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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I was upset to read about the biker gang violence in Texas a little while ago. I have no respect for gangs today. They just drive by and shoot people. At least in the old days, like in West Side Story, the gangs used to dance with each other first.

We did fairly profitably at our May Woodcarving Show. The Chess Set and Nativity Raffle made \$376, the Charity Table made \$568, and the Club table made \$66. I forget what the donation amount at the entrance table was but it was a good amount with some people donating \$10 and even \$20.

If you weren't able to attend the show, you missed out on a great event. The show committee did an outstanding job again. Our club members won quite a few ribbons for their carvings and there were a good number of NAWC carvers who had their own tables showing off their handiwork. Everyone agreed that Jason, our vice president, did a masterful job as announcer. He enjoyed doing it so much that next year we are going to charge him a fee for the privilege.

NAWC continues to operate only because of our volunteers. They devote many hours to keep it running smoothly. However they can't be the only ones doing all the work each and every year so other members might think about possibly helping to bear the load. You can run for any officer or board of directors (BOD) position (November elections) or volunteer to be on any committee that you are interested in.

The club is run according to our bylaws (anyone needing a copy please see me). The 4 officers and the 7 directors meet once a month and discuss business. For certain items we take a vote. Each BOD member has one vote and the majority rules therefore we abide by those decisions.

At the last BOD meeting it was voted and approved to have the 50/50 winner drawn at 11:00 a.m. However we realize that some people need to leave earlier, which is fine. You can write your name on the ticket and give it to myself or anyone else you wish. The money will be held until you come again. And keep in mind that it shouldn't be only about winning but think of your \$2 as an inexpensive contribution to help pay our \$55 a meeting rent.

And of course, we always need carvers to teach classes throughout the year. You don't need to be a master carver to do that. See Jason if you wish to teach a class.

So keep on carving and let's replenish the charity items we sold at Gassville.

Ray Killen, NAWC President

## General Membership Meeting of May 21, 2015

### MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the president, Ray Killen, at 10:45. The Pledge to the Flag was followed by the acceptance of the treasurer's report which was given by Rod Engle. Our librarian, Sonia Nelson, asked members to let her know what books they would like purchased for the library. We currently have 163 members.

Bob Shaffer said that the tools order has been momentarily lost, but will be found. The carving tools purchased for a class at the library have been returned to the library.

Roger Stegall (of Mayflower, AR) will teach a one day class at the VFW. The date of the class, which will cost \$25.00, has not been determined. Anyone wanting to know how to use the new sharpener can ask Curt Shirkey or Norm Rutledge for instructions.

Paul Baumann reported that the storage unit organization has been completed.

We will have a table on June 6 at Gassville in the Park. Maps are available. Carvers should bring tools and carve during the event.

Ray reminded members that the weekly 50/50 pays the rent. Additional charity items are needed.

Dewaine and Janey Jones, friends of Dale and Bea Berke, were visiting the club. They invited members to attend an open house at their home on June 18.

Show and Tell followed. Ken Doran carved an eagle head on a diamond willow walking stick, which was finished with several coats of clear enamel. Kathi Clark showed a young woman's face carved in Adina Huckins class following the show. Dale Brissey carved an X in an O and a 12 pointed star. Rod Engle showed a Santa carved in Naomi's class and a dogwood cross. Margaret Killen carved the face of Green Man in an oak leaf and also showed a colorfully painted mouse and snail. Bob Ahrens carved a wood spirit and Christmas ornaments. Jason Gambill showed a deep relief scene which he had carved.

Troy Strawn won the Name Tag and 50/50 drawings. Dale Brissey won the Show and Tell drawing. The meeting was adjourned at 11:05.

Submitted by Bonnie Davis, Secretary

# Board of Directors Meeting of June 4, 2015 MINUTES

The Board of Directors meeting was called to Order by President Ray Killen at 10:10. Rod Engle, Treasurer, submitted the Treasurer's Report. Curt Shirkey, Membership Chairman, reported that we have 164 paid members. No report on Tools. No report on Wood.

On June 11, 18, 25, Margaret Killen will teach a class on a ball, chain, and spiral combo. Roger Stegall of Mayflower, AR, will teach a wizard class on a tentative date of July 23. The total charge for the class is \$30.00 with includes the class and materials. Watch for the exact date. There are still openings to sign up for his class.

Warren Brown donated several square blocks that were partially carved or woodburned to the Club. The Board decided to let people volunteer to take them, finish them, and donate them to the Charity Table. Squares are to be returned when finished or by the first week in September.

No Publicity, Website, or Sunshine reports at this time.

The Gassville in the Park is Saturday, June 6. For those volunteering. Set-Up is at 8:00 and the event will last until 5:00. The booths are #20 and #21. You will want to bring a chair as none will be provided.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:30.

Submitted by Naomi Inglett for Bonnie Davis

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## OPEN HOUSE

**June 18 immediately following the Potluck Lunch  
at Dewaine and Janey Jones' Home  
1046 Slick Rock Rd., Mtn. Home - 870-492-5333**

Dewaine formerly carved with Dale Berke (Bea's husband) and would like to carvers to view his woodcarvings. Some of Dewaine's carving tools may be for sale.

**Directions:** From WalMart take the Bypass to red light at 178 East - Turn left and drive for approximately 3 miles toward the lake. Turn Right on CR 398 - Slick Rock at Boat Storage - 1 mile to End of Road - *Straight*.



## SUNSHINE LADY REPORTS

*Please let Betty Gregory 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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**There will be a Potluck Lunch  
following this month's  
General Membership Meeting**

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