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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A priest is speaking to one of his parishioners one day. He says to the parishioner, "When you get to my age, you will spend a great deal of your time thinking about the hereafter," to which the parishioner responds, "Why do you say that I will spend more of my time thinking about the hereafter?" The priest responds, "Well, my friend. I've noticed that the older I become, the more I find myself going into a room and thinking, "What did I come in here after?"

By the time you read this, our carving show will be over. I hope it will be a big success. Let's give thanks to the show committee members who work so hard every year to make the show happen. Thanks also to everyone who worked the NAWC tables either greeting people, giving out door prizes, selling raffle tickets or charity items or helping in any other capacity. Without you, there would be no show.

Coming up next will be Gassville in the Park. That is a one-day event on June 4th. We should have sign up sheets put out in a week or two. As always, we will need people to sell charity items or raffle tickets, or just to talk to people about our club.

The Thousand Cranes project is finished and has been given to Barb. It is an ancient Japanese symbol of good luck. Barb and Sid's soon-to-beborn great nephew will need heart surgery soon after. Thanks to all who spent their time folding paper into little origami cranes. Margaret took them home and stringed all the cranes together into a display. Barb thanked everyone involved for their hard work.

Margaret and I won't be at out next regular meeting on May 19th. We will be taking our motorhome to Lake Dardanelle for a few days. Our vice president, Jason, should be available to run the meeting.

Ray Killen, NAWC President

General Membership Meeting of April 21, 2016 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the president, Ray Killen. The Pledge to the Flag was followed by the acceptance of the minutes of the last meeting as published in *The Chip Pile*. Kathi Clark reported that we have 148 members.

Gary Beck said that he will be ordering more tools for the next Beginners Class. Paul Baumann has ordered wood to be delivered at the show in May. Jason Gambill said that Naomi Inglett will teach a class in July.

Sandy Smith said that Show volunteer sign-up sheets will be on the table. Members were asked to carve door prizes for the show.

Ray reported that the photo directory has been completed and is being distributed. We will attend Gassville in the Park on June 4th.

Show and Tell followed. Curt Shirkey showed bark carvings that he carved in a class in Springfield. Dave Petersen carved a Celtic knot cross. Skip Janecek carved an eagle cane. Sandra Shackelford showed a warbler and a walrus carved in relief on two sides of a piece of wood. Dick Dulaney carved Peg Leg Pete, a chipmunk, Santa, and Uncle Sam.

Margaret Killen showed Betelgeuse and an elephant critter that she carved in Sandy Smith's class. Bonnie Davis carved two spoons and a cross with a dove. Ken Doran showed an Indian relief and a dragon with a cross relief that he carved as door prizes for the Show. Larry Nothwehr carved a ship in relief.

Lynda Heydt showed bark carvings and a raccoon critter. Rod Engle carved a ship in relief, an outhouse, and flowers that were chip carved and

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painted. Betty Gregory carved a chicken napkin holder, a counting sheep, and a chip carved cross. Paul Baumann wood burned a gourd and carved two very delicate leaves.

The Show and Tell drawing winner was Dick Dulaney. Naomi Inglett won the Name Tag drawing. Don Clark won the 50/50 drawing.

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

Submitted by: Bonnie Davis, Secretary.

Board of Directors Meeting of May 5, 2016 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the president, Ray Killen, at 10:30. The treasurer's report, given by Sid Edelbrock, was accepted as read. Kathi Clark reported that we have 148 members.

Naomi Inglett will teach a spoon class on July 7 and

14. Wally Smietanski is working on publicity for the 13 week Beginners' class which starts May 19.

Sonia Nelson is going to purchase new books on wizards, fantasy, and chip carving for the library. Paul Baumann will buy wood for the club from the wood vendor at the show.

Jason Gambill will be interviewed on the radio on Friday to advertise this weekend's show. We will have two tables at Gassville in the Park on June 4.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50.

Submitted by Bonnie Davis, Secretary.

SUNSHINE LADY REPORTS

Please let Betty Gregory 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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