

# Gold Country Woodcrafters

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## GCW Meeting Brief:

The September 8<sup>th</sup> GCW meeting lasted about an hour. We had a great turn out with 32 members (includes 2 new members) and 1 guests present. The 2 new members are James Law and Robert Larsen. Welcome to our GCW club James and Robert. This was a rare meeting as we didn't have a presentation planned. There was a special report on the results from the GCW Executive Committee meeting that occurred just prior to the night's general meeting. In addition we had 5 very good project Show and Tells plus a great raffle. There are 2 items listed in the Exchange Corner.

## Organizational news: New Gold Country Woodcrafters President



Jim Hunt was elected by the GCW Executive Committee to be our new president. Here Gail Cone passes Jim Hunt (on right) the official GCW club gavel representing the changing of the guard. Jim was welcomed by a big round of applause from the members. In accepting the position Jim said he was happy to take on the position of Gold Country Woodcrafters president and "to follow in Gail's footsteps". Jim went on to say that he has greatly enjoyed being a member of GCW and believes it is a great club. He plans to be proactive in enlisting the membership's involvement to further

the club's benefits to its members. Anyone with suggestions or comments are encouraged to contact Jim at [jhunt@srco.com](mailto:jhunt@srco.com). Congratulations Jim, we all wish you the best of luck in your new capacity.

## Announcements/news:

- 1. Executive Committee Meeting report.** A GCW Executive Committee meeting was held ahead of the night's GCW club meeting. Here are the items from that meeting.

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- Jim Hunt was nominated by Gail Cone to be new GCW president. A committee vote was taken and was unanimous in favor of Jim taking over the position effective at the start of the night's membership meeting.
- Warren Wyllie indicated that he did not wish volunteer for an additional 2 years on the Exec. Committee. Also, he indicated that he would like to pass the Project Challenge Chairmanship on to someone else. An effort would start to find a volunteer for the open MAL (member at large) position.
- There was a draft GCW Organization Charter document presented to the Executive Committee members by Gail Cone. This draft is to be reviewed by the committee members. Committee members were requested to give their feedback to Gail.
- Budget for Toys for Tots material was voted to be \$250 to cover this year's effort.
- There will be no Woodworking Show this year at the Cal. Expo. The general feeling of the committee was that we should consider whether to participate or not if the show were to ever return.
- Roy carter's MAL term on the committee like Warren was also up. Roy was not at the meeting as he has become ill. See Roy update below. We would contact Roy when he was up to it to see if he wanted to volunteer for an additional 2 year term on the committee.
- Gail indicated that he would, subject to committee directive, continue to manage the GCW membership database, club website and be newsletter editor. In addition he will help with the audio visual equipment as needed.

2. **Jim Hunt (our new president) requests input:** Jim requested that members submit ideas to him on subjects for future meetings. It is always a challenge for your club's Executive Committee along with their other duties to come up with content, subjects and presenters that would be of interest and benefit our membership. So input from our members is greatly needed and appreciated. In addition suggestions on improving the raffle are always welcome.
3. **Need club publicity chairman:** Jim let the members know that we now need a new publicity chairman. Jim is currently handling that assignment and now that he has the GCW presidency task he would like to pass that publicity duty on to someone else. Jim has been doing a bang up job getting out the word on GCW. Our club membership and recognition has grown significantly due to his efforts. Anyone interested should contact Jim. Email: [jhunt@srco.com](mailto:jhunt@srco.com)
4. **Car club outing at Park Community Church Oct. 3** Jim Hunt announced that a representative from the Park Community Church has invited the GCW club to participate in a vintage car show in the church parking lot. The idea would be to set up a booth to show off the GCW club. Jim will coordinate the effort and would like to solicit projects for display. Interested members can call Jim at (916)765-5012 or email him at: [jimh@srco.com](mailto:jimh@srco.com) to volunteer a project(s) and/or their time. Jim may contact selected members for projects and booth volunteers if necessary. Participating members should plan on dropping off projects around 11:00 am and pick them up by 5 pm on that

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Sat, Oct 3. In addition, Ken Welsh has volunteered to bring his vintage truck. See flyer attached to the email distributing this newsletter.

5. **New GCW year** September is the start of the 2015-2016 GCW fiscal year, so dues are due. The dues are still \$20 and can be paid at the meeting or can be sent to Burt Stride. Address information is provided at the end of the newsletter.
6. **Project Challenge, the clock is ticking.** Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> is our next meeting and it is project challenge time. You still have 4 weeks to complete or make your clock entry. We want as many members as possible to join in on the night's fun. Every project shown helps inspire creativity throughout our membership so show off yours.
7. **GCW Toys for Tots:** Homer Rail has volunteered to become the Toy for Tots chairman as Roy will not be up to heading up the program this year. See report below. So for those who wish to participate in our annual wooden toy making effort be sure to contact Homer. Phone: 530 344 9209. Email [railart16@yahoo.com](mailto:railart16@yahoo.com) Don't miss out on participating in this very worthwhile GCW club effort. It is always a lot of fun and gives you a chance to work with other members of the club. Last year we made more than 200 toys that helped make the Christmas a bit more joyful for kids in need.
8. **Roy Carter:** Roy has had pneumonia for the past few weeks. He spent over a week in the hospital with viral pneumonia and was able to go home a few days ago. I called today (9-15) and talked to his wife, Pearl. She told me he was back in the hospital, and this time they say he has bacterial pneumonia. She says it's not as bad this time and he is in good spirits. It will be some time before he will be able to be back in the shop and his beloved woodworking hobby. A card was passed around at the night's meeting for members to sign. I received a call from Roy while he was home and he enjoyed getting the card and he would like to thank all those who wished him a speedy recovery. He looks forward to seeing all his woodworking buddies soon.

