



THE CHIP PILE

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well here we are in March and it is still winter. Summer, where are you? Oh well I guess we will live through it.

First thing I want to mention is our seafood gumbo dinner on 3-21-19. If you want to enjoy Kim's seafood gumbo and you haven't paid Cheryl your \$5, please do so right away. Also, our BBQ rib picnic has been changed from June 1 to June 15 due to a conflict. Gassville in the Park will be on June 1 and we always participate in this event. It is a lot of fun and we let a lot of folks know about our club.

Rick Wheeler is passing around 2019 calendars and is asking if anyone of you would be interested in giving a class. It can be whatever you are good at carving, so let Rick know if you can help here.

Hospice of the Ozarks stopped by today and let us know that their big fund raiser is on June 8. They would like to know if anyone has a carving they could donate for their auction. If you want to donate, please call or e-mail me (Phone: 870-656-6963, e-mail: marpen22@msn.com). Any donation will be greatly appreciated.

Also, we received a request for someone to carve an eagle. I don't know what size or other details but if you are interested in finding out and possibly doing this project, contact me and I will give you the information.

Well, I've run out of things to say for now, so I will close this message. Happy carving to all.

Marty Wells, NAWC President

General Membership Meeting of February 21, 2019 MINUTES

Marty Wells opened the meeting at 10:30. Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Approval of *Minutes per The Chip Pile* was unanimous and seconded.

Ray Killen gave the Treasurer's report.

Linda and Ray Peacy, Membership Chairs, gave the report that we have 107 paid members for 2019.

Linda Lopin, Equipment, will be sending in the tool order to OCC next week. Please let her know if you have any needs.

Red Murr (Quartermaster with Albert Baker) had to leave. Red met with Paul Baumann, and worked out a list of wood to be ordered by next month to be delivered at the show.

VP Rick Wheeler is working on some classes. Cheryl McConkey will be having a wood finishing class in the next few weeks - the sign up sheet is out.

Wally Smietanski, Publicity, is working on the some items.

Sonia Nelson, Librarian, said we do have books, but can always make room for more.

Webmaster Sandy Smith, said all is going well with the website and the newsletter.

Amy Wainscott, Sunshine Lady, reported that she sent cards to several people and reminded carvers to contact her via email (amyanddeanw@yahoo.com), as she cannot always answer her phone.

Show Committee reported that people should get their applications in early and that more door prizes are needed.

Old Business:

The "12 Days of Christmas Wreath" is finished, but for final coat of clear spray. A number of the items for the "Home" set are finished and the rest should be done by the next few weeks. Please get the items that need painting to Marty soon.

A reminder that Kim Valentine will be making seafood gumbo for the 3rd Thursday in March. Cost is \$5.00 per person, due to the cost of the seafood. Please see Cheryl McConkey to sign up for this treat (Nancy Wheeler will take care of the list in Cheryl's absence today). People will need to bring potluck items to share as well, if they signed up for the gumbo.

Marty asked if people had read the proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws that were sent via email and are also on the website. There were no questions or comments, so a vote was taken and unanimously approved and duly seconded.

There was no new business.

Show and Tell:

Norm Rutledge (5 Welsh love spoons, basswood); Lucia Pairolero (woodburning of a ship on cherrywood); Marty Wells (snowman measuring cup holder); Rick Wheeler (Santa); Margaret Killen (cat); Kim Valentine (chainsaw bear, pelican and mushroom); Irving Bourgeois (apple with worm birdhouse); Sonia Nelson (fireman snowman, beta fish spoon).

Norm Rutledge won the drawing and picked a depth gauge. Penny Wells won the name tag drawing and picked a contour gauge. Linda Peacy won the 50/50 drawing and meeting was adjourned at 10:47.

Respectfully submitted, Penny Wells, Secretary

**SEAFOOD
GUMBO,
prepared by
Kim Valentine,
will be served
at this month's
Potluck Lunch
following the
General
Membership
Meeting -
Please bring a
salad, bread
or dessert
to share.
\$5.00 per person
(See Cheryl McConkey)**

Board of Directors Meeting of March 7, 2019 MINUTES

President Marty Wells called the meeting to order at 10:30.

Ray Killen is on vacation so no Treasurer's report was given.

Ray and Linda Peacy, Membership, stated that we have 108 paid members for 2019. Letters/notices were sent to 30 people to remind them to pay their dues.

Red Murr turned in \$121 for deposit from wood sales. He received suggestions from Paul Baumann for new sizes, etc. to purchase. Sonia Nelson also suggested getting some thin wood for woodburning and brought him a sample. Red will call the order in to Heinecke Woods and get an approximate dollar figure for the wood.

VP Rick Wheeler has been arranging classes. Tommy Johnson will have a chip carving class July 28th. Sandy Smith will give a "Critters" class to those that have not taken the class before, on March 28. If the class is not full after a few weeks once the sign up sheets are out, those who have taken the class may sign up.

Sandy says the website is going well.

Sonia Nelson says the Library is going well also.

Old Business:

Last year Marty contacted Mountain Woodcarvers Co. in Estes, Colorado about problems with the tools the club had bought for the beginners kits. The company told him to mail them with an invoice and they would refund the money for the knives. After a month or so and no word, Marty called them. They said that they had not received the package. The post office said that they were delivered. The "mystery" was

solved last week - Marty received the unopened package with "REFUSED" written on it. Several people will check to see if the knives can be salvaged as the company did not want to stand by their products.

Sandy forwarded info that she received on "Gassville in the Park" which is on June 1st. Several weeks ago the club voted to have a picnic that day. The membership will be asked whether to move the picnic to another day or miss the Gassville event.

New Business:

Hospice of the Ozarks came by today to ask for a donation or a carving that could be used to raffle off at a fundraiser that they are having in a few months. The club decides in November who the charity money will be donated to, so no money will be donated at this time. If anyone has a carving that could be used for their event, please contact Marty.

Also the annual fees for insurance and the PO Box are due. Marty will pay next week.

Motion was made and approved to adjourn at 10:50.

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.

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