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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fellow Woodcarvers - Happy Valentines Month!

We want to **Welcome** all of our new members to our club!
New classes kicked off on January 23rd and we have a talented group joining us.

Work has launched for this year's fundraiser projects and they will be ready for our Show on May 3rd and 4th. Thanks to everyone for your participation and concern!

We regret that this year has begun with the loss of Jim Waldeck who had been a long time member.

All of the support and contributions for our Charity sales projects are greatly appreciated. All of this effort has allowed our club to increase our community service.

Happy Carving and Everyone - **Happy Valentines Day!**

Kim

General Membership Meeting of January 16, 2025 MINUTES

Kim Valentine brought the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Treasurer's report was given by Nancy Wheeler. The new total for the Charity report was given. Linda Peacy gave the updated members report of 82 paid members. Bob Shaffer reported for the equipment/tools committee that we have necessary tools for the upcoming class. He also has #3 gouges available for purchase. Dee Robinson reported we have 8 confirmed participants for the upcoming class, starting January 23. Dave McConkey, Publicity, had nothing to report at this time. Sonia Nelson, Librarian, states we have lots of books. Members should check them out. Sandy Smith, *The Chip Pile* publicist, says all is well with the newsletter. Sandy Lord, Sunshine Lady, requested dogwood crosses that we give to members who have lost a spouse. Bob Shaffer and Paul Baumann III have patterns. Paul has been making all of them and we need members to step up and help with this. Several health reports: Jack Clarke is going to rehab. Jim Waldeck is in rehab in Springfield. Tim Sharp had neck surgery. Curt Shirkey had cataract surgery on one eye and will be also having his other eye done soon. Fair Coordinator Paul Baumann III: not present but no change as we are set for our annual Show event. Barbara Edelbrock, Event /Party Coordinator, reminded us of the Feb. 27th potluck. Kim Valentine has volunteered to make Polynesian ham so others need to bring sides to go with this main dish. Thank you Kim. Charity coordinator Amy Wainscott is still asking for more carvings! So keep carving y'all!

Unfinished Business: We have started the club projects. Wood for the cane and quilt projects are now available. Be sure to put your name on the sign up sheet so we know who is doing what. Any questions just ask.

50/50 raffle winner: Linda Peacy.

New Business: None at this time.

Show & Tell: Kim Valentine: large bear and small sea turtles for charity and a found wood quill pen with stand. Lucia Pairolero: pyrography barns with water color. Rita Margolian: 1st carvings as a member – Santa and gnome. Doves from Cheryl McConkey' class: Nancy Smith (plus a hummingbird), Donna Mutchler, Steve Davin and Sandy Lord. Bob Gilkerson: Paint horse, friendship cane faces and charity table items. Steve Munch: Noah's Ark animals – ostrich and polar bears. Norm Rutledge: Christmas tree ornaments from coloring books and quilt block flower. Sid Edelbrock: relief carving – pelicans. Dee Robinson: Trump and Kamala bottle toppers. Ethan Swanson: pirate and wolverine faces, Santa stuck in chimney, people (punk, doctor and self portrait). Steve Davin: Christmas bear (painted by Deb Bergum) and great horned owl. Norm Dixon: 2 bears. Deb Bergum: pyrography on acrylic – chipmunk and face on wood. Dee Robinson won the drawing.

Announcements: Check your emails about Wayne Laramore's "After The Show" caricature carving class on May 5 & 6. To sign up for class or for more information, please see Sandy Smith.

Meeting adjourned: 11 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tina Campbell, Secretary

Board of Directors Meeting of February 6, 2025 MINUTES

Kim Valentine called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

Treasurer Nancy Wheeler reported we have sufficient funds and our Charity fund is growing. (If members would like to know exact dollar amounts, speak to Kim Valentine.) Membership Chairman Linda Peacy reported there are currently 91 paid members. Tools/Equipment Bob Shaffer reports we are still working on the class tools for future classes, both which tools are best and where to get them. Discussed adding a U-gouge or #11 gouge to the set. Also, discussed adding a #3 gouge in the starter kit for an additional \$22 or selling it separately. Sonia Nelson and Tina Campbell will continue to gather information to assist the board in making the necessary decision for the future.

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Quartermaster/Wood Terry Muth will be placing a stock order soon and wants to know who and how many may be interested in also getting butternut and what sizes. 1-1/2" and 2" has been suggested. Publicity report from Dave McConkey saying there will be a picture in the paper this week of the new class. The board thanked Dave for his work in this position. Librarian Sonia Nelson reported we have lots of books. Please check them out as we will be culling some of them for the May show. *The Chip Pile* Chairman Sandy Smith states all is well. Sunshine Lady Sandy Lord states we have bereavement cross cut outs and patterns ready for carving. We will also be sending a Thank You to Jim Waldeck's brother (Bob) for his contribution to the club of Jim's carving supplies. Paul Baumann III will have some of Jim's tools for sale next week. We will also let Amy Wainscott have a first peek as she is still working on recovering from the fire. Fair Coordinator Paul Baumann III says we are "fair" and square and ready to go for our show, except we will need volunteers TBD in the near future. Event/Party Coordinator Barbara Edelbrock reminds us that the Potluck is this month on Feb. 27. Charity Coordinator Amy Wainscott still needs carvings so keep carving and donating! Some will finish some of Jim Waldeck's bark carvings for extra donations.

Unfinished Business: All the quilt squares for the club project have been taken. We still have 2 blocks for the friendship cane.

New Business: Waldeck donations for sale next week. Club may begin using comfort hearts as seen in this month's

Woodcarving Illustrated. Still able to sign up for Wayne Laramore "After The Show" class.

Meeting adjourned by Kim Valentine @ 10:40 a.m.

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.

2025 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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