

## James Gulley

I moved to California as a child in about 1955 from Idaho. I attended Fresno High School, Fresno City College, and Fresno State College (with majors in Physics and Math). After finishing a Physics graduate program at UC Santa Barbara, I moved to Delaware where I met my wife Bev in 1972. After my short career at DuPont in Delaware as a research physicist and computer analyst, we moved to the Calif. Bay Area in 1981 where I worked for Chevron as a computer analyst. Bev and I left the workforce in 1995.

We enjoy tremendously rewarding trips for Habitat for Humanity to help build decent homes for families around the world and in the US. We have a small motorhome which we use often for camping trips in the Western US.

I was an avid fan of Norm Abrams on his PBS TV shows and developed an interest in woodworking in the 80's. I was content, as a so-so woodworker, to make furniture pieces and cabinets (following published plans) which would impress everyone except another woodworker.

I joined SJFWA in about 2010 primarily to make toys. Since then, I have learned a lot and am gaining skills and experience which are significantly improving my woodworking skills.

I have gradually upgraded my tools. I have a Sawstop table saw, Grizzly band saw, thickness planer, chop saw, dust collector system, and lots of sanders and other useful tools. My shop is our two car garage which has two cars in it most of the time. This means that all tools are on wheels and can be stored against a wall. Space is a premium!

I very much enjoy making toys each year, and am active in the club in assuring federal child safety compliance for our toys. I am also active in supporting and expanding the club website.

