



#### North Arkansas Woodcarvers Club, Inc.

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Since cold weather is coming, I offer a reminder that if there is no school (due to inclement weather) announced on the radio, there will be no carving club that day.

Christmas Party dinner tickets are on sale for \$10 and, if you choose to participate, there will be a gift exchange of handmade items. Wood is preferred. Yes, the party is on Dec. 7 and yes, we will have the same people cater the same meal as last year.

The Thursday following the Christmas party, Dec. 14, will be our food drive for the Mountain Home Food Basket. Non-perishable items will be collected and delivered to the basket.

Our last fundraising event is the Woodturners Show to be held Saturday, Dec. 2, at the fairgrounds. We will set up Friday, Dec. 1st between 2 and 4. The show runs from 9:00 to 4:00 on Saturday only. A signup sheet is out for helpers at the show.

I suggest we get our donations out as soon as possible. The last fundraiser is on the 2nd. We should decide on the 7th who gets the donation and have them pick up the checks on the 14th.

Hazel Faltinson is in Hiram Shaddox, so let's keep her in our thoughts and prayers.

Beginners class starts Jan. 11. Bring in your friends and neighbors to learn how to carve. There should be a notice in the paper in mid-December.

As soon as we get the shipment of goose eggs, we can start on our nativity scene.

We had a nice visit with the Lake of the Ozarks Club at their recent show. Their club has some really good carvers and they are a welcoming and friendly group also. I feel it is so important for us to go to other shows. How can we expect people to come to ours if we don't return the visit? This is a good show to start at since it is one day and close enough to get home that night. Hey, they also have a good Mexican restaurant for dinner Friday night.

This is the time of the year to make chips. You can use them to start a fire to keep warm.

Sid Edelbrock, NAWC President

# General Membership Meeting of October 19, 2017 MINUTES

The meeting was brought to order at 10:35 by President Sid Edelbrock.

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all members.

Minutes were duly approved as written in *The Chip Pile*.

Treasurer's report was given by Treasurer Ray Killen.

Librarian Sonia Nelson said that a study stick was given to the club by Marty Wells and was already checked out. If anyone else would like to donate a study stick, it will be kept in the library for checkout by the members as well.

Linda and Ray Peacy said we are at 155 members as of today.

Amy Wainscott, Sunshine Lady, has sent out several cards to members.

Classes scheduled at the present time are the Dove class by Betty Gregory in November, and a bark class given by Paul Baumann on October 26.

Wood report was given by Paul. We still have plenty of wood and have ordered wooden eggs - goose and chicken-sized - that will be coming in shortly.

Show committee announced that we need carvings for door prizes.

Christmas Committee says the plans are in progress with Clarkridge Fire Department Auxiliary providing the lunch. Tickets will be sold soon at the cost of \$10.00 per person.

**Old Business:** Naomi and Rod, the nominating committee have the following slate of candidates for officers for next year:

President - Marty Wells Vice President - Rick Wheeler

Secretary - Penny Wells Treasurer - Ray Killen

Membership - Linda & Ray Peacy

Auditor - Lynn Huett

Website/The Chip Pile - Sandy Smith

Board Member (Preacher) -Terry Balcom

Board Member (Tools) - Linda Lopin

Board Member (Publicity) - Wally Smietanski

Board Member (Wood) - Paul Baumann III

Past President - Sic Edelbrock

Librarian - Sonia Nelson

Sunshine - Amy Wainscott

Fair Coordinator - Cheryl McConkey

Voting will take place at the next general meeting. New Board will be installed December 2017 to take effect January 1, 2018.

Fair checks are available starting tomorrow at the Fairgrounds office.

New Business: There was a discussion on selling Charity items as well as raffle tickets at events. There was a question about whether or not to limit them to wood only items? A motion was made to continue to sell charity and raffle items - all carved wood items. As Christmas ornaments have been very popular, we will make ornaments and sell them individually. Cheryl McConkey will donate a small tree to display these ornaments. There was a discussion on what items to make for our raffle for next year. A motion was made and passed to make 2 carved lamps - people will work with Rod Engle on the format. Another motion was made and passed to make an "egg" Nativity scene with folding/flat painted background for the second project for next year. A suggestion was made that we have a "class" type setting and sit together to work on this project.

Show and Tell: Cheryl McConkey (bobcat kitten); Dave McConkey (woodburned "gnome home"); Sid Edelbrock (Sparky the Dragon); Lynn Huett (spiral Santa, Christmas ornament); Mary Ragan (relief carving "For Love of Puerto Rico"); Rod Engle (Sparky the Fireman); Joyce Havner (purchased carved walking stick); Margaret Killen (mouse door stop, walking stick from yucca stem); Linda Peacy (painted wood spirits); Earl Gulley (girl relief plate, relief of bear and man); Linda Lopin (wood spirit and Santa, Sadie, Christmas Continued on Page 2

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ornament from class, Santa ornament, bear); Curt Shirkey (basswood plate - chip carved); Sonia Nelson (4 Christmas ornaments, 3 Santas, elf).

Name tag drawing was won by Sonia Nelson who chose a certificate for \$10.00 as her prize. Sid Edelbrock won the show-and-tell and also chose a \$10.00 wood certificate. Red Murr won the 50/50 drawing.

Motion made and past to adjourn at 11:17.

Respectfully submitted by Penny Wells, Secretary.

# Board of Directors Meeting of November 2, 2017 MINUTES

(Editor's note: The B of D Minutes article is written from Naomi and my memory - please forgive any unintended errors or omissions.)

Meeting was brought to order at or about 10:35 by President Sid.

Treasurer Ray Killen gave us his report - all is good.

Librarian Sonia Nelson did not have any new books to report.

Membership Chaircouple Linda and Ray Peacy said they signed in a new member (Karen Roberts) bringing our total membership to 156.

Classes/Activities were noted...see sign up sheets on the club's sign-up tables. There are no issues with *The Chip Pile* 

and website. Wally Smietanski is going to arrange a small ad to advertise our upcoming beginners class in *The Baxter Bulletin* in December.

Quartermaster Paul Baumann received permission to order more wood for our upcoming show in May.

Old and New Business: Tickets for our Christmas Party (Dec. 7th) are on sale and can be purchased from Barb Edelbrock and/or Deen Shirkey. A shadow box with snowmen was discussed as a possible raffle project idea. Ray Killen is going to order 2 "Christmas" tree displays for our upcoming ornament project. (The board approved one, but then after the meeting was adjourned, it was discovered that if 2 were ordered, shipping was free...for a few dollars more we could get 2 trees with no shipping.)

Motion to adjourn was made, seconded and past somewhere around 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted Naomi Inglett and Sandy Smith.



#### **SUNSHINE LADY REPORTS**

Please let Amy Wainscott 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.

### There will be a Potluck Lunch following this month's General Membership Meeting

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