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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year Fellow Woodcarvers!

Hoping that everyone had a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year!

Now we are ready to begin a new *prosperous* year for our club. As we enter this new year, our thoughts turn to preparing our projects (a Friendship Cane and a Patchwork Quilt) for our 2025 fundraisers. Of course, it takes work from our willing members to make this a success. As always our charity item supply is in continuous need of items so we will be ready for our next charity sales event! Just want to say what a phenomenal job everyone did last year, so let's make 2025 even better!!

Remember that it's "Dues Time" also. Get up to date!

New member classes begin January 23rd and we welcome them to our club. Help them when you can.

**OK Carvers:** Get out your knives and "DO BATTLE" with some wood! 2025 will be a banner year.

Kim

## General Membership Meeting of December 19, 2024 MINUTES

Kim Valentine brought the meeting to order at 10:25 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Nancy Wheeler gave the Treasurer's report. We have \$1200 to start the new year in the Charity fund. Linda Peacy, Membership Chair, said we had 121 members. Fifty-nine have paid 2025 dues already. Equipment/Tools Committee Chairman Bob Shaffer reported that we are looking good and are ready for the Beginners' class in January. Terry Muth said he has an order for 1½ inch sticks. Paul Baumann III said a relief carving instructor for the Beginners' class was needed. Sid Edelbrock volunteered. Dave McConkey as Publicity Chair said we had been in *The Baxter Bulletin* 3 times in the last week. Librarian Sonia Nelson was not present. Sandy Smith said *The Chip Pile* will be emailed this week. Barbara Edelbrock reported that the Christmas party was a success. The next potluck

will be in February, the 4th Thursday. Amy Wainscott said that we need items for the charity table.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** Dee Robinson said she was asked if we could have classes in the evening or on the weekend for people who are working during the week. Discussion was held. It was decided to table this item until a later time.

**Announcements:** None

**Show and Tell:** Kim Valentine – snails, shell and turtles for the charity table; Bob Gilkerson – runner and mini chickens; Ethan Swanson – some of his older Dremel carvings, totem pole, owl, smile face and tree; Pamela Frost – "Bad Cat" wood burning; Marty Wells – little people; Lucia Pairolo – snowmen for grandchildren; Rita Margolian – paper pulp flowers; Norm Dixon – mini turtle and a hippy; Terry Muth – Grinch. Norm Dixon won the drawing.

**Name Tag Winner:** Tina Campbell won the name tag drawing.

**50/50 Drawing:** LouAnn Peach won the drawing.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Smith, Secretary

## Board of Directors Meeting of January 9, 2025 MINUTES

Kim Valentine called the meeting to order at 9:55 a.m.

Treasurer Nancy Wheeler was not present. The report from Kim Valentine was \$1566 in the Charity fund. Membership chairmen were not present, however Kim Valentine reported there are currently 121 members. Tools report given by Bob Shaffer stating there are 12 complete kits available at this time. Wood report from Norm Dixon is there is sufficient stock at this time. Classes report by Dee Robinson is there are 2 confirmed paid, 2 that are confirmed, 3 pending response, and 2 attending meetings waiting to verify final number for the class that begins

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1/23/25. Instructors are also being verified. Publicity Dave McConkey not present - no report at this time. Librarian Sonia Nelson reports there are lots of books and she will be doing some clean out. *The Chip Pile* report from Sandy Smith is that all is fine, no other updates. Sunshine Lady Sandy Lord reported that Jack Clarke is still in the hospital and may be going to a rehab after his hospital stay. Fair Coordinator Paul Baumann III reported we are set for the show in May. Events Coordinator Barbara Edelbrock reported there is a potluck scheduled for Feb. No special theme. Charity Coordinator Amy Wainscott asked to be informed whenever money is added to the charity fund so she can keep an accurate count. Still need carvings and lots of them for charity.

**Unfinished Business:** Club projects for the quilt board and the friendship cane need to be finished and received by April 3rd (the first Thursday in April) for completion before the show.

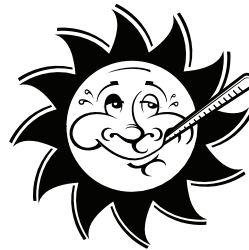
**New Business:** Sonia Nelson and Tina Campbell will begin a cost analysis to determine the cost of supplies for future classes. Currently classes cost \$135, which includes membership, name tag, wood for projects, beginner tools, strop, and safety equipment. The club wants to break even on the class expenses.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m. by Kim Valentine

Respectfully submitted, Tina Campbell, Secretary

## 2025 Dues are Due

It is that time of the year when our dues for the 2025 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.



## 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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**2025 Membership Dues**  
\$20 - Individual Membership  
\$30 - Individual Membership plus Spouse  
Please see Ray and Linda Peacy,  
Membership Chairpeople,  
to Renew Your Membership

