



THE CUTTING EDGE

Ozarks Mountain Woodcarvers

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

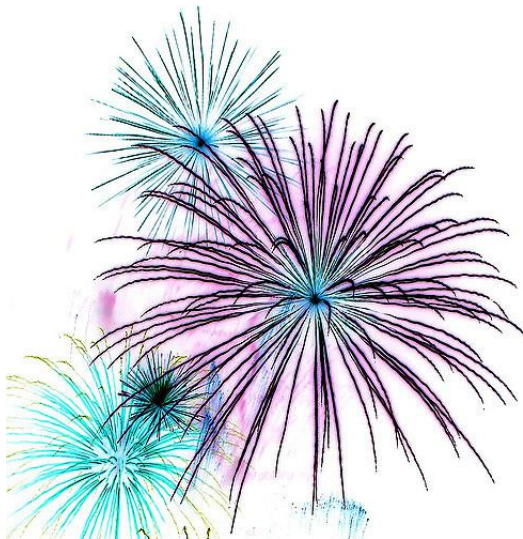
OFFICERS		MONTHLY METINGS	MEMBERHIP DUES
President	Andrew Mease	We meet the first Tuesday afternoon of the month at 2pm at the Senior Center in Kimberling City, MO.	Membership dues are \$15 for an individual and \$18 for a family. Dues were due in August.
Vice President	Stew Blain		
Secretary	Susan Spoley	<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)

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

January 3, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 2pm by president Gerry Gerhart. There were 12 members in attendance. Stew reported that as of the last statement we had \$1452.31 in our account. A check was written for \$100 to the Senior Center on Jan 2 to pay the dues for the year – this is not reflected in the total. The meeting adjourned at 2:30. 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.



WE HAVE A NEW PRESIDENT!

Andrew Mease

New President

Gerry Gerhard will be relinquishing his position as president of Ozark Mountain Woodcarving Club effective immediately. Gerry has been acting as president for 3 years and needed to make a change. Andrew Mease has graciously agreed to take on the responsibility of president. Gerry has agreed to help him through the transition. His nomination was unanimously approved.

All other officers will stay in place until the end of their term – the term usually starts in August.

THANK YOU GERRY FOR ALL THAT YOU HAVE DONE FOR THE CLUB DURING YOUR TENURE – WE APPRECIATE IT!

Facebook

Andrew Mease has created a Facebook page for the club. You can access it through the following link. www.facebook.com/ozarkmountainwoodcarvers

Please go on and like the page, share your comments and send Andrew pictures to add to the page.

Mountain Home

The North Arkansas Woodcarvers Woodcarving Show is May 6 & 7 in Mountain Home. Once again the club will sponsor ½ of your table fee if you should choose to attend. You can get your own table or share a table with a fellow carver. This show is always a lot of fun. Registration forms can be found on their website. Please let them know you are with the club so we can get tables together. <http://www.northarkansaswoodcarvers.org>

Club Classes

There was discussion on getting some classes going during our Tuesday carving sessions. These would be member led classes on areas of interest.

Gerry volunteered to do a sharpening class.

The class that seems to be taking on legs is “Carving Eyes” based on Stu Martin’s DVD. Andrew is looking for a projector so we can go through it together. More details to come as the plan gets pulled together.

If you would like to (or are willing to) teach a class let Andrew know and we will get it scheduled

Christmas Party Review

We had some discussion on this year’s Christmas Party. It did not seem as successful as previous years and we came up with some ideas to make it better along with some housekeeping things that need to be done before our next event.

This year the club did not buy the meat which impacted the food that we had. Next year Sue agreed to make a turkey or ham based on what the club wants and the club will pay for the meat. We will also institute a sign-up sheet so we know if we have any holes or duplicates in what people are bringing. We need to do this for our summer picnic as well.

We need to take a look at our supply of staples – utensils, plates, coffee, etc. and make sure we are well supplied before any events.

Rules need to be specified for the Gift Exchange. There was a large disparity between the low end and the high end of the items that were brought in for the exchange. Before the next party we need to decide and document what the parameters should be.

Activities – do we need some other activities to go along with the dinner? Seasonal readings was one thing that was mentioned.

I know it seems like a long way away, but it will be here again before you know it.

Izo Becic Class

Izo Becic does architectural carving. This is a 5 day class and will be held in Lampe. The cost is \$200 plus the cost of whatever rough-outs you buy. Currently the class is full, but I can squeeze in 1 more if there is a club member who like to take the class.

Upcoming Carving Events

Mar 13 – 17, 2017: Izo Becic will be teaching a class at the First Baptist Church in Lampe, MO. For information contact Sue Spoley at 773 251-2280.

Mar 20 – 24, 2017: Ozarks Woodcarving Seminar, Springfield MO. For information check their website at www.ozarkswoodcarvingseminar.com

May 6 – 7, 2017: North Arkansas Woodcarvers 37th Annual Woodcarving Show & Sale; Mountain Home Arkansas For Information check their website <http://www.northarkansaswoodcarvers.org>

Check the website for more upcoming events.



Some of the gang working And/or talking

January Birthdays



Happy Birthday to:
Fred Albert 1/27

I don't have a lot of birthdays in the roster – so we may end up dropping this section. If you want your birthday in please send it to me.

New Members

Frank Smith and Pat Bell have rejoined the club – welcome back. Ralph Earl's wife Darla is also a club member.

Show & Tell

Andrew Mease – Peacock out of scrap walnut from his back yard. Stew Blain – Elm spoon for Cindy Herren from wood she found in her back yard – this wood was very very hard. Andrew won the \$5.



Andrew Mease



Stew Blain

