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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Saturday, November 1, we attended the Ozark Wood Turners' Show. Sales of carvings and raffle tickets were good for us and also the turners. We also made contact with a couple of people who are interested in learning to carve. Today, November 6, we made our formal presentation of checks to the Mountain Home Food Basket and to *The Baxter Bulletin's* Christmas Wish. Christmas Wish's real check was given at the garage sale on October 25 so it would count toward matching funds from Woodmen of the World. That made our money to them double to \$2500!

The Club Christmas Party is December 4th. Due to Thanksgiving and no carving, ticket sales will end November 20th. Remember, there is a gift exchange (if you wish to participate) of handmade items and we will have a collection of nonperishable food items for the Food Basket.

Our beginners classes will start on January 15. If you know someone who is interested, bring them in to sign up.

December 4th will also be the last day to buy raffle tickets. The ark has been really popular this year. Much credit must go to "Super Salesman" Ray Killen. We will draw for the ark and the lamp at the Christmas Party.

With cold weather coming up, remember our policy is "no carving if public schools are closed due to the weather". The forecast is for a cold winter again.

Well, that's about all for this month except to wish everyone a Blessed Thanksgiving. Keep on making chips.
Sid Edelbrock, NAWC President

General Membership Meeting of October 16, 2014

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the president, Sid Edelbrock, at 10:35. The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as published in *The Chip Pile*. The treasurer, Janet Cardwell, gave her report which was accepted. We currently have 175 members, with 40 members paid for 2015.

Margaret Killen will teach a ball in a cage class in December.

Sandy Smith reported that Adina Cordell Huckins will be the judge for our 2015 show. She will also teach a 2-day class after the show.

The Christmas party committee reported that 32 tickets have been sold so far. Those wishing to participate in the gift exchange should bring a hand crafted gift that will fit in a small lunch bag. Smoked brisket and fried chicken will be served. There will also be a collection of non-perishable food for the Food Basket. Drawings for the Noah's ark and the lamp will be held at the party.

Patterns for the chess pieces for next year's drawing are available and the finished pieces must be turned in by February 1. Ray Killen has completed the nativity stable. Patterns for the animals and characters are available from Ray.

We will have two tables at the Wood Turners' show at the Fairgrounds on November 1. We will set up at 7:00. The show runs from 9:00 to 4:00. Volunteers are needed.

We will arrange to have a photographer from *The Baxter Bulletin* present when we present 34 comfort crosses to Hospice.

The members expressed their best wishes to Don and Arlene Lesiak, who will be moving back to Illinois this month.

By motion made and carried, it was decided to give \$2500 to charity this year. Christmas Wish and the Mountain Home Food Basket will each receive \$1250. The money will be presented the first Thursday in November.

Paul Baumann said that we are running low on caps. We will purchase additional caps and shirts. We will also order 2 cases of Deft.

Show and Tell followed. Ray Killen showed the nativity stable that he made for our 2015 charity project. Sonia Nelson carved Mickey, Minnie, and Razorback ornaments. Ken Doran carved wood spirits, an eagle and Native American reliefs. Sandy Smith showed a comfort cross and bird. Kathi Clark showed an owl with butternut habitat, a driftwood duck, and basswood clowns carved by a friend. Paul Baumann carved a mouse with Swiss cheese, a charity ornament, and mice with braided tails. Debbie Shook carved a red-headed duck bottle opener, an owl on a stump, and a bridge in relief. Dianne Gumm carved a rooster, smokey, and sleepy. Karen Myers showed a cedar hand fan wood burned with flowers. Dick Dulaney carved a pointer dog in cherry. Rod Engle carved a double hibiscus.

The show and tell drawing was won by Sonia Nelson. Pete Raino won the name tag drawing. Marty Wells won the 50/50.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 and was followed by a potluck lunch.

Submitted by Bonnie Davis, Secretary

**“SPECIAL”
Board of Directors Meeting
October 23, 2014
MINUTES**

At a special Board meeting, October 23, 2014, it was decided by motion made and carried, that we would give our \$1250 donation to Christmas Wish immediately. This will enable them to receive matching funds, doubling our donation. A representative of Christmas Wish will be at our photo opportunity ceremony on December 4 to receive a symbolic check.

**Board of Directors Meeting
of November 6, 2014
MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by the president, Sid Edelbrock, at 9:45. The treasurer, Janet Cardwell, said that the checks for the Mountain Home Food Basket and Christmas Wish would be presented today. Sonia Nelson, librarian, reported that books not needed in the library will be sold at the Christmas party on December 4.

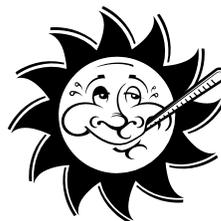
Curt Shirkey said that we have 175 members for 2014 and 58 members paid for 2015. Norm Rutledge said that Margaret Killen will teach a ball in a cage class on December 11 and 18. There was a discussion on ways to publicize the January Beginners' class. It was suggested that we put a press release on the radio stations and in *The Baxter Bulletin*. The Board approved an expenditure of \$100 for an ad in the Bulletin.

Deen Shirkey reported that 53 people have purchased tickets for the Christmas party. "Save the date" postcards, with information about the show in May, were sent out by the show committee today.

Sid said that Tom Higgins is in the hospital and asked us to keep him in our thoughts.

The meeting adjourned at 9:55.

Submitted by Bonnie Davis, Secretary



**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.

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