



# THE CHIP PILE

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi everybody,

It's February already! Time flies when you are having fun (or not). Here is what is going on right now and soon. We have two classes coming up soon, one is for burning this month and one is a relief carving coming up soon. If you are interested in either of these, please see the sign up sheet at our meetings.

We are also in the middle of our projects and have 3 pair of animals for the ark still to be carved. If you want to be part of our club project, please check with me to get one of these pairs. We are already getting finished animals in and they are beautiful. So far we have zebras from Margaret, crocodiles from Teresa, and Sandy is finished with the giraffes and will bring them soon. This will be a great project like our last ark, so please help on these if you can.

Many of our members have expressed concern about our storage unit and the possibility of it being contaminated. I called the Health Dept. about it today and they are having an Environmental Health inspector call me with what to do to be sure it is safe. So we are on top of it for now. I will let you all know what they tell me and what we are doing to fix it.

Upcoming events in the area are 1) Clarkridge Fire Dept. pancake breakfast on Feb. 15 from 8 to 11 am, I believe. For more info see Barb or Sid Edelbrock. 2) Gamaliel Fire Auxiliary Italian Fest on Feb. 21 from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. For more info see Penny or Marty Wells. 3) Our 41st Annual Carving Show on May 2 and 3. For more information see Sandy Smith, Bonnie Davis or any other member of the show committee.

If you haven't paid your dues for this year, please see Linda or Ray Peacy. Also you can sign up for your table for the show now. To do this see members of the show committee.

That's all for now, see you all next week.

Marty Wells, NAWC President

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## General Membership Meeting of January 16, 2020 MINUTES

Marty Wells opened the meeting at 10:30.

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Approval of Minutes per *The Chip Pile* was approved and seconded.

Treasurer's report given by Linda Lopin.

Linda and Ray Peacy, Membership Chairs, reported that we have 81 paid members so far for 2020. Please see Linda or Ray to pay your dues for 2020 if you have not done so.

Equipment report was given by Bob Schaffer - we have tools. Red Murr, Quartermaster, stated that we have wood. VP Kim Valentine is working on setting up future classes. Wally Smietanski, Publicity, has no new news. Webmaster Sandy Smith reported things are fine. She also stated that she will renew the website in July and will try to get a price break by purchasing multiple years. Bonnie Davis, Show Committee, reported that the show packets are being mailed out in the next few days. If you need another copy, go to the website. [<http://www.northarkansaswoodcarvers.org/pdf/AnnualShow/41stShow.pdf>] Librarian, Sonia Nelson, reported that we have books. Sunshine Chairperson Sandy Lord sent out a card to Penny Wells.

### Old Business:

Sid Edelbrock and Marty Wells attended Eagle Awareness at the James Gaston Bull Shoals Visitor Center. The weather was poor, but they were there for 2 hours and had 90 people stop by. Sid and Marty enjoyed themselves and we (NAWC) were asked to come back next year. The place for demonstration is very small, so 2 people are the max that can fit.

We bought a new cartridge for the printer and the \$ we receive for copies made are in no way near to covering the cost of the cartridges. Marty suggested that copies be \$.25 per page. A motion was made and approved for the new copy page price.

### New Business:

We have ongoing storage issues. Due to the moisture issues, Red Murr spoke to the storage manager. We are able to move to a newer unit. Red will get with the owner regarding this. He will bring back the particulars.

Marty is working on getting the animals cut for Noah's Ark club project and will bring to the meeting next week.

### Show and Tell:

Kim Valentine (M & M man); Lucia Pairoloero (Santa, shamrock for heart wreath); Earl Gullely (burned mountain man and mountain lion); Margaret Killen (goose for August and flag for July on club wreath); Sandy Smith (poodle for CCA meeting); Andy Cooper (snow man, push puppet); Sonia Nelson (HOME for show committee, turkey and Valentine bear for club wreath); Ray Peacy (Santas, angel, penguins, 1 mushroom and 2 birds necklaces).

Ray won the Show and Tell drawing and chose a \$10.00 wood certificate. Name Tag Drawing was won by Penny Wells who chose a \$10.00 wood certificate. Ray Killen won the 50/50 drawing.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:53.

Respectfully submitted, Penny Wells, Secretary.

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# Board of Directors Meeting of February 6, 2020 MINUTES

President Marty Wells called the meeting to order at 10:00.

Linda Lopin, Treasurer, gave the Treasurers report.

No membership report given.

Bob Schaffer, Equipment, said equipment is good. He has some old gauges that he would like assessed to see if they are useable, and if not would like to get rid of them.

No wood report today.

Kim Valentine, VP, has 2 classes with sign-up sheets out. He has asked Ray and Linda Peacy to give a class on an owl at a later date. He has set the wheels in motion for several other classes which will be announced at a later date. Kim also developed a sheet to give to potential new carvers with a variety of club information.

Wally is working on Publicity for the *Baxter Bulletin*, and said there is nothing new.

Sonia Nelson, Librarian, had nothing new to add.

Sandy Lord, Sunshine Lady, reported that no cards have been sent out, as she did not know of any under-the-weather members.

**Old Business:** There are concerns about whether there is a bacteria growing in our wood storage shed. Red notified us that the storage owner will allow us to move to a climate controlled unit at an additional \$5.00 per month charge for

next year. Most people are happy with the location of our current shed as it is out in the open and easily accessible. The consensus of the board is to stay in the current location if problems can be solved. Marty will contact the health department to see if they will come and test the shed for harmful bacteria and the solution to getting rid of it if anything harmful is found. We may have to pay, but we need to be assured that the shed is safe for all who enter. Then we will address the condensation problems. There are 3 sets of shelving donated by Cheryl and Dave McConkey that we can use to better the function of the shed. Thank you Cheryl and Dave.

**New Business:** Kathy and Rick Hewitt donated a remote speaker/sound system for the the club. This should make the meetings and show-and-tell work better so that everyone can hear what is being said. Thanks Kathy and Rick.

Motion was made and approved to adjourn at 10:24.

Respectfully submitted, Penny Wells, Secretary



## SUNSHINE LADY REPORTS

*Please let Sandy Lord 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**



**2020 Membership Dues**  
\$20 - Individual Membership  
\$30 - Individual Membership plus Spouse  
Please see Ray and Linda Peacy,  
Membership Chairpeople,  
to Renew Your Membership

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