



THE CHIP PILE

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

October. Lots happening folks! On October 2nd, we go to the wine tasting at Gaston's. We are at the Turkey Trot on October 9th to draw the winning tickets for the Quilts. October 16th we demonstrate our craft at the Rapps Barren History Days in Cooper Park. And on October 21st is our regular meeting and Pot Luck. Yum - Yum! Last month we went to the Chili Cook-off and generated some interest. Bonnie Davis and I gave a small speech about the club and had a display of some of the carvings we teach new members at the Hilltop Extension Club. That was really nice. Hopefully, there will be some new NAWC members from that get-together.

Got Wood? We do! Lots and lots of wood...cut-outs, rough-outs, spools, candlesticks, bells, buttons, doo-dads, baseball bats, bark, dowels, paddles, slabs, eggs, and much more. I will bring a sampling once a month to the regular meetings. Any other time, get in touch with me and I will deliver to the meetings. Please give me some suggestions on when you all would like to have a "garage sale." Then you can see our storage locker and supplies and stock up on wood.

Ray Kropke and I bought a lot of the wood from Len Dillon's daughter, Mary. She was happy to get it out of the barn. And we got it cheap. We have already recovered one-third of the money we spent! Thanks to Norm Rutledge for helping me get all this wood into the storage locker. It is all boxed and shelved. We will have a lot of wood for a long time.

November 4th is the deadline to get your caricatures, jewelry, and ornaments in for Serenity, Inc. Lori Adkins will be at our meeting on that day to accept our donations at approximately 9:30 a.m.

Let me address one final issue. I am running for a third and final term as your club President. Sid Edelbrock used his gift of persuasion to enlist enough people to be Officers and Board Members. Thank you for serving. The slate of candidates is published in this newsletter. Please take the time to say thank you to these people. They are the backbone of this organization.

Thank you and happy carving!
Paul H. Baumann III, NAWC President

General Membership Meeting of September 16, 2010

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 by our president, Paul Baumann. Following the Pledge to the Flag, the minutes of the last meeting were approved as published in *The Chip Pile*. Ray Kropke presented the treasurer's report. Jean Kropke reported that we currently have 156 members. Wally Smietanski said that Sandy Smith's pumpkin class would be held Sept. 23. Claude Roper presented the Sunshine report.

Paul said that he and Ray will go to purchase wood and rough-outs from Len Dillon's estate tomorrow.

Sid Edelbrock suggested that we write a letter to the County Fair Board asking that wood burning be included in the woodcarving categories. Kathi Clark said that we should take a more active role in admitting carvings for judging at the Fair and that should we monitor the carvings during the Fair. She will head a committee to communicate with the Fair Board about woodcarving entries.

Sid said that the Bull Shoals Food Pantry has requested a donation of woodcarvings to be used as a fundraiser for their

expansion program. Naomi Inglett will contact the Food Pantry for additional information.

The city of Norfolk would like us to carve an "In God We Trust" sign for them like the one being done for Mountain Home. Tim Higgins volunteered to carve a sign.

Our club was invited to set up at tent at the Gaston Wine Tasting event on October 2. Paul will contact Gaston's for further information.

Show and Tell followed: Sandy Smith showed two girls, one of them getting ready to step on a scale that she carved for a CCA competition. Dick Dulaney showed ornaments that he will donate to Serenity. Naomi Inglett carved a spoon with a lily handle and one with a dogwood flower handle and an aspen walking stick. Warren Brown carved a moose from a Jim Willis rough-out. Sid Edelbrock carved a fireman and an aspen walking stick. Bonnie Davis carved three old-world

Slate of 2011 Candidates

President	Paul H. Baumann III
Vice President	Curt Shirkey
Secretary	Bonnie Davis
Treasurer	Ray Kropke
Membership	Jean Kropke
Website/Chip Pile	Sandy Smith
Auditor	Naomi Inglett
Board Member	Wally Smietanski
Board Member	Dave McConkey
Board Member	Terry Balcom
Past President	Sid Edelbrock
Librarian	Betty Gregory
Mr. Sunshine	Claude Roper

Santa's. Norm Rutledge carved a large bell, two small bells, Christmas ornaments, dogwood flowers, and a sitting bear.

The Show and Tell drawing winner was Sandy Smith; the Nametag winner was Jim Clements; and the 50/50 winner was Paul Baumann.

The meeting adjourned at 11:05.

Submitted by: Bonnie Davis, secretary

Board of Directors Meeting of October 7, 2010 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 by the president, Paul Baumann. Ray Kropke gave the treasurer's report. Jean Kropke reported that our membership is 156 members.

Naomi Inglett is teaching an Icicle Santa class. We may have enough students for a new beginner class soon.

Sign-up sheets are available for Turkey Trot and Rapps Barron. Drawings for the quilts will be held at Turkey Trot on Saturday.

The menu for the Christmas party will be available at the General Membership Meeting.

The club will present the donated carvings to Serenity on November 4. Dave McConkey will take pictures of the

presentation for the *Baxter Bulletin*.

Paul thanked all those members who carved at Gaston's wine tasting.

It was decided to collect data on the number of carving hours our members volunteer during the year. The data will be given to Mountain Home to include in their volunteer hours total. Paul will ask at the General Meeting for a volunteer to collect the data.

The slate of candidates for our November election will be presented at the General Meeting. A new position on the Board, Public Relations, will be created. Wally Smietanski will fill that position.

Kathi Clark suggested that we have a table at the County Fair to sell raffle tickets, recruit new members, and watch the entered carvings. We will meet with the Fair board to determine categories. The suggestion will be presented at the General meeting.

Suggestions are needed for next year's fund raiser.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15.

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.

- *Creative Woodcarving*
- *Relief Woodcarving & Lettering*
- *High Relief Woodcarving*
- *Carving Santa Ornaments*
- *Animals of the Nativity*
- *Carving Ozark Country Characters*
- *Songbird Carving II*
- *Drawing the Head & Figure*
- *Civil War Uniforms Coloring Book*
- *Reigning Cats & Dogs*, by Gen Jansen
- *Carving Crazy Critters*, by Gary Batte

the whereabouts of the missing books listed below:
Please contact Librarian Betty Gregory to let her know

Missing Books

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