



THE CHIP PILE

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

THANK YOU!!!

You will see that a lot in this letter.

Show committee...Bonnie, Dick, Sandy...thank you. You all did a great job organizing and executing a great show.

Bea Berke, Dalene Berke, and everyone else who solicited and donated gift certificates and prizes...thank you.

Volunteers...we had lots of them. They sold drawing tickets, gave out door prizes, sold t-shirts, etc., signed up people who are interested in joining the club and taking beginner classes, assisted the judging table, recorded the ribbon winners, helped unload and reload some of the vendors, set up and took down the show signs all over town, counted votes, counted money, and counted heads.

To all of you volunteers...thank you. And if I did not mention your specific volunteer job, I am sorry, and I thank you, too!

Personally, I thought the show went very well. There were a few snags, but snags happen when you have this many people and things going on in one place.

Counting our own state of Arkansas, we had vendors and carvers from nine states. I do not have all the figures (or all of my wits about me) at this writing; however, we had good attendance, donations, drawing sales, and sign ups for classes.

I believe the number of people interested in joining us is a direct reflection of the genuine quality of our people and their craft. The "carved quilts" were further evidence of the generosity, dedication and skill of our members. To all those who carved the blocks, and especially Sid Edelbrock, who made the frames for the quilts...thank you also!

As always, the dinner Saturday night was excellent. I had the pork (no ham jokes, please) and got a belly full. The auctions went well and generated more money for the show committee. I tried to get my wife, Mary, to sit on her hands, but alas, that did not work. She said, "It's for a good cause!" and I can't fight that...so I paid up.

In closing, I must say that I am proud to know you all and I thank you for all of your efforts.

Thank you all, yet again.

Paul H. Baumann III, NAWC President

General Membership Meeting of April 15, 2010

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the president, Paul Baumann, at 10:30. The Pledge to the Flag was followed by the approval of the minutes as published in *The Chip Pile*. The Treasurer's report, presented by Ray Kropke, was approved.

Jean Kropke reported that we now have 140 members. Wally Smietanski said that sign up sheets for classes are on the table every Thursday. Claude Roper, Mr. Sunshine, presented his report. Bonnie Davis asked members to volunteer to help in various capacities at the show May 1 & 2.

Paul said that a former member has carving knives and equipment for sale. Anyone interested should ask Paul for more information.

It was decided by motion made and carried to reduce the price of hats and t-shirts in stock. When the current inventory has been decreased, we will purchase caps and shirts in new colors.

Paul expressed thanks to Dalene Berke for collecting all the coupons that are being used as door prizes.

Show and Tell followed. Curt Shirkey showed carvings he had carved from Rendezvous rough-outs. Naomi Inglett carved five Santa icicles and two fish to be used as show door prizes. Kathy Clark showed a plant stand carved in relief, a relief carving of a rose, and a dog carved from one of Delores Hale's donated cut-outs. Linda Heydt showed four Santas done in Arlene Lesiak's class, a calla lily spoon, and a lion and lamb wood burning. Sandy Smith carved a picture of her sister's back yard in relief. Claude Roper carved a shoe and a spoon with a face on the handle. Lucia Pairolero showed a walking stick and a wood spirit bark carving. Norm Rutledge carved four dogwood flowers. Dick Dulaney showed cross sections of wood that he had wood burned for show door prizes and a girl carved in tupelo wood and painted in soft pastel colors.

Lucia won the Show and Tell drawing, Tommy Johnson won the Name Tag drawing, and Richard Arndt won the 50/50.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 and was followed by a pot luck lunch

Submitted by: Bonnie Davis, Secretary

Board of Directors Meeting of May 6, 2010 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the president, Paul Baumann, at 10:00. Ray Kropke presented the treasurer's report. Paul said that the new librarian, Betty Gregory, will be renumbering the library books and arranging them in categories. Any book that has not been checked out for two years, or duplicate books, will be removed from the library.

Jean Kropke reported that we now have 147 members. The new beginners' class will start May 20 with a class limit of ten students. Sandy Smith will put "helpful hints" in future issues of *The Chip Pile* when filler copy is needed.

Paul thanked the club members for their help putting on the carving show last weekend. Henry Fredericks made three \$150 purchase awards at the show. The purchases were donated to Serenity House. Buck McGehee won the free beginner lessons. A DVD on finishing wood, sent to us by Minwax, will be placed in the library.

Carvings to be donated to Serenity House next Christmas will be in three categories, with a prize

for each category as follows: a Pete LaClair bottle stopper for caricatures, \$100 for jewelry, and a box of tools for Christmas ornaments.

Wood for the beginner class projects will be cut to the sizes requested by the instructors. Wood for the classes averaged in at a cost of \$8.25 per student.

Silver Dollar City will not hold a woodcarving seminar in 2011.

Sid Edelbrock suggested that we make a collage instead of a quilt for our club carving project next year.

We will carve at Gassville in the Park on Saturday, June 5. We must be set up by 9:00, but carvers may come and carve any time during the day.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00.

Submitted by: Bonnie Davis, Secretary

SUNSHINE BOY REPORTS



Please let Claude Roper 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.

DATE	SUBJECT	INSTRUCTOR
May 20	Safety & Sharpening	John Connelly
May 27	Basic Carving (Egg/Whistle)	Sandy Smith
Jun. 3	Stylistic Penguin	Don Davis
Jun. 10	Carving a Mouse	John Uelmen
Jun. 17	Carving Hound Dog	Jim Clements
Jun. 24	Carving Dogwood Flower	Norm Rutledge
Jul. 1	Carving Dogwood Flower	Norm Rutledge
Jul. 8	Making a Knife Guards	Bonnie Davis
Jul. 15	Carving Rufus (Part 1)	Sid Edelbrock
Jul. 22	Carving Rufus (Part 2)	Sid Edelbrock
Jul. 29	Carving Rufus (Part 3)	Sid Edelbrock
Aug. 5	Painting Rufus,	
	Pass out Certificates/Photo	

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