



THE CHIP PILE

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi everyone,

Well, here we are in February already. Time flies when you're havin' fun, or so they say. All kidding aside, May will be here soon, so get your carvings ready for the show now to avoid the rush. Also, if you have anything to donate for the Chinese auction please see Penny Wells or anyone on the show committee to make arrangements to get them.

Our new beginner class is in full swing and they are all doing very well. I gave my other class a week ago and was surprised to find out that I was able to finish the carving during class. I had been concerned since my surgery, so this made me very happy.

All of the nativity scene pieces are out so should be finished soon. We do have some comfort crosses to be carved, so please grab one if you can. Sonia gave a class to carve Christmas ornaments for the charity table and has some left to do. Also, as always we are in need of more carvings for the charity table before May.

If you haven't paid your dues for 2018 yet, please see Linda or Ray Peacy to do so. Thank you.

We had some issues with the carving tools for the beginners, but that has been corrected. Linda Lopin will have a price list a little later so that if any of you want to order tools, you will be able to see how much they are going to cost.

Well, that's all for now. Please let me know any ideas any of you have for new classes. See you all next week and happy carving.

Marty Wells, NAWC President

General Membership Meeting of January 18, 2018 MINUTES

The meeting was brought to order at 10:40 by President Marty Wells. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all members.

Minutes were duly approved as written in *The Chip Pile* for November 2017. There were no Board nor General Meetings in December 2017.

Treasurer's report was given by Treasurer Ray Killen.

Librarian Sonia Nelson said that she would be looking for books to purchase in the next few months. Quartermaster Paul Baumann said that he sold a lot of wood today and will be ordering wood in February for delivery in May at the show. The large pencils that were ordered have come in and

the club is selling them for \$1.00 each. Membership chairs Linda and Ray Peacy said that we have 95 paid members for 2018 of today. Please see Linda and Ray to pay your dues for 2018. Margaret Killen had an anatomy class today and will be offering another class (5 people please) next week. Sonia Nelson will be having a class on Christmas ornaments for the Charity table on February 1st. People can pick up cutouts and take/not take the class but will return the completed/painted ornaments to help replenish the Charity table.

Sunshine Lady Amy Wainscott has sent cards to Hazel Faltinson, and Larry Yudis at Woodcraft to let them know that we are thinking of them. Webmaster Sandy Smith says website and *The Chip Pile* are going okay. Show Committee's Bonnie Davis and Sandy Smith shared that the brochures for the May show are complete.

Old Business: There will be no "Community Board" in the newspaper any more due to reduced staff. If any member has an event for a fire station or charity event, president will announce each week. Wally Smietanski, publicity person, was praised for his getting our club events in the newspaper so many times last year. The audit for December 2016 to November 2017 was completed by auditor Naomi Inglett and the books balanced. Naomi's letter of the audit was filed in our records. We still have 4 eggs to be carved for the "egg" nativity scene. Please let's get this project completed. Letters of thanks were received from the Mountain Home Food Basket

for \$55.00 and 170 pounds of food, the Peitz Cancer Center and the Informed Choices Women's Center of the Ozarks.

New Business: After last week's meeting, it was discovered that we have some bad V-tools in our beginners sets. Marty contacted a number of companies to find the required true V-tool and OCC (Mike Shipley) will be able to make and send us the required tools in a few weeks. Someone on the board will contact the company where we previously purchased the tools that we were unable to sharpen, to see if they will take a return. It was brought up at the board meeting that people cannot hear during the general meeting due to several causes. We will ask everyone to use the microphone so that their voices will carry. Another problem is that people talk during the meetings and answer their phone and have conversations. A suggestion was made to fine people \$.25 to encourage meeting politeness. A motion was made to not fine people/ fine people and the "no fine" vote passed. Please remember to be polite while others are speaking during the meetings as everyone's thoughts are important.

Show and Tell: Betty Gregory (spiral beard Santa and pencil Santa); Linda Peacy (found wood dragon); Sid Edelbrock (Michigan totem pole); Rod Engle (Wanda the

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wacky witch); Paul Baumann (bark and pencils); Sandy Smith (Nativity scene "cow"); Linda Lopin (wood burned and carved spoons); John Gregory (mouse); Len Kieltyka (arrowhead with horse head and feathers); Gordon Ziesmen (Traveling Preacher); Bob Jones (ironwood Nativity scene from Africa); Ray Peacy (snowman and comfort birds); Diane Gumm (wood burning of Santa); Margaret Killen (Nativity scene camel and sheep); Sonia Nelson (Santa and snowmen ornaments, Nativity scene barn and horse).

Sonia won the show and tell drawing and selected a wood certificate. Curt Shirkey won the name tag drawing and selected a wood certificate. Rick Wheeler won the 50/50.

Motion to adjourn was made and passed at 11:15.

**Board of Directors
Meeting of February 1, 2018
MINUTES**

President Marty Wells brought the meeting to order at 10:30 am. Treasurer Ray Killen gave the Treasurer's report. Librarian Sonia Nelson says the library has books.

Membership Chairmen Linda and Ray Peacy reported that we have 100 members who have paid the 2018 Dues.

VP Rick Wheeler has classes scheduled. Paul Baumann is offering a pencil carving class next week, limited to 5 people. Webmaster Sandy Smith says everything is going fine.

Quartermaster Paul Baumann will be working on a wood list that needs to be purchased. Paul will not be able to bring in wood

on the 3rd Thursday this month, as he is teaching the beginners class. It was decided that he would bring in wood next week, the 2nd Thursday of February.

Show committee reported that brochures have been printed and mailed, and the requests for items for the Chinese Auction have been sent out. Sandy reported that Ron Allison will be teaching a two-to-three day class after the show and she has a flyer and a sign-up sheet.

Old business: The V-tools that were in the beginner carvers kit were inferior. Marty contacted OCC to get new tools which have been received and have replaced the defective ones in the beginners pack. Ray will try to locate the invoice from the company that we bought the tools from and Marty will contact them about returning the V-tools. Linda Lopin will contact Mike at OCC to get a listing of tools that he carries and tool prices. We received information on "Gassville in the Park" in June and will bring to membership meeting on February 15th.

New Business: Ray announced that he will be gone all of March, but would be able to receive emails. Marty will contact him with the Treasurer's details each week.

Motion made to adjourn at 10:43 am.

Respectfully submitted, Penny Wells, Secretary



**SUNSHINE LADY
REPORTS**

Please let Amy Wainscott 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.

**There will be a Potluck Lunch
following this month's
General Membership Meeting
Main Course: Jambalaya**



See Linda & Ray Peacy, Membership Chairmen,
to Renew Your Membership

\$30 - Individual Membership plus Spouse

\$20 - Individual Membership

are Due

2018 Membership Dues

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