



# THE CHIP PILE

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

They say time flies and, boy, does it ever. Seems like I just completed this task. Just got back from a quick trip to Iowa to pick up a truck for our fire department and, wow, was it cold. It reminded me of one of the reasons I moved here.

I believe all is well with the club. Norm has a bunch of classes lined up. That is great!

Membership is up to 138. I would like to see 160 by the end of the year so I encourage all to promote our club. We have the show, Cooper Park Pioneer Days, Gassville in the Park, and the Chili Cook-Off as well as lessons to promote the club and raise money for our charities.

Remember that we need the blocks for the lamp and the shelf by the end of the month. Bob Shaffer needs time to put them together. We will start ticket sales at our woodcarving show in May. Drawing for the lamp and shelf will be held at our Christmas Party on December 5.

I much appreciate all the cooperation and support I have received since taking office. Thank you-all.

Reminder: Get your reservations in for a table at the show and dinner at the Elks Club on Saturday night during the show. Both are a good time.

Sid Edelbrock, President

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## General Membership Meeting of February 28, 2013 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the president, Sid Edelbrock, at 11:00. The Pledge to the Flag was followed by the approval of the minutes of the January meeting as published in *The Chip Pile*. Included in the approval was the Board's decision to drop our membership in the Ozark Regional Arts Council.

Betty Gregory, librarian, said that the library book list is now on our website, [www.northarkansaswoodcarvers.org](http://www.northarkansaswoodcarvers.org). She also said that due to lack of interest, we would not renew our subscription to Carving Magazine. Skip Janecek is making thin wooden dividers for the library files.

Sandy Smith reported that the May carving show is in need of donations for the banquet auction.

Sid said that directory pictures will not be taken after today. By motion made and carried, it was decided that any member who does not want their information

published in the directory must tell Wally Smietanski. Members who do not want their information on the website should tell Sandy Smith.

It was decided to have a table at History Day, October 5, in Mountain Home. A sign-up sheet will be available.

Arlene Lesiak will teach a hound dog class on March 14. The club nametag project will be held on March 28. On April 11, Naomi Inglett will teach a rose on a candlestick class. A tool sharpening class will be presented by Richard Arndt in April. The new Beginners' class starts in May. Information on other classes to be given in this area will be available on flyers on the table on Thursdays.

Paul Baumann asked carvers to tell him if they want special wood ordered from Heinecke Wood for the club. Carvers who want to order wood for themselves, to be delivered at the show in May, should contact Dale Heinecke: (715) 882-8642 or [heineckewood@chibardun.net](mailto:heineckewood@chibardun.net). Members wanting to order tools to be delivered to the show should contact The Woodcraft Shop: 1-800-397-2278 or [www.thewoodcraftshop.com](http://www.thewoodcraftshop.com).

Sid reminded carvers that the carved blocks for the lamp and the shelf are due March 28.

Show and Tell followed: Naomi Inglett carved a winter scene block for the lamp and ornaments to be donated to the Show. Sandy Smith carved two relief carvings for club projects and three critters. Lucia Pairolero showed a bark carving done in Denny Maynard's class and a block showing a snowman standing on its head. Barb Edelbrock showed a wood-burned fall theme lamp block. Sonia Nelson carved a bark house and a cowboy done at the Rendezvous. Rod Engle carved a dogwood and a poinsettia flower, a snowman, and a daffodil in a pot. Marty Wells showed a bark carving. Paul Baumann showed a bark wood spirit carved in Denny Maynard's class. Betty Gregory carved a raccoon quilt block. John Gregory carved a nuthatch on a branch, a wood block, and stick figure pens. Doc Connelly carved two relief carvings of Jesus as he really looked. Sid Edelbrock carved a Razorback to donate to the Show and a summer block for the lamp. Bob Shaffer carved bottle stoppers. Ken Doran showed a cypress wood carving including a number of interesting characters. Dick Dulaney showed a carving that included a pair of oxen carved from myrtle wood, a chain and cart carved from poplar, and a pine log and base. Norm Rutledge carved Zeke, a bolo tie slide, and several cartoon character ornaments.

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The Show and Tell drawing was won by Lucia Pairolero, the Name Tag drawing by Bonnie Wielgosz, and the 50/50 drawing by Janet Cardwell.

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 and was followed by a potluck lunch.

Submitted by: Bonnie Davis, Secretary

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**Board of Directors Meeting  
of March 7, 2013  
MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by the vice-president, Norm Rutledge. The treasurer, Skip Janecek, gave his report, which was accepted. Betty Gregory, our librarian, reported that she is wrapping go-bys in bubble wrap to protect them. A carver from Washington state wants to borrow a book from our library. Since our library is for members only, it was decided to tell him that he must join our club, and pay all related mailing costs.

Curt Shirkey reported that we now have 138 members. Sign-up sheets for all carving activities will be available on the table on Thursdays. Paul Baumann will teach a bark carving class on March 14.

This year's Christmas party will be a potluck dinner with meat provided by the club. KTLO radio will interview Arlene Lesiak about the carving show on Thursday, May 2 at 12:40.

Wally Smietanski said that he is working on organizing the information for the new photo directory.

The Board voted to attend Gassville in the Park on Saturday, June 1. The table fee is \$10.00.

Paul said that suggestions and requests for wood for the club, to be delivered at the show, should be in by April 18, so that he can place an order with Heinecke Woods.

At the March general membership meeting, we will discuss making Eagle Canes for disabled veterans.

Marty Wells is assembling a collection of patterns, which will be available to club members.



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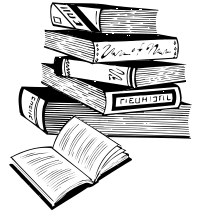
Following a discussion about having carving on July 4, a Thursday, it was decided to discuss it at the general membership meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:40.

Submitted by: Bonnie Davis, Secretary.

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**The Library  
Corner  
by  
Betty Gregory**



We have some exciting news from the library...It is now on-line! Many thanks to Sandy Smith for all her help in getting this onto our club website. To access, go to: [www.northarkansaswoodcarvers.org](http://www.northarkansaswoodcarvers.org). Click on the "library" tab in the upper left hand corner to open up a list of all our books in categorical order. This should be helpful for perusing books of interest, so when you get to club, you can locate the book under that category and check it out. It also lets everyone know what a great selection of books we have and how many different topics are included.

We wanted to mention again the following items that we presented at the last meeting for those who weren't in attendance that day.

1. Thank you to Skip Janecek for volunteering to cut some new wooden dividers for our library drawers. These should help keep the books upright and will last longer than our current cardboard ones.
2. Another thank you to Don Hines for donating a new magnetic key holder for our library key.
3. The club committee decided not to renew our subscription to the carving magazine since they were not checked out often enough.
4. The committee also decided not to rejoin ORAC (Ozarks Regional Arts Council) of which we were members last year.
5. We have pulled some older books from the library and have donated them to the Show Committee to use at their discretion.
6. It was decided to use bubble wrap to protect the study casts from being damaged in the library drawer, so we will be working on that project in the next few weeks.
7. Diane Gumm has donated a picture book titled "Varga Girls" by artist Varga and it is available in the Art Section of the library.

That's all the news for now!



**SUNSHINE LADY  
REPORTS**

*Please let Jackie Miller 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.