



THE CUTTING EDGE

Ozarks Mountain Woodcarvers

<http://www.ozarkmtnwoodcarvers.com/>

OFFICERS		MONTHLY METINGS	MEMBERSHIP DUES
President	Gerry Gerhart	We meet the first Thursday evening of the month at 7pm at the Senior Center in Kimberling City, MO.	Membership dues are \$15 for an individual and \$18 for a family. Dues are due in August.
Vice President	Stew Blain		
Secretary	Susan Spoley	<i>(If Reeds Spring schools close due to weather, we do not have meetings.)</i>	Send dues to Sue Spoley 940 Alyeska Point Rd. Lampe, MO 65681
Treasurer	Stew Blain		
Class Coordinator	Open		
Librarian	Bob Ryder		
Membership	OPEN		

Weekly Carve-Ins	Kimberling City Senior Center – Every Tuesday at noon (come for lunch)
	Shell Knob Senior Center – Every Thursday 9 – 4 (come for lunch)

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

January 7, 2016

The meeting was opened at 7:00 pm with only 8 members in attendance. The secretary’s report was given and approved. Stew reported that we had \$1437.72 in our bank Please **read the rest** of the newsletter to get the details of what was discussed during the meeting – I am not repeating the information here.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS:

CHANGE TO BUSINESS MEETING DATE AND TIME	Business meeting has been changed to <u>2PM ON THE FIRST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH!</u>
	Because of our light turnout for our monthly business meetings (especially in the winter months) we discussed the idea of changing our meeting time. Harley suggested that we may want to consider having the meeting during the day time. At this time the club does not have many members that work so daytime meetings are an option. This would save carvers a separate trip and allow us to drive in the daylight instead of at night so those who can’t drive at night could come. Most carvers leave between 2 and 3 which leaves that hour open for our meeting. We have the room until 4pm, however, since we have a key to the center if the meeting ran later than 4pm we would be able to lock up. All who attended were in favor. The Treasure Lake group meets during the day.
	We would still have “Show and Tell” at the meeting.... And goodies!
	Please give us your thoughts and opinions on trying this out for a few months.
	Next business meeting 2PM TUESDAY FEBRUARY 2 ND !

Carving Club Closing

Harley reported that the Kansas City club has disbanded.

Bart Griffith Award

The Bart Griffith plaque was shown with Dave Keeley added as our newest recipient. The plaque had to be extended and the additional engraving was \$25, however, any additional names added in the future will be at no charge.

Program Ideas

We are aware we need to have more interesting programs, training workshops on various kinds of carving such as shallow relief, deep relief, architectural embellishment, furniture embellishment, in the round carving of persons, etc. and also painting and finishing.

Some ideas discussed were:

- Gerry Gerhart – Embellishment to Furniture
- Sue Spoley – Chip Carving (though I think Dale would be better 😊)
- Harley & Midge – Ideas on how to present/display carvings

We have a number of talented carvers in our club than can make presentations of their particular carving styles, such as Ray Bentley, the Blains, Dale Boyer, Dave Keele, Harlan and Midge Schmitgen, and Sue Spoley, as well as some of our older and newer members that have started carving recently and shown their ability to make great carvings.

We could also serve as sponsors for a Scout Merit Badge carving.

Let us know your ideas

Shell Knob

We will try to have another meeting in the near future at the Shell Knob Senior Center. More on this later.

Snack Schedule

If you missed the meeting you will have to wait till next year to volunteer to bring snacks to our business meeting. Here is the current volunteer schedule:

Feb – Sue Spoley
Mar – Mark Everson

Upcoming Carving Events

March 14 – 18, 2016: Ozarks Woodcarving Seminar – 2340 W. Grand, Springfield, MO. Contact John Engler (417 209-6842) or Loren Woodard (573 480-2003) for a flyer or check their website for more information <http://www.ozarkswoodcarvingseminar.com/index.html>

May 7 & 8, 2016: North Arkansas Woodcarvers Club's 37th Annual Woodcarving Show and Sale. More information will be coming in January. In the mean time check their website: www.northarkansaswoodcarving.org.

Check the website for more upcoming events.

Jan Birthdays



Happy Birthday to:

Fred Albert Jan 27

Show & Tell

Mark Everson, Denny Villwok and Jerry Schmitt participated in Show & Tell. Sorry – no pictures – Barb is having problems loading them onto her computer.....