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GCW Newsletter Brief:

The attendance for the February meeting was encouraging with 26 members present. This was an upbeat meeting with lots of member interaction, Show-N-Tell and the showing of 2 videos. We had a great turnout for the night's Show-N-Tell with 9 members presenting their work. During the meeting break members really had a chance to examine the projects and discuss woodworking details with their creators. There are four project contributions to the newsletter and all were shown at the meeting.

There is 1 posting in the Message Corner section for this month: Huge Moving Sale, Woodworking Tools.

Please review the information in Announcements and News section concerning club dues for 2022, raffle process changes, and the upcoming April project challenge.

President's Message:

Dear fellow CGW members.



Well the February meeting is now behind us and attendance increased since January which is a good sign. The Show and Tell was a display of some excellent craftsmanship and ingenuity and I am looking forward to seeing the pictures of those items displayed at the meeting. I would like to offer a shout-out to those bringing donations for the raffle. Thank you! We apparently ran out of bamboo frames brought to the meeting as the box was empty when the meeting was over. However, I needed to go to Woodcrafters yesterday and, while there, picked up another box for us. Anyone wanting more frames need only to call or text me (530-391-3620) to pick them up here in Cameron Park. The residual frames will be brought to the next meeting. I am anticipating some outstanding work at our April Project Challenge presentations. Thanks again to WOODCRAFT for their generous contribution and opportunity to work with this material. While trying to think of some "infinite wisdom" to offer in this newsletter I started reviewing some of the old newsletters stored in my email file. If you have not done that before, it is like having a show-n-tell at your finger tips. The photos of outstanding wood work for years past are there to be admired. The quality of Gail's news letter reflects a club history which is an instant recall for us on the internet. Thanks to Gail to and to his editor (Karen). Check it out.

Work safe and make wood work:

