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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's May! This is the month of our show. And *What A Show* it was! I cannot express enough pride and gratitude to the Show Committee. They worked tirelessly to put on a great show. Again, I am thankful for and proud to know each of you.

As usual the club members rose to the occasion with their volunteering, selling caps, shirts, raffle tickets, soliciting donations, head count, set up, tear down, assisting vendors, signing up new members for the Beginners' Class, door prizes, and so much more. Kudos to all of you.

The Show Banquet was a ton of fun. If you were not there, you missed a really good time. The food was good, the company was great, the regular auction almost got violent and the Chinese auction gave away great stuff. A good time was had by all. Again, the people of the Show Committee and the general membership scrounged up some great coupons, gift certificates, discounts and prizes. I can't seem to stop saying thank you.

Sunday morning at the show I had occasion to move my Jeep. I saw license plates from six other states besides Arkansas...in a two minute walk! So we are well-known and growing, despite the economy and inclement weather.

After I finish my letter there will be a list of business and merchants who supported our organization and show. I humbly ask that you support them in return.

Also, within this issue of the *Chip Pile,* is a list of ribbon winners. Seek them out and congratulate them. One of the most important

things that I truly admire about the NAWC membership is their encouragement. I've yet to see someone denied a learning opportunity or help with just about anything.

The Beginners' Classes have started with 8 new carvers. I'm sure all of you will make them feel welcome. This is another occasion to say thank you. So thanks to those who organize, supply, and teach these classes. Another job well done.

In closing, I would like to point out that I deliberately did not name anyone specifically. The list would be too long and my memory is too short. I would like to publicly acknowledge and thank my wife for putting up with me while I got through Cotter Trout Festival, board meetings, regular membership meetings, pot luck, the show, the banquet, etc. She helped me tremendously, as did all of you. This is the first time for a lot of things for me. Again, I say thank you.

Paul H. Baumann III, NAWC President

General Membership Meeting of April 16, 2009 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the president, Paul Baumann, at 10:30. Following the Pledge to the Flag, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published in *The Chip Pile*.

Ray Kropke presented the treasurer's report, which was approved. Curt Shirkey, librarian,

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showed a relief carving book that has been added to the library. He said that three other new books have been ordered. Curt also said that members could request that particular books be purchased for the library. Members were encouraged to donate books that they no longer use to the library.

Kathi Clark reported that we now have 130 members. Wally Smietanski said that there are no more classes until after the show. Pat Helmus, Sunshine Lady, send no cards during the past month.

Sandy Smith said that tables are still available for anyone wishing to show their carvings at the show May 2 & 3. She also encouraged members to sign up to help at the show and to attend the Saturday evening banquet even if they do not have a table at the show.

The Christmas party committee said that there will be a white elephant gift exchange at the party. Members will also be asked to bring nonperishable food to be donated to the Food Bank.

Dave McConkey is putting together a new photo directory which will include the month of the member's birthday and anniversary.

Paul announced that our club will be included in the new Baxter Bulletin Fact Book.

Show and Tell followed: Naomi Inglett showed a large bell with a Santa and two small bells. She will teach a class on the small bell in the fall. John Gregory carved a Celtic love spoon from butternut. Kathi Clark carved a large relief featuring the Madonna and child. She also did a bobble head cat and a 2" duck. Mary Waldeck showed relief carvings of a ship and a rural scene featuring a barn. Paul Baumann showed an appliqué carving of little fish on driftwood. David Orin carved an eagle relief in walnut. Betty Gregory showed a Rufus painted in oils. Lynda Height carved a Bible Dude and Viking, Santa, and woodsman ornaments. Carol Roper carved a relief carving of a leopard finished with Feed 'N Wax. Lucia Pairolero showed a spirit house, Bible Dude, Santa bell, Santa ornament, and relief carving

of a deer. Sid Edelbrock made a flag case of oak and aspen with dogwood flowers. Ken Doran carved walking sticks from crepe myrtle, diamond willow, and twisted grape vine.

The winner of the Show and Tell drawing was Kathi Clark; Name Tag winner was Jerry Mann; and the 50/50 drawing winner was Tom Higgins. The meeting, which was followed by a potluck lunch, was adjourned at 11:00.

Submitted by: Bonnie Davis, secretary

Board of Directors Meeting of May 7, 2009 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 by the president, Paul Baumann. Ray Kropke presented the Treasurer's report. He also said that the wood purchased by the club has been paid for and all future wood sales will be profit.

