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GCW Newsletter Brief:

For November meeting we had a great turnout with 30 members in attendance. The special activity for November was to bring and show a special or unique woodworking jig. We had 8 members present that special jig. For the Show-N-Tell portion of the meeting we had 9 members showing their craftsmanship. Again, please take note of the special messages in this newsletter. Take special note of the planned December meeting activities.

Topics to Visit:

- o President's Message
- Important message (repost) from the GCW Executive Committee.
- Message from Jim Gott (December bring a Spouse/guest meeting).
- Upcoming Club Meetings: December holiday meeting.
- Meeting Show-N-Tell Summary.
- Jig Show-N-Tell Summary.
- Member Message Section (2 items) Jointer for Sale (great \$ deal) and Boys & Girls club fund raiser event.

President's Message:



Greetings.

As I sit here contemplating what to write, my mind keeps going to the reality that we just had the November meeting and the New Year is coming on like a freight train. It seems that the New Year affects me more than birthdays when facing the aging factor. Hmmm, it's obvious I need more shop time; I have been out of town for a week.

The November Meeting went well with a number of members bringing

their favorite jigs for the challenge as well as the outstanding Show & Tell. Thank you to all members that participated. The December meeting, however, is going to be a "humdinger." Jim Gott and his team have an exciting meeting planned, so if you did not sign up for the potluck, it's not too late. Just please let someone on the committee know if it's just you or you and your significant other. See contact information later in the newsletter. Also, bring one of your favorite past projects to display for the "significant others" to view. And, don't forget about the Presidents Challenge, a shop made Christmas ornament. Also, please remember that the December meeting starts at 6 PM.

I hope to see all of you December 12th. Happy Ornament Crafting! **Sasil Borkert** GCW President

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Message From the GCW Executive Committee (repost).

Headline: The GCW Executive Committee is looking for members to fill 2 important positions, GCW President and GCW Treasurer. Members interested in joining the Executive Committee to fill an open position please let one of the committee members know.

Background:

Your GCW Executive Committee met just prior to the October regular club meeting. One of the agenda items was a review of the current committee members terms status. Each of the current members with terms ending at the end of this year (Dec. 31) were asked if they would be willing to serve for another 2year term. Your current members are Basil Borkert (Pres), Gail Cone (Vice Pres), Mark Butzler (Sec), Steve Cabrol (Treasurer), Jim Gott (MAL) and Rich Schwerin (MAL). Those with terms slated to end this year are Basil, Gail, Mark, Steve and Rich. Jim Gott's term ends next year. The committee members opting/volunteering to serve another 2year term were Gail, Mark, and Rich. That leaves the Presidency and Treasurer committee positions open coming the end of December.

Remember THIS IS YOUR CLUB.

If interested in helping our club grow and prosper, please contact one of your committee members to get more information.

Message from Jim Gott (GCW Meeting Activity Chairman):

The December 12th meeting will be a POT LUCK with on OPTIONAL GIFT EXCHANGE. Be advised we're moving up the meeting start time to 6:00 PM.

If you plan on coming and haven't yet already let us know you are coming, please let me (Jim Gott) know ASAP. (408) 218-1484. We need to know how many are coming so we can plan accordingly.

If you can contribute to the POT LUCK please let me know what dish you would like to bring. The Pot Luck categories are: Appetizer, Salad or Side, Main Dish, or Dessert. Please bring serving pieces for any dish you bring. The club will furnish all plates, cups, glasses, utensils, and beverages.

If you would like to participate in the gift exchange, bring a wrapped gift. If you are bringing a guest and you want to bring one from each of you, you can do that, too. Suggested value is \$25 per gift. It would be great if club members give something that you made in your shop. Your guest can bring anything they wish. Remember, participation in the gift exchange it's optional. There will also be two special raffle items to be given away, just for the Guests. Please see additional details in the Upcoming Meeting Topics section. Thanks, and I hope to see you there.

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Upcoming club meetings:

• **December 12^{th:}** For December we are having a special holiday meeting where members can bring their Spouse or that special guest to help celebrate the Holliday Season.

Note: if you would like to pay your 2024 GCW club dues at the Dec. meeting they are \$25.

Planned Activities:

- Pot-Luck. We are asking members to bring a dish for a Potluck. Refreshments will be suppled. Please see the message from Jim Gott (Our meeting activities Chairman).
- Special Show-N-Tell. It is suggested that members bring any project they would like to show. Note: There will be no formal Show-N-Tell presentations at this meeting. Members and guests will have a chance to review the projects during our meeting break.
- \circ There will be a special raffle for the guests with 2 winners.
- Gift exchange.
 - We are asking each attending member or guest (or both), to bring a wrapped gift to be exchanged. (Bringing a gift to exchange is completely voluntary).
 - The gift can be something you have made (preferred) or purchased (your choice). Suggested value \$25.
 - The exchange: Each person bringing a gift to exchange will receive a special ticket. When your number is called, you will go select one of the gifts brought to the meeting. Stealing may be allowed one time.
- Meeting break. This will allow for meet and great and project viewing.
- Presidents Project Challenge: Make a Christmas ornament or decoration to show at the meeting. Each participant will receive a raffle ticket for a drawing for a free 2024 membership.
- \circ We will not be having our regular meeting raffle at the December meeting.
- January 9th 2024 Presentation by Woodcraft Staff on shop safety.