Basil Borkert

GCW President

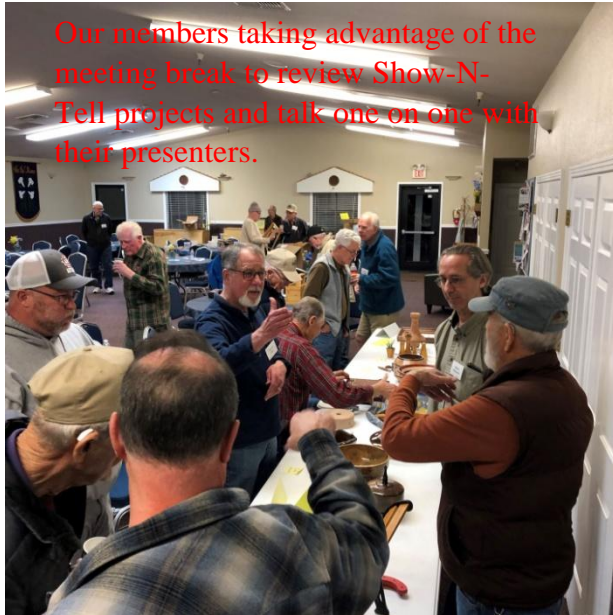


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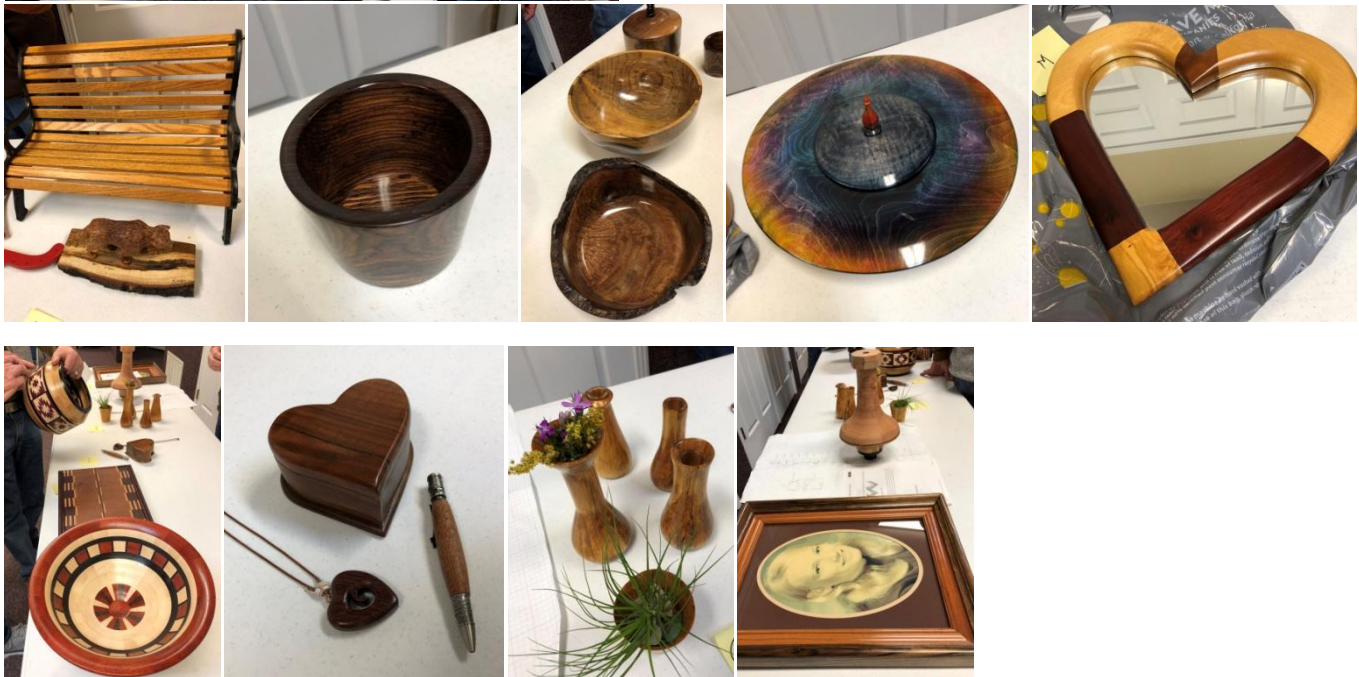
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February Show-N-Tell:



Our members taking advantage of the meeting break to review Show-N-Tell projects and talk one on one with their presenters.

For February we had 9 members showing their fine craftsmanship. That represents 30% of those attending. Way to go members. Mark Butzler managed the Show-N-Tell activity. The members showing their work were, in order: **Ron Sexton***: Wolf Carving plus a Country Bench, **Frank Fantino**: small turning, **Don Lawson***: 2 bowl turnings plus a turned box, **Gail Cone***: 1 turned platter, **Ed Woodards**: Heart shaped mirror, **Basil Borkert***: 2 segmented bowls plus a cutting board, **Micky Dupper**: heart shaped bandsaw box plus turned pen and a heart pendent, **Casey Keller**: 5 turned vases, and **Mark Butzler**: turned lamp stand and picture frame. Note, the names with an * contributed to the newsletter. Thumbnail pictures are shown in order of presentation.



Video Night

Two videos were shown at the February meeting. Both presented possible bird house projects. Here are the links to the videos. <https://youtu.be/oizHftWDJWo> <https://youtu.be/oizHftWDJWo> Note, preliminary plan is to have a Project Challenge in October with the possible theme being birdhouses.

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Announcements and News:

Club dues: We have had a number of members attending the club meeting who have not yet paid their dues. Our club dues for 2022 are \$25. You can pay at any meeting or you can mail a check to our treasurer, Steve Cabrol. The address is provided at the end of the newsletter.

Raffle Procedure Update: In January we changed the raffle process so raffle winners have a better chance getting the preferred item. Members now have the option to swap out their won raffle item if a later held ticket wins the preferred item. Members often put tickets in for more than one item to increase the chances of winning even though there is most always a preferred item. The returned items will be re-raffled. Also the raffle will now progress item to item based on the quantity of tickets placed with each item, highest to lowest. Each members can still only win a total of 1 item. This process was used in January and it worked great.

April Project Challenge: April is a project challenge meeting. The theme for this project challenge would be to make anything you choose with the primary wood being “Bamboo”. Woodcraft Supply is providing the Bamboo. At the meeting each member participating will receive a raffle ticket for a chance to win \$50. Some bamboo was distributed at the February meeting with more available at the March meeting. You can also contact Basil Borkert at 530-391-3620 as he picked up more Bamboo from Woodcraft. The Bamboo 3” x ½” comes as frames about 12” x 8”. Each participating member is given 5 frames (20 pieces broken down). So be creative, think about what cool thing you make using bamboo.



