



# THE CHIP PILE

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*A mom took her young son to church with her one Sunday. During the middle of service her little boy looked at her and informed her that he has to go pee. The mother, upset with her son, firmly told him that it's not acceptable to say 'pee' in church and that the next time he has to go to the bathroom he needs to tell her that he has to 'whisper'. The following Sunday the same boy went to church again, this time with both of his parents. He leaned over to his father during the middle of service and said, "Daddy, I have to whisper," to which his father replied, "Go ahead and whisper in my ear, son."*

NAWC has a table at the American Legion Hall on Saturday March 5. Sonia has graciously volunteered to work the charity table. Let's hope that we make a nice amount of money for charity at this event. No raffle tickets will be sold because we don't have all the pieces ready yet. Speaking of the raffle, anyone who has a chess piece to be carved needs to get it finished NOW and bring it in so we can get someone to paint the items. If you are a fairly good carving painter, please volunteer your talents to help out. Ideally, two people would work out best, one person painting one set.

Our participation in the two-day Crafffest show was voted upon at our Board of Directors (BOD) meeting. The show organizers would allow us to sell our charity items but not to sell raffle tickets. The BOD decided not to spend the \$55 to attend.

We could always use volunteers for working the events, or doing other tasks for the club. Please don't be shy about helping out. The club works best with a lot of members helping than only a handful doing the majority of the work.

The beginner classes are going well and this last meeting had other classes going on as well. Tommy Johnson was teaching a Chip Carving class, and Sandy Smith was teaching her Little (so cute) Critters class. We always need ongoing classes so if you would like to teach a class, contact our vice president, Jason.

And finally, if any of the newer members have not received a copy of our Bylaws, please see me to get one.

Ray Killen, NAWC President

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## General Membership Meeting of February 18, 2016 MINUTES

The February 18, 2016 General Meeting was called to Order at 10:30 by President Ray Killen. The Pledge to

the Flag was followed by the Treasurer's Report by Sid Edelbrock \$7,654 which was accepted. The Minutes of the last meeting were approved as published in *The Chip Pile*. Kathi Clark reported that we now have 133 members for 2016. Nothing new from the Librarian, except bring your overdue books back. Sandy Smith said that all if okay with *The Chip Pile* and the Web Site, and requested that if anyone has a problem with the site, to let her know so that she can make adjustments.

Show Committee asked for door prizes for the Show and auction items for the Show Banquet.

A copy of the New Directory is on display for each member to check if all information is correct before going to publication. Cost for a new directory is to be about a dollar.

Paul Bauman said that if anyone has a special request for basswood from Heinecke Woods to please contact him before he places the order on the 19th.

Show & Tell followed. A stylized Cross from basswood and aphrodisia by Sid Edelbrock; Wood burned spoons by Margaret Killen (for charity); Dick Dulaney showed 30 Little People for the charity table; Rod Engle a butternut vase turning and a snow man; Sandy Smith with her Dragon Critter; Cherry wood turning by Phil Wiles; Mary Ragan showed a ball and chain, Madonna and Child, spiral Santa, cardinal, and policeman; Paul Baumann had 2 hippies and 3 mice for charity; Bob Bowling showed a basswood relief carving; Dale Brissey had a walnut hummingbird; Red Murr, a free-form chip carving; Dave McConkey a Pyrography on birch plywood with polyurethane finish; Tommy Johnson, chip carved facial tissue box holder.

Ray Killen volunteered to investigate the cost of placing an ad in the Newcomer's book before presenting it to the Membership.

Sid Edelbrock will be attending the Wichita Woodcarving Show, May 14, and a Woodcarving Show in Colorado on May 21. He said other clubs support our show and if would great if we could return the interest in theirs.

Don and Arlene Lesiak sent a card letting us know how much the cards and prayers were welcomed and appreciated. Bob Shaffer will be back next week.

Motion made and approved to attend the Art in the Park June 4, 2016, 9 to 5.

New Classes are: Tommy Johnson March 3 and 10. Sandy Smith will have a class on Critters February 25.

Show and Tell winner was Sid Edelbrock. Name tag winner was Nancy Willard, and 50/50 winner was Bob Ahrens.

The meeting adjourned at 11:05. After the meeting adjourned, Ray Killen reported that we received the okay to

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have raffles for the coming year. Potluck meal followed after Terry Balcom asked the Blessing.

Submitted by Naomi Inglett for Bonnie Davis, Secretary.

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## Board of Directors Meeting of March 3, 2016 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the president, Ray Killen, at 10:30. The treasurer, Sid Edelbrock's report was accepted as read. Kathi Clark reported that we have 138 members.

Paul Baumann has placed our wood order, including some larger sizes. The wood will be delivered to the show in May. Wally Smietanski said that a picture of the recent chip carving class will be published soon in the Baxter Bulletin.

The Show Committee will mail reminder cards to those carvers who have not yet sent in their show applications.

Sonia Nelson will be at the American Legion Hall on March 5 with our charity sales table. After some discussion, it was decided that we will not attend Craft Fest in June. We will also not be at Art in the Park in Bull Shoals on June 4 as we will be in Gassville on that date.

A letter from The Arts and Crafts Association invited

carvers to put their carvings in the Association's shop on the Square. There is a \$12 per year fee and carvers will be required to spend some hours working in the shop. Anyone interested should contact Ray Killen.

Naomi Inglett will teach a relief class to the Beginner class and Deen Shirkey will then teach wood burning on that carving.

At the general meeting this month, Ray will ask for a volunteer to be the club historian.

By motion made and carried by a majority vote, members will pay one dollar for the club directory that they ordered.

After a discussion, it was decided not to add any more names to the memorial plaque since it is currently stored (and not displayed) in the storage locker.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50.

Submitted by Bonnie Davis, Secretary

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## 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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