Suggestions for topics for future meetings are encouraged and are welcome. The 2024 calendar has not been set as yet, so suggestions are encouraged. Please see Jim Gott if you have a topic in mind.

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November meeting Show-N-Tell Summary:



For the November meeting we had 9 members presenting their projects in the Show-N-Tell. Mark Butzler managed the session as usual. The Show-N-Tell presenters in, left to right order candid photos below are Bill Meronek, Micky Dupper, David White, Dean Marietta, Paul Velk, Oscar Wittrock, Dave Boutcher, Bob Brown, and Ron Sexton.





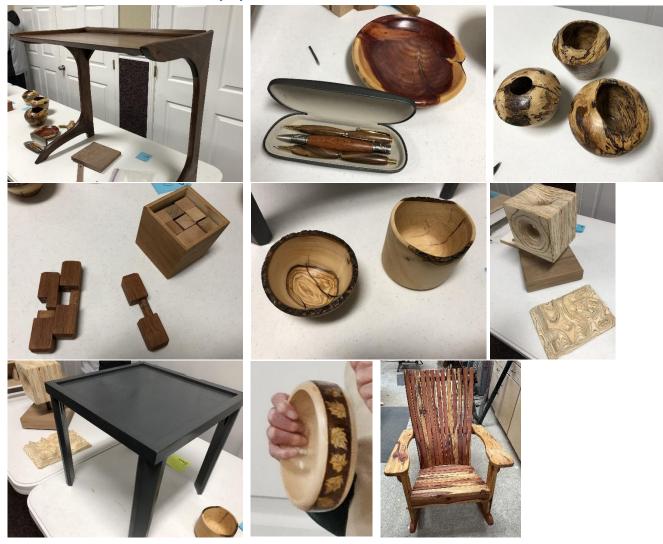
Project close up photos in order of presentation shown on next page. Thanks to Rich Schwerin for taking great candid photos of Show-N-Tell presenters.

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Show-N-Tell close up photos:

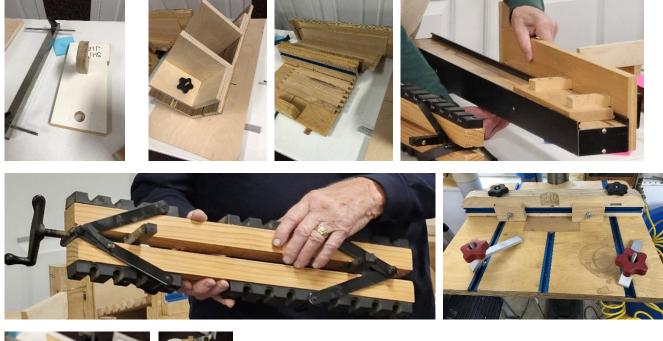


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Woodworking Jig Show-N-Tell Summary:

The November meeting was all about showing off that special or unique woodworking jig. We had 8 members bring a jig to show. Those members were Jim Hunt: shim cutting jig, Jim Gott: box spline slotting jig, Mark Butzler: 2 box joint jigs, Ron Sexton: table saw fence jig, John Brideson: cutting board clamping set, Gail Cone: drill preset table, Basil Borkert: cutting board alignment jig, and Rich Schwerin: leg tapering jig. Following jig photos are in order of presentation.





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Member Message Section:

Placerville Boys and Girls Club Update: Auction this coming March:

The Fund Raiser month has been changed from January to March. Don't forget to work on your project(s) to donate to the Boys and Girls club fund raiser this coming March 2024.

Don Fuller: Jet Jointer For Sale. JJ-6CSDS Jointer, bought in 2005-6 timeframe. It has been in my shop, covered, except for the maybe 3 times it's been used. Normally sells between \$1,200-1,400. I'm offering it for \$450. If interested please contack me at Phone (530) 683 7242.



Specifications	
Model	JJ-6CSDX
Stock Number – Bed and Stand Kit Stock Number – Bed Assembly Stock Number Stand Cutting Capacity Cutterhead Speed Number of Knives Rabbeting Capacity Rabbet Ledge Table Surface Fence Blade Size Positive Stops	708457DXS 708457DXS 16"W x 1/2"D 6000 RPM 3 3
Motor	Prewired 115V

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

Membership Dues: Our annual GCW club dues 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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