



THE CHIP PILE

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We have a busy few weeks coming up but let's all pitch in and have fun with it. First, it is the Chili Cook-Off, then the Baxter County Fair followed by Pioneer Days in Cooper Park on October 5. This is a wonderful chance to visit with people, sign up new students for the January class, and promote the club. We also generate some funds for our charitable efforts.

September is also when we start putting a slate of officers together for next year. When you are contacted about taking a position, please give it serious consideration. We cannot expect the same people to serve all the time.

I've seen most of our last graduating class out working on projects and taking other classes. This is great! I love to see this. We need a January class like the last one.

We can always use some fresh carvings for our charity table. If you have something you would like to donate, bring it in to the club or to one of the events where we set up our tables.

Last month we were traveling. Thanks to Norm for the message. Believe me, we would have had more fun here! We visited with the Redhawks in Colorado and with Kathi and Jerry Clark in Minnesota. Those were highlights and there was not too much fun in between. It is good to be home.

They say staying active is one of the best ways to stave off senility so I am working at it. I guess the mind is like a muscle . . . use it or lose it. That is the thought I will leave you with this month.

Sid Edelbrock, President, NAWC

General Membership Meeting of August 15, 2013 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the president, Sid Edelbrock, at 10:30. Following the pledge to the flag, the minutes of the last meeting were approved as published in *The Chip Pile*. Skip Janecek gave the treasurer's report, which was accepted.

Curt Shirkey reported that we have 164 members. Norm Rutledge said that Mary Waldeck would be teaching a beginners' relief class. Arlene Lesiak will give a big bell class in the fall. The new beginners' class starts January 9.

We will have a table at the Chili Cook-off on September 7. Sonia Nelson explained the work schedule for the County Fair, September 10-14. Volunteers will carve, sell tickets for the lamp and shelf drawings, and sell carvings for charity.

Sandy Smith reported that Jim Willis would be the judge for the 2014 Show. Paul Baumann said that the potluck at the Christmas party would be augmented by meat and cake. There will be a gift exchange of carved ornaments.

There will be a Stroke Seminar at our carving session on September 26. Members are encouraged to bring guests.

A coordinator is needed for the veterans' cane project.

Barb Edelbrock said that, while on vacation, they had a nice visit with Kathi and Jerry Clark in Minnesota.

Show and Tell followed. Sandy Smith showed a bust of Abraham Lincoln carved in butternut in Vic Hood's class in Springfield. Roseann Janecek carved sunflowers in relief. Paul Baumann carved a wood spirit in found wood, a flag pin, and several carvings for charity. Jim Waldeck showed a mystical house that he had carved in cottonwood. Marjorie Clements carved several small bells. Sonia Nelson showed a beginner relief carving of two children. Dick Dulaney carved a blue heron, caged balls, and an eagle head for a veteran's cane. Mary Ragan, Mary Adair, Lynda Heydt, Bob Shaffer, Myrna McCurley, Diane Gumm, and Robert Baser showed lighthouse relief carvings done in Mary Waldeck's class.

The Show and Tell drawing winner was Roseann Janecek; the Nametag winner was Mary Ragan; and the 50/50 winner was Wally Smietanski.

The meeting, which was followed by a potluck lunch, adjourned at 11:00.

Submitted by Bonnie Davis, Secretary

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Board of Directors Meeting of August 1, 2013 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 by the president, Sid Edelbrock. Skip Janecek gave the treasurer's report, which was accepted. Curt Shirkey reported that we have 164 members.

Scheduled club activities include the Hillbilly Chili Cook-Off on Sept. 7 (table spaces donated by Cindy Stephens), the County Fair, Sept. 8-14, a Stroke Presentation on Sept. 26, and Pioneer Days, Oct. 5.

Tommy Johnson will teach a beginners' chip carving class on Sept. 23. Arlene Lesiak will teach a Big Bell class on Oct. 10. The next Beginners' Class will be held on Jan. 9, 2014.

Sandy Smith volunteered to write an NAWC information handout, which will include contact phone numbers. The handouts will be available to potential new NAWC members at the events we attend.

At the next General Meeting, club members will be asked to vote on whether or not we will proceed with the veterans' cane project. Inquiries pertaining to the project have received no response from the DAV.

Paul Baumann said that more carving donations are needed for our charity sale.

Mary Ragan volunteered to be the nominating committee for this November's election of officers.

The meeting adjourned at 10:25.

Submitted by Bonnie Davis, Secretary

CLUB CALENDAR

Club Happenings

September 7 Hillbilly Chili Cook-Off

September 8-14 Baxter County Fair

September 26 Stroke ID Program

October 5 Cooper Park Pioneer Days

Classes

August 22 'til complete

Beginning Relief Carving . . . Mary Waldeck

October 3

Beginning Chip Carving . . . Tommy Johnson

October 10

Big Bell Arlene Lesiak

January 9, 2014

Beginners' Carving Class



SUNSHINE LADY REPORTS

Please let Jackie Miller 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.



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