



# THE CHIP PILE

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's fair time again! How great is that? If you volunteered to work there, thank you very much. It is fun and you can talk about our great club. If you are entering carvings, thank you again. It gives everyone who passes by a chance to see how great our carvings are and a chance to purchase some from our charity table. Also, if you haven't decided to display some of your carvings (not to be judged) please consider it. All of the public (non-carvers) really enjoy looking at them and it doesn't matter what level of carving you are at. Some of my first pieces are the crowd favorites, so please bring some in for display.

Also a big THANK YOU to Cheryl and the volunteers again for their hard work.

We have had a good response with our charity carvings, but will need more after the Fair because I'm sure we will sell a lot, so please keep carving for this. I will try to get some items cut out right away. I am going in for knee surgery on Sept. 24, but as soon as I can, I will cut some more out after that.

Remember the Festival in Lakeview on Sept. 29 and the Hillbilly Chili Cookoff on Oct. 20. If you need info see me at our next meeting (9-13). Also, if you want diamond willow or aspen walking sticks or some butternut wood, please add what you want to our list at the club meeting. I will be ordering that next week so don't delay if you want some. Diamond willow will be around \$12-\$13 each, aspen will be around \$5-\$6 each and butternut, 3" thick by 6" wide, \$5 per foot.

If you didn't sign up to work at the Fair, you should still go and enjoy all that the Fair has to offer. It helps support our community and insures that they will continue to have a great county Fair here.

Thanks all, Marty Wells, NAWC President

## General Membership Meeting of August 16, 2018 MINUTES

President Marty Wells opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 10:35. A motion was made to approve the minutes as written in *The Chip Pile*.

Ray Killen was absent, so no Treasurer's report was read.

Linda and Ray Peacy, Membership Chairpeople, stated that we have 131 members.

Quartermaster Paul Baumann sold quite a bit of wood today. VP Rick Wheeler stated that we have several classes that are in the works to be scheduled.

Wally Smietanski, Publicity, reported that he is working on a new article.

Librarian Sonia Nelson reported that the new file cabinet is working out well. She put a sign on the front of the cabinet, reminding people that the cabinet needs to be locked before moving. Also if you have problems opening the cabinet, make sure that all the drawers are closed. This cabinet is made to open 1 drawer at a time, so if a drawer is slightly open, no others will open.

Sandy Smith stated that the website and *The Chip Pile* are going well.

Amy Wainscott, Sunshine Lady, stated that David Peterson is having health problems.

**Old Business:** Dave McConkey reminded people about the Fair rules, dates (September 12th - 15th) etc. as Cheryl was attending a Fair meeting at the moment. Cheryl sent out Fair details in the past *Chip Pile*. Dave reminded us that if we don't enter our carvings in the Fair, we still need to bring in items for display as people like to see our carvings and the Fair gets credit for all items displayed. Please check out the Fair sign up sheets as there are still some time slots that need to be filled.

Marty reminded us that we need items for the Charity Table. We have several events coming up in the fall - Fair, Chili Cookoff and Lakeview Rededication of the Freedom Bell. Marty reminded everyone that the Quartermaster position will be open next year. Paul Baumann suggested that there be 2 wood people (one vote) to lighten the load.

**New Business:** Marty reminded us that we will need to have a nominating committee who develops a slate of candidates to be voted on at the general meeting in November. Marty also mentioned that the wood vendor that he gets diamond willow, aspen and butternut wood from will be retiring soon. Discussion was held and a motion made that Marty could purchase up to \$300.00 of wood. Marty will check with Rick Dubay to see what quantity he can bring from the supplier when Rick returns in October. The list of birthdays and anniversaries were read.

**Name tag drawing:** Won by Norm Rutledge who chose a depth gauge. 50/50 won by Sonia Nelson.

**Show and Tell:** David McConkey (ceramic leaf); Sandy Smith (Baaab, the SheepDog); Curt Shirkey (chip carved plate and box); Deen Shirkey (wood burned raccoon); Earl Gulley (wolves relief); Gordon Ziesmer (spreading the bull - bull); Lynn Huett pine needle baskets, sweetheart spoon, dove); Ray Peacy (folk art birds, horse, pig and dog); Betty Gregory (Santa). Curt Shirkey won the drawing and chose a wood certificate.

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Motion to adjourn made and passed at 11:00.

Respectfully submitted, Penny Wells, Secretary

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**Board of Directors**  
**Meeting of September 6, 2018**  
**MINUTES**

President Marty Wells opened the meeting at 10:35.

Treasurer Ray Killen was on vacation, but gave Marty the report which was read.

Membership Chairpersons Linda and Ray Peacy are also on vacation, so no report given.

Linda Lopin, Equipment, says she needs to order some tools as she has requests. It will take approximately 3 weeks to receive the tools, once she makes the order.

Paul Baumann said he has wood. He has sold wood today and 3 people are following him to the storage unit to purchase more.

Rick Wheeler, VP says Paul Baumann has graciously offered to teach a bark house class. Quite a few people have signed up. More classes in the works for later in the fall.

Wally Smietanski, Publicity Chair, had a picture of the

graduating class of new carvers in Tuesday's paper. The featured carver article and picture will be published Friday.

Sonia Nelson, Librarian, has put a sign on the file cabinet in large letters reminding people that the cabinet must be locked before moving. She had a duplicate book from the library that she was planning on selling for \$2.00.

Webmaster Sandy Smith says everything is going well with the website and newsletter. The Show Committee is on vacation until September 13th.

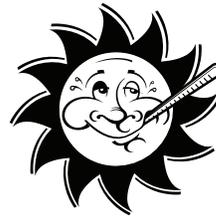
Amy Wainscott has sent a cross to Bob Schaffer due to his brother's passing.

There was no Old or New Business.

Marty adjourned the meeting on a motion at 10:50.

Respectfully submitted, Penny Wells, Secretary

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**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.

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