



THE CHIP PILE

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Good Day Woodcarvers,

First of all, I want to thank everyone who stepped up to help with the Fair booth. I wish more folks had entered items for judging. You all have talent to show! **Congratulations** to Dee Robertson for winning **Best of Show!**

The Bull Shoals citywide Yard Sale is September 8th and 9th, so hopefully it will be a beneficial event for our Charity sales. Next is the Jam Fest at Mountain Home Square on October 21st from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Then we will be readying for the Fall Craftsfest on November 17th and 18th. Expecting good sales, we need items to maintain our supply for this event. Thanks to all in advance for your generous efforts!

Please keep our members who are dealing with health issues and bereavement in your thoughts as we go about our daily lives also.

Again, **Thanks** to all who *Sign Up, Step Up and Show Up* to support our Club efforts. Keep making chips!

Kim

General Membership Meeting of August 17, 2023 MINUTES

Kim Valentine brought the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Nancy Wheeler presented the Treasurer's report. The charity and raffle are doing well and our finances are good. No membership report was given. Jim Waldeck reported that there is no change with the equipment. We currently have 11 complete beginner sets. Terry Muth said the wood supply was good. Norm Dixon is replacing retiring Red Murr to help Terry. Paul Baumann reported that his first bottle stopper class was today, and a second class will be in a few weeks. Kim Valentine is holding a "simple drawing class" on August 31st. Paul said the next Beginners' Class will be the fourth Thursday in January 2024. Wally Smietanski, Publicity, said he would be getting photos at the Baxter County Fair to submit to *The Baxter Bulletin*. The Librarian, Sonia Nelson, said we have more books than we really need. She wants to cull some of the duplicates before our 2024 Show. The Webmaster/Chip Pile Editor, Sandy Smith, said the newsletter was doing good. The website's domain name has been extended for three more years.

Sandy Lord, the Sunshine Lady, sent cards to Linda Murr, Lucia Pairolero, Kathi Clark, Bob Jones and Norm Rutledge. If anyone knows of someone that needs a card, please let Sandy Lord know. Tim Sharp reminded everyone about the Fair and that more volunteers are needed to sign up. The setup date is Tuesday, August 22 at 1:00. Paul is meeting Amy at the storage unit that morning. Tim will be getting Fair passes to hand out to the volunteers on Monday, August 21st. Amy Wainscott, Charity Coordinator, reminded people that did sign up to please show up at their chosen time slots. She requested members to bring in carvings to display even if not in the competition. Nancy Smith will help Amy handle the cash box before and after each day's activities. All carvings are to be picked up on Sunday, August 27th, between noon and 3:00. Barb Edelbrock, Event/Party Coordinator, announced that the potluck lunch is scheduled for August 24 and the main course will be chicken from Town & Country, provided by the club.

Old Business: Kim Valente is still having trouble contacting the storage unit owner to talk about the leak - which possibly could have been caused from snow/ice over the winter.

New Business: Sonia Nelson again agreed to be the Nominating Committee to begin building a list of 2024 candidates to be posted in September.

Announcements: None.

Show and Tell: Kim Valentine – chainsawed bear; Marty Wells – cardinals and rose breasted gross beak; Curt Shirkey – chip carved spoon and box lid; Red Murr – relief carved horse with feathers on an arrowhead background (Deb Bergum assisted); Sandy Smith – "Sitting Duck"; Tim Sharp – cardinals; Dee Robinson – cardinals and charity Santa; Kathy Frisbee – owl; Deb Bergum – cardinals mounted on a totem pole. Rick and Nancy Wheeler's grandson, Mason, assisted in all drawings. Show and Tell: Marty Wells; Name Tag: Cheryl McConkey; 50/50: Barb Edelbrock.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Sandy Smith substituting for Nancy Smith, Secretary

Board of Directors Meeting of September 7, 2023

Kim Valentine brought the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. Treasurer Nancy Wheeler said that the

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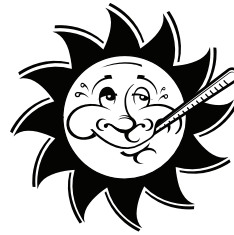
Charity Fund was doing well. She gave the figures for the two raffles that are separate from the Charity fund. These funds should be going to support the club itself, not charity. Membership Chairman Linda Peacy reported that we have 107 members at this time. Jim Waldeck said that he has 11 complete sets of tools. Terry Muth reported that our wood supply is in good shape. Norm Dixon has been appointed as Terry's backup. Paul Baumann III will have his bottle stopper class next week. There are no other classes scheduled until the beginners' class in January. Sonia Nelson reported that the books are doing well. Sandy Smith said *The Chip Pile* is going well, no problems to report. Sunshine Lady Sandy Lord said she had sent out a lot of cards this month. Paul Baumann III has volunteered to take over the position as Fair Coordinator and will be handling all business with the Fairground. Barbara Edelbrock announced that the August potluck was a success. Next potluck will be in October. Sonia informed the board that she didn't like the new potluck schedule. She thought more people would show up to see the Show and Tell. Kim thought it was just too much going on for one day. The new schedule will be tried for a few more potlucks. Amy Wainscott said that there were several items missing from the booth at the Fair. They will check the charity items again to see if they were put in with them. Dee Anderson has been appointed as Amy's backup for Charity.

Unfinished Business: Sonia Nelson has been making sure that all the Officers and Board positions are filled for next year. Jim Waldeck has requested someone replace him as Equipment/Tools. Bob Shaffer volunteered to take his place on the board.

New Business: Jennifer Baker contacted Paul Baumann III about the Jam Fest on the Square, the 21st of Oct. They want people to demonstrate crafts. It's from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. We can get two tables for \$25. Paul needs to find out about taxes and who we pay the money to. The club voted to participate in the event.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Smith, 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.

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