## Current GCW Sponsors:

**The Paint Spot, Churchill Hardware, Woodcraft Supply, Pro Builders, and Aura Hardwoods** (GCW discounts). Be sure to visit these establishments for your supplies and services and be sure to thank them for supporting the Gold Country Woodworkers club.

## Upcoming Meetings:

*October 13<sup>th</sup>* Project Challenge month. Bring Your clock!

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## Show and tell

### Bill Meronek



Bill talks about his latest adventure in woodworking. This project is his first attempt at cabinet making. It is an Arts and crafts cabinet fabricated using oak. It has a natural stain and is finished using polyurethane. I'd say he did a very fine job. He did solicit some guidance using the mentor list.

### Paul Velk



Paul describes his latest woodworking specialty jig. This is an adjustable miter saw box for use with thin kerf miter saws. He used plans from woodsmith magazine.



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Jim Terrill



Our lidded box expert, Jim Terrill, showed off his latest turned lidded boxes. Jim prides himself on obtaining a vacuum fit. These 2 are turned from black walnut.

Harvey Myers



Here Harvey shows 2 relief carvings. He has a real eye for what to do with free wood. The piece on the left is Manzanita and the one on the right is Burch. He used a power carver for a portion of the hollowing.

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## Nelson Exum



Nelson our banjo maker and player gave a glimpse into his latest music project. Here he shows the guitar base for the guitar he is working on. He also showed strips he resawed using the “Wood Slicer” thin kerf bandsaw blade. He was able to obtain very consistent thin strips with the “Wood Slicer”.

## John Brideson



After the meeting John Brideson showed me his latest project. He created this unique pulpit for the Park Community Church where we meet. I believe he used maple.

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## Treasures Report:

Our treasurer Burt Stride reported club balance of \$1137. Includes membership dues (2 new members and numerous renewals), total expenses (raffle, hall rental, treats) \$190, raffle income \$97.

## Raffle:

-- Woodcraft \$25 Gift Cert.	Jim Terrill
-- Home Depot \$25 Gift Card	Paulette Mulligan
-- Lowes \$25 Gift Card.	??
-- Walnut Boards	Robert Garlick
-- Walnut Boards.	Bruce Hall
-- Walnut Boards	Ed Woodards
-- Churchill Grab bag	Paul Velk
-- Churchill Grab bag	Phil Johnson
-- Churchill Grab bag	Bill Meronek
-- Paint Spot	Gail Cone

The 3 stacks of walnut are from Aura hardwoods via Ron Sexton

**Businesses that support GCW:** *Be sure to stop by Pro Builders, The Paint Spot, Churchill Hardware or Woodcraft Supply, Tortilla Flats Restaurant and please let them know how much Gold Country Woodcrafters appreciate their support.*

## Membership Dues:

For those members wishing to renew their membership for the 2015-2016 club year dues by check, here is the information you need. Make out a \$20 check payable to Gold Country Woodcrafters. Send to: Burt Stride, 2391 Talon Dr., Shingle Springs, 95682. Please note on the envelope ATT: Gold Country Woodcrafters.

## The GCW Exchange Corner:

1. Wood lathe and Metal cutting bandsaw. Lathe has a 3 phase motor with a phase convertor to run on 220 volt house current. It is a heavy floor model on wheels with a 6" throw and 4' bed. This unit can handle some serious wood turning. Mfg by Yates. I purchased it 30 years ago on a bid for \$500. I will throw in a set of knives with it. The Bandsaw is an 18" metal cutting band saw, by Vertec/Branson. It is a 3 wheel, floor model big & heavy unit with a blade welder. The table was damaged in-transit and will need a bit of brazing to repair. Both



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go to the best offer. Contact Dick Wampach (A former pres of SAW in SAC)  
c 530-306-1730

2. Woodworking job for hire. Need some planter boxes. I am interested in getting 6 planters of the



same kind made. Some neighbors mentioned the Gold Country Woodcrafters club. I'm looking for a member with the proper knowledge and equipment who would be interested in earning some money by taking on this project. These planters are about 22" x 22", and about the same height. I have instructions from the original designer. The plans are very thorough. If interested please contact Laurie Brown at [LBandOK@gmail.com](mailto:LBandOK@gmail.com)

Regards and happy woodcrafting.  
Gail Cone  
GCW Newsletter editor



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