Kathi Clark said that we now have 151 members. Wally Smietanski reported that the new beginner's class has eight students. Four of them signed up for the class at the show. Naomi Inglett will teach a small bell class in the fall.

Sandy Smith will publish a list of show sponsors in the *Chip Pile*. She asked for the names of anyone who provided goods or services for the show.

Dave McConkey asked that members be reminded to notify Pat Helmus, Sunshine Lady, of any situation where a card from the club should be sent. Dave also said that a new directory will be published as soon as he has pictures of the members of the new beginner class.

Paul presented a new price list of things the club has for sale. He suggested that several bell bottoms could be carved or wood burned, strung together on a small decorative rope, and raffled.

Club members will give a carving demonstration at Home Depot on May 23. Paul will ask if we can sell raffle tickets for the quilt at the demonstration. We will set up a display at the library for a month beginning June 1. Members at the General Meeting will be encouraged to carve at Gassville in the Park on June 6 starting at 9:00.

Paul suggested that we purchase two First Up canopies for use at outdoor carving demonstrations. The suggestion will be presented at the General Meeting.

Henry Fredericks, who owned a carving shop and retired in this area, will donate tools, supplies, books, and wood to our club.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20.

Submitted by: Bonnie Davis, secretary

Activity Calendar May

2-3 NAWC 30th Annual WOODCARVING SHOW AND SALE

- 7 Board of Directors Meeting 10:30am Second Beginner Class Session
- 14 Show Committee Meeting 9:30am
- 21 General Membership Meeting 10:30am



SUNSHINE LADY REPORTS

Please let Pat Helmus or Board members know of any member who may be ill or who may have

lost a loved one. Our members appreciate knowing that we are thinking of them and that our best wishes are extended to them during these stressful and often traumatic times.



THANK YOU!

The following merchants and businesses have provided support for our 30th Annual Woodcarving Show and Sale for which we are most grateful. Please help us thank them by supporting these merchants and businesses.

Arena Sports Bar & Grill The Back Forty Dalene Berke Art Boatright Burger King Chipping Away Inc. Colton's Steak House & Grill Domino's Pizza **Dremel Rotary Tools** El Charro Mexican Restaurant Fan Carvers David and Sally Nye Foredom Electric Co. Harps Markets Heinecke Wood Products, Dale & Marge Heinecke Home Depot Jerry-Rig Julie's Hallmark Liberty Bank The Lockeroom Lowes Marchant Building Center Moore Roughouts Mountain Home Concrete Old Tyme Restaurant Papa Johns Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co. of Harrison Pizza Hut Powell Hardware Rock 'N H Stone Salsa's Grill Skipper's Restaurant Smoky Mountain Woodcarvers Sonic Stackpole Books Taco Bell Titebond Bob & Judy Transue Treeline Wendv's Woodcarving Illustrated/Fox Chapel Publishing Woodcraft Woodcraft Shop - Larry & Carol Yudis

And **Thank You to all the NAWC members** who volunteer their time and talents throughout the years and at the shows - your dedication to our club's show is recognized and greatly appreciated.



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NAWC Documentary Is now on the internet at "outofthenorm.tv"

Member Robin Brinker is looking for deer antlers, approximately 4" long and preferably with the button part, to use on walking sticks/ canes. If you have antlers, or know someone who does, please call Robin at 870-424-5134.

Deer Antlers Wanted

students will be 18 and older. Also the month of June we can have the glass case at the library to display carvings, it is safe and people cannot touch your carvings. This should be a good promotion for the club.We should also display our logo and some points about the club. - Sid

club will conduct an introduction to carving class

at the library. Class size is limited to 12 and

Baxter County Library BEGINNER CLASSES 2009 Intro Class and Promo Display Second Beginner Class Session On June 16 from 6:00 to 9:00 PM the carving DATE SUBJECT

DATE	SUBJECT	INSTRUCTOR
May 7	Sharpening & Safety	. Doc Connelly
14	Penguin	. Don Davis
21	Chickadee #1	. Yates Holland
28	Chickadee #2	. Yates Holland
Jun. 4	Mouse	. John Uelmen
11	Hound Dog #1	. Jay Nottingham
18	Hound Dog #2 (Gen. Mtg./ Potluck)	. Jay Nottingham
25	Rufus #1	. Sid Edelbrock
Jul. 2	Rufus #2	. Sid Edelbrock
9	Rufus #3	. Sid Edelbrock
16	Knife Cover	. Bonnie Davis
23	Painting Rufus (General Meeting)	. Sandy Smith
Class schedule subject to change.		