Project Information for newsletters: We encourage members to submit their projects even if they miss a meeting for inclusion in the club newsletter. Please send photos along with the related project information to gpcwoodwk@gmail.com.

Badges: Members, when coming to meetings, please be sure to pick up your badge from the badge box at the door and wear it prominently. At the end of the meeting be sure to drop your badge in the “badge bucket” **not the badge box**. If by chance you take your badge home, try to bring it to the next meeting.

Message Corner:

Nathan Hinkle: I’m a past member of GCW and am having a yard sale to sell my wood working equipment. I’m moving out of State and I do not want to ship this equipment to the East Coast. The yard sale is Saturday and Sunday, March 5th and 6th from 8 A.M. - 1 P.M. Inquiries welcome. Sales will only take place at the yard sale and purchasers are responsible for transporting all tools. I am willing to negotiate on prices. Thank you, Nathaniel Hinkle 7060 Calcite Dr. EL Dorado, CA 95623 530-363-4679 For pictures of tools in this sale click the following link: [Tools Yard Sale](#)

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Project Submissions (4 Members):

Don Lawson



Here are the 3 turnings I presented at February's meeting. The Turned box, left, is Black Limba and Ebony (both from West Africa) with wipe on polyurethane finish. The Salad bowl is about 11"x5" and is Magnolia wood with bark inclusions and a wipe on poly finish. On the right is a Black Walnut 3x crotch from a friend's firewood pile. It turned out to be a highly figured natural edge bowl with Tung oil finish.

Don



Ron Sexton



Here's the park bench I made in 1996 and is the last casting Knights foundry in town of Sutter Creek did. I made the molds which were very tricky to make. I'm thinking of donating it to their museum.

The Wolf carving is on Pear wood, this is my 3rd rotary carving. I really enjoy doing carving I find it very gratifying and I am learning more with each one I do.

Ron



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Basil Borkert



Here are the 2 turnings and cutting board I presented at the February meeting. The salad bowl, left, is made with Bloodwood, Wenge, and Maple. The pot with the southwest pattern is Purpleheart, Maple, Wenge and Cherry. Both were finished with a shellac and poly finish. The cutting board has now been re-sanded with scratches removed as was shown at the club meeting. It is composed of Purple Heart and Padauk with a mineral oil finish.



Basil

Gail Cone



Here is my latest wood art turning. I call it "Unsettled Universe". The wood is Silver Maple and the platter/bowl is 12"d x 2.25"h. As with previous pieces I used alcohol based dyes, applied, sanded and feathered out in sequence to produce the color and shading effects. The finish is sprayed on lacquer, rubbed out to a fine finish. The dyes in order of application are black, blue, magenta and yellow. The finial has black, yellow, red and orange to produce a flame like effect.



Gail

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Businesses that support GCW: Be sure to stop by Woodcraft Supply Sacramento, Pro Builder Placerville, The Paint Spot*, or the Rockler Woodworking* store in Rocklin. Please let them know how much Gold Country Woodcrafters appreciates their support. * ***Businesses offering GCW member discounts.***

Membership Dues: Our annual GCW club dues for 2022 are \$25 and are due January of each year. Dues for new members joining throughout the year are prorated based on the month they join. You can pay the dues at any club meeting or send a check to our treasurer. Make the check payable to Gold Country Woodcrafters. Send to: Steve Cabrol 3000 Builders Place, Rescue, CA. 95672. ***Please note on the envelope ATT: Gold Country Woodcrafters.***

Notice to members: If your contact information has changed since joining please let the club know. Just send any changes you may have to the email address used to send out the newsletter. Your cooperation is much appreciated.

Gold Country Woodcrafters Meeting Place: GCW meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month unless otherwise notified and are at the Park Community Church meeting hall, 3901 Wild Chaparral Dr. Shingle Springs, Ca. exit 37 off highway 50. A map is provided on the home page of the GCW website.

Regards and happy woodcrafting.

Gail Cone

GCW Newsletter editor



I would like to acknowledge my wife, Karen, for taking the time and effort to proof read the newsletter each and every month. Believe me it makes a real difference and makes me look good.

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