



# THE CHIP PILE

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fellow Woodcarvers,

Happy February and hoping for better weather!

We have a Great new Beginners Class who we welcome to our Club. Hoping that they enjoy what they will learn and become enthusiastic carvers!

Suggestions or requests for ongoing "talent sharing" for the general membership are welcomed. Just bring up your ideas at any meeting. Every effort will be made to try to get these ideas to become reality.

A big *Thanks* to Wally for his diligent efforts with our publicity and activity coverage.

Just a reminder that the February General Membership Meeting is our "pot-luck" lunch with an *ethnic food theme*. Should be fun with a variety of heritage "surprise" dishes to be shared.

The Show Committee needs door prizes and drawing items for our upcoming show in May. Of course we need Charity sale items supplemented also.

So, keep the tools busy and help our Club continue to prosper.

Kim

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## General Membership Meeting of January 19, 2023 MINUTES

Kim Valentine brought the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

A motion was made and approved to accept the minutes as written in *The Chip Pile*.

Nancy Wheeler gave the Treasurer's report. We have plenty of money to start the year. Linda Peacy reported that there were 76 members that have paid 2023 dues. Jim Waldeck was not present to report on equipment. Terry Muth was not present to report on the status of the wood. Paul Baumann III reported that the new Beginners Class began with 5 new members. He also said that he would try and not start the beginner's class on the 3rd Thursday of the month. There is too much going on these days, and he doesn't want the first class to be rushed. Wally Smietanski said *The Baxter Bulletin*

had a lot of information about the club in it. Sonia Nelson was not present to report on the library. The Webmaster/Chip Pile Editor, Sandy Smith, reported all is looking good. Sandy Lord was absent but was reported to have fallen and broken her heel this morning. Amy Wainscott pleaded for charity items for the Craftfest in June and door prizes for our show in May. She thanked everyone that contributed items and carvings for the Charity Table. Barbara Edelbrock said that the meeting on the 16th of February would be a potluck and that it would have a ethnic theme. Bring whatever "ethnic" dish you want.

**Old Business:** Fund Raisers for the upcoming year were discussed.

**New Business:** New members attending the Beginners Class were introduced.

**Show and Tell:** Kim Valentine – 3 wind-blown trees, 2 gnomes; Marty Wells – 2 birds, Christmas door prizes; Tim Sharp – owl in log; Bob Gilkerson – owls for charity table, bottle stopper, and "Arg" the peg leg pirate; Amy Wainscott – candle plate; Linda Peacy – relief carving from class; Sid Edelbrock – butternut pharaoh, dogwoods, Santa Claus, metal cross. Bob Gilkerson won gift certificate.

Name Tag Winner: Sid Edelbrock won a certificate for wood. 50/50 Drawing: Won by Rick Wheeler.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Smith, Secretary

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## Board of Directors Meeting of February 9, 2023

Kim Valentine brought the meeting to order at 9:15 am.

Treasurer Nancy Wheeler reported that she just got the books back. We have money and she had paid the storage unit bill for the year. Membership chairman, Ray Peacy, reported that we have 81 members at this time. Jim Waldeck said that the Beginners Class had 8 new students, so the stock is down to 4 sets of tools. He'll order 8 more sets. Terry Muth will be making an order for wood and Paul will pick it up in Missouri in March. Terry will be ordering the following: 1.5" x 1.5" x 12" - 150; 2" x 2" x 12" - 50; 1" x 1" x 12" - 50; 3" x 6" x 12" - 12; 4" x 6" x 12" - 12. Paul Baumann III reported the

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**Board of Directors Meeting of February 9, 2023**  
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Beginners Class is going well. There are eight people in the class. He has an updated schedule of classes after last week's snow day. Wally said there were no problems. Today's meeting was in today's paper. Sandy Smith said *The Chip Pile* is going well. Sandy Lord, the Sunshine Lady, was doing better after her fall. Barbara Edelbrock said the potluck in February would be ethnic (or "what you grew up with"). Amy Wainscott reminded everyone that items were needed for the charity table for our show in May and the Craffest in June. It was suggested that we use children's workbooks or coloring books with animals for patterns to carve for door prizes. She needs more of the small crosses and hearts. Razorback carvings are also very popular.

**Unfinished Business:** Kim requested an amendment to the club's Constitution and Bylaws be made. It concerns cancelling regular meetings. Article 3, Section 1 reads as follows:

**ARTICLE 3 MEETINGS**

**Section 1** – The Club will meet regularly once each week. The Board of Directors of the Club may change the regular meeting to a different day, place, or hour. The regular meeting is cancelled when it falls on a legal holiday, Mountain Home School District snow day, or any other disaster affecting the entire community.

The amendment to Article 3, Section 1 would be as follows:

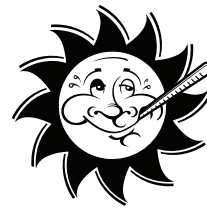
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**New Business:** Paul suggested that we request nominations for our charity donations to come from organizations that the members support and belong to.

Motion and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:57a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Smith, Secretary



**SUNSHINE LADY  
REPORTS**

**Please let Sandy Lord 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.

**2023 Membership Dues**  
\$20 - Individual Membership  
\$30 - Individual Membership plus Spouse  
Please see **Ray and Linda Peacy**,  
Membership Chairpeople,  
to Renew Your Membership

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