are your learning tools.

Websites listed in Saul's handout include: www.agpc.org; www.jardinpuzzles.com; www.oldpuzzles.com;puzzlemuseum.com; puzzle.baxter.com.

Saul's handout contained a lot of information, including links to several websites for further information on puzzles and mechanical marvels.  He was kind enough to leave a few extra copies of the handout, which will be available at the next meeting (June 9).  Contact me if you want a copy sooner.  The mechanical moving marvels were built from kits (mechanicalkits.com).  I was fascinated by them, and the price of the kits seemed reasonable to me.

Saul kept our attention throughout the discussion that took up most of the meeting, and I extend my sincere thanks to him for coming to our club meeting and doing the presentation.  I hope he had as much fun giving the presentation as we did learning from him.

I have included a few of the pictures I took at the meeting, and will put all of them on the club website later this week.

May thanks to Max Schmitter for completing the draft version of the new club banner,.  He did a fantastic job, and the final version should look very nice.  Thanks also to Murray for locating the images we wanted to put on the banner.  We will have more information regarding price and completion date by the next meeting.

Last week I received information regarding the gilding class.  The cost per person is more than I had expected ($175), but some of us may still be interested.  I will forward the information in a separate email so you can review the information, and contact me if you are interested in attending.

The next meeting will be June 9 at the same time and location.  If you are willing to do a demo or lead a discussion for the next meeting, please contact me.  I would be willing to do short demo/discussion on the new inlay tool I purchased (and the process used with it) if no one has a better idea.