



THE CHIP PILE

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy March Woodcarvers!

We are so **very** pleased with how our Gnome Village came together. It should be a real hit for fundraising for us. A huge **Thanks** to everyone who contributed to its development.

As always, we need items for the Show as well as items for Charity sales. Please see Sandy for tables for the Show so all of your work can be displayed to the public.

We have a few "display" opportunities in the works. Details will be worked out and presented soon.

Happy to report that "under the weather" members are improving and hopefully will be back in action soon.

Stay Well, Keep Carving and see ya'll at the VFW!

Kim

General Membership Meeting of February 15, 2024 MINUTES

Kim Valentine brought the meeting to order at 10:30. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Nancy Wheeler gave the Treasurer's report. We have money in our Charity account. Linda Peacy said we have 101 members. Equipment and Tools are in good shape according to Bob Shaffer. Terry Muth had a list of wood we needed. The shipping costs are high. He's still researching vendors for the show, but they are getting scarce. Paul Baumann III said he talked to the new class, and everyone seems to be happy so far. For the week of the 29th, there will be no class. Some of the instructors will be available to make up classes that were missed. Wally Smietanski said *The Baxter Bulletin* had run his picture of the Gnome Village. Sonia Nelson said the library was doing okay. She will have books to sell at the show. Sandy Smith said *The Chip Pile* and website were doing well, no complaints. Sunshine Lady Sandy Lord said she had sent five "Thinking of You" cards this past month. Paul Baumann III said we were on track for the show and fair. Barbara Edelbrock said the potluck will be next week on the 22nd. Amy

Wainscott said the "Gnome Village" was going well, but she needs items for the Charity table.

Old Business: The Show Committee needs door prizes. Items for the Chinese Auction at the show banquet are needed also.

New Business: None

Announcements: We received a "Thank You" card from the "Bombers" for our donation. They are having a dinner at the Sheid, \$25/dinner. There will be a demonstration also.

Show and Tell: Kim Valentine – black walnut turtles, gnomes for the show committee; Marty Wells – mocking bird, outhouse for the charity table, little people; Andy Cooper – snail, elves and gnomes; Lynn Huett – owl and parrots; Linda Peacy – gnomes, chicks, and cats; Tim Sharp – blue jay; Lucia Pairolero – wood spirits; Sid Edelbrock – young Abe Lincoln, fire ant in iron; Norm Dixon – gnome; Dee Robinson – gnome kids and mushrooms; Terry Muth – Santa for Charity, gnomes. Marty Wells won the drawing.

Name Tag Winner: JoAnne Thomas won the name tag drawing. 50/50 Drawing: Kathy Hewitt won.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Smith, Secretary

Board of Directors Meeting of March 7, 2024

Kim Valentine brought the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

Treasurer Nancy Wheeler said we have money in the Charity fund. Sandy Smith brought up the subject of a raffle license. Paul said he would check with Cindy Johnson, a CPA, and see what her advice is. Membership Chairman Linda Peacy reported that we have 101 members. Bob Shaffer said that we were good on tools and equipment. Terry Muth inquired if there was a need for cottonwood bark and said that he could get some from South Dakota. By April he'll have a better idea of what wood we need for the show. Paul Baumann III said the Beginners' class will be pushed back 1 week for the rest of the schedule. Kim said he had talked to the owner of the Coffee Shop in Gassville about doing demonstrations

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of wood carving, including chain saw display. The owners would like a description of exactly what we would be doing and when. Secretary Smith will produce something in writing for him. It will be from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. on the 1st Saturday. Kim would like to do this twice a year. Wally Smietanski said he will be taking pictures of the Show and Tell in 2 weeks. Sonia Nelson reported that the library is getting full and that she will be sorting out books to sell at the Show. Sandy Smith said *The Chip Pile* is going well. Sunshine Lady Sandy Lord was informed that Kathy Hewitt's brother had passed recently. Paul Baumann III as Fair Coordinator said that he had not heard anything about the upcoming fair. Barbara Edelbrock said the next potluck will have a *Southern Cooking* theme. The June picnic will be on Saturday the 1st. Amy Wainscott said she had received an email from Craftfest wanting to know why we didn't pay for our tables. She will tell them that all the money goes to charity.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: The VFW brought a problem to our attention that they've had with people putting paper towels down the ladies' room toilets. **PLEASE DO NOT PUT PAPER TOWELS DOWN THE TOILETS**

- **EVER!!!**

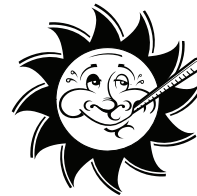
The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Smith, Secretary

2024 Dues are Due

It is that time of the year when our dues for the 2024 year should be paid. They are still \$20 for individual memberships and \$30 for member/spouse memberships. Dues may be paid during the Thursday morning meeting. Just stop by and see either Ray or Linda. They can also be paid by mailing your dues to the club at P.O. Box 531, Mountain Home, AR 72654.

Thank you, Ray/Linda Peacy, Membership Chairmen



**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.

2024 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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